PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT. VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE ASSEMBLY: Toronto April 18th.

aker laid before the House Statements of the affairs of the Bank of British North America at the close of the year 1854 pursuant to Royal Charter; and of its Canadian Branches and Agencies on the 31st March, 1856;—Of the Quebec Bank on the 31st March, 1856;-Of Molson's Bank on the 31st March, 1856;—Of the Zimmerman Bank on the 31st March, 1856;—and of the Com-mercial Bank of the Middland District on

laid on the table.

Petitions received and read : Of the Municipality of the Parish of St. Joseph de Soulanges,—and of the Municipality of the Township of Elgin; praying for certain amendements to the Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

Of the Town Council of the Town of Brockville; praying that the surplus of Macdonald, the Message of His teel-the Clergy Reserve Fund may be divided lency of the 1st instant, on the subj t of

among the Municipalities of Towns and Townships in Upper Canada. Of the Town Council of the Town of Brockville; praying for certain amend-ments to the Assessment Laws, of Upper Canada.

Of Noble Brown, and others, of the Township of Hamilton; praying that the Bill now before the House to repeal an Act passing during the last Session, confirming a Survey between the 6th and 7th concessions of the Township of Hamilton, may not become law.

Of the Municipality of the Township of East Farnham; praying for the passing of an Act to create the Counties of Shefof an Act to create the Counties of Sher-ford, Missisquet, and Brome into an In-dependent Indicial District.

Of F. O. Anderson, and others, of the

Town of Keswick, Of H. Stennett, and others, of the Town of Keswick and vicipity,-Oi James Griffith, and others of the Town of Merrittville,-Of Samue G. Ogden, and others of the Township of Toronto,—Of Isaac Honsberger, and others of the Township of Rainham,—Of John McDonald, and others of the Village of Tillsonburgh,—Of J. B. Brown, and others Tillsonburgh,—Of J. B. Brown, and others of the Township of Moulton, County of Haldimand,—Of James Kent junior, and others, of the Township of Rainham and Walpole,—and of Robert DeCew, and others, of the Township of Oneida, County of Haldimand; praying that representation may be based upon population.
Of W. G. Cook, and others of the Township of Hatley,—and of Charles Towle, and others, of the Township of Asset. Eastern Township: praying that

Ascot, Eastern Township; praying that one of the contemplated Normal Schools may be located in some part of the Eastern

Of D. Davidson, and others, of the City of Montreal; praying that the Bill now before the House to relieve employes in public departments from Sunday labor, may become law, Of C. Cormier, and others, of the Village

of Plessisville, -and of H. J. Griffing, and others, of the Village of L'Avenir; praying "protection of the personal rights of J nes that no further Provincial guarantee may "Stuart, William Cook, and others, far be given to the Grand Trunk Railway "as they may be affected by the

Company.

Of Mrs. Stewart, and others, of the The said amendment was,
Township of Gloucester,—Of Mrs. Mary leave of the House, withdrawn. Kettles, and others, of the Township of Gloucester,—Of Donald Robertson, and other, of the Township of Gloucester,—and of Charles Kettles, senior, and others, of the Township of Gloucester, praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor referred back to the Committee with an

Of John Crumbie, and others, of the ing that a Commission, to be composed the Gore of Toronto,—and of the Buffalo, Brantford and Goderich William Kellington, and others, of the Country of Peel; praying that the United Countres of York and Peel may not be pointed to examine into and deter

separated.

Of the Paris and adjacent Townships
Horticultural and Mechanical Association;

Praying for aid.

Of the Reverend Robert Rodgers, and others, of the County of Oxford; praying that means may be adoped to prevent the unnecessary expenditure of the endowment of King's College.

Of the Municipality of the Township of South Cayuga, County of Haldimand, —and of William Boylan, and others, of the County of Lambton; praying for the County of Lambton; praying for the County of the Rodgers, and laborers employed in the constructio of the said road, and to provide for the ment of such claims by such Counts on; negatived on a division.

The Bill was then ordered to be rething time on Monday next.

