

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were severally read :—

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Nottawasaga*, in the County of *Simcoe*; praying for the amendment of the Assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Oro* and *Innisfil*, in the County of *Simcoe*; severally praying for the incorporation of "The *Simcoe* County Bank."

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*; of *Samuel Gunn* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; and of the Corporation of the City of *Hamilton*; severally praying against the passing of the Act to amalgamate the *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron*, and *Grand Trunk Railway Companies*.

Of *David Dunkerley* and others, of *Durham*, in the County of *Drummond*; praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in *Lower Canada*.

Of the Canadian Board of Management of "The English and Canadian Mining Company," [limited]; and of the Honorable *Charles Allyn* and others, Shareholders of the said Company; severally praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the said Company in *Canada*.

Of the *Moore* Agricultural Society of the County of *Lambton*; praying for the amendment of the Agricultural Act of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Second Division of the County of *Charlevoix*; praying for aid for the repair of a certain road in the said County.

Of the Reverend *J. Maurault* and others, of the Parish of *St. Thomas de Pierreville*, County of *Yamaska*; praying for an Act to change the tenure of the lands held by the *Abenakis* Indians at *St. François de Salles* and for other purposes.

Of *Richard Atkinson Clarke*, of the Town of *St. Catharines*, in the County of *Lincoln*; praying for the payment of certain arrears of salary due to his late father, the Reverend *James Clarke*.

Of *Henry Meyer* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated as "The German Society of the City of *Montreal*."

And of *Patrick McGuire* and others, of *Cobourg*; praying that the Roman Catholic minority in *Upper Canada* may, in the event of a Federal Union of the British North American Provinces, be placed on the same footing in regard to Education: 1 subjects as the Protestant minority in *Lower Canada*.

The Honorable Sir *E. P. Taché* presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the sixth instant, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a Statement shewing the amount contributed to the Common School Fund created by the Act 12 *Victoria*, Chapter 200, from the sales of land in *Upper* and *Lower Canada* respectively.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :—

(*vide Sessional Papers*.)

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Ninth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—