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QUEEN VICTORIA.

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PROCLAMATIONS.

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EDMUND HEAD.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Belovèd and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and
the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of
Our said Province, and to all whom it may concern—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, We have thought fit, by and with the advice and consent of Our Execu-
tive Council of Our Province of Canada, to DISSOLVE the present Provincial Parlia-
ment of Our said Province, which stands prorogued to the TWENTY-SEVENTH day of JUNE,
instant. Now KNOW YE, that We do for that end publish this Our Royal Proclamation,
and do hereby DISSOLVE the said Provincial Parliament accordingly; and the Legislative
Councillors, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses of the Legislative Assembly are dis-
charged from their meeting and attendance on the said TWENTY-SEVENTH day of JUNE
instant.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent,
and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto
affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Belovèd the Right
Honorable SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, K.C.B., one of Our
Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North
America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our
Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of
Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Gov-
ernment House, in Our City of Quebec, in Our said Province of Canada,
this TENTH day of JUNE, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight
hundred and sixty-one, and in the Twenty-fourth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Province of }
Canada. }

EDMUND HEAD.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To all to whom these presents shall come—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people of Our Province of Canada, and to have their advice in Provincial Parliament: WE DO MAKE KNOWN Our Royal Will and Pleasure to call a Provincial Parliament, and do further declare that by the advice of Our Executive Council, WE HAVE THIS DAY, given Orders for issuing Our WRITS in due form for calling a PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT in Our said Province, which Writs are to bear date on this TENTH day of JUNE, and to be returnable on the FIFTEENTH day of JULY next, except however the Writs for the County of Gaspé and for the United Counties of Chicoutimi and Saguenay, which Writs will be returnable on the THIRTY-FIRST day of AUGUST next.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved the Right Honorable SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, K. C. B., one of Our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House, in Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province of Canada, this TENTH day of JUNE, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the Twenty-fourth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Province of }
Canada. }

EDMUND HEAD.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To all to whom these presents shall come—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION

KNOW Ye, that We being desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our People of Our Province of Canada, and to have their advice in Provincial Parliament, do hereby, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of Our said Province, summon and call together the Legislative Assembly in and for Our said Province, to meet at Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, on MONDAY, the FIFTEENTH day of JULY next, then and there to have conference and treaty with the Great Men and Legislative Council of Our said Province.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved the Right Honorable SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, K. C. B., one of Our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House, in Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province of Canada, this TENTH day of JUNE, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the Twenty-fourth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Province of }
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EDMUND HEAD.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Provincial Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Quebec, on the Fifteenth day of the month of July instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the Tenth day of the month of June last, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the FIFTEENTH day of the month of JULY instant, at which time at Our City of Quebec, you were held and constrained to appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on FRIDAY, the TWENTY-THIRD day of the month of AUGUST next, you meet Us, in Our Provincial Parliament, at Our City of QUEBEC, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Province of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved the Right Honorable SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, K. C. B., one of Our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House in Our City of Quebec, in Our said Province of Canada, this FIFTEENTH day of JULY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the Twenty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Proclamations.

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EDMUND HEAD.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Provincial Parliament of Our said Province, at our City of Quebec, on the Twenty-third day of the month of August instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the Fifteenth day of the month of July last past, We thought fit to pro-
W rogue Our Provincial Parliament to the TWENTY-THIRD day of the month of
AUGUST instant, at which time at Our City of Quebec, you were held and constrained to
appear. NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into con-
sideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and
with the advice of Our Executive Council, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attend-
ance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each
of you, that on TUESDAY, the FIRST day of the month of OCTOBER next, you meet Us, in
Our Provincial Parliament, at our City of Quebec, there to take into consideration the
state and welfare of Our said Province of Canada, and therein do as may seem necessary.
HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent,
and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto af-
fixed : Witness, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved the Right Hon-
orable Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, K. C. B., one of Our Most
Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America,
and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces
of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince
Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our
Government House, in Our City of Quebec, in Our said Province of
Canada, this Twenty-third day of August, in the year of Our Lord, one
thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the twenty-fifth year
of Our Reign.

By Command.

L. R. FORTIER,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Province of }
Canada. }

EDMUND HEAD.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Provincial Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Quebec, on the First day of the month of October next, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the Twenty-third day of the month of August last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the FIRST day of the month of OCTOBER next, at which time at our City of Quebec, you were held and constrained to appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on WEDNESDAY, the SIXTH day of the month of NOVEMBER next, you meet Us, in Our Provincial Parliament, at Our City of Quebec, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Province of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved the Right Honorable Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, K. C. B., one of Our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House, in Our City of Quebec, in Our said Province of Canada, this Twenty-eighth day of September, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the Twenty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

L. R. FORTIER,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Province of }
Canada. }

MONCK.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Provincial Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Quebec, on the Sixth day of the month of November instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the Twenty-eighth day of the month of September last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the SIXTH day of the month of NOVEMBER instant, at which time at Our City of Quebec, you were held and constrained to appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on THURSDAY, the TWELFTH day of the month of DECEMBER next, you meet

Us, in Our Provincial Parliament, at Our City of Quebec, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Province of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin, the Right Honorable CHARLES STANLEY VISCOUNT MONCK, Baron Monck of Ballytrammon, in the County of Wexford, Administrator of the Government of the Province of Canada, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House, in Our City of Quebec, in our said Province of Canada, this Second day of November, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the Twenty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Province of }
Canada. }

MONCK.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Provincial Parliament of Our said Province, at our City of Quebec, on the Twelfth day of the month of December instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the Second day of the month of November last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the TWELFTH day of the month of DECEMBER instant, at which time at Our City of Quebec, you were held and constrained to appear. NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on THURSDAY, the SIXTEENTH day of the month of JANUARY next, you meet Us, in Our Provincial Parliament, at our City of Quebec, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Province of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin, the Right Honorable CHARLES STANLEY VISCOUNT MONCK, Baron Monck of Ballytrammon, in the County of Wexford, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House, at Our City of Quebec, in Our said Province of

Canada, this Seventh day of December, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the Twenty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Province of }
Canada. }

MONCK.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Provincial Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Quebec, on the Sixteenth day of the month of January instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the Seventh day of the month of December last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the SIXTEENTH day of the month of JANUARY instant, at which time at Our City of Quebec, you were held and constrained to appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on WEDNESDAY, the NINETEENTH day of the month of FEBRUARY next, you meet Us, in Our Provincial Parliament, at Our City of Quebec, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Province of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin, the Right Honorable CHARLES STANLEY VISCOUNT MONCK, Baron Monck of Ballytrammon, in the County of Wexford, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House, at Our City of Quebec, in Our said Province of Canada, this Eleventh day of January, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, and in the Twenty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Province of }
Canada. }

MONCK.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Provincial Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Quebec, on the Nineteenth day of the month of February instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of Our Provincial Parliament stands prorogued to the Nineteenth day of the month of February instant; NEVERTHELESS, for certain causes and considerations, WE HAVE THOUGHT FIT further to prorogue the same to THURSDAY, the TWENTIETH day of the month of MARCH next, so that neither you nor any of you on the said Nineteenth day of February instant, at Our said City of Quebec, to appear are to be held and constrained, for WE DO WILL that you and each of you be as to Us in this matter entirely exonerated, Commanding and by the tenor of these presents enjoining you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on THURSDAY, the TWENTIETH day of the month of MARCH next, at Our City of Quebec aforesaid, personally you be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act and conclude upon these things which in Our said Provincial Parliament, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may by the favor of God be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin, the Right Honorable CHARLES STANLEY VISCOUNT MONCK, Baron Monck of Ballytrammon, in the County of Wexford, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House, in Our City of Quebec, in Our said Province of Canada, this Thirteenth day of February, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, and in the Twenty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

L. R. FORTIER,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Province of }
Canada. }

EDMUND HEAD.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To all to whom these presents shall come or whom the same may concern—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

JOHN A. MACDONALD, *Att. Genl.* **W**HEREAS, at a Session of the Parliament of Our Province of Canada, holden at the City of Quebec, in the Province of Canada, in this present year, and in the twenty-fourth year of Our Reign, a certain Bill intituled "An Act to enable Frederick Chase Capreol, Esquire, to dispose of certain lands "by allotment, notwithstanding chapter ninety-five of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada," was passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was, during the said Session, to wit, on the eighteenth day of May now last past, presented to our Governor General of our said Province, for Our assent thereto, who, in pursuance of the authority in him vested by a certain Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the Session thereof, held in the third and fourth years of Our Reign, intituled, "An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of "Canada," and according to his discretion then and there declared that he reserved the aforesaid Bill for the signification of Our pleasure thereon. Now KNOW YE, that the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable Frederick Chase Capreol, Esquire, to dispose of certain lands by allotment, notwithstanding chapter ninety-five of the Consolidated "Statutes of Canada," having been laid before us in Council, on the twenty-sixth day of June now last past, We have been pleased to assent to the same. And We do by these presents and according to the provisions of the said Act of Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, assent to the aforesaid Bill: of all which our loving subjects and all others whom these presents may concern are hereby required to take notice and to govern themselves accordingly.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved the Right Honorable Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, K. C. B., one of Our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House, in Our City of Quebec, in Our said Province of Canada, this FIFTH day of August, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the Twenty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

CHARLES ALLEYN, *Secretary.*

RETURN of the Names of the Members chosen to serve in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*, pursuant to Writs issued by His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir *Edmund Walker Head*, Baronet, K.C.B., one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., bearing date the tenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

Constituencies.	Returning Officers.	Date of Return of Members.	Receipt of Returns.	Members chosen.	Remarks.
Argenteuil.....	Daniel De Hertel, Registrar, Argenteuil, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	25th June, 1861	28th June, 1861	John J. C. Abbott, Esq.	By acclamation.
Bagot.....	J. C. Bachand, Special Returning Officer.....	12th July, " "	16th July, " "	Marville Laframboise, " "	" "
Beauce.....	Jean Pierre Proulx, Registrar, Beauce, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	4th " " "	15th " " "	Henri Elzéar Taschereau, Esquire.	" "
Beauharnois.....	Vite A. L. DeMartigny, Registrar, Beauharnois, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th " " "	15th " " "	Paul Denis, Esquire.	" "
Bellechasse.....	Pantaléon Forgues, Registrar, Bellechasse, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	2nd " " "	12th " " "	Ed. Rémillard, " "	" "
Berthier.....	Jean Octave Chalut, Registrar, Berthier, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th " " "	13th " " "	Pierre Eustache Dostaler, Esquire.	" "
Bonaventure.....	J. G. LeBel, Registrar, Bonaventure, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	10th " " "	22nd " " "	Théodore Robitaille, Esq.	" "

Brant, (East Riding).....	John Smith, High Sheriff, Brant, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th " " "	16th " " "	John Young Bown, " "	" "
Brant, (West Riding).....	T. S. Shenston, Registrar, Brant, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th " " "	19th " " "	William Ryerson, " "	" "
Brockville, (Town).....	William Sherwood, Special Returning Officer.....	4th " " "	10th " " "	Hon. George Sherwood.	" "
Brome.....	H. S. Foster, Registrar, Brome, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	10th " " "	22nd " " "	Moses Sweet, Esquire.	" "
Carleton.....	Simon Fraser, Sheriff, Carleton, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	4th " " "	13th " " "	William Frederick Powell Esquire.	" "
Chambly.....	Thomas Austin, Registrar, Chambly, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	4th " " "	16th " " "	Chas. Boucher de Boucheville, Esquire.	By acclamation.
Champlain.....	E. Rinfret, Registrar, Champlain, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th " " "	17th " " "	John Jones Ross, " "	" "
Charlevoix.....	Charles Du Berger, Registrar, Charlevoix, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	15th " " "	18th " " "	Adolphe Gagnon, " "	" "
Chateauguay.....	George A. Beaudry, Registrar, Chateauguay, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	1st " " "	5th " " "	Henry Starnes, " "	By acclamation.
Chicoutimi & Saguenay.....	Ovide Bossé, Registrar, Chicoutimi & Saguenay, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	16th " " "	22nd " " "	David E. Price, " "	By acclamation.
Compton.....	William Ritchie, Registrar, Compton & Wolfe and Town of Sherbrooke, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	1st " " "	3rd " " "	John Henry Pope, " "	By acclamation.

RETURN of the Names of the Members chosen to serve in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, &c.
(Continued.)

Returns.

Constituencies.	Returning Officer.	Date of Return of Members.	Receipt of Returns.	Members chosen.	Remarks.
Cornwall, (Town).....	George C. Wood, Registrar, Stormont, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	3rd July, 1861.	9th July, 1862.	Hon. John S. Macdonald.	
Dorchester.....	Alexis Godbout, Registrar, Dorchester, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	20th June, "	5th "	Hector Louis Langevin, Esquire.	By acclamation.
Drummond & Arthabaska..	Edmund Cox, Registrar, Drummondville, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	15th July, 1861.	10th August, 1861.	Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion, Esquire.	
Dundas.....	Alexander MacDonell, Registrar, Dundas, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th "	15th July, "	John Sylvester Ross, Esquire.	
Durham, (East Riding)...	George C. Ward, Registrar, E. R. Durham, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	9th "	17th "	John Shuter Smith, Esq.	
Durham, (West Riding)...	Robert Armour, Registrar, W. R. Durham, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th "	16th "	Henry Munro, "	
Elgin, (East Riding).....	Colin Munro, High Sheriff, Elgin, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	10th "	27th "	Leonidas Burwell, "	
Elgin, (West Riding).....	J. McKay, Registrar, Elgin, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	10th "	26th "	George Macbeth, "	

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Essex	John McEwan, High Sheriff, Essex, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	18th "	Arthur Rankin, "	
Frontenac	James Durand, Registrar, Frontenac, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	12th "	16th "	James Morton, "	
Gaspé	L. G. Harper, Registrar, Gaspé, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	22nd "	29th "	John LeBoutillier, "	By acclamation.
Glengary.....	Duncan Macdonell, Registrar, Glengary, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	26th June, "	11th "	Donald Alex. Macdonald, Esquire.	By acclamation.
Grenville, (South Riding)	William James Scott, Registrar, Grenville, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	10th July, "	16th "	William Patrick, Esquire,	
Grey.....	George Snider, High Sheriff, Grey, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	15th "	19th "	George Jackson, "	
Haldimand	Richard Martin, Sheriff, Haldimand, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	10th "	15th "	Michael Harcourt, "	
Halton	G. C. McKindsay, High Sheriff, Halton, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	18th "	John White, "	
Hamilton, (City)	William Craigie, Special Returning Officer	3rd "	6th "	Isaac Buchanan, "	
Hastings, (North Riding)	Wm. Dunbar Moodie, High Sheriff, Hastings, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	25th "	George Benjamin, "	
Hastings, (South Riding)	Wm. Hamilton Ponton, Registrar, Hastings, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	12th "	16th "	Lewis Wallbridge, "	
Hochelega	F. X. Perrault, Special Returning Officer.....	13th "	16th "	Jos. Paschal Falkner, "	

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Huntingdon.....	Isaac Jackson, Registrar, Huntingdon, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	1st July, 1861.	6th July, 1861.	Robert Brown Somerville, Esquire	By acclamation.
Huron and Bruce.....	J. Macdonald, High Sheriff, Huron and Bruce, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	17th "	James Dickson, Esquire.	
Iberville.....	F. F. Z. Hamel, Registrar, Iberville, Returning Officer <i>ex officio</i>	11th "	16th "	Alexandre Dufresne, "	
Jacques Cartier.....	Narcisse M. LeCavalier, Special Returning Officer.....	22nd June, "	16th "	Francois Zéphirin Tassé, Esquire.	By acclamation.
Joliette	J. O. LeBlanc, Registrar, Joliette, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th July, "	23rd "	Joseph Hilarion Jobin, Esquire.	
Kamouraska	Henri Garon, Registrar, Kamouraski, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	16th "	Jean Chas. Chapais, Esq.	
Kent.....	John Mercer, High Sheriff Kent, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	18th "	Archibald McKellar, "	
Kingston	Thomas A. Corbett, Sheriff Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	16th "	16th "	Hon. J. A. Macdonald.	

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Lambton	James Flintoft, High Sheriff, Lambton, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	9th "	17th "	Alexander Mackenzie, Esquire.	
Lanark, (North Riding)....	James Thompson, High Sheriff, Lanark and Renfrew, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	2nd "	6th "	Robert Bell, Esquire.	By acclamation.
Lanark, (South Riding)....	James Bell, Registrar, S. R. Lanark, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	10th "	16th "	Alexandre Morris, Esq.	
Laprairie.....	T. Sauvageau, Registrar, Laprairie, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th "	30th "	Hon. Thomas J. J. Lorranger.	
L'Assomption.....	Marcel Poirier, Registrar, L'Assomption, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	6th "	13th "	Alexandre Archambault, Esquire.	
Laval	F. X. Léonard, Registrar, Laval, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	16th "	Pierre Labelle, Esquire.	
Lennox and Addington....	Marshal P. Roblin, Registrar, Lennox & Addington, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th "	24th "	Special Return, a copy of which is annexed, A.	
Leeds & Grenville, (North Riding).....	Adiel Sherwood, High Sheriff, Leeds and Grenville, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th "	19th "	Francis Jones, Esquire.	
Leeds, (South Riding)....	David Jones, Registrar, Leeds, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	30th "	Benjamin Tett, "	
Lincoln.....	John Powell, Registrar, Lincoln, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	28th June, "	6th "	John Chas. Rykert, "	By acclamation.
L'Islet.....	Th. Michand, Registrar, L'Islet, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th July, "	16th "	Charles Francois Fournier Esquire.	

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Lévis.....	F. M. Guay, Registrar, Lévis, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th July, 1861.	20th July, 1861.	Joseph Goderick Blanchet, Esquire.	
London, (City).....	William Charles Lyons Gill, Registrar, London, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	21st June, “	26th June, “	John Carling, Esquire.	By acclamation
Lotbinière.....	R. S. Noël, Registrar, Lotbinière, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	10th July, “	20th July, “	Henri Gustave Joly, “	
Maskinongé.....	J. E. Pichette, Registrar, Maskinongé, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th “	24th “	George Caron, “	
Megantic.....	John R. Lambley, Registrar, Megantic, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	15th “	17th “	Noël Hébert, “	
Middlesex, (East Riding)	Wm. Glass, High Sheriff, Middlesex, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th “	17th “	Hon. Maurice Berkeley Portman.	
Middlesex, (West Riding)	James Ferguson, Registrar, Middlesex, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th “	17th “	Thomas Scatcherd, Esq.	
Missisquoi.....	R. Dickinson, Registrar, Missisquoi, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th “	19th “	James O'Halloran, “	

Montcalm.....	Joseph Ed. Beaupré, Registrar, Montcalm, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	15th “	24th “	Jean Louis Martin, “	
Montmagny.....	Joseph David Lepine, Registrar, Montmagny, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	6th “	12th “	Joseph Octave Beaubien, Esquire.	
Montmorency.....	Pierre Gosselin, Registrar, 2nd Division Montmorency, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	19th June, “	26th June, “	Hon. Joseph Cauchon.	By acclamation.
Montreal, (City) West.....	George Hermon Ryland, Registrar, Montreal, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	26th “	27th “	Thomas Darcy McGee, Esquire.	By acclamation.
Montreal, (City) Centre....	John Boston, Sheriff, District of Montreal, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	9th July, “	16th July, “	Hon. John Rose.	
Montreal, (City) East.....	J. Belle, Special Returning Officer.....	9th “	17th “	Hon. George Etienne Cartier.	
Napierville.....	Ephrem Bouchard, Registrar, Napierville, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	4th “	8th “	Jacques Oliver Bureau, Esquire.	By acclamation.
Niagara, (Town).....	William Kingsmill, Sheriff, Lincoln, Returning Officer <i>ex officio</i>	8th “	15th “	John Simpson, Esquire.	
Nicolet.....	Joseph Jutias, Registrar, Nicolet, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	2nd “	5th “	Joseph Gaudet, “	By acclamation.
Norfolk.....	Edmund Deedes, High Sheriff, Norfolk, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th “	20th “	Aquila Walsh, “	

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Northumberland, (East Riding).....	John M. Grover, Registrar, E. R. Northumberland, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i> .	9th July, 1861.	16th July, 1861.	Jas. Lyons Biggar, Esq.	
Northumberland, (West Riding).....	James B. Fortune, Sheriff, Northumberland & Durham, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	1st "	12th "	James Cockburn, "	
Ontario, (North Riding)....	Nelson G. Reynolds, High Sheriff, Ontario, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	17th "	Matthew Crooks Cameron, Esquire.	
Ontario, (South Riding)....	J. H. Perry, Registrar, Ontario, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	4th "	16th "	Hon. Oliver Mowat.	
Ottawa, (City).....	Edward Sherwood, Registrar, Carleton, Returning Officer <i>ex officio</i>	20th June, "	22nd June, "	Richard William Scott, Esquire.	By acclamation.
Ottawa, (County).....	James Finlayson Taylor, Registrar, Ottawa, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	12th July, "	15th July, "	Wm. McDonell Dawson, Esquire.	
Oxford, (North Riding)....	James Carroll, High Sheriff, Oxford, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	12th "	19th "	Wm. McDougall, Esquire	
Oxford, (South Riding)....	James Ingersol, Registrar, Oxford, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	23rd "	Steffington Connor, Esq.	

Peel.....	Solomon Brega, Registrar, Peel, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	9th "	12th "	Hon. John Hillyard Cameron.	
Perth.....	Robert Moderwell, High Sheriff, Perth, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th "	22nd "	Hon. Michael Hamilton Foley.	
Peterborough.....	James Hall, High Sheriff, Peterborough, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	16th "	Frederick Wm. Haultain, Esquire.	
Pontiac.....	W. L. Gray, Special Returning Officer.....	11th "	26th "	John Poupore, Esquire.	
Portneuf.....	R. Lelievre, Registrar, Portneuf, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	15th "	17th "	Jean Docile Brousseau, Esquire.	
Prescott.....	Charles P. Treadwell, Sheriff, Prescott and Russell, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	6th "	15th "	Henry Wellesley McCann, Esquire.	
Prince Edward.....	Henry J. Thorp, High Sheriff, Prince Edward, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th "	17th "	William Anderson, Junr., Esquire.	
Quebec, (East).....	F. L. Gaurreau, Special Returning Officer.....	8th "	15th "	Pierre Gabriel Huot, Esquire.	
Quebec, (Centre).....	W. S. Sewell, Sheriff, Quebec, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th "	9th "	George Honoré Simard, Esquire.	
Quebec, (West).....	Noël Hill Bowen, Special Returning Officer.....	28th June, "	1st "	Hon. Charles Alleyne.	By acclamation.
Québec, (County).....	C. N. Montizambert, Registrar, Québec, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	9th July, "	17th "	François Evanturel, Esq.	

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Renfrew.....	James Morris, Junr., Registrar, Renfrew, Returning Officer <i>ex officio</i>	15th July, 1861.	22nd July, 1861.	Daniel McLachlin, Esq.	
Richmond and Wolfe.....	G. H. Napier, Registrar, Richmond, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	9th "	17th "	Charles de Cazes, "	
Richelieu.....	P. R. Chevallier, Registrar, Richelieu, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	17th "	Joseph Beaudreau, "	
Rimouski.....	André Elzéar Gauvreau, Registrar, Rimouski, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th "	15th "	George Sylvain, "	
Rouville.....	L. E. P. Laberge, Registrar, Rouville, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th "	29th "	Hon. Lewis Thos. Drummond.	
Russell.....	James Keays, Registrar, Russell, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th "	17th "	Robert Bell, Esquire.	
St. Hyacinthe.....	Horace St. Germain, Registrar, St. Hyacinthe, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th "	15th "	Hon. L. V. Sicotte.	
St. John's.....	Louis Marchand, Registrar, St. Jean, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	26th "	François Bourassa, junr., Esquire.	

St. Maurice.....	Louis Gonzague Duval, Registrar, St. Maurice, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	5th "	10th "	Louis Léon Lesteur Desaulniers, Esquire.	
Shefford.....	Joseph B. Edgerton, Registrar, Shefford, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th "	26th "	Lucius Seth Huntington, Esquire.	
Sherbrooke, (Town).....	G. F. Bowen, Sheriff, District of St. Francis, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	9th "	16th "	Hon. Alex. Tilloch Galt.	
Simcoe, (North Riding)....	B. W. Smith, High Sheriff, Simcoe, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th "	17th "	Angus Morrison, Esquire.	
Simcoe, (South Riding)...	George Lount, Registrar, Simcoe, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th "	18th "	Thos. Roberts Ferguson, Esquire.	
Soulanges.....	George Hyacinthe Dumesnel, Registrar, Soulanges, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	12th "	15th "	Jean Bte. Jules Prévost, Esquire.	
Stanstead.....	C. A. Richardson, Registrar, Stanstead, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	10th "	16th "	Albert Knight, Esquire.	
Stormont.....	Daniel Eugene McIntyre, High Sheriff, Stormont, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	6th "	11th "	Samuel Ault, "	
Temiscouata.....	John Heath, Registrar, Temiscouata, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th "	16th "	Michel W. Baby, "	
Terrebonne.....	J. A. Hervieux, Registrar, Terrebonne, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th "	16th "	Ls. Lebrèche-Viger, "	
Three Rivers, (City).....	Isaac G. Ogden, Sheriff, District of Three Rivers, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	3rd "	12th "	Jos. Ed. Turcotte, "	

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Toronto (West)	Samuel Sherwood, Registrar, Toronto, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	10th July, 1861.	17th July, 1861.	John Beverley Robinson, Esquire.	
Toronto (East)	Joshua G. Beard, Special Returning Officer	10th	"	John Crawford, Esquire.	
Two Mountains.....	Dosithé Duprats, Registrar, Two Mountains, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th	"	Jean Bte. Daoust, "	
Vaudreuil	Frs. de Sales Bastien, Registrar, Vaudreuil, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	12th	"	Jean Bte. Mongenais, "	
Verchères	F. Geoffrion, Registrar, Verchères, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th	"	Alex. Ed. Kierzkowski, Esquire.	
Victoria.....	Hartley Dunsford, Registrar, Victoria, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	5th	"	James Wicks Dunsford, Esquire.	
Waterloo, (North Riding)	George Davidson, High Sheriff, Waterloo, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th	"	Hon. Michael H. Foley.	
Waterloo, (South Riding)	David S. Shoemaker, Registrar, Waterloo, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th	"	James Cowan, Esquire.	

Welland.....	Robert Hobson, High Sheriff, Welland, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	8th	"	Thos. Clark Street, "	
Wellington, (N. Riding)	James Webster, Registrar, Wellington, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th	"	William Clarke, "	
Wellington, (S. Riding)...	George John Grange, High Sheriff, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	2nd	"	David Sturton, "	By acclamation.
Wentworth, (N. Riding)	E. Cartwright Thomas, High Sheriff, Wentworth, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th	"	William Notman, "	
Wentworth, (S. Riding)...	John Hood Greer, Registrar, Wentworth, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th	"	Joseph Rymal, "	
Yamaska	Jean Olivier Arcand, Registrar, Yamaska, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th	"	Moyse Fortier, "	
York, (North Riding).....	Fred W. Jarvis, Sheriff, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	11th	"	Adam Wilson, "	
York, (East Riding).....	John Kidout, Registrar, York, Returning Officer, <i>ex officio</i>	13th	"	Amos Wright, "	
York, (West Riding).....	John Stoughton Denis, Special Returning Officer	11th	"	Wm. P. Howland, "	

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY,
Quebec, 19th August, 1861.

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

A.

RETURN of *Marshall Perry Roblin*, Esquire, Returning Officer for the County of *Lennox and Addington*.

I find the total number of votes are as follows :

For <i>Augustus F. Hooper</i> , Esquire.....	1744
For <i>David Roblin</i> , Esquire.....	1360

It being my duty by Law to ascertain that the Deputy Returning Officers had a revised and corrected list of voters in the several Municipalities within my Bailwick, I found that the Deputy Returning Officers of the Township of *Camden* and the Village of *Newburgh* did not use a correct and revised list according to law, and I therefore declare that I am unable to decide who is the Member for the County of *Lennox and Addington* aforesaid, and I submit the same with all respects to the House of Assembly.

(Signed,) M. P. ROBLIN,
Returning Officer for *Lennox and Addington*.

Newburgh, 8th July, 1861.

I certify that the above is a true copy of the Return to Writ of Election for the County of *Lennox and Addington*, which is lodged of record in my office.

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Quebec, 19th August, 1861.

Province of *Canada*.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the sixth day of September last past, issued by his Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Registrar of the County of *Laval* (*F. X. Leonard*, Esquire,) Returning Officer *ex officio* for the County of *Laval*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said County of *Laval*, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of *Pierre Labelle*, Esquire, who since his Election as the Representative of the said County, had accepted an office of Profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of Inspector of Works, by means whereof the seat of the said *Pierre Labelle*, Esquire, had become vacant, the Honorable *Louis Simeon Morin*, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the twenty-seventh day of September last past, which is now lodged of Record in my office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Quebec, 3rd October, 1861,

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

William Burns Lindsay, Esquire,
Clerk, Legislative Assembly, *Quebec*.

Province of *Canada*.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-third day of January last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Registrar of the County of *Montcalm* (*Joseph E. Beaupré*, Esquire,) Returning Officer *ex officio* for the County of *Montcalm*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said County of *Montcalm* in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the present Parliament, in the room of the late *Jean Louis Martin*, Esquire, deceased; *Joseph Dufresne*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected, accordingly, as appears by the

Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the twentieth day of February last past, which is now lodged of Record in my office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Quebec, 14th March, 1862.

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

William Burns Lindsay, Esquire,
Clerk, Legislative Assembly, *Quebec*.

Province of *Canada*.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty second day of February last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Registrar of the County of *Brome*, (*H. S. Foster*, Esquire) Returning Officer *ex officio* for the County of *Brome*, for the election of a Member to represent the said County of *Brome* in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the present Parliament, in the room of *Moses Sweet*, Esquire, who, since his election as the Representative of the said County, had accepted an Office of Profit under the Crown, to wit, the Office of Post Master of *Warden*, in the County of *Shefford*, by means whereof the seat of the said *Moses Sweet*, Esquire, had become vacant, *Christopher Dunkin*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the seventeenth day of March instant, which is now lodged of Record in my Office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Quebec, 19th March, 1862.

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery

William Burns Lindsay, Esquire,
Clerk, Legislative Assembly, *Quebec*.

JOURNALS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

OF

CANADA.

SESSION 1862.

Thursday, 20th March, 1862.

AT the First Session of the Seventh Parliament of Canada, begun and holden in the City of Quebec, on the twentieth day of March, in the twenty-fifth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady, *Victoria*, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, Queen, Defender of the Faith, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two :

On which day, being the first day of the Meeting of this Parliament for the Despatch of Business, pursuant to a Proclamation, (hereunto annexed) of His Excellency, the Right Honorable *Charles Stanley*, Viscount *Monck*, Baron *Monck* of *Ballytramon* in the County of *Wexford*, Governor General,—*Gustavus William Wicksteed*, *William Poyntz Patrick*, and *William Burns Lindsay*, the Younger, Esquires, Commissioners appointed by *Dedimus Potestatem* for administering the Oath to the Members of the Legislative Assembly, came at the hour of two o'clock, in the afternoon, into the room allotted for the sittings of the Assembly, and *William Burns Lindsay*, Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, attending according to his duty, and *Louis Romuald Fortier*, Esquire, Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, having delivered to the same Mr. *Lindsay*, a Roll accompanied by three certificates, containing a list of the names of such Members as had been returned to serve in this Provincial Parliament, the Commissioners did administer the Oath to the Members who appeared, which being done, and the Members having subscribed the Roll containing the Oath, they took their seats in the Assembly.