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Township of Ops, County of Victoria,— and of the Reverend James A. Thomson, and others, of Trenton; praying for the abolition of Sunday labor in the Post Office Department, and on the St. Law-

not be compelled to contribute towards "cipalities;"
the expense of the Governmet Police, nor
The said amendment, was by leave be deprived of its revenue from fines levied in the Recorder's Court:

Of the Reverend A. E. Dufresne, and

others, of the Town of Sherbrooke; praying aid for the erection of a Convent in the said Town,
Of the Reverend Ambroise Groulx, Cure of St. Benoit; praying aid for the L'Hos-

pice Youville.

Hon. Mr. Young presented the Sec and Report of the Standing Committee on the Public Accounts.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Cameron, it was

Resolved. That this House doth conou in the Address of the Honorable the Legislative Council to His Excellency the

Governor General, requesting His Ex-cellenct to transmi the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of a claim for Income Tax on the subject of a claim for Income Tax under Imperial Statutes, on Canadian Securities held by residents in Canada, in such a way as His Excellency may deem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne; that the blank therein be filled up with the words "and Le rislative Assembly;" and that the said Address be signed by Mr. Speaker on betalf of this House:—and a Message was sent to the Council, to acquaint them therewith.

Munito, Sanbora, Somervine, Sup Terrill, Wright, Yeilding, and Young 23.

Messieurs, Alleyn, Bourassa, Brod Cartier, Casault Cauchon, Cayley, Cha Chapais, Clarke, Conger, Crysler, D Charles Daoust, Jean B. Daoust, I aulniers, Dionne, Dostaler, Attorney G eral, Drummond, Dufresne, Egan Everally the Cartier, Felton, Thomas Fortier, Oct C. Fortier, Fournier, Gill, Guevrement

of James K. Benson and others, of the Tevra of St. Catherines.
On motion of Mr. Gamble, the Report of the Law Clerk, under the Order of the Standing Committee on Contingencies, Standing Committee on Continue than Instruction to enquire services rendered by Mr. Keele.

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introduced the said Bill; second r

on Monday next.

Mr. Papin introduced a Bill to prove effectual means for securit payment of life annuities, (rentes via second reading on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Ferrie, the lerect the Municipality of the Villa Galt into that of a Town, was compared to the Monday next. for Monday next.

Hon. Mr. Cameron intro

to amend the Act of incorporation Woodstock and Lake Erie Railwa Harbour Company; second readii Wednesday next. Mr. Solicitor General Smith intro

a Bill to amend the Act for the que fica-Nineteen Petitions were brought up and ing on Tuesday next.

Hon. Mr. Attorney General Mac

ntroduced a Bill to authorize the of Queen's Bench, Chancery, and Co Pleas, to admit Benjamin Wall practise as an Attorney and Si herein, respectively; second readii Tuesday next.

On motion of Hon. Attorney Gaols in Upper Canada, was referred

Sir,—I am commanded by His lency the Governor General to info that it is His Excellency's intent roceed to the Legislative Council ber on Monday next, at half-past o'clock; to assent, in Her Majesty's to certain Bills passed by the Legi Council and Assembly. I have the honour to be.

R. T. PENNEFATH R. The Honorable The Speaker of the Legislati Assembly.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Cayley House resolved to go into Commt Tuesday next, to consider certain R tions on the subject of certain amend to the Tariff of Customs

On motion of Hon. Mr. Attorney eral Drummond, the Orders of the were read. A Message was received from the islative Council agreeing to the tw

lowing Bills without any amendme Bill to explain and amend the Clarter of the City Bank. Bill to increase the capital stock o Port Darlington Harbour Company.

The Order of the Day being rea esuming the adjourned debate of Crawford's motion of yesterday, that Speaker do leave the Chair for the to go into Committee on the Bill to corporate the Buffalo and Lake I Railway Company, and for other purand on Mr. Brown's amendment to, which amendment was, "that the recommitted, with an instructi make provision in the measure for

instruction to amend the same by pr upon all claims due by the said B Brantford and Goderich Railway pany, to its officers, servants, and

the County of Lambton; praying for the repeal of the Separate School Act.

Of the Toronto Horticultural Society; praying for the passing of an Act for the encouragement of Horticulture.

