

On motion of the Honorable Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, seconded by Mr. Solicitor General *Smith*,

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

*Ordered*, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

*Resolved*, That Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session be appointed for the following purposes:—1. On Privileges and Elections. 2. On Expiring Laws. 3. On Railroads, Canals, and Telegraph Lines. 4. On Miscellaneous Private Bills. 5. On Standing Orders. 6. On Printing. 7. On Contingencies. 8. On the Public Accounts;—which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to them by the House, and to report from time to time, their observations and opinions thereon; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received from the Commissioner appointed for the examination of Witnesses on the trial of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the City of *Quebec*, a copy of his proceedings under the said Commission.

Mr. Speaker further acquainted the House, That he had on the first of February instant, issued his Warrant for the re-assembling of the Select Committee on the City of *Quebec* Election Petition, on the twentieth day of February instant, provided Parliament shall be then sitting, and in case Parliament shall not be then sitting, then on the third Monday next after the commencement of the then next Session of Parliament, to take the proceedings of the said Commission into consideration.

Mr. Speaker also acquainted the House, That he had received from the Commissioner appointed for the examination of Witnesses on the trial of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Argenteuil*, a copy of his proceedings under the said Commission.

Mr. Speaker further acquainted the House, That he had on the first of February instant, issued his Warrant for the re-assembling of the Select Committee on the *Argenteuil* Election Petition, on the twenty-sixth day of February instant, provided Parliament shall be then sitting, and in case Parliament shall not be then sitting, then on the third Monday next after the commencement of the then next Session of Parliament, to take the proceedings of the said Commission into consideration.

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

By Mr. *Mackenzie*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Haldimand*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Townships of *Moulton* and *Sherbrooke*; and the Petition of *Duncan McEachern* of *Dunwich*.

By Mr. *Hartman*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*,—Six Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Simcoe*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Essa*, County of *Simcoe*.

By Mr. *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion*,—The Petition of *John Bothwell* and others, of the Township of *Durham*.