A Message was brought by *René Kimber*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:—

Gentlemen,

His Excellency the Governor General desires the immediate attendance of the Members of this Honorable House, in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly the Members went to attend His Excellency in the Legislative Council Chamber; where being,

The Clerk of the Legislative Council said:—

Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

His Excellency the Governor General does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning the present Provincial Parliament, until a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly shall have been chosen according to law, but that to-morrow, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon, His Excellency will declare the causes of his calling this Parliament.

And the Members being returned;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, Member representing the Electoral Division of "*Montreal East*," addressing himself to the Clerk, (who, standing up, pointed to him and then sat down,) proposed to the House for their Speaker, *Joseph Edouard Turcotte*, Esquire, which motion was seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, Member representing the City of *Kingston*.

The Honorable *Lewis Thomas Drummond*, Member representing the County of *Rouville*, stood up, and addressing himself in like manner to the Clerk, proposed to the House for their Speaker, the Honorable *Louis Victor Sicotte*, in which motion he was seconded by the Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, Member representing the County of *Perth*, and also the North Riding of the County of *Waterloo*.

And the Question being called for, "That *Joseph Edouard Turcotte*, Esquire, do take "the Chair of this House, as Speaker;"

The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs

<i>Abbott,</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Alleyn,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Le Boutillier,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Ross, John J.</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Atty. Gen.</i>	<i>Ross, John S.</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell),</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Morin, Sol. Gen.</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Cameron, John H.</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Cartier, Atty. Gen.</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>	<i>Tassé,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>	<i>Tett, and</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Walsh.—66.</i>
<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>		

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Labreche-Viger,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark,)</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Donald A. Macdonald,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>John S. Macdonald,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Howland,</i>	<i>McGee,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>White,</i>

*De Boucherville,
Dickson,
Dorion,*

*Joly,
Kierzkowski,*

*Notman,
O'Halloran,*

*Wilson, and
Wright,—53.*

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the Clerk having declared *Joseph Edouard Turcotte*, Esquire, duly elected, he was conducted to the Chair by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, and the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*; where, standing on the upper step, he returned his humble acknowledgments to the House for the great honor they had been pleased to confer upon him, by choosing him to be their Speaker;

And thereupon he sat down in the Chair; and the Mace (which before lay under the Table) was laid upon the Table.

Then the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,

That this House do now adjourn;

And the House accordingly adjourned until To-morrow.

Friday, 21st March, 1862.

The House being met and the Speaker elect having taken the Chair;

John Henry Pope, Esquire, Member for the County of *Compton*, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

A Message was brought up by *René Kimber*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:—

Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency the Governor General desires the immediate attendance of this Honorable House in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker elect, with the House, went to the Council Chamber.

And there Mr. Speaker spoke to the following effect, viz. :—

May it Please Your Excellency,

The Legislative Assembly have elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.

If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me, and not to the Assembly, whose servant I am; and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to their Queen and Country, humbly claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of Speech in their Debates, access to Your Excellency's Person at all reasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from Your Excellency the most favorable interpretation.

Then the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Council said :—

Mr. Speaker,

I am commanded by His Excellency the Governor General, to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the Assembly to Her Majesty's person and Government, and not doubting that their proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper and prudence, he grants, and upon all occasions will recognize and allow their constitutional privileges.

I am commanded, also, to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Excellency upon all reasonable occasions, and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favorable construction.

The House being returned ;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had been in the Legislative Council Chamber, and that he had informed His Excellency that the choice of Speaker had fallen upon him ; and also, that he had, in their name and on their behalf, by humble Petition to His Excellency, laid claim to all their Rights and Privileges, that they may enjoy freedom of Speech in their Debates, and have access to His Excellency's Person as occasion shall require, and that all their proceedings may receive from His Excellency the most favorable construction ; to which His Excellency had been pleased to say that he readily and willingly granted and allowed them their Constitutional Privileges, as well as ready access to His Excellency on all seasonable occasions, and that their proceedings, as well as their words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favorable construction.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the administration of the Oaths of Office to persons appointed as Justices of the Peace.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday the fourth day of April next.

Mr. Speaker reported, That when the House did attend His Excellency the Governor General, this day, in the Legislative Council Chamber, His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of the Provincial Parliament, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, which he read to the House, as followeth :—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council ;

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

Since this Legislature last met, Her Majesty and Her Subjects have suffered an irreparable loss in the death of the Prince Consort.

It is not necessary for me to remind you that this Illustrious Prince, though born and in a great degree educated in a Foreign Country, was truly British in thought, feeling and action, while the spirit of universal benevolence by which he was animated, caused him to devote the great intellectual abilities with which nature had endowed him, and the stores of acquired information with which, by his own industry, he had filled his mind, to the promotion of every well devised plan for the moral and material improvement of his fellow-creatures of all nations and races.

I am sure you worthily estimate the virtues which marked the character of the departed Prince ; that you appreciate the great bereavement which our Sovereign has sustained, both in her public and her domestic relations, and that you will join with me in laying at the foot of the Throne the respectful expression of our heartfelt sympathy and condolence.

Circumstances have occurred, during the past autumn and winter, which gave an opportunity for exhibiting, in a most striking and satisfactory manner, the sentiments of reciprocal attachment which exist between the inhabitants of this Province, of every race and creed, and their fellow subjects in the Mother Country. The feeling of loyalty shewn by Her North American Subjects has been made matter of special notice by Her Most Gracious Majesty in Her Speech from the Throne on the opening of the Imperial Parliament, and such a recognition cannot fail to be most grateful to you as the Representatives of the people of *Canada*.

I have to congratulate you on the blessing of an abundant harvest in the past year, and on the continuance of a satisfactory condition of our trade, notwithstanding the partial derangement to which it has been subjected by the effects of the Civil War now unhappily raging in the *United States*.

I have directed papers to be laid before you, shewing the extension by the French Government to Canadian built ships, of the privileges in French Ports already enjoyed by ships of British build.

This cannot but be advantageous to the ship building interest, and affords a fresh proof of the friendly feeling which underlies the alliance between *England* and *France*.

During the past recess, a conference took place between delegates representing the Government of this Province and those of *New Brunswick* and *Nova Scotia*, to consider the propriety of renewing the application to the Imperial Government for assistance in constructing the railway which will unite the three Provinces.

A joint delegation proceeded to *England* for the purpose of re-opening negotiations with Her Majesty's Government. No answer has as yet been received. The final decision of the Imperial Government shall be communicated to you as soon as it shall reach me.

I have received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, an intimation that it is the intention of Her Majesty's Government to introduce into the Imperial Parliament, in the present session, a Bill for the abolition in this and other Colonies similarly circumstanced, of the power of the Superior Courts in England to issue the Writ of *Habeas Corpus* into such Colonies, in conformity with the representations made by my predecessor to the Imperial Government.

I would ask your careful consideration for a measure which will be submitted to you, for the purpose of securing a proper administration of Bankrupt Estates in *Upper Canada*, and also for one having for its object the establishment of well regulated Gaols and Local Penitentiaries throughout the Province.

I have directed papers to be laid before you which show that the Imperial Government entertains no objection to the establishment of a system of free commercial intercourse between the different Provinces of *British North America*, if the Governments and Legislatures of those Provinces can agree as to the basis upon which such an arrangement shall be carried into effect.

I have seen fit, during the recess, to issue a Commission to consider the present condition of the Militia Force of the Province, and the propriety of amending its organization and improving its efficiency.

The report of that Commission shall be laid before you, and I would bespeak for the recommendations it contains, and the Bill which will be necessary in order to carry those recommendations into effect, your most careful and favorable consideration.

Other measures of public usefulness will also be submitted for your consideration.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

The Accounts for the year, which has just closed, shall be forthwith laid before you, and will, I trust, be found satisfactory.

I have to ask from you the supplies necessary for carrying on the service of Her Most Gracious Majesty for the current year, and I have directed that the Estimates shall be framed with all the economy consistent with a due regard to efficiency.

Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen :

I take this opportunity of gratefully acknowledging the good will and kindness which have been shewn to myself on the occasion of my assuming the Government of this Colony.

The Constitution has committed to your hands the guardianship of the interests of this great Province. I commend to your earnest, impartial, and diligent care the several matters which may be brought before you; and I fervently pray Almighty God so to direct your counsels that your acts may conduce to His Glory, the Honor of our Sovereign, and the prosperity and happiness of the people of *Canada*.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,

Ordered, That the Speech of His Excellency, the Governor General, to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, be taken into consideration on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Resolved, That Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session be appointed for the following purposes :—1. On Privileges and Elections. 2. On Expiring

Laws. 3. On Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines. 4. On Miscellaneous Private Bills. 5. On Standing Orders. 6. On Printing. 7. On Contingencies. 8. On Public Accounts, —which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to them by the House; and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

On motion of Mr. *Wallbridge*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery do attend this House on Monday next, with the Return of the last Election of the United Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington*, together with the poll books, if any there be, and all other papers, letters and documents which may have been transmitted to him by the Returning Officer for the said United Counties.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,
The House adjourned until Monday next.

Monday, 24th March, 1862.

David Edward Price, Esquire, Member for the United Counties of *Chicoutimi* and *Saguenay*, and *John Crawford*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral Division of "*Toronto East*," having previously taken the oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took their seats in the House.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House, a Report of the Librarian of the Legislative Assembly, on the state of the Library of Parliament, which is as followeth :—

To the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled :—

The Report of the Librarian, upon the state of the Library of Parliament,

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,—

That during the past year the annual appropriation for the purchase of Books has been expended in adding to the Library a careful selection of the most important works which have issued from the press in *Europe* and *America* within that period.

In view of the changes among the Members of the House consequent upon the commencement of another Parliament, a new Index to the Classified Catalogue of the Library has been prepared, and will be distributed to Members in a few days. This Index is intended to serve as a Hand-book to the Library, and is alphabetically arranged, according to Authors' names. Though necessarily brief in its description of the Books, it is portable and complete, and it is hoped will be found sufficiently comprehensive for all purposes of reference.

During the past recess, the Library has been opened, as heretofore, to the public generally, with the exception of the time when the Parliament House was occupied by His Excellency the Governor General, when, by direction of the Board of Works, strangers were not permitted to have access to the Building. It is with much regret that your Librarian has again to state that the liberality of the Legislature, in permitting to the public at large the use of the Library during a recess of Parliament, has been further abused by injuries to the Books, similar to those referred to in his Report of last year.—This has occurred notwithstanding every precaution on the part of the officers and servants of the department; and it is a proof of the necessity for some alteration in the rule in respect to the admission of strangers during the recess, in order, if possible, to effect the exclusion from the Library of all persons who do not know how to make a proper use of the privilege of access thereto.

Further progress has been made by Mr. *Coventry*, in collecting materials for the

Documentary Annals of *Upper Canada*, and your Librarian has received from that gentleman a mass of valuable Manuscripts, transcribed and indexed, in a uniform series; also, a Report detailing the result of his labors during the past year, which will be laid before the Library Committee.

Lists of Donations to the Library, and of Books received under the Copyright Act since last Session, are herewith submitted. Among the Donations there is one which calls for special mention, namely the collection of Works presented by His Imperial Highness Prince *Napoleon*. The Prince, during his stay in *Quebec* last summer, honored the Library with a visit, and upon his return to *France*, forwarded through Baron *Gauldrée Boilleau*, the French Consul at *Quebec*, the Books in question, in token of his favorable consideration. Thanks, on behalf of the Library, were conveyed to His Imperial Highness, through the proper channel, for this valuable present.

The number of volumes in the Library last year was estimated at 47,800; since then about 2000 have been added, making a total of 49,800.

All which is respectfully submitted,

ALPHEUS TODD,
Librarian, Legislative Assembly.

Library of Parliament, 20th March, 1862.

LIST OF DONATIONS TO THE LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT SINCE THE OPENING OF THE
SESSION OF 1861.

From the State of Ohio.

Revised Statutes of *Ohio*, 2 vols., 1860.
Executive Documents, 1859, 2 vols.
Senate and House Journals and Laws, 1860, 3 vols.
Ohio Law Reports, vols. 8 and 9.
Report of State Board of Equalization, 1859-60.
Report of Board of Agriculture, 1859.

From the Hon. David Reesor, M. L. C.

Minutes of the *Home* District Council, and of the Municipal Council of *York, York, Ontario* and *Peel*, and *York* and *Peel*, with By-laws, &c., from 1842 to 1860, inclusive, 13 volumes.

From G. D. Engleheart, Esq.

Journal of the visit of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales to *America*, in 1860, by *J. D. Engleheart*, Private Secretary to the Duke of *Newcastle*. Privately printed.

From the Smithsonian Institution.

Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge, vol. 12.

From the Hon. A. T. Galt, M. P. P.

Programme and Report of Proceedings of the International Statistical Congress, 1860, 2 vols.

From the State of New York.

Barbour's Supreme Court Reports, vols. 25, 26, 27, 28 and 32.
Smith's Court of Appeals Reports, vols. 4, 7 and 8.
Index to Laws of *New York*, 1777-1857.
Index to Documents of *New York*, 1777-1857.
Journal of the Assembly of *New York*, 4th Session, 1st meeting. Re-printed, 1859.
Hough's History of *St. Lawrence* and *Franklin* Counties.
Vander Donck's Remonstrance, translated by Dr. *O'Callaghan*.
Marriage Licenses in *New York*, prior to 1784.
Catalogue of Maps, Surveys, &c., belonging to the State.

From the Senate, &c., of the United States.

Senate Journal, Reports and Documents, vols. 1 to 15 (lacking vol. 14). In all 18 volumes.

Mordecai's Report of the Military Commission to Europe, in 1855-6.

Patent Office Reports for 1858, 4 vols. For 1859, 3 vols.

Report on Foreign Commerce, 1860, 1 vol., 4 to.

DeLafield's Report on the Art of War in Europe.

From Her Majesty's State Paper Office, through the Colonial Office.

Calendar of State Papers, Domestic Series, 10 vols.; Relating to *Scotland*, 2 vols.; Relating to *Ireland*, 1 vol.; Colonial Series, 1 vol.; Foreign Series, of the reign of Edward VI., 1 vol.

From the State Library, Pennsylvania.

Vols. 37 and 38 *Pennsylvania State Reports* (Wright, v. 1 and 2).

Laws, Journals and Documents of the State of *Pennsylvania*, for 1861.

From the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture, of Upper Canada.

Journal and Transactions of the Board for 1859 and 1860, 2 vols. (Three copies.)

From the New Zealand Legislature.

Statutes of *New Zealand*, 1860.

Journals of House of Representatives, with appendix, 1860. (Three copies of Journal, and one of Appendix.)

Journals of Legislative Council, 1860, one copy.

Statistics of *New Zealand*, 1860.

From J. L. Locke, Esq.

Sketches of the History of the Town of *Camden, Me.*; by *J. L. Locke*, 1 vol., 1859.

From Mr. Attorney-General Macdonald.

Two copies of his Election Address, with extracts from his Speeches, 1861.

From the Rev. Dr. Adamson.

10 volumes of Pamphlets, chiefly on Canadian affairs.

Adamson's life and writings of Camoens, 2 vols.

From the State of Vermont.

Vermont Senate and House Journals, for 1859, 1860, and extra Session in 1861, 4 volumes.

Laws for 1859 and 1860.

Annual Registration Reports for 1858 and 1859.

Education Report, for 1859.

From the State of Massachusetts.

Plymouth Colony Records, vol. 11.

Acts and Resolves, 1860-61.

Special Laws of *Massachusetts*, 1849-53, vol. 9.

Public Documents, 1860, 3 vols.

Gray's Reports, vols. 8 and 13.

Allen's Reports, vol. 1.

Education and Agricultural Reports, for 1860.

Report of Sanitary Commission in 1850.

Convention of 1788, Report of. Published in 1856.

From New South Wales.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Council and Assembly, 1859-60, 4 vols.

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Journals of Senate and House of Representatives, and Public Documents, for 1861.

Public Acts and Private Acts, for 1861.

Vol. 28 *Connecticut Reports*.

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Acts of the regular and special Sessions in 1861 (2 copies).

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Senate and House of Representatives Journals, for 1861.
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Blair's Hen-wife, second edition, 1861.

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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly, for 1859-60, 5 vols.

From the State of Minnesota.

Laws, Journals and other Official documents of the State, from 1849 to 1861, inclusive.

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 State Reports, vos. 1 to 4.
 Journals and Debates of Constitutional Conventions.
De Luc's Minnesota Year Books, for 1851 and 1852.
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 Annals and collections of State Historical Society.
 Pocket Maps of the State, and various pamphlets.
 Reports on Statistics of the State in 1859 to 1861.

From the Trustees of the Public Library, Boston.

Catalogue of Books in the Upper Hall of said Library, 1861.
 Index to Books in the Lower Hall, 1858, with Supplements to 1861.
 Reports of the Trustees of said Library, 1852-1860.

Works presented to the Library by his Royal Highness the Prince Napoleon.

Collection of unpublished documents relating to the History of France, comprising:—

Journal d'Olivier d'Ormesson.
 Archives administratives et législatives de Reims.
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 Cartulaire de Notre-Dame de Paris.
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 Cartulaire de Saint-Père de Chartres.
 Cartulaire de Saint-Victor de Marseille.
 Cartulaire de Savigny et d'Ainay.
 Chronique de Bertrand Duguesclin.
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 Correspondance et papiers d'Etat du Cardinal de Richelieu.
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 Histoire du Tiers-Etat en France.
 Histoire de la guerre de Navarre.
 Journal des Etats généraux tenus à Tours en 1484.
 L'Eclaircissement de la langue françoise, T. Palsgrave.
 Cartulaire de Beaulieu.
 Lettres des Rois et Reines.
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 Négociations de la France dans le Levant.
 Négociations entre la France et l'Autriche.

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 Négociations sous *François II*.
 Les Olims.
 Ouvrages inédits d'*Abélard*.
 Papiers d'Etat du Cardinal *Granvelle*.
 Privilèges accordés par le St. Siège à la couronne de *France*.
 Procès des Templiers.
 Procès verbaux des Etats généraux, 1593.
 Les quatre livres des Rois.
 Recueil de documents sur l'administration sous *Louis XIV*.
 Règlements d'*Etienne Boileau*.
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 Négociations de la *France* avec la *Toscane*.
 Procès-verbaux du Conseil de Régence sous *Charles VIII*.
 Monographie de la Cathédrale de *Chartres*.
 Monographie de Notre Dame de *Noyon*.
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 Statistique monumentale de *Paris*.
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 Instruction sur l'architecture antique gallo-romaine.
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Correspondance de *Napoléon Ier*, vol. 1 à 8, 4to.
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 Savants étrangers, vols. 14, 15.
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Political Appointments and Elections in *Canada*, 1841 to 1860. By *J. O. Côté*,
Quebec, 1860.

Ready Reckoner for contents of Timber. By *John Quinn*, *Quebec*, 1860.

Wallace, A. Plan of the Harbor of *Quebec*, with its adjacent villages, &c. *Montreal*, 1861.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table:—

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of the *Grand River North Association*.

By Mr. *Burwell*,—Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Elgin*.

By Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Tloa*, Administrator of the Archdiocese of *Quebec*; the Petition of Mrs. Widow *Charles Turgeon* and others, creditors of the former Municipal Districts of *Lower Canada*; two Petitions of *John Duff* and others, of *St. Edwards* and *Cranbourne*, County of *Dorchester*; and two Petitions of the Reverend *L. T. Bernard* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Claire*, County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Daoust*,—The Petition of the Reverend *E. Bonin*, of the Village of *Ste. Scholastique*.

By Mr. *McGee*,—The Petition of Sister *M. J. Hainault dite Deschamps* and other Sisters of Charity in charge of the General Hospital in the City of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *John Lewis* and others, the Representatives of the British and German National Societies of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of *A. Bélanger* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Cartier*,—The Petition of the Reverend *V. Rousselot*, of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *La Salle d'Asile de St. Joseph*, *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Bell*, of *Lanark*,—The Petition of *A. G. Hall* and others, of the Village of *Lanark*; and the Petition of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa Railway Company*.

By Mr. *Mackenzie*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lambton*.

By Mr. *Bown*,—The Petition of *A. Huntington* and others, Trustees of the Estate of the late *Nathan Gage*, of the Town of *Brantford*; and the Petition of *Charles Turner* and others, of the Town of *Brantford*, County of *Brant*.

By Mr. *Pope*,—Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Compton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*; the Petition of the Provincial Insurance Company of *Canada*; and the Petition of the British America Assurance Company of *Canada*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of the *Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum*.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of *M. Charpentier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre*, County of *Drummond*; the Petition of *D. Côté* and others, of the Townships of *Wendover* and *Simpson*; the Petition of *A. D. Richard* and others, of the Parish of *St.*

Pierre, County of *Drummond*; and the Petition of *Moise Charpentier* and others, of *Durham*, County of *Drummond*.

By Mr. *Price*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Gagnon* and others, School Commissioners of the Village of *Chicoutimi*; the Petition of *H. Piedneault*, Mayor, and others, of the Village of *Chicoutimi*; and the Petition of the Reverend *P. L. Babel* and others, of the County of *Saguenay*.

By Mr. *Cowan*,—The Petition of *Thomas Chisholm* and others, of the Township of *Dumfries*, North.

By Mr. *Stirton*,—Four Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Wellington*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Chatham*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *Robert Boyd* and others, of the Village of *Aurora*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Perth*.

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Collingwood*.

By Mr. *Street*,—The Petition of the Bank of *Upper Canada*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Morin*,—The Petition of *J. M. Young*, Director, and others, Professors of the Deaf and Dumb Institute of the Order of *St. Viateur*.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery attended, according to Order, and laid before the House the Return of the last Election of the United Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington*, together with the poll-books and all other papers, letters, and documents which have been transmitted to him by the Returning Officer for the said United Counties.

And the same being read,

On motion of Mr. *Wallbridge*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*,

Resolved, That it appears by the Return of the Returning Officer appointed to preside at the election of a Member for the said United Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington*, and the poll-books by him transmitted therewith, that *Augustus F. Hooper*, Esquire, one of the candidates at the said election, had at the close of the said election, a majority of votes, and that notwithstanding this the said Returning Officer, *Marshall Perry Roblin*, did not declare and return the said *Augustus F. Hooper* as duly elected.

Resolved, That the said *Augustus F. Hooper*, Esquire, ought to have been returned as Knight representative for the United Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington*, in this present Parliament.

Resolved, That the said *Augustus F. Hooper*, Esquire, has a right to take his seat in this House as a Representative for the said United Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington*, saving, however, to all candidates and electors their right of contesting the said election if they think proper, in such manner as may appertain in law and justice, and according to the usage of Parliament.

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery do forthwith amend the return for the said United Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington*, by inserting therein the name of the said *Augustus F. Hooper*, as having been duly elected to represent the said United Counties.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery amended, according to Order, the Return for the said United Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington*.

Augustus F. Hooper, Esquire, Member for the United Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington*, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

On motion of Mr. *Wallbridge*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his warrant summoning *Marshall Perry Roblin*, Esquire, the Returning Officer at the late Election for the United Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington*, to the Bar of this House, on Monday, the fourteenth day of April next, to answer for his return to the writ of election for the said United Counties.

The Order of the day for taking into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, being read,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed until Wednesday next.

Resolved, That to-morrow, being a Statutory holiday, when this House doth adjourn this day, it will adjourn until Wednesday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,

The House adjourned until Wednesday next.

Wednesday, 26th March, 1862.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House—Accounts of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, for the year ending 31st December, 1861.—(Sessional Papers, No. 5.)

Also, Accounts of the Trustees of the *Montreal Turnpike Trust*, to 31st December, 1861.—(Sessional Papers, No. 6.)

Also, Returns from the Registrars of the Counties of *Durham* (East Riding), *Peterborough*, *Simcoe*, *Renfrew*, *Elgin*, *Norfolk*, *Victoria*, *Huron*, *Stormont*, *Peel* and *York*, for the year 1861, pursuant to the 76th Section, Chapter 89, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*.—(Sessional Papers, No. 7.)

Also, General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, in the Districts of *Saguenay*, *Montmagny*, *Beauce*, *Chicoutimi*, *Gaspé*, *Three Rivers*, *Beauharnois*, *Iberville* and *Arthabaska*, for the year 1861.—(Sessional Papers, No. 8.)

Also, Statements of affairs of the "Queen Insurance Company" of *Liverpool*, on the 31st December, 1861,—of the *Northumberland* and *Durham Savings Bank*, on the 1st March, 1862,—and of the "Royal Insurance Company," on the 30th of June, 1861.—(Sessional Papers, No. 9.)

Also, Return of the Distribution of the Provincial Statutes, 24th *Victoria*, 1861.—(Sessional Papers, No. 10.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table:—

By Mr. *Macbeth*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Elgin*.

By Mr. *Patrick*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Augusta*, County of *Grenville*.

By Mr. *Langevin*,—Two Petitions of *W. Henderson* and others, of the Parish of *St. Malachie* and other places; and two Petitions of the Reverend *Joseph Bourassa* and others, of the Parish of *St. Bernard*, County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Crawford*,—The Petition of the Community of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, in charge of the House of Providence in the City of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Laframboise*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Bagot*; the Petition of *J. Gagnon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Dominique*; the Petition of *H. Thibault* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ephrem d'Upton*; the Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Durocher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Liboire*; and the Petition of *Pierre Tétrault*, of the Parish of *Ste. Rosalie*, all of the County of *Bagot*.

By Mr. *D. A. Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Kenyon*.

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Gainsboro'*.

By Mr. *Ferguson*,—Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Simcoe*.

By Mr. *Street*,—The Petition of *J. W. Wilson* and others, of the Village of *Welland*; and the Petition of the Bank of *Upper Canada*.

By Mr. *Morris*,—The Petition of the University of Queen's College, *Kingston*; and the Petition of the Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company.

By Mr. *Mongenais*.—The Petition of *P. L. McDonell* and others, of the Village of *Pointe Fortune*.

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of *T. Caron* and others, of the three first ranges of the Township of *Broughton*, in the County of *Megantic*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Alley*,—The Petition of *Richard Burke* and others, ship-laborers in the Port of *Quebec*; and the Petition of the Corporation of the Asylum of the Good Shepherd of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Chapais*,—The Petition of Miss *Angélique Guy*, of *St. Anne de la Pocatière*; and the Petition of the Corporation of the College of *St. Anne de la Pocatière*.

By Mr. *De Cazes*,—The Petition of the Reverend *A. Bouchard* and others, of *Stratford* and other Townships.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*.—The Petition of *J. F. Sincennes* and others, proprietors of steamers and other vessels and craft, and others, interested in the navigation of this Province; the Petition of the Reverend *J. J. Vinet* and others, of *Isle Jésus* in the District of *Montreal*; and the Petition of Mrs. *M. G. Sophie Masson* and others, of the Town of *Terrebonne*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. Gravel* and others, of the Village and Parish of *Laprarie de la Magdelene*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of the Protestant Board of School Commissioners of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of the *Montreal Ladies' Benevolent Society*; and the Petition of *W. Barrett* and others, of the Township of *Hemmingford*.

By Mr. *Smith*,—The Petition of *William Fraser*, of the Town of *Port Hope*, County of *Durham*; and the Petition of *James Smith*, of the Town of *Port Hope*.

By Mr. *Walsh*,—Two Petitions of the Municipality of the Township of *Townsend*, County of *Norfolk*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte*,—The Petition of *H. Chagnon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Dominique*.

By Mr. *Cockburn*,—The Petition of the *Northumberland and Durham Savings Bank*.

By Mr. *Bell*, of *Lanark*,—The Petition of the *Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—Five Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron and Bruce*.

By Mr. *Scatcherd*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Middlesex*.

By Mr. *Ryerson*,—The Petition of *D. Broolke*, of the Town of *Brantford*, Attorney-at-Law; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Burford*, County of *Brant*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of the Male Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Dunsford*,—The Petition of the Provisional Council of the County of *Victoria*.

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

Of La Salle d'Asile de *St. Joseph, Montreal*; of the *Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum*; of *J. M. Young*, Director, and others, Professors of the Deaf and Dumb Institute of the Order of *St. Viature*; and of Sister *M. J. Hainault dite Deschamps*, and other Sisters of Charity in charge of the General Hospital in the City of *Montreal*; severally praying for aid.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Elgin*; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Compton*; and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Wellington*; severally praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada*.

Of the Reverend *L. T. Bernard* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Claire*; and of *John Duff* and others, of *St. Edwards* and *Cranbourne*, County of *Dorchester*; severally praying that the legal rate of Interest may be fixed at six or seven per cent. per annum.

Of the Reverend *L. T. Bernard* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Claire*; and of

John Duff and others, of *St. Edwards* and *Cranbourne*, County of *Dorchester*; severally praying that the grant in favor of Colonization Roads may be increased.

Of *A. G. Hull* and others, of the Village of *Lanark*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the said Village.

Of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway Company; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lambton*; praying for amendments to the Jury Laws of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lambton*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize the sales of land already made in the said County, for arrears of taxes, and to empower them to direct the sale of lands so in default in future.

Of *M. Charpentier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre*, County of *Drummond*; praying that the said Parish may be erected into a separate Municipality.

Of the Reverend *P. L. Babel* and others, of the County of *Saguenay*; praying that the said County may be divided into two separate Municipalities.

Of the Reverend *J. B. Gagnon* and others, School Commissioners of the Village of *Chicoutimi*; praying for aid to erect an Academy in the said Village.

Of *H. Piedneault*, Mayor, and others, of the Village of *Chicoutimi*; praying for the passing of an Act to erect the Village of *Chicoutimi* into a separate Municipality.

Of *Charles Turner* and others, of the Town of *Brantford*,—and of *A. Huntington*, Trustees of the Estate of the late *Nathan Gage*, of the Town of *Brantford*; severally praying for amendments to the Act 24 Vic., cap. 134, in relation to the carrying out of the Residuary Devise of the Will of the said *Nathan Gage*.

Of the *British America* Assurance Company of *Canada*,—and the Provincial Insurance Company of *Canada*; severally praying for an Act of Incorporation for the Lake and River Underwriters' Association.

Of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*; praying that the title to the Rectorial Lands in the said Diocese may be vested in them.

Of *A. D. Michaud* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre*, County of *Drummond*; praying for amendments to the Representation Act.

Of the Reverend *E. Bonin*, of the Village of *Ste. Schlastique*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate certain persons in the said Village, for School purposes.

Of *Moise Charpentier* and others, of *Durham*, County of *Drummond*; praying for the abolition of School Inspectors.

Of the Bank of *Upper Canada*; praying for amendments to its Act of Incorporation.

Of the Reverend *V. Rousselot*, of *Montreal*; praying aid for an Institution of the Blind, in the said City.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Compton*; praying for amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal Act of 1860.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Compton*; praying for amendments to the Laws now in force for the more effectual suppression of Intemperance.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Wellington*; praying for the repeal of the *Upper Canada* Municipal Loan Act.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Perth*; praying for amendments to the Act relating to the holding of Inquests.

Of *Robert Boyd* and others, of the Village of *Aurora*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the said Village into a separate Municipality.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Chatham*; praying that they may receive their share of the Clergy Reserve Moneys irrespective of the Municipal Loan Fund liability.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Wellington*,—and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Perth*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to legalize the assessment and imposition of taxes on lands.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Wellington*; praying for the passing of an Act to compel the payment of non-resident taxes on, or before, the first day of May in each year.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Collingwood*; praying for the repeal of the Fishery Act in so far as it relates to *Upper Canada*.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Collingwood*; praying for the repeal of the Fishery Act in so far as it relates to *Upper Canada*.