Of John A. Gilchrist, and others, of the "be re-committed, for the purpose of the series of the "be re-committed, for the purpose of "ing out the first Resolution and subs "ing instead thereof, That the powe "the School Commissioners shall "transferred to and vasted in the "'Municipal Councils in Lower Car "in so far as relates to raising by as

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Montreal; praying that such amendments may be made in the Bill now before the House for the establishment of a Provincial Police Forze, that the City of Montreal will preserve its rights to maintain a Police Force, and "for so far as relates to raising by as sufficient and rate any sums of mone for "School purposes, and that the said is manual amount as may by said Councils be "deemed sufficient and necessary for the City of Montreal will preserve its rights to maintain a Police Force, and "mon Schools in their respective Maintain a Police Force, and "mon Schools in their respective Maintain a Police Force, and "mon Schools in their respective Maintain a Police Force, and "ment and rate any sums of mone for "school purposes, and that the said is manual to the said is mone for "school purposes, and that the said is manual to the said is mone for "school purposes, and that the said is manual to the said is mone for "school purposes, and that the said is manual to the sai

the House, withdrawn. The question for receiving the Re being again put;
Mr. Somerville moved in amendn

That the Report be recommitted for purpose of substituting the following:
"That the School Commissioner: "Lower Canada shall have power to ra by assessment and rate any sums of m ey which they may deem sufficient necessary for the due support and materiance of common Schools in the

Messieurs Aikins, Brown, Chris Cook, Darche, DeWitt, Jean B. E. Dor Antoine A. Dorion, Frazer, Galt, Go Hartman, Hotton, Mackenzie, Matu Munro, Sanborn, Somerville, Sup Terrill, Wright, Yeilding, and Young

On motion of Hon. Mr. Merrit, the Petition of Nathan Pawling and others, of the Village of Port Dalhonsie, was referred to the Select Comittee on the Petition of James K. Benson and others Angus Morrison, Polette Poulin, Poul Robinson, Roblin Jones Ross, Solic General Smith, Spence, Stevens Tache, Thibaudeau Turcotte, and Val

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"and the power of establishing "Schools be left with the Commiss "as now provided by the 14th Section "the Lower Canada School Law Amen ment Act of 1849;"

Messieurs Aikins, Bourassa, Brown Christie, Cooke, Charles Daoust, Darche DeWitt, Jean B. E. Dorion, Antoine A. Dorion, Fraser, Galt, Gould, Hartman. Holton, Mackenzie, Mattice, Munro, Sanborn, Somerville, Supple, Valois, Wright, and Young,-24.

Messieurs Alleyn, Brodeur, Cartier, Casault, Cauchon, Cayley, Chabot, Chapais, Clarke, Conger, Crysler, Daly, Jean B. Daoust, Desaulniers, Dionne, Attorney General Drummond, Dufresne. Evanturel, Felton, Thomas, Fortier Octave C. Fortier, Fournier, Gill, Guevre-mont, Labelle, Laberge, Le Boutillier, at the credit of each such service. Lemieux Loranger, Macbeth, Attorney General Macdonald, McCann, Marchildon Masson, Meagher Mongenais, Joseph C. Morrison, Angus Morrison, Polette, Poulin, Pouliot, Robinson, Roblin, James Ross, Solicitor General Smith, Spence, Stevenson, Tache, Terrill, Thibaudeau, and

Turcotte,-57. Mr. Somervill then moved in amend ment, That the Report be recommitted for the purpose of leaving out the 4th Resolution setting apart the sum of £450

Instruction; negatived on a division.

Mr. Somerville then moved in amendment, that the Report be recommitted for the purpose of substituting the following:

—"That the sum of £1,000 mentiond in the 3rd Resolution, be distributed among the several Scholastic Municipalities, "according to population, to be expended by the School Commissioners in aid of any poor School in their Municipality, "which they consider requires it." negative do na division.

Mr. Somerville then moved in amendment, that the Report be recommitted for the purpose of substituting the following:

— "That the sum of £1,000 mentiond in the 3rd Resolution, be distributed among address to Her Majesty and His Excellency, on the subject of a claim for Income Tax under Imperial situations held by residents in Canada.

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"The Order of the Day, for the House to go into Committee to consider certain proposed resolutions on the subject of certain amendments to the Tariff of Customs, being read, Mr. Cayley moved that the Speaker do leave the Chair.

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"ment of Common School Inspectors be repealed;" negatived on a division.

