

12.—Standing Committee on the Public Accounts.

Matters referred:

The Public Accounts for 1853, and 1854.

Such portions of the following Returns, &c., as refer to the receipt and expenditure of the Revenue by Public Accountants, viz.:—1. Reports of Superintendents of Education. 2. Bursar's Return for Toronto University and College. 3. Postmaster General's Report to March, 1853. 4. Statement of receipts from Upper Canada Fee Fund, and the surplus or deficiency therein. 5. Report of Commissioners of Public Works. 6. Postmaster General's Report for year ending 31st March, 1854.

Return relative to Public Defaulters.

Return relative to the Employeés of the Government.

Instruction (on 12th October) to enquire and report upon the expediency of keeping the Provincial Accounts in Decimal Currency.

First Report, 25th October; *Second Report*, 11th Decémber; *Third Report*, 11th April; *Fourth Report*, 12th April; *Fifth Report*, 13th April.

13.—On Bill (No. 3,) to compel attendance of Witnesses before the Superior Courts. *Report*, 25th September.

14.—On Temperance.

The following Petitions, on the subject of Temperance, (received up to 17th October, and by a subsequent order, those received up to 30th March,) referred :

That the several Municipalities in Upper Canada may be authorized to prohibit Houses of Public Entertainment from selling or giving Intoxicating Liquors on the Lord's Day; From the Municipal Council of the County of Kent.—That Municipal Councils may be authorized to regulate and control the issuing of Shop Licences for the sale of Wines and Spirituous Liquors; From the Municipal Council of the County of Sherbrooke.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen, and citizens of Montreal; and of the Reverend N. Pelletier, and others, of the Township of Stanfold, for certain amendments to the Tavern License Laws, for the suppression of Intemperance.

Of James Morton, and others, Brewers and Distillers, of Kingston, against the proposed Bill to prevent the sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

In favor of a Law to prohibit the manufacture and sale of Intoxicating Liquors, except for Medicinal and Mechanical purposes; From the following Divisions of the Order of the Sons of Temperance: Wellington Division, No. 40; Laskay Division, No. 226; Triumph Division, No. 351; Oxford Division, No. 383; Wilton Division, No. 50; Gananoque Division, No.