Of *A. Bélanger* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for amendments to the Act relating to Landlord and Tenant.

Of *D. Côté* and others, of the Townships of *Wendover* and *Simpson*; praying that the Townships of *Grantham*, *Wendover* and *Simpson* may be separated, and that the Townships of *Wendover* and *Simpson* be formed into a separate Municipality.

Of *Thomas Chisholm* and others, of the Township of *Dumfries*, North; praying for the passing of an Act to do away with the division of the County of *Waterloo*, and to allow the said County to remain in one Registration District as formerly.

Of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Tloa*, Administrator of the Arch-diocese of *Quebec*; praying for the passing of an Act to regulate the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths, in *Lower Canada*.

Of Mrs. *Widow Charles Turgeon* and others, creditors of the former Municipal Districts of *Lower Canada*; praying payment of the amounts due them by late Councils of the said Municipal Districts.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Elygin*; praying that any measure, having for its object to impose the Railway and other indebtedness of the Municipalities upon the Province, may not be entertained.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Elgin*,—and of the *Grand River North Association*; severally praying that the present system and the Endowment of the *Toronto University* and *University College* may be preserved intact.

Of *John Lewis* and others, the Representatives of the British and German National Societies of the City of *Montreal*; praying that the entire control and direction of the Emigration Department be given to the Minister of Agriculture and Statistics, and for other changes in the said service.

The Order of the Day, for taking into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, being read;

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Galt*,

Ordered, That the said Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Galt*,

The House adjourned.

Thursday, 27th March, 1862.

Matthew Crooks Cameron, Esquire, Member for the North Riding of the County of *Ontario*, and *Frederick William Haultain*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Peterborough*, having previously taken the Oath, according to law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took their seats in the House.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table:—

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,—Two Petitions of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence of Montreal*; the Petition of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of *Montreal*; the Petition of l'Association de *St. François Xavier of Montreal*; and the Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Stirton*,—The Petition of *G. M. Stewart* and others, of the County of *Wellington*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Dunsford*,—The Petition of *John Ewing* and others, of the Township of *Emily*, County of *Victoria*.

By Mr. *Sylvain*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Joseph Dumas* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ulric*, County of *Rimouski*; the Petition of *Germain Lepage* and others, of the Township of *Nejette*, County of *Rimouski*; and the Petition of the Reverend *C. F. Cloutier* and others, of *St. Octave, Mitis*.

By the Honorable *J. S. Macdonald*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Stormont, Dundas* and *Glengarry*.

By Mr. *Harcourt*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Haldimand*.

By Mr. *Howland*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.

By Mr. *Scatcherd*,—Five Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Middlesex*.

By Mr. *Jones*,—The Petition of *James Lindsay* and others, of the Township of *Oxford*.

By Mr. *Huot*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Marie Deguise*, widow of the late *Thomas Burn*, heretofore employed in the office of the Executive Council.

By the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*,—The Petition of *E. Jones* and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of the *Montreal Home* and School of Industry; and the Petition of *John A. Converse*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.

By the Honorable *J. H. Cameron*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*; and the Petition of *Egerton Fisk Ryerson, James Alexander McCulloch, John Sidney Smith, James A. Carroll, Samuel Loyd Roberts* and others, electors in the County of *Perth*, in the Province of *Canada*, in the interest of *Thomas Mayne Daly*, for the Office of Representative of the said County of *Perth*, in the Legislature of *Canada*, and *Thomas Mayne Daly* the said Candidate.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament, for the electoral division of "*Toronto West*," in the room of the Honorable *John Beverley Robinson*, who, since his election as Representative of the said electoral division of "*Toronto West*," hath accepted the office of President of the Committees of the Honorable the Executive Council, by means whereof the seat of the said Honorable *John Beverley Robinson* hath become vacant.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *London*, in the room of the Honorable *John Carling*, who, since his election as representative of the said City, hath accepted the Office of Receiver General, by means whereof the seat of the said Honorable *John Carling* hath become vacant.

The Order of the Day being read, for taking into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature;

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Speech into consideration.

Mr. *Denis* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Portman*, and the Question being proposed,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for His gracious Speech at the opening of the Provincial Parliament, and further to assure His Excellency that we have learned with the most profound sorrow that since this Legislature last met, Her Majesty and Her subjects have suffered an irreparable loss in the death of the Prince Consort.

That we can never forget that this illustrious Prince, though born and in a great degree educated in a Foreign country, was truly British in thought, feeling and action, while the spirit of universal benevolence, by which he was animated, caused him to devote the great intellectual abilities with which nature had endowed him, and the stores of acquired information with which, by his own industry, he had filled his mind, to the promotion of every

well-devised plan for the moral and material improvement of his fellow-creatures of all nations and races.

That we trust that we worthily estimate the virtues which marked the character of the departed Prince, we appreciate the great bereavement which our Sovereign has sustained, both in Her public and Her domestic relations, and we shall most cordially join with His Excellency in laying at the foot of the Throne the respectful expression of our heartfelt sympathy and condolence.

That we are proud to feel that the people we represent availed themselves heartily of the opportunity afforded by circumstances which occurred during the past autumn and winter, for exhibiting in a most striking and satisfactory manner, the sentiments of reciprocal attachment which exist between the inhabitants of this Province, of every race and creed, and their fellow subjects in the Mother Country. We rejoice to learn that the feeling of loyalty shewn by Her North American subjects has been made matter of special notice by Her Most Gracious Majesty in Her Speech from the Throne on the opening of the Imperial Parliament; and that His Excellency is right in believing that such a recognition is most grateful to us as the representatives of the people of *Canada*.

That we receive with pleasure His Excellency's congratulations on the blessing of an abundant harvest in the past year, and on the continuance of a satisfactory condition of our trade, notwithstanding the partial derangement to which it has been subjected by the effects of the Civil War now unhappily raging in the *United States*.

That we thank His Excellency for having directed papers to be laid before us, shewing the extension by the French Government to Canadian built ships, of the privileges in French Ports already enjoyed by ships of British build; and we feel that this cannot but be advantageous to the ship building interest, and affords a fresh proof of the friendly feeling which underlies the alliance between *England* and *France*.

That we are gratified to learn, that during the past recess, a Conference took place between delegates representing the Government of this Province and those of *New Brunswick* and *Nova Scotia*, to consider the propriety of renewing the application to the Imperial Government for assistance in constructing the railway which will unite the three Provinces; and that a joint delegation proceeded to *England* for the purpose of re-opening negotiations with Her Majesty's Government. While we regret to learn that no answer has as yet been received, we thank His Excellency for the assurance that the final decision of the Imperial Government shall be communicated to us so soon as it shall reach him.

That we are happy to know that His Excellency has received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies an intimation that it is the intention of Her Majesty's Government to introduce into the Imperial Parliament, in the present session, a Bill for the abolition in this, and other Colonies similarly circumstanced, of the power of the Superior Courts in *England* to issue the Writ of *Habeas Corpus* into such Colonies, in conformity with the representations made by His Excellency's Predecessor to the Imperial Government.

That we shall give our careful consideration to any measure to be submitted to us for the purpose of securing a proper administration of Bankrupt Estates in *Upper Canada*, and also to any measure having for its object the establishment of well regulated Gaols and local Penitentiaries throughout the Province.

That we shall thankfully receive the papers which His Excellency has directed to be laid before us, showing that the Imperial Government entertains no objection to the establishment of a system of free commercial intercourse between the different Provinces of *British North America*, if the Governments and Legislatures of those Provinces can agree as to the basis upon which such an arrangement shall be carried into effect.

That we learn with great satisfaction that His Excellency has seen fit, during the recess, to issue a Commission to consider the present condition of the Militia Force of the Province, and the propriety of amending its organisation, and improving its efficiency; and that the Report of that Commission will be laid before us;—and that His Excellency may rest assured that the recommendations it contains, and the Bill which will be necessary in order to carry those recommendations into effect, shall receive our most careful and favorable consideration.

That we shall give our best attention to any other measures of public usefulness which may be submitted for our consideration.

That we thank His Excellency for the assurance that the Accounts for the year which has just closed, will be forthwith laid before us; and we confidently trust that they will be found satisfactory.

That we shall cheerfully vote the supplies necessary for carrying on the service of Her Most Gracious Majesty for the current year, and are grateful to His Excellency for having directed that the estimates shall be framed with all the economy consistent with a due regard to efficiency.

That we receive with pride His Excellency's gracious acknowledgment of the good will and kindly feelings which we know it has been the desire of the whole people we represent, to manifest towards His Excellency on the occasion of his assuming the Government of this Colony.

That the constitution having committed to our hands the guardianship of the interests of this great Province, we shall give our earnest, impartial and diligent care to the several matters which may be brought before us, and that with His Excellency, we fervently pray Almighty God so to direct our counsels that our acts may conduce to His Glory, the honor of our Sovereign, and the prosperity and happiness of the people of *Canada*.

Ordered, That the Question be put on upon each paragraph of the said motion.

And the first to the seventh of the said paragraphs being again read, were agreed to.

The seventh paragraph being again read, and the Question being put thereon, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Abbott,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Alleyn,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>LeBoutillier,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Désaulniers,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Ross, John J.,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Atty. Gen.</i>	<i>Ross, John S.,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Donald A.</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Bell, R. (N. Lanark),</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Macdonald, John S.,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Bell R. (Russell),</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Mc Cann,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Mc Gee,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sicotte,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Morin, Sol.-General,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Cameron, John H.,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Cameron, Matthew C.,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Cartier, Atty.-Gen.,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>O' Halloran,</i>	<i>Tassé,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Howland,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>Walsh,</i>
<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>	<i>White and</i>
<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Price,</i>	<i>Wilson.—99.</i>
<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>	

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Rymal and</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Wright.—15.</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the remaining paragraphs being again read, were agreed to.

Mr. *McDougall* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, and the Question being proposed, That the following paragraph be added to said Resolution, and do form part thereof:—"That we nevertheless must express our surprise that His Excellency has not been advised to make allusion to the recent Census of this Province, by which the important fact is established that the population of *Upper Canada* exceeded that of *Lower Canada*, in the month of February, 1861, by no less than 285,427 souls. That as the excess of population in *Upper Canada* was only 61,743 at the taking of the Census in 1852, it is evident that this disproportion is becoming greater every year; That the continuance of a system which gives to the two sections an equal number of representatives in the Legislature, is, in view of these facts, manifestly unjust and fraught with great danger to the peace and good government of the country;—we therefore deeply regret that His Excellency has not been advised to recommend for our adoption some measure for securing to this large population in *Upper Canada*, their rightful share of the Parliamentary representation, and their just influence in the Government."

The Honorable Mr. *Sicotte* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words, "We consider, under the present circumstances, proper to state to His Excellency, as the opinion of this House, that the principle of equal representation was the basis of the compact upon which the Union between *Upper* and *Lower Canada* was formed, and is essential to the maintenance of that Union as it now exists, inasmuch as it affords a guarantee to secure to each section of *United Canada* the enjoyment of laws and institutions congenial to the wishes and requirements of its inhabitants," inserted instead thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon,
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,
The House adjourned.

Friday, 28th March, 1862.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Returns from the Registrars of the Counties of *Lincoln* and *Frontenac*, for the year 1861, pursuant to the 76th section, Chapter 89, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*. (Sessional Papers, No. 7).

Statements of the affairs of the Home Insurance Company of *New York*, on the 1st July, 1861,—Of the Phoenix Insurance Company of *Hartford, Connecticut*, on the 1st July, 1861,—and of the *Hartford* Fire Insurance Company, on the 31st December, 1861. (Sessional Papers, No. 9).

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the table:—

By Mr. *Langevin*,—Two Petitions of the Reverend *F. Poulin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Isidore*, County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Daoust*,—The Petition of *P. Cyr* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hermas*, County of *Two Mountains*.

By Mr. *Robitaille*,—The Petition of *R. H. Montgomery* and others, merchants, lumberers and others, interested in the trade of the District of *Gaspé*.

By Mr. *Bourassa*,—The Petition of *J. P. Déry* and others, of the Township of *Colbert*, and of the Parish of *St. Raymond*, County of *Portneuf*.

By Mr. *Gagnon*,—The Petition of the Reverend *George Beaulieu* and others, of the Parish of *St. Fidèle*, County of *Charlevoix*.

By Mr. *D. A. Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Trustees of the Congregation of *Martintown*, of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*.

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lincoln*; and the Petition of *John Durham* and others, of the County of *Lincoln*.

By Mr. *Haultain*,—Six Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Peterboro'* and *Victoria*; and the Petition of *Thomas Askew*, chairman, on behalf of the Annual Meeting of the *Kingston Sabbath Reformation Society*.

By Mr. *Denis*,—The Petition of *Henri Lappare*, of the City of *Montreal*, Notary.

By Mr. *Rémillard*,—The Petition of the Reverend *E. Dufour* and others, of the first range of the Township of *Buckland*, County of *Bellechasse*.

By Mr. *Abbott*,—The Petition of the Provisional Directors of the Merchants' Bank of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Huntington*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Milton*, County of *Shefford*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte*,—The Petition of *A. Baron* and others, of *St. Hyacinthe*.

By Mr. *Rymal*,—The Petition of *Francis G. Willson* and others, of the Township of *Saltfleet*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,—The Petition of the Very Reverend *E. Crevier*, V. G. and others, of *Ste. Marie de Monnoir* and other Parishes.

By Mr. *Simpson*,—Two Petitions of the Municipality of the Township of *Caistor*, County of *Lincoln*; two Petitions of the Town Council of the Town of *Niagara*; and the Petition of *John O'Connor*, junior, of the Town of *Windsor*, County of *Essex*.

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

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Elgin*; praying for amendments to the Act relating to the selectors of Jurors.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Elgin*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize (if in error) the action of the said Council in relation to sales and assessments made on lands for which no Patents have been issued.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Augusta*, County of *Grenville*; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to invest the moneys they receive from the Clergy Reserve Fund in Bank Stock or other securities, and that the interest be appropriated for Common School Education only.

Of *W. Henderson* and others, of the Parish of *St. Malachie*, and other places,—and of the Reverend *Joseph Bourassa* and others, of the Parish of *St. Bernard*, County of *Dorchester*; severally praying that the legal rate of interest be fixed at six or seven per cent. per annum.

Of the Community of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, in charge of the House of Providence of the City of *Toronto*,—of the University of Queen's College, *Kingston*,—of the Male Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*,—and of the Corporation of the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, of *Quebec*; severally praying for aid.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Simcoe*,—of *J. W. Wilson* and others, of the Village of *Welland*,—and of *P. L. McDonell* and others, of the Village of *Point Fortune*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to prohibit the manufacture, importation or sale of all intoxicating liquors, except for medicinal, scientific or mechanical purposes.

Of the Reverend *Joseph Bourassa* and others, of the Parish of *St. Bernard*, County of *Dorchester*,—and of *W. Henderson* and others, of the Parish of *St. Malachie* and other places; severally praying that the grant allowed for Colonization Roads be increased.

Of *J. Gagnon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Dominique*,—of *H. Thibault* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ephrem d'Upton*,—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Bagot*,—and of the Reverend *J. B. Durocher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Liboire*, County of *Bagot*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to establish Landed Credit Institutions in *Lower Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville*; praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway Company,—and that the efforts

made by certain Municipalities, praying for relief from their indebtedness, be not granted.

Of *Pierre Tétreault*, of the Parish of *Ste. Rosalie*, in the County of *Bagot*; praying to be remunerated for services rendered during the last war with the *United States*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Kenyon*; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm and establish for all future time, the side roads upon the present Lines in the said Township.

Of Miss *Angelique Guy*, of *Ste. Anne de Lapocatière*; praying aid to finish the interior of a building erected for the reception of Orphans and Infirm persons, in the Village of *Ste. Anne de Lapocatière*.

Of the Reverend *J. Gravel* and others, of the Village and Parish of *Japrairie de la Magdeleine*; praying for aid to construct an Academy in the said Parish.

Of the Protestant Board of School Commissioners of the City of *Montreal*; praying for aid, and also, for amendments to the Act chap. 15 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, relating to Common Schools.

Of the *Montreal Ladies' Benevolent Society*; praying that their annual grant may be increased.

Of *W. Barrett* and others, of the Township of *Hemmingford*; praying for the passing of an Act to divide the said Township into two separate Municipalities.

Of the Reverend *J. J. Vinet* and others, of *Isle Jésus*, in the District of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to construct certain Turnpike Roads.

Of Mrs. *M. G. Sophie Masson* and others, of the Town of *Terrebonne*; praying for the passing of an Act conferring on them the privilege of constructing a Macadamized Road from *Mrs. Masson's Bridge*, opposite the Town of *Terrebonne*, to the Parish of *Sault au Récollet*.

Of the Reverend *A. Bouchard* and others, of *Stratford* and other Townships; praying that a certain sum of money be allowed to squatters in the said Townships, to enable them to purchase seed.

Of *J. F. Sincennes* and others, proprietors of Steamers and other vessels and craft, and others interested in the navigation of this Province; praying that no permission be given to erect a wharf at or near the Railroad Bridge at *Beloeil*, on the River *Richelieu*.

Of the Corporation of the College of *Ste. Anne de Lapocatière*; praying for amendments to the Act 4th Will. IV. cap. 53, incorporating the said Corporation.

Of *Richard Burke* and others, ship laborers in the Port of *Quebec*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *T. Caron* and others, of the three first ranges of the Township of *Broughton*, County of *Megantic*; praying that the said ranges be annexed to the County of *Beauce* for Judicial, Electoral and Municipal purposes.

Of the Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company; praying for the passing of an Act to reduce the number of Directors of the said Company,—to diminish the nominal value of the Shares in the Capital Stock,—and also, to reduce the amount of the said Capital Stock.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Simcoe*; praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Georgian Bay Canal.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Simcoe*; praying for a declaratory enactment upon certain clauses and sections of the present Assessment Law of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Gainsboro'*; praying for the removal of the County Town of the County of *Lincoln*.

Of the Bank of *Upper Canada*,—of *William Fraser*, of the Town of *Port Hope*,—and of *James Smith*, of the Town of *Port Hope*, County of *Durham*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to confirm and legalize a certain By-Law of the Corporation of the Town of *Port Hope*, under which debentures have been negotiated,—to remove doubts as to the legal rights of the holders thereof.

Of the *Northumberland and Durham Savings Bank*; praying for amendments to the 9th Section of the Act 4th and 5th Vic., Cap. 32, to encourage the establishment of, and regulate Savings Banks in this Province.

Of the Provisional Council of the County of *Victoria*; praying for amendments to the Law relating to the separation of Junior Counties from Senior Counties.

Of *Daniel Brooke*, of the Town of *Brantford*, Attorney-at-Law; praying that he may be allowed to practise as a Barrister in the Courts of Law and Equity for Upper Canada.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Middlesex*,—of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron and Bruce*,—and of the Municipality of the Township of *Townsend*, County of *Norfolk*; severally praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron and Bruce*; praying that the Grand Trunk Railway Company may be required to supply a sufficient number of Freight Cars at the Local Stations.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron and Bruce*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize the assessment and imposition of taxes on lands.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron and Bruce*; praying that the County of *Huron* may not be divided.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron and Bruce*; praying aid to complete the *Bayfield Harbour*.

Of the *Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company*; praying for an Act to authorize them, the said Company, to issue preferential stock.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Burford*, County of *Brant*,—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Middlesex*,—and of the Municipality of the Township of *Townsend*, County of *Norfolk*; severally praying that any measure having for its object to impose the Railway and other indebtedness of the Municipalities upon the Province, may not be entertained.

Of *H. Chagnon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Dominique*; praying that measures may be adopted to establish a uniform rate of *Seigniorial Rentes Foncières*.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Amendment which was, yesterday, proposed to be made to the Question, That the following paragraph be added to the said Resolution (on which to found an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature), and to form part thereof; "That we nevertheless must express our surprise that His Excellency has not been advised to make allusion to the recent Census of this Province, by which the important fact is established that the population of *Upper Canada* exceeded that of *Lower Canada*, in the month of February, 1861, by no less than 285,427 souls. That as the excess of population in *Upper Canada* was only 61,743 at the taking of the Census in 1852, it is evident that this disproportion is becoming greater every year; That the continuance of a system which gives to the two sections an equal number of representatives in the Legislature, is, in view of these facts, manifestly unjust and fraught with great danger to the peace and good government of the country;—We therefore deeply regret that His Excellency has not been advised to recommend for our adoption some measure for securing to this large population in *Upper Canada*, their rightful share of the Parliamentary representation and their just influence in the Government;" and which amendment was, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words, "We consider, under the present circumstances, proper to state to His Excellency, as the opinion of this House, that the principle of equal representation was the basis of the compact upon which the Union between *Upper* and *Lower Canada* was formed, and is essential to the maintenance of that Union as it now exists, inasmuch as it affords a guarantee to secure to each section of *United Canada* the enjoyment of laws and institutions congenial to the wishes and requirements of its inhabitants," inserted instead thereof.

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question on the amendment being again proposed;

And the House having continued to sit after twelve of the clock, on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 29th March, 1862.

And the Question being then put on the Amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre, Jobin,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>John S. Macdonald,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Scotte, and</i>
<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>Starnes,—20.</i>
		<i>Kierzkowski,</i>
		<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>
		<i>Laframboise,</i>

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Abbott,</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Alley,</i>	<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Ross, John J.</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Atty. Gen.</i>	<i>Ross, John S.</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Donald A.</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Donald A.</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Bell (N. Lanark),</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Bell (Russell),</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Morin, Sol.-Gen.</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Cameron, John H.</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cameron, Matthew C.</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Cartier, Atty. Gen.</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Tassé,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Howland,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>Walsh,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>	<i>White,</i>
<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>	<i>Wilson, and</i>
<i>Daoust,</i>		<i>Price,</i>	<i>Wright,—97.</i>

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main Question being again proposed, and a further Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Monday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,

The House adjourned until Monday next.

Monday, 31st March, 1862.

William Clarke, Esquire, Member for the North Riding of the County of *Wellington*, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House—Return of Bonds and Securities recorded between the 16th day of March, 1861, and the 20th day of March, 1862, prepared in compliance with the 22nd section, 12th chapter, Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*. (*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, in the District of *Bedford* and County of *Bonaventure*, for the year 1861. (*Sessional Papers No. 8.*)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,—The Petition of L'Hospice de la Maternité de *Montréal*; and the Petition of the *Montreal St. Patrick's* Orphan Asylum.

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Clinton*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *John Larkin* and others, of the Township of *King*.

By Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of *Z. Héroux* and others, of the Parish of *St. Christophe d'Arthabaska*.

By Mr. *Robitaille*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *New Richmond*; and the Petition of the Municipality of *Port Daniel*, both of the County of *Bonaventure*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,—The Petition of *John Montgomery*, of the City of *Toronto*, hotel keeper; and the Petition of the Reverend *James Campbell* and others, the Church Wardens and members of *Grace Church*, in the Town of *Brantford*.

By Mr. *Bell*, (of *Russell*),—The Petition of the Community, General Hospital, Alms House, and Seminary of Learning of the Sisters of Charity of *Ottawa*; the Petition of *James R. Shirreffs* and others, of the Township of *Clarence*; the Petition of *Robert Wallace* and others, of the Township of *North Gower*; the Petition of *W. W. Morgan* and others, of the Township of *Osgoode*, County of *Carleton*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Osgoode*.

By Mr. *Baby*,—The Petition of *C. T. Dubé* and others, of the Township of *Bégon*, County of *Temiscouata*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of the Corporation of L'Hospice des Sœurs de la Charité de *Québec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Mary Fulford* and other Ladies, Managers of the *Montreal* House of Refuge; and the Petition of *James Curran* and others, of the Township of *Hemmingford*, County of *Huntingdon*.

By Mr. *Wright*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Scarborough*; and two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—Two Petitions of the Municipality of the Township of *Hay*; two Petitions of the Municipality of the Township of *Truckersmith*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Village of *Clinton*; two Petitions of the Municipality of the Township of *Goderich*; the Petition of the Magistrates of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *McKillop*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Stanley*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Stephen*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Morris*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Turnbury*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Grey*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Usborne*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Howick*.

By Mr. *Walsh*,—The Petition of *D. Campbell* and others, of the County of *Norfolk*.

By Mr. *Ferguson*,—The Petition of *William Wright* and others, of *Adjala* and other Townships; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Innisfil*.

By Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*,—The Petition of L'Institut Canadien Français of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Price*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hébertville*.

By Mr. *Bell*, (of *Lanark*),—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*.

By Mr. *Harcourt*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Village of *Cayuga*, County of *Haldimand*.

By Mr. *Scott*,—The Petition of *Hugh McMahon*, of the Town of *Windsor*, County of *Essex*.

By Mr. *Huot*,—The Petition of *John Campbell* and others, of part of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch*, of *Québec*.

By Mr. *Bureau*,—The Petition of *Eugene Urgel Piché*, Esquire, Advocate, hereto-

fore of the Village of *Berthier*, in the County of *Berthier*, in the District of *Richelieu*, and at present of the Town of *Sorel*, in the County of *Richelieu*, in the said District.

By Mr. *Denis*,—The Petition of *Gabriel Lenoir dit Rolland*, of the City of *Montreal*, in the District of *Montreal*, and Province of *Canada*, Boot and Shoemaker.

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

Of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence* of *Montreal*,—of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of *Montreal*,—and of the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*; severally praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *Joseph Dumas* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ulric*, County of *Rimouski*; praying aid to open out a road in the said Parish.

Of *Germain Lepage* and others, of the Township of *Neijette*, County of *Rimouski*; praying aid to open out a road in the said Township.

Of the Reverend *C. F. Cloutier* and others, of *St. Octave, Métis*; praying aid for the Kempt Road.

Of the *Montreal* Home and School of Industry; praying for an increased annual grant.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry*; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Peterboro' and Victoria*; and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*; severally praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada*.

Of *John Ewing* and others, of the Township of *Emily*, County of *Victoria*; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Middlesex*; and of *James Lindsay* and others, of the Township of *Oxford*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York and Peel*; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Haldimand*; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry*; and of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Peterboro' and Victoria*; severally praying that any measure having for its object to impose the Railway and other indebtedness of the Municipalities upon the Province, may not be entertained.

Of *G. M. Stewart* and others, of the County of *Wellington*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate a Bank in the Town of *Guelph*.

Of *L'Association de St. François Xavier* of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *John A. Converse*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that the duty upon the machinery for the manufacture of cordage, that he was obliged to import from *Scotland* and the *United States*, may be remitted to him.

Of *E. Jones* and others; praying that no Act may be passed to legalize various sales for Taxes which have heretofore been made in several Counties of this Province.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Middlesex*; praying for amendments to the Assessment Act of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Middlesex*; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York and Peel*; and of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Peterboro' and Victoria*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to make suitable provision for the education and maintenance of the Deaf, Dumb and Blind in this Province.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*; praying that power be given them to improve the drainage of a certain marsh at the foot of *Coteau Baron*, in the said city, and for other purposes.

Of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence* of *Montreal*; praying aid for *La Salle d'Asile de St. Vincent de Paul*, in the City of *Montreal*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Middlesex*; praying for amendments to the 5th section, chapter 127, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, respecting Court-Houses, Jails and Houses of Correction.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Middlesex*; and of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York and Peel*; severally praying for amendments to the Act respecting Jurors and Juries.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*; praying for certain alterations in the Laws relating to Taxes upon unoccupied lands of the Crown, and for power to collect arrears of taxes on such lands.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*; praying for the passing of an Act to alter and amend the charter of the *Georgian Bay* and *Lake Ontario Canal*, and for other purposes.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*; praying for the passing of an Act to place Roads between Townships and Counties under the entire control of Local Municipalities.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Caistor*, County of *Lincoln*; of the Town Council of the Town of *Niagara*; and of the Municipality of the Township of *Gainsborough*, County of *Lincoln*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to relieve them from liabilities incurred by the assumption of the *Queenston* and *Grimsby* macadamized road by the County Council of *Lincoln*.

Of the Reverend *F. Poulin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Isidore*, County of *Dorchester*; praying that the legal rate of Interest may be fixed at six or seven per cent. per annum.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lincoln*; praying for the passing of an Act to enable the Rate-payers of the said County to select a more convenient site for the County Town.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Milton*, County of *Shefford*; praying for amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal Act of 1860.

Of *John Durham* and others, of the County of *Lincoln*; praying for the passing of an Act to prevent the removal of stones from the Lake Shore or from the bed of the Lake, within five hundred feet of the shore along the said County.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Peterboro'* and *Victoria*; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*; and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Haldimand*; severally praying for the passing an Act to legalize the assessment and imposition of taxes on unoccupied Lands for which Patents, Licenses of Occupation, or Location Tickets have not been issued.

Of the Very Reverend *E. Crevier*, V. G., and others, of *St. Marie de Monnoir* and other Parishes; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of *La Société Ecclesiastique du Diocèse de St. Hyacinthe*.

Of *A. Baron* and others, of *St. Hyacinthe*; praying that measures may be adopted to establish a uniform rate of *Seigniorial Rentes Foncières*.

Of the Provisional Directors of the Merchants' Bank of the City of *Montreal*; praying that their Act of Incorporation may be extended for one year, with other amendments.

Of the Reverend *E. Dufour* and others, of the first range of the Township of *Buckland*, County of *Bellechasse*, praying aid to open out a Road in the said Township.

Of the Trustees of the congregation of *Martintown*, of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Stollan 1*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize and empower the said Trustees to sell and dispose of the West Half of Lot No. 16, on the South side of the *Rivière aux Raisins*, in the Township of *Charlottenburgh*, County of *Glengarry*, and to appropriate the proceeds thereof to the purchase of another lot or parcel of land.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Peterborough* and *Victoria*; praying for amendments to the Municipal Act of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Peterborough* and *Victoria*; praying aid to construct a bridge across the River *Trent*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*; praying aid to construct a Harbour of Refuge at the *Two Creeks*, in the Township of *Romney*; and also to improve the *Rondeau* Harbor in the Township of *Harwich*.

Of the Reverend *George Beaulieu* and others, of the Parish of *St. Fidèle*, County of *Charlevoix*; praying aid for a road in the said Parish.

Of *J. P. Déry* and others, of the Township of *Colbert*, and of the Parish of *St. Raymond*, County of *Portneuf*; praying aid for a Bridge over *La Rivière Ste. Anne*.

Of *R. H. Montgomery* and others, Merchants, Lumberers and others interested in the Trade of the District of *Gaspé*; praying for amendments to the law relating to the granting of Licenses to cut Timber on the lands of the Crown.

Of *P. Cyr* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hermans*, County of *Two Mountains*; praying for the formation of a Landed Credit Bank.

Of the Reverend *F. Poulin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Isidore*, County of *Dorchester*; praying aid for Colonization Roads in the said County.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Niagara*; praying for authority to sell their interest in the *Erie and Ontario* Railway.

Of *Thomas Askew*, Chairman on behalf of the Annual Meeting of the *Kingston* Sabbath Reformation Society; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *Henri Lappare*, of the City of *Montreal*, Notary; praying to be indemnified for his services as Secretary to the Board of Notaries of *Montreal*.

Of Mrs. *Marie Deguise*, widow of the late *Thomas Burn*, heretofore employed in the Office of the Executive Council; praying for aid.