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—"That so much of the 16th section of the said Act passed in the 12th year of ther Majesty's Reign, as provides that no distribution of the said act passed in the "judgment rendered upon the suits and prosecutions therein referred to shall be liable to be appealed from, and that no an instruction to the Committee of the Whole "such suit or prosecution shall be remov"ed by write of certiorari, shall be and is ad valorem duties—Yeas, 36—Nays, 55. "hereby repealed;" negatived on a di. The main motion was then agreed to, and

Mr. Laberge moved in amendment that the Report be recommitted for the purpose of amending the 1st Resolution, and obtained leave to sit again on Friday by inserting between the words "not next. exceeding" and "that," the words "twice the amount of;" negatived on a divisi

The question being then put upon the report was received.

The Resolutions reported from the Com

mittee of the Whole, were then agreed to

Trustees of Dissentient Schools, in Lower Canada, be empowered to raise by assessment and rate, for Common School purposes, an additional sum not exceeding that which they may now raise under the tenth sub-section of the twenty-first section of the Lower Canada Act of 1856, (9 Vict., 27 and also a sum not exceeding 30 per tenth sub-section of the twenty-first section of the Lower Canada Act of 1856, (9 Vict., 27 and also a sum not exceeding 30 per tenth sub-section of the twenty-first section of the Lower Canada Act of 1856, (9 Vict., 27 and also a sum not exceeding 30 per tenth sub-section of the twenty-first section of the Lower Canada Act of 1856, (9 Vict., 27 and also a sum not exceeding 30 per tenth sub-section of the twenty-first section of the Lower Canada Act of 1856, (9 Vict., 27 and also a sum not exceeding 30 per tenth sub-section of the twenty-first section of the Lower Canada Act of 1856, (9 Vict., 28 and 29 and 2 ail

which any Municipality may be entitled for any year, the Superintendent of Schools for Lower Canada be authorised, with the approval of the Governor in Council, to retain a sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds, towards the support of a Model School in such Municipality, as intended to be established under the fourteenth or correct his own statement of the support of a Model information before should be allowed.

Mr, Mackenzie

3. That out of the Legislative Grant for Common Schools in Lower Canada, a sum not exceeding One Thousand Pounds be yearly set apart for special aids to Common Schools in poor Municipalities in Lower Canada.

4. That out

Int, Mackenzie urged the necessity for economy.

Mr. Young complained that no system was pursued in the arrangement of the tariff.

Mr. Merritt urged the necessity for equally protecting all the manufactures of the country.

Mr. Bowes support.

dred and Fifty Pounds be yearly set man had to use, be relieved as far as apart for encouraging the publication and circulation of a Journal of Public Instruc-

tion in Lower Canada.

5. That out of the said Legislative Grant a sum not exceeding Five Hundred Pounds be yearly set apart towards forming a Fund for the support of superannuated and worn-out Common School Teachers in Lower Canada.

6. That the sums mentioned in the three next preceding resolutions be expended by the Superintendent of Schools for Lower Canada, under regulations to Mr. Attorney German Schools Mr. Attorney German Mr. Attorney Mr. Attorney German Mr. Attorney German Mr. Attorney Mr. Attorney German Mr. Attorney Mr. Atto be made by him, with the approval of the

may be in the discretion of the School Commissioners, increased to an amount not exceeding seven per cent. on the moneys received by them as such, instead of Four per cent., as provided by the twenty-second section of the Lower Canada School Law Amendment Act of 1849 (12 Vict., c. 50.) such increased allowance to cover all services required of the Secretary-Treasurers by the School Commissioners or Trustees, and not to exceed thirty pounds in one year in any case.

Hon. Mr. Cartier introduced a Bill to amend the Common School Laws, and further to promote Elementary Education in Lower Canada; second read on Tues-The House then adjourned, until 3 P.M on Monday next.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. Young—For the printing of the Second Report of the Standing Committee on public Accounts.

Mr. Clarke—On Tuesday next—To suspend the 62nd Rule of this House as regards the introduction of a Bill to inorposate the Village of Elora.

Mr.Felton—On Monday next—Enquiry of Ministry, whether they propose to take any steps to enquire into and improve the

Mr. Felton-On Monday next-To refe

General, praying him to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House copies of two memorials presented to His Excellency by William M. Kelly, Esquire, late Collector of Customs for, the Port of Toronto and bearing date in June and November last, with his letter to the faented to His Exspector General transmitting the and any replies that have been

Mr. Brown-On Monday next-For Return of the amount of Cash in the Public Chest on the 1st of April last, shewing how much of the said sum is at the disposal of Parliament, the general services to which the balance of the said

Mr. J. B. E. Dorion-On Monday next -Address to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Correspondence which may have passed between the Imperial and Provincial Government on the subject of the Jesuits' Estates.

