

sent coins, nor so high as to be unfair in principle,—from these causes the value of the sovereign would be, at the lowest, twenty-four shillings, and six pence, currency—at the highest, twenty-five shillings; the advantage of the latter rate being that there would be no loss to the Province, and no fractional parts to calculate.

Wherefore petitioners pray that the House will give sanction to a bill altering the money of accounts of *Canada*, to sterling, the same as in the *United Kingdom*, making the British Gold Sovereign the only legal tender—British Silver to be change only to a limited amount, and affixing the value of such sovereign, in the adjusting of present accounts, at from twenty-four shillings and sixpence to twenty-five shillings, currency.

Ordered—That the said Petition do lie upon the table.

The order of the day for the second reading of Bill to regulate the fisheries in the District of *Gaspé*, being read.

Ordered—That the said order of the day, be postponed until to-morrow.

Second reading Gaspé fishery bill postponed.

The order of the day for the House in Committee on the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General, to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, being read—

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

House in Committee of whole on His Ex. the Gov. Gen. speech at opening of Session.

Mr. *Morris* took the chair of the Committee, and, after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. *Morris* reported that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Progress reported.

Ordered—That the said Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for better securing the independence and uprightness of the judges, being read—

Ordered—That the said order of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Second reading Judges Independency bill postponed.

Then on motion of Mr. *Aylwin*, seconded by Mr. *Hamilton*, The House adjourned until to-morrow at ten o'clock, A. M.

Martis 22^o die Junii ;

Anno 4^o *Victoriæ Reginae*, 1841.

10 o'clock A. M.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following letter :—

Kingston, 22nd June, 1841.

Letter from Sergeant at Arms.

SIR,—

From the circumstances of my having received the appointment of Sergeant at Arms only a few days before the meeting of Parliament, I was obliged to leave my private affairs, in an unsettled state, and being anxious to return for a time, may I request the favor of your making application to the House of Assembly for permission to have the duties of Sergeant at Arms done by Deputy.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

(Signed)

GEO. K. CHISHOLM,
Sergeant at Arms.

To the Honorable the Speaker }
of the House of Assembly, }
&c., &c., &c. }