Of *Francis G. Willson* and others, of the Township of *Saltfleet*; praying for amendments of the Act 20 Vic. cap. 75, for the protection of persons owning lands on the shore of Lake Ontario, in the Counties of *York*, *Peel* and *Halton*.

Of *Egerton Fisk Ryerson*, *James Alexander McCulloch*, *John Sidney Smith*, *James A. Carrall*, *Samuel Loyd Robarts* and others, Electors in the County of *Perth*, in the Province of *Canada*, in the interest of *Thomas Mayne Daly*, for the office of Representative of the said County of *Perth*, in the Legislature of *Canada*, and *Thomas Mayne Daly*, the said candidate; setting forth: That at the last General Election for the County of *Perth*, in the Province of *Canada*, *Thomas Mayne Daly* and the Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley* were Candidates for the representation of the County of *Perth*: That the Election was held on the ninth and tenth days of July, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and the day of declaration was on the eleventh day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one: The Returning Officer, on the hustings in the Town of *Stratford*, declared the Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley* duly elected by a majority of thirty-six votes, against which return your Petitioners humbly protest, on the following grounds:—For, first, That the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley* did not, during the last General Election, and at the different polling places held in the County of *Perth*, on the ninth and tenth days of July, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, receive a majority of the qualified Electors or Voters of the County of *Perth*, nor an equal number of them with the other Candidate, the said *Thomas Mayne Daly*, who has received a majority of the said qualified Electors or Voters; and Your Petitioners humbly pray that your Honorable House will be pleased to appoint a Committee of your Honorable House to try and examine the legality of said Election and the return of the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, and for that purpose examine the poll-books used at the said Election, and compare them with the Voters' lists used by the Returning Officer and his Deputy Returning Officers, at the different polling places in the said County of *Perth*; and Your Petitioners are prepared to prove, by an examination and comparison of the poll-books with the Voters' lists, that the following persons have been allowed to vote for, and their names were received by the different Deputy Returning Officers for the County of *Perth*, as voting for the Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, although their names do not appear on the Voters' lists used at said Election, as follows:—On the poll-books used by the Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Hilbert*, County of *Perth*—No. 37, *John McTavish*; No. 65, *Carlisle Humster*; No. 66, *Tobias Ryckman*; No. 70, *Thomas Muir*; No. 116, *Daniel Geary*; No. 195, *John Ryan*; No. 239, *Arthur Colquhoun*; No. 257, *Patrick Morrison*; No. 301, *William Connors*; No. 305, *Charles Bainton*; No. 307, *Patrick McCall*; No. 289, *James Bagg*; No. 346, *John Horting*; No. 347, *William Horting*; No. 72, *James Doid*; No. 370, *Matthew Miller*, who died before the Election; No. 92, *James Hill*, junior, his father being the person assessed: and, in the Township of *Blanshard*, the following persons were

allowed to vote for the Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, although their names do not appear on the Voters' list for that Township:—No. 60, *Alexander Woods*; No. 98, *William Haley*; No. 223, *Hugh Patterson*; No. 247, *George Bremner*; No. 28, *George Humphreys*; No. 343, *Daniel M. Lawrence*: and, in the Township of *Fullarton* also, No. 307, *James Park*; No. 347, *James Cann*; No. 18, *George Wood*, junior, as having a right to vote on lot number one in the eighth Concession of *Fullarton*, and the lot was assessed to *George Wood*, senior, who voted in Township of *Downie*: In Township of *North-East Hope*—No. 11, *James Quinlevin*; No. 12, *John Fraser*; No. 66, *James Merralls*; No. 76, *Michael McWiggan*; No. 96, *William Connor*, who died three months before the Election; No. 100, *Cornelius Quinlevin*; No. 106, *John Quinlevin*; No. 142, *Richard Orford*; No. 297, *Lewis Plaff*; No. 349, *Valentine Knetchel*; No. 324, *John Henry*; No. 326, *William Thompson*: and, in Township of *Downie*, the following persons were allowed to vote, although their names do not appear on the Voters' list:—No. 40, *John Porteus*; No. 81, *John McEwen*; No. 167, *Thomas Holloran*; No. 173, *James Holloran*; No. 198, *Michael Holloran*; No. 216, *John Holloran*; No. 227, *Michael Carney*; No. 230, *Patrick Welsh*; No. 246, — *McQuade*, voted twice; No. 309, *Iver McIver*; No. 410, *Thomas Porter*; No. 412, *John Porter*; No. 439, *William Mayhew*; No. 459, *John Jadall*: and, in Township of *Ellice*—No. 62, *Frederick Shules*; No. 140, *Lewis Weaver*: In the Township of *South-East Hope*—No. 10, *Alexander Stewart*, died three months before the Election; No. 156, *John Lompton*, received two dollars as a bribe to vote for Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*: In Village of *St. Marys*—*George McIntyre*, No. 146, son: In Town of *Stratford*, in *Falstaff Ward*—No. 31, *John Freeland*, alien, a colored man: *Romeo Ward*—No. 6, *James Daniels*: *Avon Ward*—No. 25, *Thomas Hilliard*; and No. 91, *Thomas Store*, *Hamlet Ward*. In Township of *Morrington*, No. 69, *James Rea*; No. 194, *James O'Grady*; No. 315, *Tady Linsman*, voted for *Thomas Mayne Daly* and was entered by the Poll Clérk as having voted for *Michael Hamilton Foley*: and, in Township of *Elma*, No. 49, *William Ferran*; No. 69, *Joseph F. Cryslar*, *William Sharman*, a minor, *George Robertson*, a minor: and, in Township of *Logan*, No. 108, *Thomas McMurray*; No. 185, *George Lawson*; No. 197, *Timothy Roan*; No. 244, *James Murray*; No. 284, *Caspar Glover*; No. 254, *Patrick Aikan*; No. 308, *M. Govern*; No. 216, *James Aicins*, and many others who your Petitioners are prepared to prove had no right to vote at said Election. The total number of votes polled at the said General Election were four thousand three hundred and fifty-two, as follows:—Two thousand one hundred and ninety-four received for the Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, ninety at least of which were illegal and ought not to have been received. And your Petitioners humbly pray that your Honorable House will instruct your Committee to try and examine said illegal return of the Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, and declare *Thomas Mayne Daly* duly elected by a majority of the legal votes recorded at the last general Election for the County of *Perth*; and, *Secondly*, Your Petitioners protest against the return of the Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, on the ground that he did not possess the requisite property qualification for a Member of the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, nor property of the necessary value upon which to base his declaration of qualification, and that the declaration of qualification made by the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley* at or during the said Election, does not disclose a property of sufficient value, and unincumbered, to warrant or sustain the said qualification, and the declaration thereof by the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley* for the purpose aforesaid, which your Petitioners are prepared to prove; and your Petitioners further protest against the return of the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, as Member for the County of *Perth*, on the ground that the Voters' list used by the Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Downie*, was the Voters' list prepared for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one; Whereas the said Voters' list for A. D., 1861 (one), being the one used was not the Voters' list for the said Township of *Downie* last revised before the issuing of the Writ to hold the said Election, nor was it the Voters' list for the said Township of *Downie* last revised before the receipt of the said Writ of Election by the Returning Officer for the County of *Perth*; and Your Petitioners humbly pray that justice may be done them in the premises, and that *Thomas Mayne Daly*, who had a majority of legal votes at the said Election, may be declared elected as their Representative: And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Of *John O'Connor*, junior, of the Town of *Windsor*, in the County of *Essex*; setting forth: That your Petitioner, the undersigned, was, at the last Election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, held in and for the County of *Essex* aforesaid, a Candidate, and claimed and still claims to have had a right to be returned and elected thereat; and was at the time of the said Election, hath ever since been and still is, an elector of the said County of *Essex*, duly qualified to vote therein at the election of a Member to serve for the said County in your Honorable House; That at such election, one *Arthur Rankin* was also a Candidate, and that a poll was taken and held, when the said *Arthur Rankin* was said to have been elected as Member, as aforesaid, for the said County of *Essex*, and was returned by the Returning Officer as such Member: That your Petitioner complains of the undue and improper election and return of the said *Arthur Rankin* to serve in Parliament as member of the Legislative Assembly for the said County of *Essex*, for the following, amongst other reasons: *First*. Because before the day of nomination of Candidates at such election, and before a Poll had been granted, and inasmuch as the said *Arthur Rankin* had not then already voluntarily made any declaration of qualification as in the Statutes in that behalf provided, he, the said *Arthur Rankin*, was in pursuance of the Statute in that behalf, personally required by one *John Richmond*, of the Township of *Colchester*, in the County of *Essex* aforesaid, an elector of the said County of *Essex*, to make the declaration of his qualification as required by the Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in that behalf, and it was therefore requisite, in pursuance of the Statute of this Province, that he, the said *Arthur Rankin*, should give and insert at the foot of the declaration so required of him, a correct description of the lands or tenements on which he claims or then claimed to be qualified according to law, and of their local situation; and the said *Arthur Rankin* did thereafter, on the thirteenth day of July, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one (being the day appointed for declaring the result of the Polls had at the said election), make a certain declaration of qualification in the words or to the effect following:—

“DECLARATION AND QUALIFICATION OF ARTHUR RANKIN.—I, *Arthur Rankin*, do declare and testify that I am duly seized at Law or in Equity as of freehold for my own use and benefit of lands or tenements held in free and common soccage in the Province of *Canada*, of the value of Five hundred pounds of sterling money of *Great Britain*, over and above all rents, mortgages, charges and incumbrances charged upon or due and payable out of or affecting the same, and that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands and tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of qualifying or enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*; and I further declare, that the lands or tenements aforesaid, consist of all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the Township of *Maidstone*, in the County of *Essex*, and Province of *Canada*, and known as lot number three on the West side of *Pike's Creek*, containing by admeasurement two hundred acres, be the same more or less; also, that certain other parcel of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the said Township of *Maidstone*, in the County of *Essex*, and known as the east half of lot number two, on the east side of the River *Puce*, containing by admeasurement one hundred acres, be the same more or less.

(Signed,)

ARTHUR RANKIN.

Taken and acknowledged before me, this eleventh day of July, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, at *Sandwich*, in the County of *Essex*.

(Signed,)

PAUL JOHN SALTER,

Justice of the Peace in and for the County of *Essex*, Province of *Canada*.”

Which said declaration of qualification is not true. *Second*. Because the said *Arthur Rankin* was not, at the time of the making of such declaration, nor was he at the time of the said election, or of the return thereof, nor is he now duly seized at law or in equity, as of freehold for his own use and benefit, of the lands or tenements mentioned in the said declaration, or of any other lands or tenements held in free and common soccage in the Province of *Canada*, of the value of Five hundred pounds of sterling money of *Great Britain*, over and above all rents, mortgages, charges and incumbrances charged upon or due and payable out of or affecting the same. *Third*. Because if he is or was at the times aforesaid, or either of them; so seized of such lands or tenements, he, the said *Arthur*

Rankin, had collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the same or of some part thereof for the purpose of enabling him to be returned a member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*. *Fourth*, Because the Returning Officer of and for the said County of *Essex*, upon receiving the Writ to hold the said election for the said County of *Essex*, did not ascertain that the Deputy Returning Officers of the Townships of *Tilbury West*, *Rochester*, *Anderdon*, *Malden*, *Gosfield*, and *Mersea*, the Town of *Amherstburgh*, and for the several Wards in the Town of *Windsor* (in each of which Townships and Wards a poll was opened) were and was each and every of them in possession of a certified copy of the List of Voters within the Municipality, or part of a Municipality, for which he was such Deputy Returning Officer as aforesaid, revised and corrected then last before such receipt, as aforesaid, by the Returning Officer of the Writ to hold the election aforesaid. *Fifth*, Because the Deputy Returning Officers of and for the respective Townships of *Tilbury West*, *Rochester*, *Anderdon*, *Malden*, *Gosfield*, and *Mersea*, the Town of *Amherstburgh*, and for the several Wards in the Town of *Windsor*, were not, nor were any of them, at the time of the issuing of the Writ of Election for the said County, at the said election, nor at the time of the reception thereof by the Returning Officer for the said County, nor at the time of the said election, in possession of certified copies, or a certified copy, of the List of Voters within the Municipalities aforesaid, or part of a Municipality aforesaid, for which such Deputy Returning Officer was such Deputy Returning Officer as aforesaid, revised and certified then last before the receipt by the Returning Officer of the Writ to hold the said election for the County of *Essex*. *Sixth*, Because the Deputy Returning Officers of and for the respective Townships of *Tilbury West*, *Rochester*, *Anderdon*, *Malden*, *Gosfield*, and *Mersea*, the Town of *Amherstburgh*, and for the several Wards in the Town of *Windsor*, admitted persons to vote at the said election for the County of *Essex* whose names did not appear upon the List of Voters for the Township, Town or Ward for which such Deputy Returning Officer was such Deputy Returning Officer as aforesaid, last made and certified prior to the receipt by the Returning Officer of the Writ to hold the election for the County of *Essex*. *Seventh*, Because the Deputy Returning Officers for the Townships of *Tilbury West*, *Rochester*, *Anderdon*, *Malden*, *Gosfield*, and *Mersea*, the Town of *Amherstburgh*, and the several Wards of the Town of *Windsor*, admitted persons to vote at the said election for the County of *Essex* whose names did not appear upon the List of Voters for the Township, Town or Ward for which such Deputy Returning Officer was such Deputy Returning Officer as aforesaid, last made and certified prior to the said election for the County of *Essex*. *Eighth*, Because the Deputy Returning Officers for the Townships of *Tilbury West*, *Rochester*, *Malden*, *Anderdon*, *Gosfield*, and *Mersea*, the Town of *Amherstburgh*, and the several Wards of the Town of *Windsor*, made use of, and were or was guided by and permitted such persons alone to vote at the said election, whose names appeared upon lists of persons alleged to be in the said Townships of *Tilbury West*, *Rochester*, *Anderdon*, *Malden*, *Gosfield*, and *Mersea*, the Town of *Amherstburgh*, and the several Wards of the Town of *Windsor*, each of which said lists purported to be a correct List of Voters, and to be prepared from the Assessment Roll of the said Townships, Town or Ward, of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one; whereas, in fact, such list, so used by such Deputy Returning Officer was incomplete, informal and null, and was not before, or at the time of the receipt by the Returning Officer of the Writ to hold the said election, or before or at the time of the said election, made or revised and certified as required by the statute in that behalf. *Ninth*, Because at the polls held for the said election in the several Townships of *Tilbury West*, *Rochester*, *Anderdon*, *Malden*, *Gosfield*, and *Mersea*, the Town of *Amherstburgh*, and the several Wards of the Town of *Windsor*, the Deputy Returning Officers for the said several Townships and places admitted a great number of persons, to wit, more than two hundred persons, to vote at said polls for the said *Arthur Rankin*; which persons were not, nor were any of them, by law qualified to vote at the said election as electors of the County of *Essex* aforesaid, whereby the said *Arthur Rankin* obtained a colorable majority of votes at the said election over your petitioner, who, notwithstanding such colorable majority, had the majority of legal and qualified votes polled at the said election. *Tenth*, Because the Deputy Returning Officers for the Townships of *Tilbury West*, *Rochester*, *Anderdon*, *Malden*,

Gosfield, and *Mersea*, the Town of *Amherstburgh*, and the several Wards of the Town of *Windsor*, of them refused to make use of, or to be guided by, or to permit such persons alone whose names appeared upon the List of Voters for the said Townships, Town or Wards, for which they or he were or was such Deputy Returning Officer as aforesaid, last made and certified prior to the said election, that is to say, the List of Voters for the said Township, Town or Ward as aforesaid, as made and certified in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty, and refused to receive or to register in the poll-books for the said Townships, Town or Ward, for which he was such Deputy Returning Officer as aforesaid, the votes of such persons as tendered them at the poll in the said Townships, Town or Ward at the holding thereof, as were on the said List of Voters of the said Townships, Town or Wards, made and certified in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty, or the votes of some or one of them; and because, in truth and in fact the votes so tendered by such persons whose names appeared on the List of Voters of the said Township, Town or Ward, for which he was Deputy Returning Officer as aforesaid, for the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty, and so neglected and refused by such Deputy Returning Officer aforesaid, were good and valid votes at the said election, and upon the List of Voters last made and certified before the election, and such voters should have been received and recorded, by the Deputy Returning Officer, for such Township, Town or Ward at the said election; and because the persons respectively entitled to vote, but whose votes were rejected and refused as aforesaid, were in fact disfranchised, and the election for the County of *Essex* was therefore undue, illegal and unfair. *Eleventh*, Because if the Lists of Voters, duly made and certified as required by the statute in that behalf, had been used by the Deputy Returning Officers for the Townships of *Tilbury West*, *Rochester*, *Anderdon*, *Malden*, *Gosfield*, and *Mersea*, the Town of *Amherstburgh*, and the several Wards of the Town of *Windsor*, your petitioner would have had a majority of electors, and been duly returned as member of Assembly for the County of *Essex*. *Twelfth*, Because your petitioner has in fact a majority of the legal votes polled in the County of *Essex* at the election aforesaid. *Thirteenth*, And your petitioner further alleges, that previous to and at the time of the said election, the electors of the said County of *Essex* were duly informed and notified, and were otherwise well aware, that the said *Arthur Rankin* was not at the time of his said election qualified to be, or capable of being, elected as a member of your Honorable House for the said County of *Essex*, under the provisions of the twenty-eighth section of the Act of the Imperial Parliament of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, passed in the Session thereof held in the third and fourth years of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to re-unite the Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, and for the Government of *Canada*," inasmuch as the said electors then were, and each of them was, duly notified and informed, and they and each of them then well knew, that the said *Arthur Rankin* was not, at the time of the said election, legally nor equitably seized as of freehold for his own use and benefit, of lands or tenements held in free and common soccage in the Province of *Canada*, of the value of Five hundred pounds of sterling money of *Great Britain*, over and above all rents, mortgages, charges and incumbrances charged upon or due and payable out of or affecting the same, by reason whereof the votes of the said electors, which were recorded for the said *Arthur Rankin*, were and each of them was useless, of no effect, and void, and were thrown away, and could not be reckoned as having been polled at the said election. Your petitioner, therefore, humbly prays your Honorable House to take the premises into consideration, and to declare the said election and return of the said *Arthur Rankin* wholly null and void, and that your petitioner was duly elected and ought to have been returned to serve in Parliament as Member of your Honorable House for the said County of *Essex*, and that your Honorable House will order the Return to the said Writ of Election, issued for the said County of *Essex*, to be amended accordingly, and afford your petitioner such further and other relief in the premises as to your Honorable House shall seem fit.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question which was, on Friday last, proposed, That the following paragraph be added to the said Resolution (on which to found an Address, in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature), and do form part

thereof;—"That we nevertheless must express our surprise that His Excellency has not been advised to make allusion to the recent Census of this Province, by which the important fact is established that the population of *Upper Canada* exceeded that of *Lower Canada*, in the month of February, 1861, by no less than 285,427 souls. That as the excess of population in *Upper Canada* was only 61,743 at the taking of the Census in 1852, it is evident that this disproportion is becoming greater every year; That the continuance of a system which gives to the two sections an equal number of representatives in the Legislature, is, in view of these facts, manifestly unjust and fraught with great danger to the peace and good government of the country;—We therefore deeply regret that His Excellency has not been advised to recommend for our adoption some measure for securing to this large population in *Upper Canada*, their rightful share of the Parliamentary representation and their just influence in the Government."

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being again proposed;

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Jackson*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words, "We regret that His Excellency has not been advised to submit, for our consideration, some measure which, while providing for such an increased Representation in this House as is demanded by the increased population of *Upper Canada*, would also preserve the federal character of the existing Union, by maintaining an equal number of elected Representatives from each section of the Province, in the Legislative Council," inserted instead thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock, on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 1st April, 1862.

And the Question being put on the Amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Mc Dougall,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark),</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cameron, John H.</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Cameron, Matthew C.</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Walsh,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Howland,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>	<i>White,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>	<i>Wilson, and</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wright—44.</i>

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Abbott,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>
<i>Alleyn,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Labreche-Viger,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell),</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Le Boutillier,</i>	<i>Ross, John J.</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Ross, John S.</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>

<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Atty. Gen. Sherwood,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Macdonald, John S. Sicotte,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>
<i>Cartier, Atty. Gen.</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Morin, Sol. Gen.</i>
<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>
<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>
<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>
		<i>Sicotte,</i>
		<i>Simard,</i>
		<i>Simpson,</i>
		<i>Sylvain,</i>
		<i>Taschereau,</i>
		<i>Tassé, and</i>
		<i>Tett—75.</i>

So it passed in the Negative.

And the main Question being again proposed,

And a further Debate arising thereupon,

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte*, and the Question being put, That the Debate be adjourned ;

The House divided : and it passed in the Negative.

And the main Question being again proposed,

And a further Debate arising thereupon ;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,
The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 1st April, 1862.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House—Statement of Fees received for the Fee Fund, Upper Canada, and of Judges' Salaries paid during the year 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 13.*)

Also, Annual Report of the Ottawa College. (*Sessional Papers, No. 14.*)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the table :—

By Mr. *Scott*,—The Petition of the Corporation of *Ottawa College*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of *R. C. Struthers* and others, of *Chatham*.

By Mr. *Starnes*,—The Petition of *H. S. Beaudry* and others, of the Parish of *St. Antoine Abbé*.

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Grantham*.

By Mr. *Hébert*,—The Petition of *Jean Bte. O. Legendre* and others, of the Parish of *St. Julie de Somerset*.

By Mr. *Sylvain*,—The Petition of the Reverend *G. Potvin* and others, School Commissioners of the Municipality of the Village of *Rimouski*.

By Mr. *Benjamin*,—Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hastings*.

By Mr. *M. C. Cameron*,—The Petition of *Francis Henry Burton*, of the Town of *Port Hope*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Hullett* ; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Culross*.

By Mr. *Chapais*,—The Petition of *Simon Baquet*, Merchant, *Augustin Audet* and *Joseph Jolivet*, junior, Yeomen, of the Parish of *St. Gervais*, in the County of *Bellechasse*, in the Province of *Canada*.

By Mr. *McLachlin*,—The Petition of *A. Russell* and others, of the Village of *Arnprior* ; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *McNab*.

By Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of the Corporation of Pilots for and below the harbor of *Quebec* ; the Petition of the Reverend *L. T. Bernard* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Claire*, County of *Dorchester* ; and the Petition of the Reverend *C. Tanguay* and others, of *Ste. Hénédiène*, County of *Dorchester*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,—The Petition of *William Bishop*, of the Town of *Woodstock*, in the County of *Oxford*, Elector of the North Riding of the County of *Oxford*.

By Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of *Robert Nugent Watts*, of the Township of *Grantham*, in the County of *Drummond* and District of *Arthabaska*, Esquire; *Joseph Bosvert*, of the said Township of *Grantham*; *James Duncan*, of the Parish of *St. Germain de Grantham*, in the said Township of *Grantham*, Esquire; and *Honoré Gagnon*, the younger, of the said Township *Grantham*, Baker.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of *Placide Octave Morin*, brewer, and *Louis Marion*, baker, of the Parish of *St. Jacques*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*,—the Petition of *Charles François Painchaud*, Esquire, M. D., residing in the Village of *Varennes*, in the County of *Verchères*, District of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *Edouard René Demers*, Esquire, Notary, residing in the Parish of *St. Georges de Henryville*.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question which was, on Friday last, proposed, That the following paragraph be added to the said Resolution (on which to found an Address, in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature) and do form part thereof:—

“That we nevertheless must express our surprise that His Excellency has not been advised to make allusion to the recent Census of this Province, by which the important fact is established that the population of *Upper Canada* exceeded that of *Lower Canada*, in the month of February, 1861, by no less than 285,427 souls. That as the excess of population in *Upper Canada* was only 61,743 at the taking of the Census in 1852, it is evident that this disproportion is becoming greater every year; That the continuance of a system which gives to the two sections an equal number of representatives in the Legislature, is, in view of these facts, manifestly unjust and fraught with great danger to the peace and good government of the country;—We therefore deeply regret that His Excellency has not been advised to recommend for our adoption some measure for securing to this large population in *Upper Canada*, their rightful share of the Parliamentary representation and their just influence in the Government.”

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate;

And the Question being put, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

YEAS:
Messieurs

<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark),</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Cameron, John H.,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Walsh,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>	<i>White,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Howland,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wilson, and</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>	<i>Wright.—42.</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>		

NAYS:
Messieurs

<i>Abbott,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>
<i>Alley,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Desautniers,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Poupre,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Labreche-Viger,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell),</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>

<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph</i>	<i>Le Boutillier,</i>	<i>Ross, John J.</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Ross, John S.</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Fallener,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Atty. Gen.</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Macdonald, John S.</i>	<i>Sicotte,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Mc Cann,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Cartier, Atty. Gen.,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Mc Gee,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Morin, Sol.-Gen.</i>	<i>Taschereau.</i>
<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Tassé, and</i>
<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Tett.—76.</i>

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Dickson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Dorion*, and the Question being proposed, That the following paragraph be added to the said Resolution (on which to found an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature) and do form part thereof:—"That we nevertheless must express our surprise that His Excellency has not been advised to recommend to the consideration of this House, a measure to re-adjust, in each section of the Province respectively, the Parliamentary Representation, so as to obliterate, in their respective limits, the inequalities existing between certain electoral divisions, which are a source of discontent and agitation fraught with danger to the good working of the Representative Government in this country, and to its general prosperity."

And a Debate arising thereupon,

And the House having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock, on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 2nd April, 1862.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned,

Then on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,
The House adjourned.

Wednesday, 2nd April, 1862.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table:—

By Mr. *Jackson*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Egremont*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Galt*,—The Petition of the Corporation of Bishops' College at *Lennoxville*.

By Mr. *Dunkin*,—Three Petitions of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for *Lower Canada*.

By Mr. *Clarke*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Luther*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Arthur*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of L'Institut Canadien of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *De Boucherville*,—The Petition of *Louis Marcille* and others, of the Municipality of *St. Lambert*.

By Mr. *Haultain*,—The Petition of *Thomas Morrow* and others, of the Town of *Cobourg*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Turnbury*.

By Mr. *McDougall*,—The Petition of *John Wesley Brundle* and others, of the Village of *Plattsville*, County of *Oxford*; the Petition of *George Thompson* and others of the Township of *Blanford*, County of *Oxford*—and the Petition of *John Laing* and others, of the Township of *East Zorra*.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of *P. I. Pacaud* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre*, County of *Drummond*; and the Petition of *P. E. Vezina* and others, of the County of *Drummond*.

By Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*,—The Petition of *Alexander Moffatt*, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, in the County and District of *Quebec*, in the Province of *Canada*, Trader; and the Petition of *Flavien Renault Blanchard*, of the Township of *Ely*, in the County of *Shefford*, in the Province of *Canada*, Merchant.

By Mr. *Stirton*,—The Petition of *James White*, of the Village of *Fergus*, in the North Riding of the County of *Wellington*, in the Province of *Canada*, Innkeeper.

By Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of *Adam Henry Meyers*, of the Township of *Seymour*, in the County of *Northumberland*, Esquire.

By Mr. *Simpson*,—The Petition of *David Roblin*, of the Village of *Napanée*, in the County of *Lennox and Addington*, Esquire.

By the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*,—The Petition of *John Scoble*, of *Glenbanner*, in the Township of *Yarmouth*, in the County of *Elgin*.

By Mr. *Denis*,—The Petition of *Gabriel Lenoir dit Rolland*, of the City and District of *Montreal*, Merchant and Trader.

By the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,—The Petition of *Alexander Shields* and *William Chisholm*, of the County of *Peel*; the Petition of *Hugh Bowlsby Willson*, of the Township of *Saltfleet*, in the County of *Wentworth*, and Province of *Canada*, Esquire; and the Petition of *Philip Wing*, of the Township of rear of *Yonge* and *Escott*, in the South Riding of *Leeds*, in the Province of *Canada*, Esquire.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of *Thomas Mayne Daly*, of *Stratford*, in the County of *Perth*, Esquire; and the Petition of *Wilson Seymour Conger*, of the Town of *Peterborough*, in the County of *Peterborough*, one of the United Counties of *Peterborough*, and *Victoria*, Gentleman; *Charles Perry*, of the said Town of *Peterborough*, Esquire, and *Massom Boyd*, of the same place, Lumber Merchant.

By the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*,—The Petition of *Pierre Geroux*, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostome*, Merchant, and Warden of the County of *Levis*; *Robert Demers* and *Edouard Demers*, Pilots, and *Antoine Carrier*, Merchant, of the Town of *Lévis*; *G. Lamontagne*, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de la Pointe Lévis*, Blacksmith—and *J. B. Carrier*, of the Parish of *St. Henry*, Merchant, all of the County of *Lévis*.

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

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Osgoode*; of *W. W. Morgan* and others, of the Township of *Osgoode*, County of *Carlton*; of the Municipality of the Township of *North Gower*; and of *Robert Wallace* and others, of the Township of *North Gower*; severally praying for aid to erect a bridge across the *Rideau River*, from *Wellington Village*, in the Township of *North Gower*, to the Township of *Osgoode*, in the County of *Russell*.

Of *L'Hospice de la Maternité de Montreal*; of Mrs. *Mary Fulford* and other ladies, Managers of the *Montreal Home of Refuge*; and of *L'Institut Canadien Français de Montreal*; severally praying for aid.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Hay*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Tuckersmith*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Turnberry*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Goderich*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Morris*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Grey*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Stanley*; of the Municipality of the Township of *McKillop*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Usborne*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Howick*; and of the Municipality of the Township of *Stephen*; severally praying for aid to complete the *Bayfield Harbor*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Goderich*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Tuckersmith*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Hay*; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*; and of the Municipality of the Village of *Clinton*; praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada*.

Of *Z. Héroux* and others, of the Parish of *St. Christophe d'Arthabaska*; praying that the time fixed by the Government for the payment of the amount due for their lands may be extended.

Of *John Campbell* and others, of part of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch*, of *Quebec*; praying that that portion of the Parish of *St. Roch*, of *Quebec*, which is North of the River *St. Charles*, may be formed into a separate Municipality.

Of the Municipality of the Village of *Cayuga*, County of *Haldimand*; praying for the repeal of the 2nd Section of the Act 23 *Vic.*, Cap. 53, to diminish the number of Licenses issued for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors by retail.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Scarborough*; praying for amendments to the Act to confirm certain side roads in the Township of *Scarborough*, and to provide for the defining of other road allowances and lines in the said Township.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hébertville*; praying aid for the *Kinongami* Road.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hébertville*; praying for aid to open out a Colonization Road from the Township of *La Barre* to the Island of *Alma*.

Of *William Wright* and others, of *Adjala* and other Townships; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *D. Campbell* and others, of the County of *Norfolk*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the construction of a Tram Railroad from the Town of *Simcoe* to the Village of *Port Ryerse*, or some other point on *Lake Erie*, in the said County of *Norfolk*.

Of the Magistrates of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*; praying that the County of *Huron* may not be divided.

Of *James Curran* and others, of the Township of *Hemmingford*, County of *Huntingdon*; praying that the Township of *Hemmingford* may not be divided into two Municipalities.

Of *John Larkin* and others, of the Township of *King*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a survey made by Mr. *George Lount*, P. L. S., from lot No. 15 to lot No. 28, inclusive, in the 7th Concession of the said Township, and for the continuation of the said survey North to the Township line of *West Gwillimbury*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Clinton*; praying for the passing of an Act to enable the rate-payers of the Town of *Clinton* to select a more convenient site for the County Town.

Of the *Montreal St. Patrick's* Orphan Asylum; praying that their annual grant may be increased.