Mr. Chisholm—On Monday next—Bill to amend the Act 12 Vict., chap.

mitted to Parliament, especially until it has been ascertained what demands are to be made on the public chest by default of the Grand

The question being again put that the Speaker do leave the chair.

Mr. Galt moved, in amendment, that it b Mr. Speaker having left the chair, the House went into Committee. The Committee after

Several petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Mr. Holton, in the absence of moved that hereafter the House sit on Satur

and Fortier, on the ground of informality
Attorney General Drummond suggested that
the subject should lie over until Monday.
Mr. Holton acceded to the suggestion.
Mr. Drummond moved that hereafter
Government measures be taken up on Wed-

of the Lower Canada Act of 1806, (9 Vict., c. 27, and also a sum not exceeding 30 per cent. instead of 15 per cent. as authorised to be levied under the 37th section of the 9th Victoria, chap. 27, for the purpose of making good any deficiency which may arise in the collection of the Assessment and to cover the expenses of collection and any unforseen or contingent expenditure.

2. That out of the School moneys to which any Municipality may be entitled.

be shown for them. Mr Brown said the fact that the Inspec tor General felt so frequently called up House the necessity of requiring the fulles information before any increase in the tariff

Lower Canada.

4. That out of the said Legislative Grant, a sum not exceeding Four Hunth of the said Legislative that the necessaries of life, which every poor that the necessaries of life is not the necessaries of life.

Mr. Hartman asked the Inspector Gen-eral when the tariff was to be brought into

Mr. Cayley said he would bring in bill in a few days, and would then in The Committee rose, and the an were ordered to be taken into consideratio

Mr. Attorney General McDonald moved the second reading of the bill to amend the Clergy

7. That there be established a Council of Public Instruction for Lower Canada, to consist of the Superintendent of Schools and unpaid Members to be appointed by the Governor; and that the Salary of the Secretary of such Council and the contingent expenses thereof be paid as part of the contingent expenses of the Education Office for Lower Canada.

8. That the remuneration of the Secretary-Treasurers of School Municipalities may be in the discretion of the School Commissioners, increased to an amount Indian Council and the Council and the County Councils, to be appropriated for the county Councils, to be appropriated for the sustenance of Grammar Schools.

Mr. Chisholm was in favor of the bill.

The Grammar Schools were not the Schools of the people. The Common Schools were under the control of the Township, and might be well supported by these funds.

Mr. Gamble said the Grammar Schools Schools of the people. Grammar Schools of the people.

Under this bill the money could be frittered away, and no permanent advantage would be Mr. Sol. General Smith said it would be

Mr. Gould thought the money should be granted, instead of distributing it as proposed.

mong the Municipalities.

Mr. McDonald replied.

Mr. Scatcherd thought the p

The bill was read a second the House went into con-

Westerly tirretion. He knew

read that day six months.

Mr. Sydney Smith supported the bill.
Mr. Chisholm was surprised that any objection should be raised to the accord reading.
Mr Sanborn thought it desireable that a general bill should be passed. He would vote for the second reading.

Mr. Dorion would move for the second reading, but would feel called upon to propose end ments in committ The motion for six months' Hoist

Nays......60 The House read a number of bills a ne and then adjourned.

ARRIVAL OF THE "AFRICA." New York, April 19.

The Africa reached her dock about a past five, with Liverpool dates to 5th

The news is generally unimportant.
The Peace Conference continued its itting at Paris. Considering the minor details, Peace had been proclaim at St. Petersburg, and was favorably received.
The Conference was not expected to get
through its labor for a month or more.
The United States Mediterranean Squad-

Market quiet. Western Canal Flour 30s to 34s; Ohio 35s to 36s White Yellow and mixed Corn steady. Weather had been favorable

London market active. Iron in good mand, at £8 2s 6d to £8 5s for Money market unchanged. Provisions generally quiet and unchang

Consols closed at 93 to 931. The Conference had one or two mal meetings to settle up details. The Africa brings about 100

The following from Lloyd's list may or may not have reference to the Pacific:—
"Figuera, March 24th.—The Skipouth arrived here. In coming off the Newfoundland coast fell in with ice to the dislays to take up the Private business before tance of 200 miles, and saw the light of a tain their positions in the Crimea until after arliament.
Objection being taken by Messrs. Masson left St. Johns, Newfoundland, 13th Feb.
The Journal des debats, of Thursday, the ruary."

