

County of
Middlesex
Election.

Mr. Williams from the Select Committee, appointed to try the merits of the Petition of *William Notman*, Esquire, of *Dundas*, in the *Gore* District; complaining of the undue Election and Return of *Edward Ermatinger*, Esquire, to represent the County of *Middlesex* in this present Parliament; reported that the Committee met this day, pursuant to adjournment, but were unable to proceed to business in consequence of the absence of Mr. *Dickson* their Chairman.

County of Ox-
ford Election.

Mr. *Chauveau*, Chairman of the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition of the Honourable *Francis Hincks*, of the City of *Montreal*, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *Robert Riddell*, Esquire, Sitting Member for the County of *Oxford*, reported that the Committee met this day at nine o'clock A.M. pursuant to adjournment, but were unable to proceed to business in consequence of the absence of Mr. *Dickson* and Mr. *Bertrand*, Members of the Committee.

Members to at-
tend in their
places.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dickson*, Member for the Town of *Niagara*, and Mr. *Bertrand*, Member for the County of *Rimouski*, do severally attend in their places in this House at the next Sitting thereof.

Motion for an
Address on re-
construction of
the Executive
Council.

Mr. *Cameron* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency, the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency may be pleased to inform this House what Negotiations or Correspondence, if any, have taken place between the Executive Council, or any Member thereof, and any of the Members of this House or of the other Branch of the Legislature, on the subject of a reconstruction of the Cabinet, by the resignation of one or more, or the dismissal of one or more of the present Members thereof, and the admission of other Gentlemen to fill their places, with the dates, &c. of such correspondence.

The Question having been put upon the said motion, a division ensued, and the names being called for, they were taken down as followeth:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Baldwin*, *Berthelot*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Desautier*, *DeWitt*, *Drummond*, *Franchère*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Lacoste*, *LaFontaine*, *Lantier*, *Laterrière*, *Laurin*, *LeMoine*, *Leslie*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Méhot*, *Morin*, *Nelson*, *Price*, *Roblin*, *Rousseau*, *Scott*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, and *Watts*.—(32.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Boulton*, *Brooks*, *Cayley*, *Chalmers*, *Christie*, *Coleile*, *Cummings*, *Daly*, Attorney General *Draper*, *Duggan*, *Ermatinger*, *Foster*, *Gowan*, *Hale*, *Jessup*, *Johnston*, *Macdonald* of *CORNWALL*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Macdonell* of *DUNDAS*, *McConnell*, *Meyers*, *Monro*, *Papineau*, *Petrie*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, Solicitor General *Sherwood*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, Attorney General *Smith*, *Stewart* of *BYTOWN*, *Stewart* of *PRESCOTT*, Solicitor General *Taschereau*, *Viger*, *Webster*, *Williams*, and *Woods*.—(38.)

So it passed in the negative.

Registry Bill
(U. C.)

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood* have leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Registry Laws of *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Address for
more frequent
mails from
England.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty; praying that she will be pleased to cause such measures to be adopted as will

ensure to Her Majesty's subjects in the North American Colonies a more frequent transmission of the Mails during the winter months by means of the Royal Mail Steamers, than is at present afforded.

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Robinson*, Mr. *Webster*, and Mr. *Christie*, be appointed to draw up and report the draught of an Address to Her Majesty pursuant to the foregoing Resolution.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. *Aylwin*, seconded by Mr. *Christie*,

Resolved, That the Copy of the Report of the Commissioners appointed by the Imperial Government to inquire into the affairs of the Post Office in *British North America*, transmitted to this House yesterday by Message from His Excellency, the Administrator of the Government, be referred to a Select Committee of nine Members, to report thereon with all convenient speed by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

On motion of Mr. *Stewart* of *Bytown*, seconded by Mr. *Macdonald* of *Kingston*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency, the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House any information he may have, or correspondence which may have taken place between the Provincial Government, the Colonial Secretary, the Master General of the Honourable the Board of Ordnance, or the respective Officers of the Ordnance in this Province, in reference to a Bill passed in the last Session of Parliament, and reserved for Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, intituled "An Act to explain and amend part of an Act passed in the seventh year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled 'An Act for vesting in the principal Officers of Her Majesty's Ordnance the Estates and property therein described, for granting certain powers to the said Officers,' and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Administrator of the Government, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honourable the Executive Council of this Province.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. *Viger* have leave to bring in a Bill for better regulating the Formalities of Authentic *Actes* passed before Notaries.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday the seventh of April next.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. *Robinson*, seconded by Mr. *Lantier*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency, the Administrator of the Government, praying His Excellency to inform this House respecting the expenditure of the thirty thousand pounds, granted by the 4th and 5th *Victoria*, chap. 28, "for improving the main Northern road from Lake Ontario at Toronto to Lake Huron."

1st. The amount expended by the Board of Works under Mr. *Hawkins*, for exploring and surveying the road from *Bradford* to *Barrie*, and for similar expenses on the road from *Bradford* to *Barrie* via *Bond Head* and the *Essa Line*.

Post-office re-
port referred to
Committee of
nine.

Address for
correspondence
relating to
Vesting Act.

Authentic
Actes Bill

Address relat-
ing to the Ex-
penditure on
Huron Road
from Toronto.