Of *James R. Shirreffs* and others, of the Township of *Clarence*; praying that no Act may be passed to authorize the running of lines from post to post in that part of the said Township known as the "Old Survey."

Of the Reverend *James Campbell* and others, the Church Wardens and members of *Grace Church*, in the Town of *Brantford*; praying for authority to dispose of a portion of their property for the purpose of enabling them to pay a debt due for the building of the Church.

Of the Community, General Hospital, Alms House, and Seminary of Learning of the Sisters of Charity at *Ottawa*; praying for an increased annual grant.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *New Richmond*, County of *Bonaventure*; praying aid for roads and bridges.

Of *C. T. Dubé* and others, of the Township of *Bégon*, County of *Temiscouata*; praying aid to complete a road in the said Township.

Of *John Montgomery*, of the City of *Toronto*, hotel-keeper; alleging that the Queen's forces took possession of his extensive hotel and offices on *Yonge-street*, near *Toronto*, on the 7th December, 1837, and burned them to the ground, after the rebels were defeated, and had retired; and praying for remuneration for losses thereby sustained.

Of *Hugh McMahon*, of the Town of *Windsor*, County of *Essex*; praying for the passing of an act to authorize the Courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas, and Chancery, in this Province, to admit him to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor therein respectively.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Port Daniel*, County of *Bonaventure*; praying aid to construct a bridge over the *Great Port Daniel* River.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*; praying for an effectual measure of relief in relation to the indebtedness of the several Municipalities in *Upper Canada*.

Of the Corporation of L'Hospice de Sœurs de la Charité de Québec; praying amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of York and Peel; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to collect by a Court of Law or Equity, or by Arbitration, a certain sum which they claim from the Council of the City of Toronto.

Of the Municipality of the Township of Innisfil; praying for the passing of an Act to alter and amend the charter of the Georgian Bay and Lake Ontario Canal Company, and for other purposes.

Of Eugene Urgel Piché, Esquire, Advocate, heretofore of the Village of Berthier, in the District of Richelieu, and at present of the Town of Sorel, in the County of Richelieu, in the said District; setting forth: That at the last election of a member to represent the said County of Berthier, in the Legislative Assembly of this said Province of Canada during the present Parliament, your said Petitioner was a Candidate at the said election; and that at the said last election, at the time thereof, and at the divers periods hereinafter mentioned, he was an elector duly qualified and entitled to vote at the said election; That the only other Candidate at the said election was Pierre Eustache Dostaler, Esquire, bourgeois and farmer, of the Parish of Berthier, in the said County of Berthier; that a Poll was demanded, granted, and held, and that at the close of the said election, to wit, on or about the 11th day of the month of July last (1861), the Returning Officer for the said County of Berthier, and for the said election declared and proclaimed the said Pierre Eustache Dostaler, Esquire, duly elected member to represent the said County of Berthier, in the said Legislative Assembly of this said Province of Canada; That your Petitioner, by his present petition, contests the said election of the said Pierre Eustache Dostaler, and also the Proclamation and Return thereof made by the said Returning Officer; of which said election, proclamation, and return, your Petitioner complains as being illegal, null, and of no effect, for the following, among other causes, reasons, and motives: 1st. Because the said election is the result of acts of bribery and corruption, fraud, intimidation and undue influences of all kinds, exercised under every imaginable pretext, before, during, and since the said election, directly and indirectly, both by the said Dostaler himself, and on his behalf and with his knowledge, with his tacit or expressed consent, and by his agents or authorized representatives, his friends, partizans, and other persons employed to ensure and promote the said election. 2nd. Because before, during and since the said election, sums of money, favors, gratuities, gifts, rewards, promises, salaries, employments, places, situations, and advantages of all kinds, were offered, promised and also paid, delivered, furnished, done and given to a great number of persons qualified to vote at the said election, with the view of bribing, seducing, and engaging them to vote at the said election for and in favor of the said Mr. Dostaler, or to abstain from voting for your Petitioner. And that consequently a great number of the said persons so bribed, corrupted, and influenced, voted at the said election for the said Dostaler, and a great number of others abstained from voting for your Petitioner. 3rd. Because before, during and since the said election, the said Dostaler and his authorized agents and representatives, his friends, partizans, and other persons employed to promote the said election, did illegally and unduly influence, bribe, seduce, compel, and intimidate a great number of persons qualified to vote at the said election, and who were their debtors either by leading them to hope for or promising them some delay, favor, and advantage, or by threatening with proceedings at law, severity or rigor with reference to their debts or to the payment thereof; and that a great number of the said persons so qualified to vote at the said election, did, in consequence, and being so influenced, bribed, and intimidated, vote for the said Dostaler; and that a great number of others abstained from voting at the said election for your Petitioner. 4th. Because before, during, and since the said election, the said Pierre Dostaler, his authorized agents and representatives, his friends, partizans, and other persons employed to promote the said election, did threaten several persons qualified to vote at the said election with loss of place, employment, offices, revenues and other advantages, and that a great number of persons did, in consequence, and being so influenced and intimidated, vote for the said Dostaler, and that a great number of the said persons abstained from voting for your Petitioner. 5th. Because before, during and since the said election, and more particularly on the first day of the said month of July last (1861,) the day of the said nomination of the said Candidates,

and on the seventh and eighth days of the same month, the days of voting, the said *Dostaler* by himself and his authorized agents and representatives, his friends, partizans, and other persons employed to promote and ensure the said election; did, with the view of promoting the said election of the said *Dostaler* at their own costs and charges, and more particularly at the costs and charges of the said *Pierre Dostaler*, treat all the numerous meetings and assemblies of electors which then took place for the purposes of the said election, in the said village of *Berthier*, in the said Parish of *Berthier*, and in all the other Villages, Parishes, Townships, and other localities in the said County of *Berthier*, and in each of the said Villages, Parishes, Townships, and localities; and that the said *Sieur Dostaler* and his said agents and representatives, friends, partizans, and other persons as aforesaid, did promise and pay money, and did pay, furnish and give money or other things for treating the said meetings and the said electors. 6th. Because before, during, and since the said election, and more particularly on the first day of the said month of July last, (the day of the said nomination of the said Candidates), and on the eighth and ninth days of the same month, the days of the said voting, the said *Sieur Dostaler*, by himself, his agents, and representatives authorized to that effect, his friends, partizans, and other persons employed to promote and ensure his election, did open and maintain, and did cause to be opened and maintained at their own costs and charges, and more particularly at the costs and charges of the said *Dostaler*, houses of public entertainment at divers places in the said Village of *Berthier*, in the said Parish of *Berthier*, and in all the other Villages, Parishes, Townships, and localities in the said County of *Berthier*, for the reception of the electors of the said County, treating them and causing them to be treated, giving them and causing to be given to them, then and there, victuals and drink, and giving and furnishing to them provisions and liquors of all kinds, and more particularly of spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and in fact that provisions, drink, and spirituous and intoxicating liquors were distributed and furnished to the electors of the said County of *Berthier*, and left at the houses of the majority of the said electors; the whole at the costs and charges of the said *Dostaler*, his said agents, representatives, friends, partizans and other persons as aforesaid, and with the view of corrupting and bribing the said electors, and to promote the election of the said *Dostaler*. 7th. Because, during the said election and more particularly on the said two days of voting, the said *Sieur Dostaler*, his authorized agents and representatives, his friends, partizans, and other persons employed to promote his said election, did, with the view of favoring his said election, hire teams and vehicles, and also a considerable number of persons qualified to vote at the said election to take, carry and convey the electors to the several polls in the said County of *Berthier*, and in the neighborhood of the said polls. 8th. Because before, during and since the said election, and more particularly between the twentieth day of the month of June last and the tenth day of the month of July also last, the said *Dostaler* did, directly and indirectly, through his authorized agents and representatives, friends, partizans, and employés, under various circumstances and at various meetings and assemblies of electors, and specially on the thirtieth day of the said month of June, in the said Village and Parish of *Berthier*, in the Parish of *la Visitation de l' Isle du Pads*, and that of *St. Norbert* in the said County of *Berthier*, interfere with the liberty of the electors, your Petitioner, and his agents, representatives, friends, and other persons employed in promoting his election, and prevent the exercise of their rights, prerogatives, and privileges in such case, by threatening to use violence towards them and their persons, and to assault and beat them, and by committing towards several of them acts of violence, assault and battery, thereby impeding the said election of your Petitioner, and preventing him from gaining to his side, by means and expedients which are legal and authorised by law, a great number of electors, and also by intimidating a great number who would otherwise have voted for him. That each and every the things, each and every the deeds and acts above set forth, in a word, all that precedes, took place and was done before, during and since the said election, directly and indirectly, as well by the said *Pierre Eustache Dostaler* personally, as on his behalf, to his knowledge, with his express or tacit consent and by his authorized agents and representatives, friends, partizans, and other persons employed to promote his said election; And that in consequence of all these acts of corruption and bribery, fraud, intimidation, violence, and of these caballings, intrigues, undue influences and illegal expedients; in a word, in consequence of all that is

above set forth, most of the persons qualified to vote at the said election, did vote for the said *Dostaler*, and a great number abstained, or were prevented from voting for your Petitioner, and that the result of the said election was changed so as to give a majority to the said *Dostaler*, which otherwise would have belonged and would have been in favor of your Petitioner. Wherefore your Petitioner prays your Honorable House to take this Petition into consideration, and further prays that the said Legislative Assembly, giving judgment hereupon, will declare the said election of the said *Pierre Eustache Dostaler*, Esquire, and the Proclamation and Return so made of the said election by the said Returning Officer, illegal, null and of no effect; that, therefore, the seat of the said *Dostaler* in that Honorable House be declared vacant: that the said *Pierre Eustache Dostaler*, Esquire, be declared ineligible as a member of that House and of the Legislative Council of this Province, during at least the whole duration of the present Parliament; and finally, that the said Legislative Assembly will order and adjudge all that to it may appear just and fitting to grant and render to your Petitioner the justice to which he is entitled; The whole with costs against the said *Pierre Eustache Dostaler*, Esquire; And your Petitioner will ever pray. Dated at the Parish of *St. Cuthbert*, in the said County of *Berthier*, on the twenty-fourth day of the month of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two.

Of *Gabriel Lenoir dit Rolland*, of the City of *Montreal*, in the District of *Montreal* and Province of *Canada*, Boot and Shoemaker, setting forth: That he is an Elector for *Montreal West*, and at the last Election of a Member to serve in the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, held in and for *Montreal West*, at the City of *Montreal*, in the month of June last, to wit, on the twenty-sixth day of June last, was duly qualified to vote as an Elector: That at the said last Election, *Thomas D'Arcy McGee*, of the City of *Montreal* aforesaid, Esquire, Advocate, was returned to serve in Parliament, to wit, in the Parliament for *Montreal West* aforesaid: That the said Election was not duly held or made, inasmuch as it was the intention and desire of your Petitioner, and others duly qualified Electors, to nominate another Candidate, to wit, *Thomas Ryan*, of *Montreal* aforesaid, Esquire, Merchant, to represent in the Parliament *Montreal West*, and to demand a Poll in due form: That in order to nominate the said *Thomas Ryan* on the day of nomination, to wit, on the twenty-sixth day of the month of June last past, your Petitioner and *Alexander Ogilvie*, of *Montreal* aforesaid, Merchant, proceeded with other Electors to the Hustings, and after the usual formalities were gone through by the Returning Officer, *George Herman Ryland*, the said *Alexander Ogilvie* attempted to nominate said *Thomas Ryan*, and in fact he did nominate him, but before Petitioner could second such nomination, they were both violently assaulted and thrown from the Hustings, and the said *Alexander Ogilvie* was struck and seriously injured, and it became absolutely impossible to demand a Poll: That the said Hustings were taken violent possession of by the partizans and supporters of said *Thomas D'Arcy McGee*, and the freedom of Election was wholly interfered with and destroyed, and though it was the determination of Petitioner, and many other Electors for the said Electoral division, to demand a Poll, the partizans of said *Thomas D'Arcy McGee* rendered it impossible for any Poll to be demanded: That, in consequence, the said Election of *Thomas D'Arcy McGee*, by acclamation, is and was a fraud, and is null and void; and Petitioner further says, that the qualification of the said *Thomas D'Arcy McGee*, was duly required, before the said pretended Election, in due form of law, by a duly qualified Elector, to wit, by *Jean Louis Beaudry*, of *Montreal*, Merchant, and also by your Petitioner, but no description of property was given by the said *Thomas D'Arcy McGee* until after he had been proclaimed as Member and as duly elected: That the title to the property, the description whereof, afterwards handed in by said *Thomas D'Arcy McGee*, and in virtue of which he claims to be duly qualified, was, in fact, collusively and colorably obtained for the purpose of qualifying him, and, in fact, he never entered into the possession thereof, and is not and never was seized and possessed as proprietor thereof, and has no real property within this Province: That the said property is not of the value of Five hundred pounds, sterling; over and above all rents, mortgages, charges and incumbrances, charged upon, due and payable out of or affecting the same, and that the said *Thomas D'Arcy McGee* is not legally qualified to sit in Parliament and to represent said Electoral division of *Montreal West*: Your Petitioner, therefore, humbly prays that this Honorable

House will take the premises into their consideration, and declare the said Election null and void, and grant your Petitioner such relief as to this Honorable House shall seem meet.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question, which was yesterday proposed, That the following paragraph be added to the said Resolution (on which to found an Address, in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature), and do form part thereof: "That we nevertheless must express our surprise that His Excellency has not been advised to recommend to the consideration of this House, a measure to re-adjust, in each section of the Province respectively, the Parliamentary Representation, so as to obliterate, in their respective limits, the inequality existing between certain electoral divisions, which are a source of discontent and agitation fraught with danger to the good working of the Representative Government in this country, and to its general prosperity."

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre, Joly,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Sicotte,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Howland,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>White, and</i>
<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Wright.—40.</i>

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Abbott,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Alley,</i>	<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>LeBoutillier,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Ross, John J.</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Ross, John S.</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Atty. Gen.</i>	<i>Rykhert,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark),</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Macdonald, John S.</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell),</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph</i>	<i>Mc Cann,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morin, Sol. Gen.</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cameron, John H.</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Tassé,</i>
<i>Cartier, Atty. Gen.</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>Walsh, and</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>	<i>Wilson.—76.</i>

So it passed in the Negative.

The Honorable Mr. *Foley* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, and the Question being proposed, That the following paragraph be added to the said Resolution, (on which to found an Address, in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature), and do form part thereof: "That this House being convinced that one of the best safeguards of the Prerogatives of the

Crown, as well as of the liberties and franchises of the people, is to be found in the application of the principle that the Government should be conducted by Ministers responsible to the people and holding seats in Parliament, avail themselves of this opportunity to express to His Excellency the regret with which they have seen that principle violated by the continuance of the Honorable *Joseph C. Morrison* during several years in the Government, without a seat in either House of Parliament."

And a Debate arising thereupon,
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,
 The House adjourned.

Thursday, 3rd April, 1862.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that his Warrant for the appointment of Members to serve on the General Committee of Elections was upon the table, and the said Warrant was read, as followeth:—

Pursuant to the thirty-first section of Chapter seven of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections," I do hereby appoint *William Pierce Howland*, Esquire, Member for the West Riding of the County of *York*; *Jean Charles Chapais*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Kamouraska*; *George Benjamin*, Esquire, Member for the North Riding of the County of *Hastings*; *Jacques Olivier Bureau*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Napierville*; *Robert Bell*, Esquire, Member for the North Riding of the County of *Lanark*; and *Louis Léon Lesieur Desaulniers*, Esquire, Member for the County of *St. Maurice*, to be Members of the General Committee of Elections for the present Session.

Given under my hand, this third day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two.

J. E. TURCOTTE,
Speaker, Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to the 46th Section, Chapter 7, of the "Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections," the Clerk read over an alphabetical list of the names of all the Members of the House.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Accounts of the Trinity House of *Montreal*, and of decayed Pilot Fund of *Montreal*, for the year ending March 31st, 1861. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 5.)

Also, General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, in the Districts of *Quebec* and *Richelieu*, for the year 1861. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 8.)

Also, Return of the Society of l'Union *St. Joseph* de l'Industrie, in conformity with 24th *Victoria*, Chapter 117, for the year ending December 31, 1861, as followeth:—

Return made to the two branches of the Legislature, by the *Société de l'Union St. Joseph de l'Industrie*, in accordance with the Act 24 *Victoria*, Chapter 117, giving a general statement of the affairs of the Society from the 18th May, 1861, the date of its incorporation, to the 31st December, 1861, inclusive.

PART I.—RECEIPTS.

	\$	cts.
1st. Cash in the hands of the Treasurer on the 18th May, 1861.....	150	00
2nd. Amount received by monthly contributions.....	198	85
3rd. Amount received for fines from several Members of the Society under the By-laws.....	6	00
Total Receipts.....		\$354 85

PART II.—EXPENDITURE.		\$ cts.
1st. Amount paid or given in aid of sick members.....		22 00
2nd. Rent of house, cost of furniture, and other contingent expenses.....		68 62
3rd. Amount deposited in bank.....		261 06
4th. Amount in the Treasurer's hands not yet deposited.....		3 18
Total expenditure.....		\$364 86

ALEXIS RIVET, President.
 CUTHBERT BORDELEAU, Secretary.
 F. XAVIER PICHÉ, Col. and Treasurer.

Also, Return of *l'Hospice de St. Joseph de la Maternité de Quebec*, for the year ending December 31, 1861, as followeth:—

Annual Return to the branches of the Legislature of *l'Hospice de St. Joseph de la Maternité de Quebec*, incorporated by the Act 18 *Victoria*, Chapter 226, for the year ending December 31, 1861.

I. Names of Members: Mesdames *L. C. Panet, Lady Belleau, V. H. Tetu, H. D. Taschereau, E. M. Pelletier, H. M. Carrier, J. P. Bilodeau, C. D. Tetu, C. P. Fremont, G. DeBlois, M. M. Metivier, E. M. Langevin.*

II. Number of persons admitted and treated in the establishment—31.

III. Endowment—none.

IV. General Statement of the Affairs of the Corporation :

The Corporation has acquired, by purchase, a house and lot of land in the Upper Town of *Quebec*, measuring 85 feet front by 53 feet in depth, for the sum of £1175, or \$4700, which has not been paid, and bears interest. The income of the Corporation is derived solely from the contributions and gifts of Members, the grant of the Legislature, and the products of their labor.

STATEMENT of the Affairs of *l'Hospice de St. Joseph de la Maternité de Quebec*, 1861.

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1861.	\$ cts.	1861.	\$ cts.
Dec. 31.. Cash on hand at beginning of year.....	115 80	Dec. 31.. Cash paid on account of the building.....	400 00
Received from the Legislature.....	600 00	Interest paid.....	140 80
do for board.....	313 90	Sundry repairs.....	115 40
do for work done.....	23 25	Insurance, firewood and other requirements of the establishment.....	593 40
Sundry donations.....	404 23	Provisions.....	352 05
Proceeds of a Bazaar.....	238 57	Balance Cash in hand.....	94 10
	\$1695 75		\$1695 75

There remains to be paid by the Corporation, on their purchase, a balance of \$2400.

Mesdames *L. C. PANET*, President.

E. M. LANGEVIN, Secretary.

Quebec, 31st December, 1861.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Langevin*.—Two Petitions of the Reverend *C. E. Poire* and others, of the Parish of *St. Anselme*, County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Gagnon*,—The Petition of *A. Dufour* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de l'Isle aux Coudres*.

By Mr. *Morris*,—The Petition of *David Allan Poe*, of the City of *Montreal*, Commission Merchant.

By Mr. *Street*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Village of *Welland*.

By Mr. *O'Halloran*,—The Petition of the Municipalities of the Parishes of *St. George*, *Clarenceville*, and *St. Thomas*, County of *Missisquoi*.

By Mr. *Walsh*,—The Petition of *H. J. Barber* and others, of the Township of *Townsend*.

By Mr. *Scatcherd*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Lobo*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sicoite*,—The Petition of *François Nadeau*, of the City of *Quebec*, Joiner.

By the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*,—The Petition of *A. Collette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Constant*,—and the Petition of *N. Pensonault* and others, of the Parish of *St. Constant*, County of *Laprairie*.

By Mr. *LeBouillier*,—The Petition of *J. T. Coffin* and others, of the *Magdalen Islands*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of *L'Hospice de St. Joseph de la Maternité de Quebec*.

By Mr. *Scott*,—The Petition of the Community of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, of the City of *Hamilton*; and the Petition of Mrs. *Percy Spiller*, of the Town of *Prescott*, County of *Grenville*, School Teacher, widow of the late *William Spiller*.

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

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hastings*; and of the Municipality of the Township of *Culross*; severally praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hastings*; praying for the passing of an Act to consolidate a certain debt of the said County.

Of the Reverend *G. Potvin* and others, School Commissioners of the Municipality of the Village of *Rimouski*; praying aid for the erection of a College at *St. Germain de Rimouski*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hastings*; praying for a survey and the building of a Canal between the *Bay of Quinté* and *Lake Ontario*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Hullet*; praying for aid to complete the *Bayfield Harbor*.

Of *H. S. Beaudry* and others, of the Parish of *St. Antoine Abbé*; praying that the School Municipality known under the name of *St. Antoine de Chateauguay*, be erected into a Municipality for Municipal and Civil purposes.]

Of *R. C. Struthers* and others, of *Chatham*; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Corporation of *Ottawa College*; praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *L. T. Bernard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Claire*; and of the Reverend *C. Tanguay* and others, of *St. Hénédine*, County of *Dorchester*; praying aid for a Model School in the Parish of *St. Claire*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Grantham*; praying for the passing of an Act to enable the rate-payers of the County of *Lincoln* to select a more convenient site for the County Town.

Of *Jean Bte. O. Legendre* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Julie de Somerset*; praying for the passing of an Act for the protection of Squatters in the said Parish.

Of the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbor of *Quebec*; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *McNab*; praying that the said Township may be separated from the County of *Renfrew*, and attached to the County of *Lanark* for Judicial and Municipal purposes.

Of *A. Russell* and others, of the Village of *Arnprior*; praying for the passing of

an Act to incorporate the said Village into a separate Municipality, and also that a clause be inserted in the said Act to establish a Division Court in the said Village.

Of *Robert Nugent Watts*, of the Township of *Grantham*, in the County of *Drummond* and District of *Arthabaska*, Esquire; *Joseph Boisvert*, of the said Township of *Grantham*, Merchant; *James Duncan*, of the Parish of *St. Germain de Grantham*, in the said Township of *Grantham*, Esquire; and *Honoré Gagnon*, the younger, of the said Township of *Grantham*, Baker; setting forth:—That they are all Electors qualified to vote, and who voted for *Christopher Dunkin*, hereinafter named, at the Election lately held in the United Counties of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, for choice of a Member of the said Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, which Election was terminated on the fifteenth day of July last past by the Proclamation of *Edmund Cox*, Esquire, the Returning Officer thereat, declaring *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* of the Village of *L'Avenir*, in the said County of *Drummond*, Esquire, duly elected to be such Member; humbly sheweth, that on the second day of July last, being the day of nomination for the said Election, on the Hustings in the Village of *Drummondville*, in the said County of *Drummond*, after nomination made of the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion*, as a candidate for Election thereat, and before the granting a poll for said election, the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* there being, was in due form, personally and publicly required by the said *Robert Nugent Watts*, and by *James Atkinson*, of the said Township of *Durham* in the said County of *Drummond*, Esquire, and *William Farrell*, then of the Township of *Warwick*, in the said County of *Arthabaska*, Esquire, now of *Robinson*, in the Township of *Bury* and County of *Compton*—all three Electors duly qualified to vote at such Election;—to make the declaration which by law every candidate at such election, if so thereto required, must make before he shall be capable of being elected thereat; but he did not make such declaration either then and there or at any time before or during the polling thereafter had for such election, or before the hour of twelve o'clock on the fifteenth day of July last, being the day of the Proclamation aforesaid, and the hour duly and publicly fixed and notified for such Proclamation. That on the said second day of July last, on the said hustings, *Christopher Dunkin*, of the City of *Montreal*, in the District of *Montreal*, Esquire, was duly nominated as a Candidate for election, being then (as also he is now) duly qualified for election as such member of the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*; and then and there, as such Candidate, did voluntarily and without having been thereto required, make such declaration as aforesaid: That on the said second day of July last, at the nomination aforesaid, upon the show of hands thereat taken, the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* was declared, by the said Returning Officer, to have had the majority of the electors then assembled in his favor, whereupon a poll was demanded by and for the said *Christopher Dunkin*, so nominated as aforesaid: That, in fact, before, during, and since the said election, the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* was never, and is not now, duly seized at law or in equity as of freehold for his own use and benefit of lands and tenements held in free and common soccage, or *en fief* or *en rôtüre* in the Province of *Canada*, of the value of Five Hundred Pounds, sterling money of *Great Britain*, over and above all rents, mortgages, charges and incumbrances charged upon or due and payable out of or affecting the same; and was never, and is not now, by law, capable of being elected, or of sitting or voting as a member of the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*; That the certain paper writing which on the said fifteenth day of July last the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* delivered to the said *Edmund Cox*, as and for the declaration so theretofore required of him as aforesaid, was and is, and the allegations therein contained were and are untrue, in this: That the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* was not, and is not, duly seized at law or in equity as of freehold for his own use and benefit, of the lands or tenements therein described as those by virtue whereof he claims to be qualified for election as a member of the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, or of any them, and in this: That the said lands and tenements were and are not, in the aggregate, of the full value of Five Hundred Pounds, sterling money of *Great Britain*, over and above all rents, mortgages, charges and incumbrances, charged upon or due and payable out of or affecting the same, and also in this: That if ever the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* has obtained a title to, or in anywise become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof (which your Petitioners do not admit or believe), such title or possession can only have been, and has only been, collusively or colorably obtained by the

said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion*, for the purpose of qualifying or enabling him to be returned as a member of the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*; That, more particularly before, during and since the said election, none of the said lands or tenements mentioned and designated in the said declaration or paper writing, were the property or in possession of the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion*; but, on the contrary, the same were, at said times, and still are, the property and in the possession of divers other persons, and of the Crown; and more particularly, in so far as your Petitioners have been able to ascertain from the entries on the books of the Registry Office of the County of *Drummond*, wherein the whole of the said lands and tenements are situate, and from such other inquiry as they have been able to make, your Petitioners hereby allege that the land or tenement in the said declaration or paper writing, firstly designated and described, was and is the property of one *Hilaire Allard*, of the Township of *Durham* aforesaid, Farmer, and was and is in his possession as the veritable proprietor thereof; That the land or tenement secondly designated and described in said declaration or paper writing, was and is the property, and in the possession of one *Oliver Ethier*, of the Township of *Upton*, in the said County of *Drummond*, Farmer, or of one *Thomas Desaulniers*, of *Upton* aforesaid, Gentleman; That the lands or tenements thirdly and fourthly designated and described in the said declaration or paper writing, were and are the property of one *Moise Fortier*, of the County of *Yamaska*, in the District of *Richelieu*, Esquire: That there are no entries whatsoever in said books with reference to the lands or tenements in said declaration or paper writing, fifthly, sixthly, seventhly, eighthly and ninthly designated and described; That, in fact, at said times the lands or tenements sixthly, eighthly and ninthly designated and described in said declaration or paper writing, were at said times, and they still are, the property of the Crown, and have never been granted, by location ticket or otherwise, to any person or persons whomsoever, and, in fact, are presently under advertisement for sale by the Crown, as ungranted Crown lands; That said last mentioned lands or tenements were, at the said time, and still are, entered on the valuation roll of the Municipality of *Grantham*, *Wendover* and *Simpson*, as being such property of the Crown; That the lands or tenements fifthly and seventhly designated and described in said declaration or paper writing had, previously to the time of said election, been sold for a nominal price at the Municipal sale of lands for the County of *Drummond*, for taxes, to wit: the land or tenement fifthly so designated and described, to one *Charles Millar*, of *Drummondville* aforesaid, Gentleman, and the land or tenement seventhly designated and described, to *Pierre Néré Dorion*, of *Drummondville* aforesaid, Provincial Land Surveyor, and brother to the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion*; That as your Petitioners have been informed, the said *Charles Millar* afterwards sold said land or tenement so fifthly designated and described, to one *George Leonard Marler*, heretofore of *Drummondville* aforesaid, now of the said City of *Montreal*, Esquire, and brother-in-law of the said *Pierre Néré Dorion*, and that, in fact, the said two last mentioned lands or tenements, ever since said last mentioned sales, have been, and still are, the property and in the possession of the said *George Leonard Marler* and *Pierre Néré Dorion*, respectively; That no deed or title whatsoever, from any of the above named parties, or from the Crown, or from any person claiming or pretending to be the owner or proprietor of any or either of the said lands or tenements, in said declaration or paper writing designated and described to the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion*, or whereby the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* can in anywise claim to be proprietor thereof, or of any said lands or tenements, has ever been enregistered or presented for enregistration in the Registry books of the said County of *Drummond*, within which the said lands or tenements are situated, and no such deed or title has ever been passed before any Notary or Notaries, resident within the said Counties of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, or in any County adjacent thereto, or so far as your Petitioners can learn, in any form whatever; That the said lands or tenements in said declaration or paper writing, designated and described, or intended so to be, including the lands so belonging to the Crown as aforesaid, have only been valued in the valuation rolls of the respective Municipalities within which they are respectively situate, in the aggregate, at the sum of Two Thousand Dollars currency, irrespective of all rents, mortgages and incumbrances, charged upon or due and payable out of or affecting the same; but, in fact, the said lands or tenements have never been, and are not, of a greater aggregate value than Fifteen Hundred Dollars currency, and the same, before, during and since the said elec-

tion, were, and they are now, as appears by the books of the said Registry Office, charged and affected with divers rents, mortgages and incumbrances, to an aggregate amount of upwards of one thousand dollars currency, that is to say (over and above all other rents, mortgages and incumbrances, which your Petitioners may hereafter discover, and which your Petitioners expressly reserve to themselves the right of hereafter averring and proving, when, and as occasion may admit or require), the land or tenement firstly, in said declaration or paper writing, designated and described, was and is charged and affected with a *Bailleur du fonds* claim of six hundred dollars, with interest from the ninth day of September, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, in favor of Dame *Ann Amelia Reutier*, wife of *François Edmond Dorion*, of the City of *Montreal* aforesaid, Esquire, (a brother of the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion*) to whom the said land or tenement formerly belonged, by the before mentioned *Hilaire Allard*, of the Township of *Durham*, the veritable proprietor of the said land; the land or tenement secondly designated and described in said declaration or paper writing, was, and is charged and affected with a privileged *Bailleur du fonds* claim of thirteen hundred and fifty livres, ancient currency, equivalent to two hundred and twenty-five dollars currency, and interest in favor of one *Augustin Guilmette*, of *Upton* aforesaid, Farmer, by the before mentioned *Oliver Ethier*; and the land or tenement thirdly, in said declaration or paper writing, designated and described, was and is charged and affected with a certain *rente foncière rachetable*, redeemable at and for the sum of sixty-three pounds, four shillings and sixpence, equal to two hundred and fifty-two dollars and ninety cents, currency, in favor of *James J. Grant*, of *Montreal* aforesaid, Baron of *Longueil*, by the said before mentioned *Moïse Fortier*; And your Petitioners aver that at the time of said election, the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* was, and for many years previously thereto had been, to wit: since the year eighteen hundred and fifty-four, when he failed for an amount exceeding six thousand pounds currency, and he still is notoriously insolvent *en discomfiture*, divers of his creditors having, long previous to said election, obtained judgments against him for divers large amounts of money; that said creditors hitherto have been unable to recover any portion whatever of said judgments, by reason of the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* never having owned, held or possessed any property whatsoever, either moveable or immoveable, since the time when the said judgments were rendered; That since the said election, the said lands or tenements designated and described in the said declaration or paper writing, and thereby called the property of the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion*, have been seized by two of such judgment creditors, to wit: by *John Frothingham* and others, trading under the name and firm of *Frothingham and Workman*, all of the City of *Montreal* aforesaid, Merchants, and by *John Chamberlain* and *John Thomson*, both of *Montreal* aforesaid, Merchants, trading under the name of *Chamberlain and Thomson*, whose united claims amount to a sum exceeding two thousand three hundred dollars currency, the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion*, at the time of the said seizures, declaring that he had no moveable effects whereof seizure could be made; And your said Petitioners moreover allege that at divers of the polling places within the said United Counties of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, and more particularly at the several polling places in the Township of *Upton*, in the County of *Drummond*, and the Township of *East Chester*, the Township of *Stanford*, and the Township of *Blandford* respectively, in the County of *Arthabaska*, the pretended list of voters used at the said election were not made or certified according to law, and were illegal, fraudulent, null and void, and the pretended valuation rolls, from which the said pretended list of voters were pretended to be made, were not and had not been made or certified according to law, and were illegal, fraudulently, null and void, and by reason and under color only of the illegal use made at such polling places, of such pretended list of voters, the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* was made to appear to have received a majority of the votes at the said election, whereas the majority of the valid votes cast according to law at the said election were, in truth, cast for the said *Christopher Dunkin*, and not for the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion*; Wherefore, your Petitioners, under express reserve of their right hereafter to aver and prove all further facts which may require to be averred or proved as touching the collusion and colorable character of any title or possession, which the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* may pretend to have ever had or to have in respect of the said lands or tenements or any part thereof, and as touching the value thereof, and the

rents, mortgages and incumbrances charged upon or due and payable out of or affecting the same, and otherwise in the premises, when and as occasion may admit or require, humbly pray that your Honorable House will be pleased to take this their Petition into consideration, and to make due inquiry touching the premises, and to declare that at all and every the times aforesaid, the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* was not, and that he is not, by law capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a member of your Honorable House, and to set aside and annul the said pretended election of the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion*, and the said Return of the said *Edmund Cox* declaring the said *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion* to have been duly elected to be such member of your Honorable House; and to make all such further or other orders in the premises as to law and justice may appertain, and as to the wisdom of your Honorable House may seem meet.