> CRIMEA. 16 men were burnt in some wood its on the slope above Tadeben occu by the Commissariat department

ENGLAND. The business of Parliament had been mostly of home interests. Among the notices of motion, is one by Lord Goderich to ask whether a document which ha recently appeared, purporting to be a despatch written by the British Minister

at Washington to the Secretary of State of the United States, on the 27th February last, with reference to the dispute with Great Britain and the United States on the subject of Central America, is au-The armistice had extended both

The armistice had extended both on sea and land, and as a natural consequence the blockade of Russia port ceased.

The Military Board of Enquiry into the charges against certain Crimean officers had held its first public meeting.

An English Church is to be built at Constantinople as a memorial to the British who perished in the war.

Paris had been illuminated in honor of the and it was more general than the

Paris had been illuminated in honor of peace, and it was more general than the first demonstration; and the Orleanists and legitimists participated in it.

Nothing of importance from Spain. At Badajoz some alarm was created by squabbles arising between the troops and the

The organ of the Swedish Government olm states that the project fortifying that city would be regar

The signing of the treaty of peace had not been followed by any stringency in the Corn market. Flour and Wheat in demand at full previous rates, but other articles are now at quotations. Indian Corn has settled down to 30s to 31s, for all

FURTHER BY THE "AFRICA."
OFFICIAL DESPATCH FROM LORD m the London Gazette Ext

FOREIGN OFFICE, March 31 .- A de has been this morning received from the Earl of Clarendon, her Majesty's principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, dated Paris, March 30, announcing the signature of peace at two o'clock on that day, at the Foreign Office, Paris: —"The Plenipotentiaries of Cheet Paris: Office, Paris :—"The Plenipotentiaries of Great Britain, of Austria, of France, of Prnssia, of Russia, of Sardinia, and of Turkey, have affixed their signatures to the treaty which puts an end to the war, and which, while definitively settling the Eastern question, establishes the tranquillity of Europe on solid and durable bases. The exchange of the ratifications will take place at Paris in four weeks, ar sooner, if possible; until then, the stipulations of the treaty cannot be made public."

to occur, and numerous groups of markets at the latter place, was some in the

ectators gathered on the quays outside and ose to the Foreign Office to see the plenipo-ntiaries enter and issue it. These were retentiaries enter and issue it. These were received, both on going and returning, with marks of great respect from the people Everything took place as I had mentione d The moment the signatures were completed expected signal was given, and the cannon from the Esplanade of the Invalides proclaimed the news before the plenipotentiaries had quitted the hall. Soon after the public notice was posted upon the walls of Paris, and, I need hardly say, was read by thousands with intense curiosity, and with great satisfaction. Soon

Mr. Dorion objected to the power to raise their capital stock, given to companies under this Act, having a retrospective effect.

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Mr. Attorney General McDonald took the same view.

The bill was passed through Committee.

Mr. Drummond moved the second reading of his Incorporation Bill. Explained and defended its provisions.

Mr. Brown opposed the details of the measure, as calculated to perpetuate the evils of endowment. He thought the principles of the bill highly objectionable. He moved that the bill be not now read, but that it be read that day six months.

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Foreign Affairs and President of the Congress, was delivered of a girl this morning at mine o'clock, only three or four hours before her husband affixed his signature to the treaty her husband affixed his signature to the treaty of peace. The plenipotentiaries will continue to meet during the present week, as before, for the settlement of other matters, not of a light or unimportant character, which have not yet been settled. They and the residence members of the Diplomatic Corps dine in full uniform, which the Minister of Foreign Affairs to-morrow. The treaty will not be made public until the exchange of ratifications, and, as Constantinople and St. Petersburgh are distant from Paris, the plenipotentiaries remain still bound by their obligation of silence for two or three weeks to come. Orders have been sent to the transport squa fron at Toulon

been sent to the transport squa dron at Toulon to be ready to proceed to the Black Sea to bring home the troops."

