

SATURDAY, 5th February.

Mr. Viger from the committee on the bill to repeal and amend the Judicature Act, reported a bill to facilitate the Administration of Justice throughout the Province, which was received, read a first time, and ordered for a second reading on Wednesday next.

The bills to incorporate the Cities of Quebec and Montreal, after receiving several amendments, were ordered to be engrossed.

The bill to alter and amend an Ordinance of the 25th of the late King to regulate the proceedings of the Courts, of Civil Judicature, and to establish trials by Jury in actions of a commercial nature and personal wrongs to be compensated in damages, was referred to a special committee.

The petition of Jacques Morin, Junior, and of the Inhabitants of St. Thomas, after having been considered in a committee of the whole House, was on motion of Mr. Blanchet, re-committed to a special committee, on a division of yeas 27, nays 2.
Monday 7th February.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that the Sergeant at Arms from sudden illness could not attend his duty, and Jacques, Langlois, Special Messenger to the House, was, on Motion of Mr. Taschereau, appointed to act in his stead.

Mr. Cuivillier as one of the Messengers to His Excellency, with an Address praying a Copy of the Receiver General's Account Current; and a Statement of the Bonds due and outstanding on the Revenue of the Customs at the Port of Quebec, reported that to the first His Excellency was pleased to say that he would comply with the desires of the House; to the second, that he would send an answer by Message.

The Statements of the Montreal and Canada Banks being laid before the House by Mr. Speaker, on Motion of Mr. Quirouët, they were, with that of the Quebec Bank, referred to a Special Committee.

On Motion of Mr. Vallières, it was resolved that this House will on Monday next go into Committee, to consider whether or not it would be expedient to facilitate to persons having claims against His Majesty's Civil Government in this Province the exercise of their legal recourse.

The Flour Inspectors' Bill was read a second time and referred.

The House in committee on Mr. Thirtwall's Petition rose without reporting, by which all further consideration of the Petition is put off.

The Bill for the qualification of Justices of the Peace, was read a second time and referred.

The House went into Committee on Mr. Simpson's Motion, to consider of the expediency of establishing Register Offices in the Province, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Friday next. [A Debate ensued on this Motion, in which various opinions on the expediency of establishing Register Offices were given.]

The House on the Report of the Committee on the Petition of M. M. Dessaulles and De St. Ours, refused to lay aside the Petition against their Return for want of security, resolved on Motion of Mr. Taschereau, that "inasmuch as it appears to this House, that the security given by the person complaining against the Election for the County of Richelieu is not according to law, this House will proceed no further on their Petition." Mr. Vallières in amendment moved to add "until the said Petitioners have given security as required by Law"—the amendment was rejected, yeas 8, nays 19; Mr. Bourdages then moved, "that all further proceeding on the Petition be suspended, and that the lateral lines of the County of Richelieu, and the situation of the properties of Guillaume Bouthillier, in the Seigneurie of Hyacinthe, and of Martin Malherbes, in Action, be verified;" rejected yeas 8, nays 19: the main Motion by Mr. Taschereau was then agreed to, yeas 19, nays 8.

TUESDAY, 8th February.

Mr. Taschereau from the Committee on the Bill to continue the Militia laws reported several amendments, which with the bill were referred to a committee of the whole house on Friday next.

Mr. Vallières from the committee on the bill to amend the ordinance of the 25th Geo. III. to establish trials by Jury &c. reported that the committee had gone through the bill and had made several amendments; the whole were referred to a committee of the house on Friday next.