Of *Charles François Painchaud*, Esquire, Physician, residing at the Village of *Vareennes*, in the County of *Verchères*, in the District of *Montreal*, setting forth: That at the last election, which took place in July last, in the said County of *Verchères*, for the election of a member to represent the said County in your honorable House, your Petitioner was a Candidate for election to represent the said County, and was then and is still an elector of the said County, duly qualified to vote at the said election; and that *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski*, Esquire, of *St. Charles*, in the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, was also a candidate at the said election, and was, on the thirteenth July last, proclaimed duly elected to serve in Parliament as member of your honorable House for the said County: That on the day of the nomination of candidates at the said election, and before a Poll had been granted, the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* was personally required, by a duly qualified elector of the said County, to furnish and make the declaration of qualification or eligibility required by and in accordance with the election laws and the provisions of chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*; but that, notwithstanding the said requisition, and the obligations imposed upon him by the law, the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* never gave such declaration of qualification or eligibility, made and attested according to law, to the Returning Officer of the said County at the aforesaid election, nor took steps to ensure its being delivered to him within the time prescribed, and so as to enable him to be a candidate and be eligible at the said election: That the lands and tenements mentioned in a written paper, transmitted to the Returning Officer by the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski*, during or before the said election, and which was held to be such declaration of qualification or eligibility, were not and are not a sufficient and legal qualification to render the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* eligible to be a member of your honorable House, inasmuch as that before and during the said election, or at the time when the said written paper was transmitted to the Returning Officer as aforesaid, the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* was not duly seized and possessed of the said lands and tenements, for his own proper use and advantage, and also inasmuch as the said lands and tenements were not then, have not been since, and are not now, of the value of five hundred pounds sterling money of *Great Britain*, over and above all rents, mortgages, charges and incumbrances charged upon or due and payable out of or affecting the same: That the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* was not on the day of the nomination, nor ever was previously or since, openly, in good faith, and with the title of proprietor, the owner of the said lands and tenements mentioned in the said declaration; and that, if the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* ever was apparently in possession of the said lands and tenements, or of a part thereof, he was only collusively and fictitiously owner of the said lands and tenements, or a part thereof, for the sole purpose of qualifying himself to be elected a member of your honorable House: That the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* was not, in fact, at the time of the said election, eligible as a member of your honorable House, as he did not then possess the landed qualification which the law requires of a candidate in such case: That on the eighth day of July last, which was the first of the two days fixed for the holding of the Poll, and before the entry of any vote, your petitioner, in his quality as aforesaid, protested against the candidature of the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski*, and against the entry in the Poll Books, opened in the various Parishes of the said County of *Verchères*, of votes which might be given in favor of the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski*, and gave warning, both to the various Deputy Returning Officers and to the electors generally, that the said *Alexander Edouard*

Kierzkowski had been required, as aforesaid, to furnish his declaration of qualification or eligibility and had not done so, and that he was not duly seized and in possession of lands and tenements, for his own proper use, of the value of five hundred pounds sterling money of *Great Britain*, over and above all rents, charges and incumbrances, and was not in consequence capable of being elected, or of sitting or voting as a member of your honorable House, and that the votes given in favour of the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* would be null: That the Poll held in the different Parishes of the County having given the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* a majority of two votes over your Petitioner; three electors, duly qualified to vote in the said County, and your Petitioner, protested to the Returning Officer of the said County against the proclamation and return of the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* as the representative of the County of *Verchères* in the Legislative Assembly, as he had not had a majority of the legal votes polled during the said election, and was not qualified in respect of landed property: And your Petitioner further represents, that during the time of voting at the said election, the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski*, his authorized agents and partizans, by intimidation and threats, prevented several electors, duly qualified to vote in the said County, from recording their votes in favor of your Petitioner; and, by means of promises and bribes, prevailed upon others, who would otherwise have voted for your Petitioner, to vote for the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski*: That the electoral lists in several Parishes of the said County were purposely prepared by men, not scrupulous as regarded their duty, with a view to further party interests, by excluding from the said electoral lists a great number of persons, who, as proprietors or occupants, would have been qualified to vote at the said election, and thereby preventing them from recording their vote at the said election in favor of your Petitioner, and ensuring him a large majority over the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski*: That irregularities of a very grave nature, and informalities of all kinds, were committed in the preparation of the electoral lists of several Parishes in the said County; which irregularities and informalities absolutely nullify the said electoral lists, and nullify the votes recorded in virtue thereof: That in the Parish of *Contreccœur*, in the said County, where a majority of fifty votes or more were given against your Petitioner, there was not before and at the time of the registration of votes in that Parish, a list of electors prepared legally, and in due form posted up, and revised according to the formalities required by law: That the list of electors, in virtue of which votes were recorded in the Poll-book of the said Parish of *Contreccœur*, was, as it still is, illegal and absolutely null; that this said list was prepared from and out of an assessment roll for the said Parish of *Contreccœur*, which was absolutely illegal and null, inasmuch as it had been made by assessors who had not taken, as such, the oath of office prescribed and required by law; and moreover, inasmuch as the said assessment roll, after its preparation, was not signed and attested, by the said assessors who made it, under oath and in the form prescribed by the ninth section of chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and especially by the fourth paragraph of the said section: That, moreover, the said list itself was then, as it still is, illegal and null, inasmuch as it was not made in alphabetical order by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipal Council of the Parish of *Contreccœur*: that at the time of the making of the said list and for a long time after there was no Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipal Council of the said Parish of *Contreccœur*; that the said list was made by the Mayor of the said Parish of *Contreccœur*, who had no right to make such list, and that finally the said list was not publicly posted up as required by law, and that it was not, and could not in consequence, be revised and corrected as prescribed by law: that, moreover, this said list was not signed and attested under oath, after its preparation, in the form prescribed by the ninth section of chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and especially by the fourth paragraph of that section above cited; that, finally, no voting or poll should have been held in the said Parish of *Contreccœur*, on account of the absence of a valid and legal list of the electors of that said Parish: That the illegality and invalidity of the said List of Electors of *Contreccœur* entails the invalidity of the votes recorded in the said Parish, which would leave your Petitioner a great majority of the legal votes recorded in the other Parishes of the said County: That in the same way the voting was carried on in the Parish of *Verchères* and *Ste. Julie*, two of the Parishes included in the said County of *Verchères*, and in which a majority of votes was recorded against your

Petitioner from and out of lists of electors, which were illegal and absolutely null, inasmuch as they were made and prepared, respectively, for the electors in each of these Parishes from assessment rolls, which were not prepared, made and sworn to according to the formalities prescribed by law; and that, moreover, these said lists were not themselves prepared, posted up and signed, and attested under oath according and agreeably to the formalities prescribed by law, and that consequently no voting or Poll should have been held in the said Parishes of *Verchères* and *Ste. Julie*, on account of the absence of valid and legal lists of the electors of these Parishes: That the invalidity and illegality of the said lists entails the invalidity of the votes recorded in the said Parishes of *Verchères* and *Ste. Julie*, and that, therefore, the majority of votes given in favor of your Petitioner is considerably augmented: That in each Parish in the said County twenty persons and more voted for the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* at the said election, without having, at the time of voting, all the qualifications required by law to give them a right to vote at the said election; knowing, at the same time, they had not that right, not being at the said time proprietors, tenants or occupants of real estate, of the intrinsic value of two hundred dollars or more, or of the yearly value of twenty dollars or more, and these votes being null by law, your Petitioner has a great majority of the legal votes recorded: That according to law and the facts herein set forth the election of the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* is, in every respect, null and of no effect, and that your Petitioner was duly elected, and should have been proclaimed member to represent the County of *Verchères* in Parliament; And your Petitioner humbly prays your honorable House to take into consideration the facts above set forth; to declare the said election of the said *Alexander Edouard Kierzkowski* in every respect null and void, and of no effect: That your Petitioner was duly elected, and should have been proclaimed member of your honorable House for the County of *Verchères*; and that it may please your honorable House to command that the return of the Writ of Election issued for the said County, may be amended in consequence, and to grant to your Petitioner such other relief as to you shall seem meet in the matter of the facts above set forth, to the end that your Petitioner may take his seat as a member of your honorable House: And your Petitioner will ever pray.

Of *Simon Baquet*, Merchant, *Augustin Audet*, and *Joseph Jolivet*, junior, yeomen, of the Parish of *St. Gervais*, in the County of *Bellechasse*, in the Province of *Canada*, setting forth: That your petitioners had a right to vote, and did vote, at the last election of a Member to represent the County of *Bellechasse*, and to serve in the Provincial Parliament: That at the last election one of the candidates was *Edouard Rémillard*, Esquire, Advocate, of the City of *Quebec*, in the said Province, the Member at present sitting as the representative of the said County of *Bellechasse* in the said Parliament: That the said *Edouard Rémillard*, Esquire, the said Member sitting for the said County, in order to procure and further his election made use, both personally and by his authorized agents, of means of bribery and corruption, especially by paying with money, or otherwise recompensing the electors of the said County, or by promising them money or other recompense, with the intention by this means of prevailing upon them to vote for him, or of preventing them from voting for the other candidates at the said election; and also, by furnishing or causing to be furnished to the said electors intoxicating or fermented liquors, and by paying or causing to be paid to them money for this purpose; and finally, by opening and maintaining, or causing to be opened or maintained at his cost and expense, houses of public entertainment for the reception of the said electors, with the intention by this means of prevailing upon them to vote for him, or of preventing them from voting for the other candidates at the said election; and that, in consequence, the said *Edouard Rémillard*, Esquire, ought not to be admitted to sit, and has not the right to sit, in the said Parliament to represent the said County: Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray your Honorable House to be pleased to take their petition into consideration, to permit them to prove before your Honorable House, or an Election Committee, or any other Committee thereof, the allegations of bribery and corruption which they herein make against the said *Edouard Rémillard*, Esquire, the sitting Member for the said County of *Bellechasse*, in the said Province, of whose election they complain; to declare the said election, in consequence, null and void, and the seat of the said *Edouard Rémillard*, Esquire, vacant, and to direct that a new Writ of Election shall issue.

Of *William Bishop*, of the Town of *Woodstock*, in the County of *Oxford*, an elector of the North Riding of the County of *Oxford*, setting forth: *First*, That your petitioner resides in the North Riding of the County of *Oxford*, and at the time of the last general election for a member to serve in your Honorable House, your petitioner was, and still is, interested in the said election as a duly qualified elector of the said North Riding of the County of *Oxford*; and your petitioner, at the time of such election, was a duly qualified elector to vote for the election of a Member to represent the said North Riding of the County of *Oxford* in your Honorable House: *Second*, That at the said election one *William McDougall* was a candidate, and one *Isaac Buchanan* was a candidate, and on the nomination day for the said election both the said *William McDougall* and *Isaac Buchanan* were duly nominated as candidates at the said election: *Third*, That on the said nomination the shew of hands, by the electors present thereat, was in favor of the said *William McDougall*, and was so declared by the Returning Officer: *Fourth*, That on the said day of nomination, and before any poll was demanded, on that day your petitioner, *William Bishop*, did duly and publicly demand of and from the said *William McDougall*, his qualification according to the terms and provisions of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, chapter six, intituled, "An Act respecting Elections of Members of the Legislature": *Fifth*, That no qualification had been previously made or fyled by the said *William McDougall*, with a view to his becoming a candidate at the said election: *Sixth*, That on the fifteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, the said *William McDougall* made and fyled his declaration respecting his qualification as such candidate at such election in the words following:—I, *William McDougall*, do declare and testify that I am duly seized at law or in equity as of freehold, for my own use and benefit, of lands or tenements held in fee and common soccage in the Province of *Canada*, of the value of Five hundred pounds of sterling money of *Great Britain*, over and above all rents, mortgages, charges and incumbrances charged upon or due and payable out of or affecting the same; and that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands and tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of qualifying or enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*; and I further declare that the lands and tenements aforesaid consist of that brick house or tenement on the north side of King street, and being the first brick house east of *Ontario* street, in the City of *Toronto*, now in the occupation of Mrs. *Davis* as my tenant, with the outbuildings and appurtenances; also, that wooden dwelling house with its appurtenances, being the second from King street on the east side of *Ontario* street, in the said City, now in the occupation of Mrs. *Eaves* as my tenant: *Seventh*, No other declaration or qualification, other than the above, has been fyled or made by the said *William McDougall*: *Eighth*, Your petitioner has caused diligent search to be made in the Registry Books of the City of *Toronto*, to ascertain the description of, and the particulars of the title to, and the incumbrances affecting the said lands, upon which the said *William McDougall* pretends to qualify as above-mentioned in his said qualification, but in consequence of the said *William McDougall* not having complied with the law in making his declaration, and in giving therein a description of the lands upon which he pretends to qualify, your petitioner is unable to trace the title to the said lands, or to ascertain the title thereto, or the incumbrances affecting the same, and your petitioner submits that the said declaration of qualification is, for reasons of uncertainty in the description appearing on the face of it, insufficient and contrary to the spirit and intentions and to the express provisions of the statute in that behalf: *Ninth*, Your petitioner has further ascertained, that the only interest the said *William McDougall* has in the brick house in the said declaration mentioned, is a life estate, after the determination of a life estate in his wife, who is now living, and that his interest is subject to a mortgage in fee thereon for Four hundred pounds and interest, dated on the sixth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty, by the said *William McDougall* and his wife to one *George Buckland*, to secure the payment of the sum of Four hundred pounds and interest, which sum is far more, as your petitioner believes, than the whole property is worth: *Tenth*, The wooden house mentioned in the said declaration, your petitioner is unable to ascertain that the said *William McDougall* ever had the slightest claim or title whatever in: *Eleventh*, Your petitioner further states, that after the said qualification

was so demanded by your petitioner, *William Bishop*, a poll was demanded on behalf of the said *Isaac Buchanan*, the other candidate at the said election, and thereupon the Returning Officer at the said election granted a poll, and appointed the ninth and tenth days of the month of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, to open the polls on the several places in the said North Riding of the County of *Oxford* at which, according to law, polls should be opened to receive votes at the said election, and Deputy Returning Officers and Poll Clerks were duly appointed to receive and record the said votes: *Twelfth*, That the Township of *East Zorra* is one of the most populous municipalities in the said North Riding of *Oxford*, and was one of those places, being a separate municipality, entitled to a separate polling place; and the Returning Officer at the said election appointed *Lappin's*, a place on the Twelfth Concession Line of the said Township of *East Zorra*, to open the poll to receive votes at the hour of nine o'clock on the morning of the first day of the said election: That at that hour a large number of voters, in favor of the said *Isaac Buchanan*, were present at the said polling place, and were ready and desirous to give their votes in favor of the said *Isaac Buchanan*, and only a few voters for the said *William McDougall* were present at the time; but the said voters, for the said *Isaac Buchanan*, were unable to record their votes for him and against the said *William McDougall*: *Thirteenth*, That no poll was opened in the said Township of *East Zorra*, until after ten o'clock of the first day appointed for the said polling; and when the said poll was opened it was in a place where, from the pressure of the large crowd of persons who had then assembled, it was impossible for the electors for either party to vote; a great deal of confusion ensued, and the place for receiving votes was changed to the outside of the said polling place, and it was not until after eleven o'clock of the said day that the proper arrangements were made to enable the polling to be proceeded with in a regular manner, at which time large numbers of the friends of the said *Isaac Buchanan* arrived at the said polling place, but were unable to record their votes, and after remaining at the said polling place until the close of the poll, and being unable to record their votes, they returned to their homes without voting: *Fourteenth*, That the said *William McDougall* was declared to be duly elected at the said election. Your petitioner therefore prays that the election of the said *William McDougall* should be declared irregular and void, and should be set aside, and that the qualification of the said *William McDougall* should be declared insufficient, and the said declaration of qualification should be declared to be void for want of a proper description of the lands in respect of which the said *William McDougall* pretended and assumed to qualify as a candidate at the said election, and that it may be declared that the said *William McDougall* was not duly qualified at the time of such election to be elected and returned as a Member for the said North Riding of the County of *Oxford* to your Honorable House.

Of *Plucide Octave Morin*, Brewer, and *Louis C. Marion*, Baker, of the Parish of *St. Jacques*, setting forth: That at the last election your Petitioners were duly qualified as electors to vote for the Candidates nominated, the said Candidates being two in number, namely, *Aimé Dugas*, Esquire, Notary, of the Parish of *St. Jacques*, in the district of *Joliette*, and *Joseph Dufresne*, Esquire, Notary, of the Parish of *St. Alexis*, in the same district: That at the said election the said *Aimé Dugas* received seven hundred and seventy-four votes, and the said *Joseph Dufresne* eight hundred and forty-nine: That the said *Joseph Dufresne* was, in consequence, declared duly elected by *Joseph Edouard Beaupré*, Esquire, Registrar for the said County of *Montcalm*, and as such, acting as Returning Officer, who made a return to your Honorable House of the election of the said *Joseph Dufresne*; and your Petitioners represent that the said election and the return made by the said Returning Officer, are informal, illegal, null and void, for the following among other reasons:—1st. Because the said *Joseph Dufresne*, one of the Candidates at the said election, did, directly and indirectly, make use of means of corruption in order to carry his election. 2nd. Because the said *Joseph Dufresne* did, previous to and during the said election, pay and give money and rewards, and did promise to pay and give money and rewards to a large number of the Electors of the said County, for the purpose of corrupting them and inducing them to give their votes for him, or to prevent them from voting for the other candidate, the said *Aimé Dugas*. 3rd. Because the said *Joseph Dufresne* did, previous to and during the said election, open and support, and

cause to be opened and supported, at his costs and charges, houses of public entertainment in the several parishes of the said County, for the accommodation of the electors. 4th. Because the List of Voters furnished to the Deputy Returning Officers for the Parishes of *St. Alexis*, of *Ste. Julienne*, of *St. Calixte*, of *Rawdon* and, of *Wexford*, were irregular, illegal, null and void, having never been revised in conformity with the Law, and containing a large number of names of persons who, according to the assessment roll of these localities, had no right to vote, and who did all vote for the said *Joseph Dufresne*. 5th. Because the said *Joseph Dufresne* (striking off the votes thus illegally recorded in his favor) had not the majority of the votes given at the said election: 6th. Because the majority of the votes lawfully recorded at the said election were in favor of the said *Aimé Dugas*: Wherefore, your Petitioners pray that your Honorable House will take this, their Petition, into your favorable consideration, and that the election of the said *Joseph Dufresne* may, for the reasons aforesaid, and that the return which has been made thereof may, for the reasons aforesaid, be declared null and void, and that it may be declared that the said *Aimé Dugas* is the representative duly elected for the County of *Montcalm*, and that he may take his seat as such.

Of *Eduard René Demers*, Esquire, Notary, residing in the Parish of *St. George de Henryville*; setting forth: That at the last election of a member of the Honorable Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, held in and for the County of *Iberville*, according to law in the month of July last, your Petitioner was a Candidate at the said election, and had a right to vote thereat, and that the other Candidates at the said election were *Alexandre Dufresne*, Esquire, of the Town of *Iberville*, and *Jean Baptiste Chevalier*, Esquire, of the Parish of *St. Gregoire*: That they were all three duly nominated Candidates to represent the said County, and that a Poll was held for them at the said election on the eighth and ninth of the said month of July last: That the Returning Officer, *François Ferdinand Zéphirin Hamel*, made in and by his return of the writ issued for that purpose, a return in the which he declared that the said *Alexandre Dufresne* had been proclaimed as having the majority of votes at the said election, and as having been duly elected member for the said County of *Iberville*, in Parliament: That your Petitioner, as such elector and Candidate, has reason to complain, and by these presents does complain, that the said election of the said *Alexandre Dufresne* and the Return made by the said Returning Officer of the said election are irregular, illegal, and null; and your Petitioner has a right to demand that the said election and the said return be annulled and set aside for the following reasons:— Because the said *Alexandre Dufresne* was not possessed of qualifications to render him eligible, and because the landed property in virtue whereof he pretended that he was eligible, was and is fictitious and was obtained illegally, and because it was not then, has not since been, and is not of the net value of five hundred pounds sterling over and above all rents, charges, mortgages, and incumbrances due and payable out of, or affecting the same; and because the title to this landed property, if such there be, which your Petitioner formally denies, has been collusively, and furtively obtained for the purpose of qualifying himself as a Candidate at the said election, and to the end that he might be proclaimed member of the Legislative Assembly; because he has never been, either before or since openly and in good faith, owner, with the title of proprietor, of the said lands and tenements or a part thereof, and never held them so as to be able to qualify legally: 2nd. Because his aforesaid election was carried out by corruption, violence, and intimidation, and promises of bribes or menaces; and because, before, during and after the said election, he did directly and indirectly, under different pretexts and by his duly authorised agents, friends and other parties employed and engaged to further his said election, pay and cause to be paid to a great number of electors of the said County of *Iberville*, various considerable sums of money with the view of inducing them to vote for him at the said election, and by this means obtained the votes of a great number of the electors of the said County, who would otherwise not have voted for him, and which votes have given him an apparent majority over your Petitioner: Because the electoral lists in several Parishes and the Town of *Iberville*, in the said County, were purposely prepared by men unscrupulous as to their duty, with the view of serving party interests by excluding from the said electoral lists a great number of persons, who, as proprietors or occupants, would have been qualified to vote at the said election, and thereby preventing them from recording their vote at the

said election in favor of your Petitioner, and ensuring him a great majority over the said *Alexandre Dufresne*: That irregularities of a very serious nature, and informalities of all kinds, were committed in the preparation of the electoral lists of some Parishes, and in the said Town of *Iberville*, in the said County; which irregularities and informalities entail the absolute invalidity of the said electoral lists, and render null the votes given in virtue thereof: That in the Town of *Iberville*, and in the Parish of *St. Athanase*, as well as in the Parishes of *St. Alexandre* and *St. Grégoire*, forming part of the County of *Iberville*, where a number of more than seven hundred votes were given against your Petitioner, there were not, before and during the registration of votes in the said Parishes and in the said Town of *Iberville*, where the votes were entered on the Poll Book of the said Parish of *St. Athanase*, lists of electors legally and validly prepared, posted up and revised according to the formalities required by law: That the lists of electors, in virtue of which votes were entered in the Poll Books in the said Parishes were, as they still are, illegal and absolutely null; that these lists were prepared and made from and out of an assessment roll for the said Town and the said Parishes, illegal and absolutely null, inasmuch as in the said Parishes and the said Town respectively, they were made by Assessors, who had not taken, as such, the oath of office prescribed and required by law; and inasmuch, moreover, as the said assessment rolls, after their preparation, were not signed and attested by the said Assessors who made them, under oath and in the form prescribed by the ninth section of chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, and specially by the fourth paragraph of that section: That moreover the said lists were then, as they still are, illegal and null, inasmuch as they were not prepared in alphabetical order by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipal Council of the said Parishes and Town of *Iberville*, and inasmuch as these lists or pretended lists were not publicly posted up as required by law, and in consequence could not be revised and corrected as the law prescribes: That, moreover, the said lists were not signed and attested under oath, after their preparation, in the form prescribed by the ninth section of the Consolidated Statutes, chapter six, and specially by the fourth paragraph of that section above cited; that finally no voting or poll should have been held in the localities above mentioned, on account of the absence of valid lists of the electors: That the illegality and invalidity of the said lists of electors, entails the invalidity of the votes recorded at the said Polls above mentioned, which would leave a great majority of legal votes recorded in the other Parishes of the said County in favor of your Petitioner: That at each Poll held in the said County, that is to say, for the Parishes of *St. Brigide*, and *St. George de Henryville*, thirty persons and more voted for the said *Alexandre Dufresne* at the said election, without having, at the time of voting, all the qualifications required by law to give them a right to vote at the said election, knowing, at the same time that they had not this right, not being at the said time proprietors, tenants or occupants of landed property of the intrinsic value of two hundred dollars or more, or of the yearly value of twenty dollars or more: That at the Polls held in the Parishes of *St. Athanase*, *St. Alexandre*, and *St. Grégoire*, viz., in the first, three hundred persons and more, in the second, sixty persons and more, and in the third, one hundred persons or more, voted for the said *Alexandre Dufresne* at the said election, without having, at the time of the recording of their votes, nor before nor since, all the qualifications required by law to give them a right to vote at the said election, knowing, at the same time and before, that they had not this right, not being at the said time proprietors, tenants or occupants of landed property of the intrinsic value of two hundred dollars or more, or of the annual value of twenty dollars or more; and these votes being null by law, your Petitioner has a large majority of the legal votes polled in his favor: Because, at the polls held for the said election in the Town of *Iberville*, for the said Town and the Parish of *St. Athanase*, on the eighth and ninth of July last, the names of the persons following were inserted in the poll-book for the said Parish of *St. Athanase* and Town of *Iberville* as electors, and their votes were then and there received and entered in the said poll-book as legal votes; although, at that period, and your Petitioner asserts it, no alphabetical list for the Parish and Town above mentioned had been prepared, posted up and revised, in accordance with chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Elections of Members of the Legislature," and no legal copy thereof had been transmitted to

the Returning Officer for the said County, before the issue of the writ of election for the said County, or before it had been received and notice given to the electors, conformably thereto by the said Returning Officer, as required by the said statute; and because the said votes were also received and entered as being given in favor of the said *Alexandre Dufresne*, and were counted by the Returning Officer at the said election as legal votes given in favor of the said *Alexandre Dufresne* at the said election, that is to say:—*William Kookmore, Etienne Chartier, Abraham Goguet, Edouard Houle, Pierre Régmier, François Savary, Pierre Jodoin, Dominique Goyer, Hubert Chamberland, J. Bte. Choivière, Moysse Bissonnette, Louis Doré, André Narbonne, Michel Massé, père, Joseph Bonneau, Pierre Lareau, Joseph Marengo, Pierre Laberge, Edouard Charest, Gabriel Darceny, Edouard Touyas, Louis Leclair, Eméry Fontaine, Pierre Savariat, Napoléon Marengo, F. X. Fontaine, fils, Jean Bte. Gosselin, père, J. Bte. Martin, Edouard Laberge, Thomas Sawyer, Pierre Miller, père, Joseph Bonneau, François Bessette, Louis Fontaine, François X. Fontaine, père, Elzéar Marengo, Marcel St. Martin, Honoré Bessette, Damase Loïselle, Nazaire Robert, Edouard David, Pierre Bombardier, Thimothée Boulet, Pierre Charest, Alexïs Rémillard, Honoré Raymond, Jacques Leblanc, Simon Ropin, Henry Tremblay, Eusèbe Mailhot, Jean Jacques Bruneau, Pierre LaJoie, Olivier Bergeron, Antoine Normandin, Medon Brunelle, Adolphe Normandin, Alexandre Cyre, François Goguet, père, Jean Demers, Joseph Doré, Louis Benoit, Abraham Cabana, Joseph Savary, Jean Bte. Joubert, F. L. Mongeau, F. X. Mongeau, Jérémie David, Casimir Rouselle, Edouard Bissette, André Loupres, Charles Benoit, Joseph Lalanne, Nazaire Démarais, Thimothée Nadeau, Jules Bonneau, Honoré Mailhot, Olivier Laporte, Benjamin Désilets, Clément Vincelle, Léon Arel, Joseph Massé, Charles Mongeon, Barthelemy Narbonne, J. B. Boucher, Théophile Blais, Joseph Goget (St. Ours), Pierre Paradis, Antoine Beaulieu, Patrick O'Rielly, James McNulty, Roger McGuire, John Brown, Fvs. H. Martin, Alexandre Malleur, Noel Tongas, Athanase Fréchette, Joseph Bonneau, Michel Arcand, Joseph Ashby, Alexandre Miller, Prudent Bertrand, Jouchim Bertrand, Gédéon Duquette, Etienne Benjamin, Laurent Rapin, J. Bte. Bombardier, André Cadieux, Joseph Tetrault, Godefroi House, J. Bte. Davignon, Moysse Lebeau, Noël Bessette, Charles Bessette, Joseph McNulty, Abraham Rémillard, Louis Couture, Frédéric Parent, Louis Goulet, J. Bte. Arcand, J. Bte. Ménard, Louis Goyet, père, George Meunier, André Arel, Léon Montmery, Hypolite Brouillet, Ambroise Ménard, père, Luc Fournier, Edouard Hasbec, Moysse Bessette, Louis Beaudry, J. Bte. Goyet, Thomas Perrault, Edouard Boucher, Joseph Forand, Jacques Desbleds, Antoine Lajeunesse, François Benjamin, Pierre Lebeau, Joseph West, Pierre Thuot, Abraham Prairie, John Miller, Henry Lajeunesse, Lucien Roy, Augustin Tétrault, Jacques Daigneau, J. Bte. Laberge, Norbert Patenaude, Joseph B. Patenaude, Joseph Tremblay, Eusèbe Cyre, Louis Tremblay, J. Bte. Jarry, Etienne Jetty, Joseph Goget, père, Jacques Lebeau, père, Etienne Fanau, Abraham Cabana, Hilaire Boivin, père, Ambroise Ménard, fils, Pierre Goyet, Julien Montmery, Alexandre Parand, Abraham Bernard, fils, Vincent Thuot, J. Bte. Hébert, Henry Provost, James Cans, Pierre Régnier, François Brunelle, Nazaire Hébert, Pierre Massé, Michel Massé, fils, Magloire Goget, Antoine Fréjeau, Ambroise Patenaude, fils, John Person, John Nancy, Edouard Lebeau, Gédéon Bessette, Joseph Normandin, Toussaint Charbonneau, Norbert Mochon, Michel Doody, William Martin, fils, Godfroy Bessette, Moysse Milette, Honoré Goget, Joseph Rowen, George Sly, Pierre Denicourt, Joseph Roy, Louis Goyet, Albert Milette, Etienne Giard, Michel Berger, Damase Bessette, Charles Parent, Hypolite Rougier, William Martin, père, Pierre Miller, fils, J. Bte. Gosselin, fils, Solyme Laberge, Ambroise Foisy, Joseph Bessette, Mathias Bessette, père, Solyme Bessette, Louis Narbonne, J. Bte. Jassemmin, Albert Benjamin, Julien Boucher, J. Bte. Berger, Joseph Kagle, Pierre Ménard, Pierre Messier, Joseph Mochon, fils, Antoine Hébert, père, Louis Berger, Nazaire Thuot, Dominique Bernard, Joseph Brunelle, père, Etienne Hébert, Pierre Surprenant, Mathias Bessette, fils, F. X. Giard, Théodule Destras, Jean Bte. Dubcau, Charles Loupret, Narcisse Goyet, Abraham Goguet, Louis Morin, Honoré Massé, Come Tremblay, Charles Tyler, Bazile Messier, Pierre Surprenant, fils, Israël Bessette, Joseph Boucher, père, Didace Guillette, F. X. Quintal, Joseph Hérand, Pierre Marcoux, Edouard Goget, Vincent Thuot, Michel Gaboury, Jacques Charland, Eusèbe Ber-*