The same writer states that when the plenipotentiaries repaired to the Tuileries immediately after the signature of th potentiaries repaired to the Tuileries immediately after the signature of the treaty, the Emperor remarked that the favourable result was in a great measure owing to the conciliatory spirit and the moderation which marked the policy of England. The treaty was the complete realization of the squeech of Lord Clarendon in the House of Lords, and

the peace was one which carried with it no graphs:—
humiliation to Russia and did not compromise "The n on was about to cruise off the coast of Spain.

Breadstuffs generally were changed.
Market quiet. Western Canal Flour separate yet for some time. Other questions are pending which it would not be proper to leave without consideration.

The Patrie says, that the four guarantees are comprehensively interpreted, and that the fifth paragraph has been settled in such a comprehensively interpreted in such a comprehensively interpreted, and that the fifth paragraph has been settled in such a comprehensively interpreted, and that the four guarantees of peace.

"On Sunday evening the whole city was spontaneously illuminated in a most brilliant."

n umiliating Russia.

The Times is informed that the treaty is to

the ratifications have been exchanged.

The Journal des debats, of Thursday, the 3rd instant, says that no decision has yet been pronounced with regard to the different systems proposed for the future organisation of the Danubian Principalities, but that the discussions upon the subject gave rise to another.

The Conference has decided and preserved meats, with which the army is always well provided was regularly made, and everything inspired the hope that the return of the fine weather would completely dissipate the unfavorable influences to which our army had latterly been subjected." The Conference has decided that no portion of the Turkish empire shall, under any pretext, whatsoever, be occupied by the allied

SEVEN DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE ARRIVAL OF THE "ARABIA". HALIFAX, April 23.

The Arabia arrived this morning.

FLOUR—Philadelphia, Baltimore and Ohio 35s a 35s 6d; Western 29s a 32s per In Beef nothing doing, but prices partly Pork in fair demand.

April 8, 8 p. m .- Beef and Pork flat and unchanged.

Breadstuffs.—arrivals very heavy. Wheat a shade lower. Flour firm; first qualities in good demand at late rates.

Inferior Western Canal quite neglected.

Corn rather lower, demand is small at 29s

a 30s per quarter.

Tallow firm, and improved. Lard in good demand, It is said that Austria gives trouble by per-

sisting in refusing to fix a time for the evacuation of the Principalities. tion of the Principalities.

The pretext is the necessity of protecting the pretext is the necessity of protecting the country from disorder, until regular administration, though she is bound by treaty to quit the Ottoman territory on the conclusion of peace. Russia is strongly adverse to this Austrian position.

Later intelligence however, states that the Austrian troops were leaving the Principalities.

The French army is to be reduced from 600,000 to 400,000. It is believed that Tussia will send

sador to Turm, as soon as ratification are exchanged.

ARRIVAL OF THE ARAGO. NEW YORK, April 23. The Arago arrived this morning, and brings 130 passengers, among them the Hon. J. Buchanan, ex-Minister to England, and Hy. Dubois, Minister from Holland to the United

The 'Arago' left Cowes on the morning of the 10th, and had moderate weather. She came South and off the Banks, but saw no ice-

'Times': The steamer 'Edinburgh,' hence, arrived in the Clyde on the 4th. The 'Hermann' and 'Arabia' arrived on the 6th. The arcelona' at Havre on the 5th. The two English steamers that went in search of the Pacific' have returned to Galway—nine days

uitless cruise.

Proceedings in the peace convention con-

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the two fleets hitherto maintained by Russia treaty was read over, produced to not to be reimstated.

Many grain and cotton vessels lying at

tions herself.

A despatch from Paris states the Allies have sent orders to raise all blockades which kept

Russia in neutral ports.

The French Government denies contemplating sending an expedition to Mohagazed, but advices from Toulon show the contrary. The Russian Minister, Fenorce, issued a notice on the 5th April, that the peace treaty being signed, the Merchant ves-sels of the western ports would be free from

Advices from St. Petersburgh state that the chibition of Russian produce had been re-

Le Nord states that the exchange of attifications would be effected on the 20th.

The ship 'Red Gauntlet,' from Melbourne, reports the steamer 'Schomberg' had been English money markets but little changed Funds rather heavy.

Foreign securities dull but improving. Consols 93, W. O. Young, ship-owner of Liverpool, has failed for a large amount.