ger, John Closs, William McNulty, Solomon Maillhot, Louis Goguette, fils, Jean Guedesse, Michel Roy, fils, Antoine Goyet, Augustin Bessette, père, Philip McCrae, Moysse Levesque, Flavien Naulin, Michael O'Leary, Thomas McDonald, Joseph Tremblay, Charles Bessette, Toussaint Prevost, Edouard Vidal, Joseph Mark Hensley, Julien Payes, John McCormick, Thomas Carson, Paul Narcisse Bousquet, Chillingworth Henry, Louis Nadeau, J. Bte. Boucher, Pierre Alix, Edouard Ouillet, père, Thomas Cosnar, Charles Chevalier, Oliver Reeves, Jacques Délibac, Louis Durocher, François Goyet, fils, Joseph Edouard Goyet, Toussaint Goyet, Damase Durand, Michel Rémillard, David Fréchette, Louis Lavallée, Valfroi Vincelette, David Ménard, Jacques Tringue, Pierre Printemps, Pierre Grisé, père, Charles Ouimet, Pierre Dupré, Louis Boucher, Narcisse Larivière, Joseph Stevenson, Thomas Destrasse, Félix Pigeon, Jonas McKinney, George Richardson, Hubert Démarais, Hypolite Gervais, Daniel Closs, Louis Surprenant, Joseph Lajeunesse, Louis Durocher, père, François Tougas, Urbain Chevalier, Moysse Ferrault, Louis Allair, Maxime Lefebvre, Charles Charpentier, Louis Boivenu, Narcisse Fréchette, Abraham Bessette, Pierre Benjamin, F. X. Surprenant, Charles Cariveau, Edouard Coustois, Joseph Bigonère, Joseph Gosselin, Adolphe Benoit, John McGoogun, Benjamin Greendale, Charles Nolan, Julien David, Pierre Grisé, Toussaint Thuot, Alexandre Miclette, John Laviolette, Henry Goyet, John Proctors, Albert Demers, François Lebeau, William Richardson, Charles Narbonne, Joseph Bessette, E. H. Ripley, Jean Louis Houle, Théophile Benoit, Albert Bigonère, Joseph Duclos, Raphaël Goguet, Edouard Chevalier, Toussaint Thuot, J. Bte. Boucher, Michel Dubois, Michel Lacroix, Léon Bigouère, François Goyet, Joseph Mochon, père, Edouard Bervin, Moysse David, Julien Lebeau, Théophile Ray, Moysse Mousselet, Christophe Tremblay, François Gervais, Daniel Miller, Pierre Desmarois, Michel Roy, J. Bte. Boucher, Magloire Benoit, Joseph Lebeau, Louis Lessard, Antoine Tougas, François Raymond, Charles Fréchette, Nazaire Maillhot, J. Bte. Guillette, Pierre Millet, John McCarthy, Moysse Bessette, Joseph Larivière, E. L. Filiatreault, John McMuller, Joseph Houle, Joseph Joubert, Edouard Youg, Adolphe Goyet, Amable Lamarie, Joseph Gogeret, fils, J. H. Ripley, Richard Craig, Jessé Miller, Pierre Allard, George Courtemouche, Nicolas Bessette, Joseph Boucher, Louis Hébert, Marcel Fontaine, Moysse Lefebvre, Joseph Damme, Alexandre Canabé, Joseph Houle, Joseph Laporte, Ambroise Boucher, J. H. Prairie, Edouard Bisette, Louis Hugh Kelly, Edouard Kelly, Patrick Closs, J. Bte. Bonneau, fils, Thomas Auclerc, Bernard Ripley, Jacques H. Aubertin, Michel Loiselle, Michel Lebeau, père, Michel Lebeau, fils, Moysse Benjamin, Joseph Boucher, Marcel Bernard, Michel Barrière, Moysse Manseau, Cyriac Davuais, J. Bte. Beauvais, père, J. B. Dépeltéau, Julien Dépeltéau, J. Bte. Boucher, François Bessette, Jérôme Poutou, fils, Narcisse Lachapelle, Solyme Tétro, Samuel Miller, Albert Davignon, Marcel Boucher, Athanase Fournier, Octave Gamache, Damase Lajeunesse, Jacques Tremblay, Narcisse Longtin, Joseph Chartier, Edouard Dupray, Pierre Boivin, Léon Demers, Edouard Lacroix, François Longpré, Joseph Chartier, Joseph Barrière, Hilaire Boivin, fils, Alexandre Charretier, J. Bte. Lavallée, and Louis Berger: Because, at the poll held for the said election, in the Parish of St. Alexandre, on the said days, eighth and ninth of July last (1861), the names of the following persons were inserted in the poll book for the said Parish as electors, and their votes were then and there received and entered in the said poll-book as legal votes, although at that time, and your Petitioner asserts it, no alphabetical list of electors of the said Parish had been prepared, posted up, and revised according to chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled, "An Act respecting elections of Members of the Legislature," and no legal copy thereof had been transmitted to the Returning Officer for the said County before the issue of the writ of election for the said County, or before its reception and notice given to the electors, conformably thereto, by the said Returning Officer, as required by the said statute; and because the said votes were also received and entered as having been given in favor of the said Alexandre Dufresne, and were counted by the Returning Officer, at said election, as legal votes given in favor of the said Alexandre Dufresne, at the said election, that is to say: François Xavier Nolin, François Gosselin, Jean Bte. Houle, Charles Surprenant, Marcel Lajeunesse, Jean Bte. Métras, Jean Bte. Lavallée, Cyriac Sentoire, Joseph Picard,

fils, *Alexandre Bourassa, Joseph Hamel, Julien Surprenant, Julien Cailli, Nazaire Cornette, Nazaire Boivin, Isaïe Maillot, Athanase Trépannier, Joseph Picard, père, Théophile Bourgeois, François Gosselin, fils, François Ouimette, Damase Benoit, Pierre Dufresne, Louis Surprenant, Flavien Benjamin, Louis Marcoux, Louis Lamotte, Pierre Jobin, François Beaudreau, fils, J. Bte. Demers, Jean Bte. Nolin, Charles Bellerose, Joseph Boudreau, Charles Galipeau, Pierre Laune, Frs. Chevalier, Joseph Fortier, Pierre Casavan, Frs. Boudreau, Étienne Jetté, Guillaume Mailvan, Julien Bessette, Jean Bte. Boudreau, Jos. Hébert, Alfred Boyer, Jean Bte. Cartier, Pierre Karnel, Joseph Hamel, Jacques Bobeux, Olivier Beaudry, Alfred Jeannatte, Narcisse Surprenant, Raphaël Surprenant, Léon Gervais, Étienne Bonneau, Julien Roy, Timothée Brouillet, Flavien Marcoux, Janette Mercier, Emilien Paradis, Joseph Dupont, Charles Gosselin, Eugène Tremblay, Michel Goguette, Joseph L'Homme, Médard Brackmaire, Jean Bte. Lajeunesse, Joseph Gervais, Jean Bte. Surprenant, Clément Gamache, Joseph Morin, Robert Lattimer, Jean Bte. Racette, J. Bte. Paquette, Marcel Gaguette, Antoine Théro, Jacques Narbonne, J. Bte. Dadelin, Joseph Benoit, Charles George, Léandre Beaugard, Emeric Beaudry, Joseph Tétro, François Ouimet, Napoléon Boudreau, Anselme Leblanc, Olivier Beaugard, François Corneau, Théodule Giard, Camille Bouchard, Paschal Houle, Gabriel Gabourian, J. Bte. Dandurand, Louis Boucher, Ambroise Lebeau, Michel Marcoux, Noël Ménard, J. Bte. Lafontaine, Germain Dandurand, J. Bte. Hébert, Ambroise Suer, Hubert Chartier, Louis Gaboureau, Solyme DesRoches, Thomas Horan, Joseph Dubuc, Benoni Casavan, Joseph Chevalier, Cyrille Laque, Frs. X. Payant, Joseph Guillet, Félix Boucher, François Plante, J. Bte. Boudreau, François Lambert, Frs. Gabourian, Jean Bte. Payer, J. Bte. Langevin, Joseph Provost, Pierre Dulude, Cyprien Bonneau, Joseph Loiseau, and Abraham Bessette, fils: Because, at the poll held for the said election in the Parish of *St. Grégoire*, on the said days, eighth and ninth of July last (1861), the names of the following persons were inserted in the poll-book for the said Parish of *St. Grégoire* as electors, and their votes were then and there received and entered in the said poll-book as legal votes, although at that time, and your Petitioner asserts it, no alphabetical list of the said Parish had been prepared, posted up and revised, according to chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting elections of Members of the Legislature," and no legal copy thereof had been transmitted to the Returning Officer for the said County before the issue of the writ of election for the said County, or before its reception and notice given to the electors, conformably thereto, by the said Returning Officer, as required by the said Statute; and because the said votes were also received and entered as having been given in favor of the said *Alexandre Dufresne*, and were counted by the Returning Officer, at the said election, as legal votes given in favor of the said *Alexandre Dufresne* at the said election, that is to say: *François Xavier Giroux, Louis Nadeau, Julien Benoit, Joseph Chaquette, fils, François Bédard, père, Edouard Lareau, John McQuillen, Marcel Munty, Pierre Choquette, Eusèbe Fréchette, Julien Benoit, Maxime Lalanne, Joseph Careau, James McGuilen, F. X. Poulin, fils, Cyrille Pattenau, Emilien Fréchette, Moysse Bessette, Robert G. Moorhead, Joseph Hill, Isaïe Bisailon, Philippe Larivière, père, Joseph Guillotte, Pierre Dextraze, Gonzague Davignon, Charles Grenier, Godfroi Béchard, Michel Gamache, Joseph Chaquette, père, Louis Gauthier, Jacques Mailhotte, Edouard Serelle, Noël Miette, Marcel Brion, Jean Bte. Dextraze, Joseph Giroux, François Ménard, Charles Poulin, Julien Dubuc, William Teseught, André McGuire, Joseph Racicot, Guillaume Poulin, Michel Desautels, François Béchard, père, Amable Logue, Eusèbe Tringle, Edouard Robert, Pierre Bessette, Louis Ménard, père, David Bourgeois, Joseph Bessette, Joseph Thétreau, François Lareau, Moysse Quintin, François Davignon, Damase Démarois, J. Bte. Chaquette, père, François Surprenant, Charles Ménard, Abraham Brunelle, Edouard Lareau, Hyppolite Chaquette, Pierre Adam, Damase Chaquette, Pierre Benjamin, Antoine Quintin, Joseph Arbee, Damase Glache, Honoré Monast, Toussaint Ménard, Narcisse Marcoux, Charles Vallée, Jean Baptiste Brodeur, Pierre Duquette, Edouard Ménard, Joseph Quintin, Peter McQuilen, Solyme Duval, François Guillette, Eusèbe Desbleds, Narcisse Desautels, Charles Lebeau, Pierre Duquette, Louis Ménard, père, Joseph Laroque, Bernard McGuire, Pierre Gamache, Philippe Larivière, fils, Cléophas Martel, Narcisse Quintin,**

Michel Larivière, Julien Robert, Magloire Rain, Pierre Guedesse, Etienne Leterte, père, Clément Manty, Michel Destraze, Alexis Pattenau, Joseph Morin, Joseph Noël Lareau, Isaac Fontaine, Magloire Tougas, Honoré Leterte, Napoléon Caugneau, Joseph Hébert, Noël Gamache, Edouard Gamache, Jean Bte. Moisan, Pierre Panton, François Vigeant, Pierre Vien, Damase Carreau, Samuel Sherry, Etienne Laporte, Michel Benjamin, Joseph Barrière, Narcisse Lamoureux, fils, Godfroi Daignean, François Rousselle, François Benoit, Athanase Leterte, Jean Bte. Gendron, fils, Eusèbe Chaquette, Jérémie Bessette, Olivier Ledoux, Jean Bte. Lemaire, Bernard Brouillet, Casimire Lareau, Bernard Cane, fils, Prudent Massé, Noël Lareau, Alexis Dufault, Pierre Glade, Moysè Fréchette, Damase Destraze, Louis Benoit, Pierre Poirier, François Plouffe, Jean Bte. Lebeau, Thomas McQuilen, Jean Bte. Lemaire, Joseph Davagon, Moysè Rousselle, Patrick Roy, Edouard Destraze, Narcisse Bessette, Moysè Daunais, David Goussi, James Sherry, Joseph Tétreau, Bénoni Duquette, Maurice Ménard, Cyrille Ledoux, Pierre Lalamme, Louis Ménard, and Eusèbe Quintin, fils : That, in reality, none of the persons above named, as having been so inscribed in the poll-books of the Parishes of *St. Athanase*, *St. Alexandre* and *St. Grégoire*, had a right to vote at the said election, and that they were all, at the time of the said election, not possessed of the legal qualification to vote thereat, within the meaning of the Statutes and law in such case made and provided; because these persons, as your Petitioner expressly asserts, were not at the time of the said election, nor any of them, duly inscribed on any list of electors revised and certified in accordance with the provisions of the sixth chapter of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting elections of Members of the Legislature;" and that they were not either inscribed, at the time of the said election, on the then last Assessment Roll, revised and corrected, and in force in the said Town of *Iberville* and in the said Parishes of *St. Athanase*, *St. Alexandre* and *St. Grégoire*, nor in any other place in the said County of *Iberville*, as proprietors, tenants, or occupants of real property, of an assessed value of two hundred dollars or more, or of an annual assessed value of twenty dollars or more: That it appears from the document given, as being the list of electors of the said Town of *Iberville* and of the said Parishes of *St. Athanase*, *St. Alexandre* and *St. Grégoire*, and a copy whereof was transmitted by the Returning Officer of the said County at the same time as the return of the Writ of Election, and your Petitioner asserts it, that the name of each of the said persons was illegally and erroneously inserted in the said pretended list of electors, although none of the said persons were inscribed on the said assessment roll, being and purporting to be an alphabetical list of the electors, and upon which the said persons erroneously, illegally, and irregularly exercised a pretended right of voting at the said election for the County of *Iberville*, as proprietor, tenant or occupant of real property of the assessed value aforesaid, or of the annual value aforesaid, and although none of the said persons had been inscribed on the said list of electors by any authority or other competent power, or at any time and with the formalities required by law, or in virtue of any statute or law whatsoever: That the said pretended lists of electors of the said Town and of the said Parishes above mentioned, had never been, at the time of the said election, revised, finally corrected and certified, or posted up at the office of the Secretary-Treasurer of the said Town and the said Parishes, in accordance with the provisions of chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting elections of Members of the Legislature," and that, in fact, they were not lists of electors for the said Town and the said Parishes, within the meaning of the said chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes, and that the said lists could not consequently have any legal existence, and that no poll could be held and no vote could be legally given in the said Parishes at the time of the said election; and that, notwithstanding all this, polls for the three said Parishes were illegally opened and held in the Town of *Iberville*, for the Parish of *St. Athanase* and the said Town, by *Léon Hamel*—in the Parish of *St. Alexandre*, by *A. A. L. Brien*—and in the Parish of *St. Grégoire*, by *Fabien Lesage*, all three claiming to be Deputy Returning Officers, respectively, for the said Parishes, which men received, that is to say, the said *L. Hamel*, at the said pretended poll for the Parish of *St. Athanase*, four hundred and forty-six votes for the said *Alexander Dufresne*,—the said *A. A. L. Brien*, at the said pretended poll for the Parish of *St. Alexandre*, one hundred

and twenty-three votes for the said candidate, *Alexandre Dufresne*,—and the said *Fabien Lesage*, at the said pretended poll for the Parish of *St. Grégoire*, one hundred and fifty-seven votes for the said *Alexandre Dufresne*, quite in contradiction to the said chapter of the said Statutes and the law; that all the said illegal votes, amounting altogether to seven hundred and twenty-six, were so entered and received at the several polls above mentioned, irregularly, illegally, and in contradiction to the provisions of the said chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and that they should not have been counted by the said Returning Officer for the said County, in favor of the said *Alexandre Dufresne*, and that because they were so illegally received, entered and counted for the said *Alexandre Dufresne*, this latter received an apparent majority of the votes of the said County over your Petitioner, and that the said Returning Officer made his return, in consequence, to your Honorable House, whereas your Petitioner had the legal majority of votes at the said election over the said *Alexandre Dufresne* and *Jean Baptiste Chevalier*, and that he should have been returned as being duly elected member to represent the said County in Parliament: That a protest, to the end aforesaid, was signified to the Returning Officer of the said County, before the public declaration of the Candidate elected, the which Returning Officer nevertheless refused to declare your Petitioner the Candidate elected: That, in virtue of the laws and of the facts above set forth, the election of the said *Alexandre Dufresne* is in all respects null and of no effect, and that your Petitioner was duly elected and should have been proclaimed member to represent the County of *Iberville* in Parliament: Wherefore, your Petitioner complains of the said return, and prays your Honorable House to take his present petition into consideration, and declare that the said return, so made as aforesaid to this Honorable House, was and is incorrect, illegal, null and of no effect, and that the pretended votes above mentioned, and which were so illegally recorded at the pretended polls in the said Parishes of *St. Athanase* (held as aforesaid in the said Town for the electors of the said Parish and the said Town), *St. Alexandre* and *St. Grégoire*, in favor of the said *Alexandre Dufresne*, are illegal and of no effect, and that the pretended votes above mentioned ought to be struck out from the poll-books of the said election, and that your Petitioner was duly elected and ought to have been returned to represent the County of *Iberville* in Parliament; that, in consequence of the illegal practices above set forth, and the bribery practised, as well by himself, by the payment of money, as by causing it to be paid by his authorised agents, the said *Alexandre Dufresne* was and is in every respect ineligible as member for the said County in Parliament, and that the said election and declaration of the election of the said *Alexandre Dufresne* were and are in every respect null and of no effect; and that it may please your Honorable House to order that the said return may be amended in accordance with the facts above set forth, and to order that the name of your Petitioner be therein inserted as having been duly elected member for the County of *Iberville*, and that your Honorable House will grant your Petitioner such other relief in respect of the facts above set forth, so that your Petitioner may take his seat as a member of your Honorable House, the whole with costs against the said *Alexandre Dufresne*.

Of *Denis Emery Papineau*, Esquire, Notary; *Cyrille Archambault*, Esquire, Advocate; *Rodolphe Laflamme*, Esquire, Advocate, all three of the City of *Montreal*, in the district of *Montreal*; setting forth: That your Petitioners now are, and were at the period of the election of a member of the Legislative Assembly of this Province for the electoral division of "*Montreal East*," which took place under a writ, dated at *Quebec* the tenth day of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, directed to *Joseph Belle*, Esquire, Notary Public, of the City of *Montreal*, Returning Officer for the said election, which terminated on the ninth day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, electors duly qualified to vote, and that they did, in fact, vote at the said election: That the Honorable *Antoine Aimé Dorion*, Esquire, Advocate, of the City of *Montreal*, and the Honorable *George Etienne Cartier*, of the City of *Quebec*, were both Candidates at the said election, and that the latter was proclaimed elected by the said Returning Officer by a majority of twenty-five votes: That your Petitioners have reason to complain, and do complain by their present election petition, of the said election and of the return which has been made thereof by the said Returning Officer, inasmuch as the said election and the said return are irregular, illegal,

unjust and null, for the following reasons, facts and circumstances, viz.:—1st. Because the said *George Etienne Cartier* did, as well by himself and by his agents and persons by him authorized for that purpose, use means of corruption, by giving sums of money, office, place, employment, gifts, rewards, obligations and notes, and by promising the same, and by threatening a great number of the electors with loss of office, salary, income or advantage, with the intention of bribing such electors to vote for him, and preventing them from voting for the other Candidate, the said *Antoine Aimé Dorion*: 2nd. Because the said *George Etienne Cartier* did, before and during the said election, open and support, and cause to be opened and supported at his own costs and charges, houses of public entertainment for the accommodation of the electors of the electoral division, and this as well within as without the limits of the said division, and particularly at the house of *Jean Baptiste Edmond*, tavern-keeper of the said City of *Montreal*: 3rd. Because the said *George Etienne Cartier*, as well by himself as by his agents authorized for that purpose, did, during and before the said election, treat and give drink and food to a large number of the electors of the said electoral division, and this in the said houses of public entertainment, opened and supported at his costs and charges, and elsewhere, with the intent of inducing them to vote for him, and of preventing them from voting for the said *Antoine Aimé Dorion*: 4th. Because the said *George Etienne Cartier* did not obtain, at the said election, the majority of the legal votes which were recorded thereat; and because it was the said *Antoine Aimé Dorion* who obtained the majority of the votes duly recorded and given at the said election: 5th. Because a large number of the votes recorded at the said election, for the said *George Etienne Cartier*, are those of persons disqualified by law from voting at parliamentary elections, as being public officers, and as not being subjects of Her Majesty, and not having taken the oath of allegiance: 6th. Because a great number of the votes recorded for the said *George Etienne Cartier*, at the said election, are those of persons who, though they were electors qualified to vote, did not really vote at the said election, but whose names were fraudulently assumed by persons not qualified to vote, and who presented themselves at the polls under false names and designations: 7th. Because a great number of the votes recorded at the said election for the said *George Etienne Cartier* are null, and should not have been counted, inasmuch as the names of such voters are not to be found, and were not at that time to be found, on the list of the electors furnished to the Deputy Returning Officers by the City Clerk, and because others are entered as having voted twice, and even three times: 8th. Because in counting the votes to ascertain the number which had been recorded in favor of each of the said Candidates, the Returning Officer allowed more than twenty-five votes to the said *George Etienne Cartier*, the names of which were entered as having voted several times at the said election; and, because, by striking out the second and subsequent votes of such persons, the said *Antoine Aimé Dorion* would have had a majority of votes over the said *George Etienne Cartier*: 9th. Because a great number of the votes recorded for the said *George Etienne Cartier*, are those of persons who were corrupted and bribed, and who received before, during and since the said election, directly and indirectly, from the said *George Etienne Cartier*, and from his agents or other persons, sums of money, posts, offices, employment or other advantages to induce them by corruption to vote for the said *George Etienne Cartier*: 10th. Because a great number of the votes recorded for the said *George Etienne Cartier*, are those of persons who were, before and during the said election, employed by the said *George Etienne Cartier*, his agents and other persons, in promoting the said election in favor of the said *George Etienne Cartier*, as counsel, agents, attorneys, clerks, members of committee, canvassers, carters and otherwise, and who received and expected to receive, before, during or after the said election, from the said *George Etienne Cartier* and other persons, for acting as such, sums of money, fees, offices, places and employment, or promises, pledges or guarantees, that there should be so paid and given them sums of money, fees, offices, places and employment; because a great number of the votes recorded for the said *George Etienne Cartier*, are those of persons who let on hire horses, cabs, wagons and other vehicles, to the said *George Etienne Cartier* and to his agents, for the purpose of conveying the voters to and from the different polls held for the said election, which votes are consequently illegal and null, and should

be struck out and erased from the poll-books : 11th. Because there were recorded, at the said election, over five hundred illegal votes for the said *George Etienne Cartier* : 12th. Because the said *Antoine Aimé Dorion* ought to have been proclaimed elected for the said electoral division of *Montreal East*, having obtained the majority of the legal votes recorded and given at the said election, and having, in addition, complied with all the formalities required by law : Wherefore, your Petitioners pray that your Honorable House will take this, their Petition, into its favorable consideration, and order that an enquiry be held in the form and manner required by law, into the facts and grievances herein before set forth, and that after such enquiry, and upon proof of the allegations of their present petition, the election of the said *George Etienne Cartier* for "*Montreal East*," and the return thereof, made by the said *Joseph Belle*, be declared irregular, illegal and null : That the said *Antoine Aimé Dorion* be declared to have obtained the majority of the legal votes at the said election, and to have been duly elected member of the Legislative Assembly for the said electoral division of "*Montreal East*," and that the name of the said *George Etienne Cartier* be struck out and erased from the return made by the said *Joseph Belle*, and that of the said *Antoine Aimé Dorion* substituted therefore : And your Petitioners pray, that your Honorable House will adjudicate and direct whatsoever in its wisdom it shall deem just and reasonable in the interests of your Petitioners, the whole with costs against the said *George Etienne Cartier*, and all other persons who shall contest the present "election petition."

Of *Francis Henry Burton*, of the Town of *Port Hope*, in the County of *Durham*, and Province of *Canada*, Esquire; setting forth : That your Petitioner was a Candidate at the last election of a Member to serve in the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, for the East Riding of the County of *Durham* aforesaid, and that your Petitioner claimed and still claims to have had a right to be returned or elected thereat : That at such election a Poll was taken and held, when one *John Shuter Smith*, of the Township of *Hope*, in the said County of *Durham*, Esquire, also a Candidate at the election, was said to have been elected as Member for the said East Riding of the County of *Durham*, and was returned by the Returning Officer as such Member : That at such election, *George Charles Ward*, Esquire, was Returning Officer of and for the said East Riding of the County of *Durham* : That your Petitioner complains of the undue election and of the return of the said *John Shuter Smith*, to serve in Parliament as Member of the Legislative Assembly for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, for the following amongst other reasons :—1st. Because the Returning Officer of and for the said East Riding of *Durham*, upon receiving the Writ to hold the said election for the said East Riding of the County of *Durham*, did not ascertain that the Deputy Returning Officer of and for the Township of *Hope*, in the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, was in possession of a certified copy of the list of Voters within the Municipality of the Township of *Hope* aforesaid, revised and certified then last before such receipt as aforesaid, by the Returning Officer, of the Writ to hold the election aforesaid : 2nd. Because the Deputy Returning Officer of and for the Township of *Hope*, in the East Riding of *Durham*, was not, at the time of the election, in the Township of *Hope* aforesaid, in possession of a certified copy of the list of Voters within the Municipality of the Township of *Hope* aforesaid, revised and certified then last before the receipt by the Returning Officer of the Writ to hold the said election for the East Riding of the County of *Durham* : 3rd. Because the Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Hope* aforesaid, admitted persons to vote in the said Township, at the said election for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, whose names did not appear upon the list of Voters last made and certified, prior to the receipt, by the Returning Officer, of the Writ to hold the election for the East Riding of the County of *Durham* aforesaid : 4th. Because the Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Hope* aforesaid, admitted persons to vote in the said Township, at the said election for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, whose names did not appear upon the list of Voters last made and certified, prior to the said Election for the East Riding of the County of *Durham* : 5th. Because the Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Hope* aforesaid, made use of, and was guided by, and permitted such persons alone to vote in the said Township, at the said election, whose

names appeared upon a list of names of persons alleged to be in the said Township of *Hope*, which said list purported to be a correct list of Voters for the said Township of *Hope*, and to be prepared from the Assessment Roll of the said Township, of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one; whereas, in fact, such list so used by the said Deputy Returning Officer was incomplete, informal and null, and was not before or at the time of the receipt by the Returning Officer of the Writ to hold the said election, or before or at the time of the said election, made or revised and certified, as required by the Statute in that behalf: 6th. Because the Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Hope* aforesaid, refused to make use of, or to be guided by, or to permit such persons alone to vote whose names appeared upon the list of Voters for the said Township, last made and certified prior to the said election, that is to say, the list of Voters for the said Township, as made and certified in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, and refused to receive or to register, in the poll-book for the said Township, the votes of such persons as tendered them at the poll in the said Township at the holding thereof, as were on the said list of Voters of the said Township, made and certified in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, or the votes of some or one of them; and because, in truth and in fact, the votes so tendered by such persons whose names appeared on the list of Voters of the said Township for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, and so rejected and refused by the Deputy Returning Officer aforesaid, were good and valid votes at the said election, and upon the list of Voters last made and certified before the election, and such votes should have been received and recorded by the Deputy Returning Officer at the said election; and because the persons respectively entitled to vote, but whose votes were rejected and refused as aforesaid, were in effect disfranchised, and the election for the East Riding of the County of *Durham* was therefore undue, illegal and unfair: 7th. That the number of persons whose names appear upon the list made use of as aforesaid, by the said Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Hope*, as having a right to vote at such election, and whose names were not upon the list of Voters last made and certified next before such election, was ninety-nine; and that of the number of such persons on the said illegal list, who so illegally voted at such election for the Township of *Hope* aforesaid, sixty-eight voted for the said *John Shuter Smith*, and thirty-one voted for your Petitioner: 8th. Because the Returning Officer of and for the said East Riding of *Durham*, upon receiving the Writ to hold the said election for the said East Riding of the County of *Durham*, did not ascertain that the Deputy Returning Officers of and for the Town of *Port Hope*, in the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, were in possession of certified copies of the list of Voters within the Municipality of the Town of *Port Hope* aforesaid, revised and certified then last before such receipt as aforesaid, by the Returning Officer of the Writ to hold the election aforesaid: 9th. Because the Deputy Returning Officers of and for the Town of *Port Hope*, in the East Riding of *Durham*, were not, at the time of the election, in the Town of *Port Hope* aforesaid, in possession of certified copies of the list of Voters within the Municipality of the Town of *Port Hope* aforesaid, revised and certified then last before the receipt by the Returning Officer of the Writ to hold the said election for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*: 10th. Because the Deputy Returning Officers for the Town of *Port Hope* aforesaid, admitted persons to vote in the said Town, at the said election for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, whose names did not appear upon the list of Voters last made and certified, prior to the receipt, by the Returning Officer, of the Writ to hold the election for the East Riding of the County of *Durham* aforesaid: 11th. Because the Deputy Returning Officers for the Town of *Port Hope* aforesaid, admitted persons to vote in the said Town, at the said Election for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, whose names did not appear upon the list of Voters last made and certified prior to the said election for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*: 12th. Because the Deputy Returning Officers for the Town of *Port Hope* aforesaid, made use of, and were guided by, and permitted such persons alone to vote in the said Town, at the said election, whose names appeared upon a list of names of persons alleged to be in the said Town of *Port Hope*, which said list purported to be a correct list of Voters for the said Town of *Port Hope*, and to be prepared from the Assessment Roll of the said Town, of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one; whereas, in fact, such list, so used by the said Deputy Returning Officers, was

incomplete, informal and null, and was not before or at the time of the receipt, by the Returning Officer, of the Writ to hold the said election, or before or at the time of the said election, made or revised and certified, as required by the Statute in that behalf: 13th. Because the Deputy Returning Officers, for the Town of *Port Hope* aforesaid, refused to make use of, or to be guided by, or to permit such persons alone to vote whose names appeared upon the list of Voters for the said Town, last made and certified prior to the said election; that is to say, the list of Voters for the said Town, as made and certified in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, and refused to receive or to register in the poll-books for the said Town, the votes of such persons as tendered them at the poll in the said Town, at the holding thereof, as were on the said list of Voters of the said Town, made and certified in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, or the votes of some or one of them; and because, in truth and in fact, the votes so tendered by such persons whose names appeared on the list of Voters of the said Town, for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, and so rejected and refused by the Deputy Returning Officers aforesaid, were good and valid votes at the said election, and upon the list of Voters last made and certified before the election, and such votes should have been received and recorded by the Deputy Returning Officers at the said election; and because the persons respectively entitled to vote, but whose votes were rejected and refused as aforesaid, were in effect disfranchised, and the election for the East Riding of the County of *Durham* was therefore undue, illegal and unfair: 14th. Because the said *John Shuter Smith* was said to be returned by a majority, on the aggregate of the Poll for the said East Riding of the County of *Durham*, of five votes, as the Member for the said East Riding of the said County of *Durham*: 15th. Because if the illegal voters, who polled as aforesaid for the said *John Shuter Smith* and for your Petitioner at the said election, and whose names were upon the said illegal list so made use of by the said Deputy Returning Officers, in the said Township of *Hope*, and in the said Town of *Port Hope* as aforesaid, were struck off from the votes polled at such election, and the names of such of them as voted and would have been and were legally entitled to vote under the list of Voters for the said Township of *Hope* and Town of *Port Hope* respectively, authorised and required by Law to be used at the said election, there would be a majority of legal votes in favor of your Petitioner: 16th. Because your Petitioner thus had a majority of votes at the said election, and if the said Returning Officer had done his duty at such election, and had furnished his Deputy Returning Officers in the Township of *Hope* and in the Town of *Port Hope*, with the lists of Voters for the said Township of *Hope* and the said Town of *Port Hope*, then last revised and certified before the receipt by him of the Writ to hold the said election, and before the holding of the said election, your Petitioner would have been returned Member of the Legislative Assembly for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, at such election, by a majority of forty-nine votes. Your Petitioner, therefore, prays your Honorable House to take into consideration the matters above mentioned, and to declare the election and return of the said *John Shuter Smith* to be null, illegal and of no effect, and to declare your Petitioner, the said *Francis Henry Burton*, to be the Member duly elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, or that a new Writ of Election may issue for the same, and for such other relief as to your Honorable House shall seem meet.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question, which was yesterday proposed, That the following paragraph be added to the said Resolution (on which to found an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature), and do form part thereof:—
 “That this House being convinced that one of the best safeguards of the Prerogatives of the Crown, as well as of the liberties and franchises of the people, is to be found in the application of the principle that the Government should be conducted by Ministers responsible to the people and holding seats in Parliament, avail themselves of this opportunity to express to His Excellency the regret with which they have seen that principle violated by the continuance of the Honorable *Joseph C. Morrison* during several years in the Government, without a seat in either House of Parliament.”