NEW YORK MARKETS. Flour 124c lower and demand moderate; sales 450 bris at \$6 to \$6,12 for common to good State \$5,85 to 6,25 for mixed to good Western. Sales 400 bris Canadian at \$6,37

Corn one cent lower. Sales 25,000 bu els at 60c to 62c for mixed White and Yellow Southern, and 61c in store for old mixed

Wheat dull and two or three cents lower

Sterling Exchange in moderate demand at

FRANCE.

The ' Moniteur contains the following para-"The plenipotentiaries assembled at noon on Sunday, in uniform, at the Ministry of Foreign affairs, to sign the treaty. Immedi-

ately after the sitting all the Plenipotentaries repaired together to the Tuileries, where they had the honor of being received by the Em-"A salute of 101 guns, at 2 o'clock, announced to the people of Paris the conclusion

humiliating Russia.

The Times is informed that the treaty is to take effects from the date of its signature, and not as usual, from the date of its ratification.

"The latest news from Constantinople, by the Sinai," is to the 20th March. At that date the fears which had been excited by the outbreak of sickness in our army had begun 10 It is vain to speculate on the precise conditions upon which peace has been concluded; they may probably not be known for some days, although they can hardly be concealed during the whole period requisite for the exchange of the ratifications.

outbreak of sickness in our army had begun to wear away. For some days past the number of the sick had sensibly diminished. The construction upon the plateau, hitherto unoccupied by the troops, of thoroughly ventilated huts, placed a good distance apart, had enabled the soldiers whose state required especial

Mysterious Murder.—A young woman, supposed to be Elizabeth Johnston,
who had been for some time during last
fall, in service in Centrevill, but who had
previously been a stranger in that locality, was found apparently wilfully murdered, in a bush near one of the roads
which lead from Centreville to St
Catharines, on Thursday last. There is
every appearance that the corpse has laid
there for a considerable time. As yet
there is no clue to the perpetrator of this
foul deed. An inquest was held by Dr
Raymond, Coroner, of St. Catharines, and
a verdict was returned in accordance with
the foregoing.

the foregoing. The young man, David Brown who was convicted last Quarter Sessions of an assault on the person of Mary Ann Fletcher in Westmeath, and imprisoned for non-payment of the fine, escaped from custody on the 13th inst., by tying a stone to the end of a clothesline he managed to get possession of in the jail yard, and throwing it over the wall, drew himself up, and then lowered himself by the same means on the oposite side. On Wednesday last, however, Brown returned and surrendered himself voluntarily to the custody of the jailor, who will no doubt take effectual means to prevent a second escape, as he might means to prevent a second escape, as he might have to pay the fine, There is something honorable, however, on Brown's part, in the voluntary surrender of himself.—Cour-

GRAND TRUNK OF CANADA. The shares have risen £4 a share in the last fortnight, in consequence of the receipt of let-ters from Canada, stating that the Provincial Government is prepared to give the Company further aid. The Hon. W. Napier proceeds by the steamer that sails from Liverpool this lay, as the advocate and representative of the Shareholders' committee, supported also by the London Board of Directors.—Herapaths' Journal, London, March 30, 1856.

PESTILENCE IN SOUTHERN RUSSIA, ODES., Feb. 26.—A terrible complaint, the sa, Feb. 26.—A terrible complaint, the typhus—prevails in our city, and it is particularly violent among the troops. Above 20,000 are now in the hospitals, and thousands have already died. The typhus has committed terrible ravages in the whole of Southern Russia, particularly in those places which are near the theatre of war. Bakshiserai, Simpheropol, Kherson, and Nicholaieff are almost empty. It is estimated that pestilence has already carried off 100,000 men. It is gradually spreading over Bessarabia. gradually spreading over Bessarabia.

On the 25th March, at the resi ride's father, Horton, by the Rev. E. H. M. Calback, of Stafford, to Miss Deborah Rou-

On the 8th inst, at the resider bride's father, Wilberforce, by the Rev. E. H. M. Baker, Incumbent of Pembroke, Mr. Alexander Lyons, of Pembroke, to Miss Mary Ann Davis, daughter of Edward Davis,

DIED,

Even in the bud the lovely flower, Was nipt and did decay; The storm of life began to rage, It quickly shrunk away.