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock, on Friday morning;

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Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,
The House adjourned.

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The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,—The Petition of *l'Union St. Joseph de Montréal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Alley*,—The Petition of the *Quebec Lower Town Infant School*; and the Petition of *James G. Ross* and others, Merchants and others, interested in the trade of the Port of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Laframboise*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Acton*; and the Petition of *C. A. McClure* and others, of the Township of *Acton*, County of *Bagot*.

By Mr. *Alexandre Dufresne*,—The Petition of *M. M. Métivier* and others, of *Ste. Brigide*, County of *Iberville*; and the Petition of *M. M. Métivier*, of *Ste. Brigide*, County of *Iberville*, Justice of the Peace.

By Mr. *Somerville*,—The Petition of *W. H. Gibson* and others, Trustees of the First and Second Congregations of the Township of *Hinchinbrooke*, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church of *North America*.

By Mr. *Biggar*,—The Petition of the Reverend *A. King* and others, of the Village of *Colborne*, County of *Northumberland*.

By Mr. *Haultain*,—The Petition of *Charles Perry* and others, of the Town of *Peterborough* and vicinity.

By Mr. *Hébert*,—The Petition of *L. M. Rousseau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ferdinand d'Halifax*; and the Petition of *Joseph Larivière* and others, of the Parish of *St. Calixte de Somerset*.

By Mr. *Mackenzie*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lambton*.

By Mr. *Jackson*,—The Petition of the Reverend *W. Birks* and others.

By Mr. *Joly*,—The Petition of the Reverend *E. Faucher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Lotbinière*; the Petition of the Reverend *T. Aubert de Gaspé* and others, of the Parish of *St. Appolinaire*; and the Petition of *Narcisse Dionne* and others, of the Parish of *St. Giles*, all of the County of *Lotbinière*.

By Mr. *Desaulniers*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Marie J. E. Lozeau*, of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste de Nicolet*.

By Mr. *Baby*,—The Petition of *Pierre Valcourt* and others, of the Seignories of *Temiscouata* and *Madawaska*, County of *Temiscouata*.

By Mr. *Walsh*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Norfolk*; and the Petition of *W. Bradley* and others, of the Township of *Townsend*.

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the United Townships of *Orillia* and *Matchedash*; and the Petition of *William Laughton*, of the Village of *Bradford*, both of the County of *Simcoe*.

By Mr. *Brousseau*,—The Petition of *J. Bell Forsyth* and others, stockholders in the City of *Quebec Hotel Company* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Ryerson*,—The Petition of *George Sunter*, of the Town of *Brantford*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Orphans' Home, and Widows' and Orphans' Friend Society, of the City of *Kingston*.

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

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Egremont*; praying that the money paid to the Provincial Government for the sale of public lands in this Province, be given to the Municipality of the Township in which such lands are situated, for the improvement of public Roads.

Of the Corporation of Bishop's College at *Lennoxville*; and of *l'Institut Canadien de Québec*; severally praying for aid.

Of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for *Lower Canada*; praying that the sum of \$6000 may be granted them to found a Museum of *Canadian Industry and Economic Geology*, and a School of Mines.

Of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for *Lower Canada*; praying for amendments to the 32nd chapter of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, constituting the said Board.

Of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for *Lower Canada*; praying for amendments to the Patent Laws.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Luther*; and of the Municipality of the Township of *Arthur*; severally praying that the action taken by the United Townships of *Arthur* and *Luther*, under the Act to enable County Councils to raise money for assisting persons to sow their land, and for other purposes, may be legalized and confirmed.

Of *Louis Marcille* and others, of the Municipality of *St. Lambert*; praying that that portion of the said Municipality situated in the Barony of *Longueuil*, may form part of the Municipality of the Parish of *Longueuil*.

Of *Thomas Morrow* and others, of the Town of *Cobourg*; praying that the control of the *Cobourg and Peterborough* Railway may be placed in the hands of the original Stockholders, with power to raise new stock, whereby the necessary funds may be raised to put the said Railway into working operation.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Turnberry*; praying that no further aid may be given to the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada*.

Of *John Wesley Brundle* and others, of the Village of *Plattsville*, County of *Oxford*; of *George Thomson* and others, of the Township of *Blandford*, County of *Oxford*; and of *John Laing* and others, of the Township of *East Zorra*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *P. J. Picaud* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre*, County of *Drummond*; praying for amendments to the Representation Act.

Of *P. E. Vézina* and others, of the County of *Drummond*; praying that an enquiry may be made into the causes which deprive the inhabitants of the said County of the advantages of the administration of Justice.

Of *Alexander Moffatt*, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, in the County and District of *Quebec*, in the Province of *Canada*, Trader, setting forth: That he is a duly qualified elector for the County of *Quebec*, and was duly qualified to vote as such at the last election, held in the month of July last past, to wit, on the fifth and sixth days of July last past, of a member to represent the County of *Quebec* in this honorable House: That *François Evanturel*, of the said City of *Quebec*, Esquire, was returned as the duly elected member to represent said County in this Parliament; that, in fact, the said *François Evanturel* was not duly elected, and had not the majority of legal votes; that, in fact, *Joseph Edouard DeBlois*, of the Parish of *Beauport*, in the said County of *Quebec*, Esquire, was also a candidate at said election, and, in fact, had the majority of legal votes thereat, and ought to have been returned as member by the Returning Officer: That in the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, in said County, a Poll was held during said days of election, and one hundred and ninety-seven votes were given and recorded for said *François Evanturel* by the Deputy Returning Officer and by the Returning Officer, when, in fact, no person whatever was qualified to vote in said Parish, at said Poll, and no legal list of voters was made in said Parish; that, in fact, no list of voters was ever made in said Parish or Municipality, and by law no votes could be taken, and no Poll could be held therein during said election, and the pretended list held and returned by the Deputy Returning Officer and by the Returning Officer, was and is wholly null and void: That in the Parish of *St. Foy*, in the said County, a Poll was held during said days of election, and one hundred and eight votes

were given and recorded for said *François Evanturel* by the Deputy Returning Officer and by the Returning Officer, when, in fact, no person whatever was qualified to vote in said Parish at said Poll, and no legal list of voters was made in said Parish; that, in fact, no list of voters was ever made in said Parish or Municipality, and by law no votes could be taken, and no poll could be held therein during said election, and the pretended list held and returned by the Deputy Returning Officer and by the Returning Officer, was and is wholly null and void: That in the Parish of *Beauport*, in said County, a Poll was held during said days of election, and two hundred votes were given and recorded for said *François Evanturel* by the Deputy Returning Officer and by the Returning Officer, when, in fact, no person whatever was qualified to vote in said Parish at said Poll, and no legal list of voters was made in said Parish; that, in fact, no list of voters was ever made in said Parish or Municipality, and by law no votes could be taken, and no poll could be held therein during said election, and the pretended list held and returned by the Deputy Returning Officer and Returning Officer, was and is wholly null and void: That the total number of votes, including above numbers, given for said *François Evanturel* was nine hundred and eleven, and deducting therefrom above mentioned illegal votes, there remains four hundred and sixteen: That deducting one hundred and seventy-two votes given and recorded for said *Joseph Edouard DeBlois* in the said three Parishes, which were also illegal, from the whole number, six hundred and eighty-three, given for him, he had recorded for him five hundred and ten good and legal votes: That in consequence the said *Joseph Edouard DeBlois* was duly elected as the representative in the Legislative Assembly for the said County of *Quebec* at the said election, and ought to take his seat: Wherefore, your Petitioner humbly prays, that the said *Joseph Edouard DeBlois* may be declared well and duly elected as member for the said County, and that the election of the said *François Evanturel* be declared null and void, and that this honorable House will grant to your Petitioner (*Alexander Moffatt*) such further relief as this honorable House shall deem meet.

Of *Flavien Renault Blanchard*, of the Township of *Ely*, in the County of *Shefford*, in the Province of *Canada*, Merchant, setting forth: That at the last election of a member to serve in the honorable the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, held in and for the County of *Shefford* aforesaid, in due form of law, in the month of July last past, to wit, on the eighth and ninth days of the said month, your Petitioner was a Candidate at said election, and had a right to vote thereat, and that the only other candidate at said election for said seat was *Lucius Seth Huntington*, of the Township of *Shefford*, in the County of *Shefford* aforesaid, Esquire, Advocate: That they were both duly nominated as candidates to represent the said County, and a Poll was taken on their behalf at and for the said election: That the Returning Officer, *Joseph B. Edgerton*, in and by his Return to the Writ in that behalf issued, which return bears date the eleventh day of July last past, hath returned the said *Lucius Seth Huntington* as duly elected: That, in fact, your Petitioner had the majority of legal votes at the said election, and ought to have been returned as the duly elected member for the said County under said Writ; but the said *Lucius Seth Huntington*, previous to and during the poll, by himself and his agents, was guilty of many corrupt practices, bribery and other illegal acts and proceedings, and thereby illegally procured himself to be unduly returned to serve in the present Parliament for the said County of *Shefford*, to the manifest injury of your Petitioner, and in violation to the rights and privileges of the said County: That the said *Lucius Seth Huntington* was guilty of bribery and corruption on the fourteenth day of June last past, at the Township of *Milton*, in the said County; that he did then and there corruptly and illegally pay a sum of money, to wit, ten shillings currency, to *Jean Baptiste Roberge*, of the said Township of *Milton*, Farmer, to vote at the said election for him the said *Lucius Seth Huntington*, and he did then and there promise the said *Jean Baptiste Roberge*, that if he did so vote for him as his Representative in Parliament, that he would give him a further sum of money: That in the said month of June, to wit, between the ninth and fourteenth days of the said month, the said *Lucius Seth Huntington*, fraudulently and corruptly, in the Township of *Milton* aforesaid, promised to pay *Charles Gaucher*, the younger, of *Milton* aforesaid, Farmer, money, and to pay him well, provided he would vote, at the then ensuing election, for him the said *Lucius Seth Huntington*, as member to represent the said County in Parliament,

and that he would send him money to buy votes, and in fact the said *Lucius Seth Huntington* did send him a large sum of money, to wit, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, and the said money was so employed, to wit, to corrupt and buy votes and electors at the said election, to wit, the election in virtue whereof the said *Lucius Seth Huntington* now sits in this Parliament: And the said Petitioner further saith, that previous to and during the said last election, *John M. Brown*, of the Township of *North Stukeley*, in the said County, Farmer; *Malcolm MacFarlane*, of the same place, Farmer; *Alonzo Wood*, of the Township of *Shefford*, in the said County, Farmer; *William Dampier*, of the same place, Farmer; *Jacob Wallace*, of the same place, Farmer; *George H. Allen*, of the same place, Merchant; *Alfred Lay*, of the same place, Millright, and *Louis Tougas*, of the Township of *South Stukeley*, in the said County, Farmer, were the agents and each was the agent of the said *Lucius Seth Huntington*, previous to and during said election, and treated and bribed and corrupted divers electors of said County, and thereby induced them to vote for said *Lucius Seth Huntington*; Your Petitioner, therefore, humbly prays, that this honorable House will take the premises into their most serious consideration, and that the election and return of the said *Lucius Seth Huntington* may be declared to be void, and that such further relief in the premises may be granted to your Petitioner as the justice of the case may require.

Of *Gabriel Lenoir dit Rolland*, Esquire, Merchant and Trader, residing in the City and District of *Montreal*, setting forth: That your Petitioner was, at the time hereafter mentioned, and for more than six months before the issue of a writ for the election of a member to represent the County of *Hochelaga* in your Honorable House during the present Parliament, and is still a duly qualified elector as being a proprietor within the limits of the said County: That at the said last election, which took place in July last in the said County of *Hochelaga*, for the representation of the said County in your Honorable House, *Joseph Paschal Falkner*, Esquire, Advocate, *René Auguste Richard Hubert*, also an Advocate, both living in the City and District of *Montreal*, and *Joseph Laporte*, Yeoman, of the Parish of *Pointe-au-Trembles*, in the said County of *Hochelaga*, were duly nominated to represent the said County, and that on the thirteenth of July the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner* was proclaimed duly elected to serve in Parliament as a member of your Honorable House: That on the day of the nomination of Candidates at the said election, and before a poll had been granted, the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner* was personally required, by a duly qualified elector of the said County, to furnish and make the declaration of qualification or eligibility required by and in accordance with the electoral laws and the provisions of chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, but that, notwithstanding this requisition and the obligations imposed on him by the law, the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner* never gave such declaration of qualification or eligibility, made and attested as prescribed by law, to the Returning Officer of the said County at the aforesaid election, nor caused it to be delivered to him within the time prescribed, and so as to enable him to be a Candidate and be eligible at the said election: That the lands and tenements mentioned in a written paper transmitted to the Returning Officer by the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner*, during or before the said election, and which purported to be such declaration of qualification or eligibility, were not and are not a legal or sufficient qualification to make the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner* eligible as a member of your Honorable House; inasmuch as that before and during the said election, or when the said written paper was transmitted to the Returning Officer as aforesaid, the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner* was not duly seized and in possession of the said lands and tenements for his own proper use and advantage; and also, because the said lands and tenements were not then, have not since been, and are not of the value of Five hundred pounds, sterling money of *Great Britain*, over and above all rents, mortgages, charges and incumbrances, charged upon or due and payable out of or affecting the same: That the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner* was not, on the day of nomination, and has never been before or since openly and in good faith, the owner, with the title of proprietor, of the said lands and tenements mentioned in the said pretended declaration of election (*sic*), and that if the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner* ever was in apparent possession of the said lands or tenements, or part thereof, it was only collusively or colorably that he became possessor of the said lands

and tenements, or a part thereof, for the sole purpose of qualifying himself to be elected a member of your Honorable House: That the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner* never was, in fact, at the time of the said election, eligible as a member of your Honorable House, as he was not possessed at the time of the real property qualification required by the law of a Candidate in such case: That all the Returning Officers of the said County, and the electors of the said County, were informed of this fact on the morning of the two days of voting before the opening of the polls held in the said County, at the time of the said election: And your Petitioner further represents that during the time of voting at the said election, the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner*, his agents and partizans did, by intimidation and threats, prevent several electors, duly qualified to vote in the said County, from recording their votes in favor of the Candidate *Joseph Laporte*, and by means of promises and bribes induced others of them, who would have voted for the said *Joseph Laporte*, to vote for the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner*: That the electoral lists in several of the Parishes of the said County were purposely prepared by men, unscrupulous as to their duty, in order to serve party interests, by excluding from the said electoral lists a great number of persons who, as proprietors or tenants, would have been qualified to vote at the said election in favor of the said *Joseph Laporte*, and have ensured him a large majority over the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner*: That irregularities of a very serious nature, and informalities of all kinds were committed in the preparation of the electoral lists of some Parishes in the said County, especially of the Parishes of *Montreal* and *Sault au Recollet*, which irregularities and informalities entail the absolute nullity of the said electoral lists, and render null the votes given in virtue thereof: That in the said two Parishes, where a majority of more than six hundred votes were given against the said *Joseph Laporte*, there were not before and at the time of the registering of votes in these two Parishes, lists of electors validly and legally prepared, posted up and revised, according to the formalities required by law: That the lists of electors, in virtue whereof votes were entered in the poll-books of the said two Parishes, were as they still are, illegal and absolutely null; that these said lists were prepared and made from and out of an Assessment Roll for the said Parishes which was absolutely illegal and null, inasmuch as it was prepared by assessors who had not taken as such the oath of office prescribed and required by law; and, moreover, inasmuch as the said assessment roll, after its preparation, was not signed and attested by the said assessors, by whom it was made, under oath and in the form required by the ninth section of chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and specially by the fourth paragraph of that section: That, moreover, the said lists for the said two Parishes were themselves then, as they still are, illegal and null, inasmuch as they were not prepared in alphabetical order by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipal Council of each of the said Parishes, respectively; that these said lists were not publicly posted up, and that in consequence they could not be revised and corrected as prescribed by law: That, moreover, the said lists were not signed and attested under oath, after their preparation, in the form prescribed by the ninth section of chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and specially by the fourth paragraph of that section aforesaid; that, finally, no voting or poll should have been held in the two said Parishes, owing to the absence of valid and legal lists of the electors of these said two Parishes, forming part of the said County of *Hochelaga*: That the illegality and nullity of the said lists of electors entails the nullity of the votes recorded in the said two Parishes, which would leave the said *Joseph Laporte* a great majority of the legal votes recorded in the other Parishes of the said County: That, in virtue of the law and of the facts above set forth, the election of the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner* is in every respect null and of no effect, and the said *Joseph Laporte* was duly elected and should have been proclaimed member to represent the County of *Hochelaga* in Parliament, as he represents in the protest filed with the Returning Officer: And your Petitioner, as an elector duly qualified to vote in the said County of *Hochelaga* at the said last election, prays your Honorable House to take the facts above set forth into consideration, to declare the said election of the said *Joseph Paschal Falkner* in every respect null and of no effect, and that the said *Joseph Laporte* was duly elected and should have been proclaimed member for the County of *Hochelaga* in your Honorable House, and that it may please your Honorable House to order that the return of the writ of election for the said County be

amended in consequence, and to declare that the said *Joseph Laporte* was duly elected and shall take his seat as member for the said County of *Hochelaga*, with costs against such persons as justice shall direct.

Of *Wilson Seymour Conger*, of the Town of *Peterborough*, in the County of *Peterborough*, one of the United Counties of *Peterborough* and *Victoria*, Gentleman; *Charles Perry*, of the said Town of *Peterborough*, Esquire, and *Massom Boyd*, of the same place, Lumber Merchant, setting forth: That your Petitioner, *Wilson Seymour Conger*, was, at the last election of a Member to serve in the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, held in and for the County of *Peterborough* aforesaid, a Candidate, and claimed and still claims to have had a right to be returned or elected thereat; and that your Petitioners, *Charles Perry* and *Massom Boyd*, were respectively duly qualified electors of and for the said County of *Peterborough*, and had a right to vote, and did vote, at the said election for the County of *Peterborough*: That a Poll was duly taken at and for such election, when *Frederick William Haultain*, Esquire, was said to have been elected as Member as aforesaid, for the said County of *Peterborough*, and was returned by the Returning Officer as such Member: That your Petitioners complain of the undue election and of the undue return of the said *Frederick William Haultain*, Esquire, to serve in Parliament, for the following reasons,—1st. Because the Returning Officer, upon receiving the Writ to hold the said election for the said County of *Peterborough*, did not ascertain that the said Deputy Returning Officer for the United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, was in possession of a certified copy of the then last revised and certified list of Voters within the Municipality of the said United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, for which he was Deputy Returning Officer; 2nd. Because the Deputy Returning Officer for the said United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope* was not, at the time of the said election for the County of *Peterborough*, in possession of a certified copy of the list of Voters within the Municipality of the United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, revised and corrected last before the receipt, by the Returning Officer, of the Writ to hold the said election for the County of *Peterborough*; 3rd. Because the Deputy Returning Officer for the said United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, refused to receive and record the votes of duly qualified electors, whose names appeared upon the list of Voters last made, prior to the receipt, by the said Returning Officer, of the Writ to hold the said election for the County of *Peterborough*; 4th. Because the Deputy Returning Officer for the said United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, admitted persons to vote at the said election for the County of *Peterborough*, whose names did not appear upon the list of Voters last made and certified, prior to the holding of the said election for the County of *Peterborough*; 5th. Because the Deputy Returning Officer for the said United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, made use of, and was guided by, and permitted such persons alone to vote, whose names appeared upon the list of Voters for the said Municipality of the United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, made and certified in and for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, and refused to make use of, or to be guided by, or to permit such only to vote whose names appeared upon the list of Voters for the said Municipality of the United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, made and certified in and for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one; and that, in truth and fact, and within the meaning of the Statute in that behalf, the persons whose names appeared on the list of Voters for the said Municipality of the United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, were such persons alone as should have been admitted to vote in the said United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, at the said election for the County of *Peterborough*; 6th. Because the list of Voters for the said United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, exceeded in number the persons appearing by the list, for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, as entitled to vote, by one hundred and thirteen; and that the said one hundred and thirteen persons were entitled to vote in the said United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, at the said election for the County of *Peterborough*, and were not admitted to

vote thereat, and were thereby disfranchised; and the election aforesaid, for the said County, was therefore undue, illegal and unfair; 7th. Because the Returning Officer for the said County of *Peterborough* did, by threats and intimidation, induce the Deputy Returning Officer of the aforesaid United Townships of *Galway*, *Snowdon*, *Minden*, and *Stanhope*, to use the list of Voters of the United Townships aforesaid, revised and certified in and for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, in lieu of that revised and certified in and for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one; 8th. That by reason of the premises, the said election and return of the said *Frederick William Haultain* was, and is, wholly null and void: Your Petitioners, therefore, humbly pray, that your Honorable House will take the premises into your consideration, and will declare the said election and return of the said *Frederick William Haultain* to be null and void, and that a new Writ may issue for an election for the said County of *Peterborough*, and that your Petitioners may have such further and other relief in the premises as may be deemed just. And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Of *James Whyte*, of the Village of *Fergus*, in the North Riding of the County of *Wellington*, in the Province of *Canada*, Innkeeper, setting forth: That your Petitioner was, at the last election for the North Riding in the County of *Wellington* aforesaid, held for the election of a Member to serve in the present Parliament, an elector of the Village of *Fergus*, one of the electoral places or divisions in and for the said North Riding of *Wellington*, and voted, or had the right to vote, at the said election: That at the said last election of a Member to serve in Parliament, for the said North Riding of *Wellington*, in the month of July last past, *William Clarke* and *James Ross* were Candidates to represent the said North Riding of *Wellington* in Parliament: That a Poll having been demanded, was taken for the said North Riding of *Wellington*, the ninth and tenth days of July last past: That the said *William Clarke* was, by the Returning Officer, declared to have had a majority of votes at the said election, and to have been duly elected, and was returned as the Member duly elected, to serve in this present Parliament, for the said North Riding of *Wellington*, and is now the sitting Member therefor: That your Petitioner complains of an undue election and return of the said sitting Member, *William Clarke*, as Member for the said North Riding of *Wellington*, to serve in Parliament, for the following reasons:—That in each of the said electoral divisions or places, divers persons were permitted to vote, and did vote, for the said sitting Member, *William Clarke*, at the said election, whose names were not duly registered or entered in the proper list of Voters, as required by law in that behalf, and who were not entitled to vote at the said election: That the votes of divers persons were tendered and refused for the said *James Ross*, which ought to have been received and added to the Poll for the last named candidate: That divers persons were permitted to vote, and did vote, for the said sitting Member, at the said election, who were under the age of twenty-one years: That divers persons were permitted to vote, and did vote, for the said sitting Member, *William Clarke*, at the said election, who were not, at the time, subjects of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization: That divers persons were permitted to vote, and did vote, for the said sitting Member, at the said election, who were not entered on the then last Assessment Roll revised, corrected, and in force in the local Municipality in which they respectively voted as owner, tenant, or occupant of real property, of the assessed value or yearly assessed value required by law in that behalf: That divers persons were permitted to vote, and did vote, for the said sitting Member, at the said election, as members, or pretended members, of partnerships, in respect of property assessed in the name of the partnership-firm, and not of the individuals composing the partnership; such persons, so voting, not being named or entered in the Assessment Roll, in the manner required by law in order to entitle them to vote, and the amount of their part or share in the property in question, not appearing by the Roll, or in any other legal or sufficient manner, and in several cases not being, in fact, sufficient to entitle them to vote at the said election: That divers persons were permitted to vote, and did vote, for the said sitting Member, at the said election, who personated and falsely assumed to vote in the name of other persons whose names appeared in the proper list of Voters: That divers persons were permitted to vote, and did vote, at the said election, for the sitting Member, who were bribed to give their votes for him: That the majority of

votes, declared by the Returning Officer in favor of the said sitting Member, was only colourable, as the votes of divers persons were recorded for the said sitting Member, who were not legally entitled to vote at the said election, and that the real majority of good and legal votes, polled at the said election, was in favor of the said *James Ross*: That divers persons were admitted to vote, and did vote, at the said election, for the said sitting Member, who were not entitled by law to vote in the said election, or to have had their names inserted in any of the lists of Voters for the said North Riding of *Wellington*, by reason of their not having had any qualification, or any sufficient qualification, in respect of property occupation or value, or whose qualification was for other and various causes insufficient, or who were respectively subject to legal incapacities or disqualifications, and whose names had been and were unduly and improperly inserted in the said Voters' list: That the lists of Voters, or some one or more of them, were not or was not made out from the proper or from the last revised and corrected Assessment Rolls or Assessment Roll, in force in the said respective electoral places or divisions, at the time of the issuing of the Writ for holding the said elections, or at any other time, so as to be the true, correct and proper Rolls or Roll, for the purposes of the said election, according to the Statute in this behalf, and the persons whose names were on such lists, or who voted as being named thereon, were not entitled to vote upon or in respect thereof, and all votes so given upon the same should be struck off the Rolls: That the list of Voters used at the said election for the electoral division or place of *Arthur*, in the said County, was the list for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, instead of the list for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty: That the list of Voters used at the said election for the electoral division or place of *Garrafraxa*, in the said County, was the list for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, instead of the list for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one: Your Petitioner, therefore, humbly prays, that the sitting Member may be declared not duly elected, and that *James Ross* may be declared duly elected, and may be substituted in the place of the sitting Member for the said North Riding of *Wellington*, in this present Parliament, and that this Honorable House will grant other and further relief in the premises as may be just and according to law. And your Petitioner will ever pray, &c., &c.

Of *Adam Henry Meyers*, of the Township of *Seymour*, in the County of *Northumberland*, Esquire, setting forth: That at the last election for a member to represent the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland* in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, your Petitioner was a candidate, and claimed and still claims to have had a right to be returned or elected thereat, and that the other candidate at that election was *James Lyons Biggar*, of the Township of *Murray*, in said County of *Northumberland*, Esquire: That the said *James Lyons Biggar* was said, by the Returning Officer at the said election, to be duly elected at the said election, and has been returned as the Member aforesaid for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*: That the said *Adam Henry Meyers* received the majority of the legal votes polled at the said election, and ought to have been returned duly elected instead of the said *James Lyons Biggar*: That the voters' lists which should have been used at the said election were the lists last returned, and filed prior to the said election, but that the same or some of them were not used thereat: That the only lists used at the said election for the East Riding of *Northumberland*, certified and revised on or before the day of election for the said East Riding of *Northumberland*, were the voters' lists for the Townships of *Murray*, *Percy*, and *Seymour*, respectively: That the Deputy Returning Officers in each of the remaining Municipalities of the said East Riding of *Northumberland*, being the Townships of *Cramahe* and *Brighton*, and the incorporated Villages of *Brighton* and *Colborne*, did not nor did any or either of them use, at the said election, the voters' lists last made and certified prior to the said election: That the Returning Officer, upon receiving the Writs to hold the said election for the said East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*, did not ascertain that the Deputy Returning Officers for the Townships of *Cramahe* and *Brighton*, and the incorporated Villages of *Brighton* and *Colborne* aforesaid, were, and each of them respectively was, in possession of a certified copy of the then last revised and certified list of voters, within the Municipalities of the said Townships of *Brighton* and *Cramahe*, and of the incorporated Villages of

Brighton and *Colborne*, and each of them respectively, for which he was Returning Officer as aforesaid: That the Deputy Returning Officers, and each and every of them respectively, for the said Townships of *Cramahe* and *Brighton*, and the incorporated Villages of *Brighton* and *Colborne*, were not and was not, at the time of the said election for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*, in possession of a certified copy of the list of voters within the Municipality of the said Townships of *Cramahe* and *Brighton*, and of the said incorporated Villages of *Brighton* and *Colborne*, for which each was Deputy Returning Officer as aforesaid, revised and certified last before the receipt, by the Returning Officer, of the Writ to hold the said election for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*: That the Deputy Returning Officers, and each and every of them, respectively, for the Municipalities of the Townships of *Brighton* and *Cramahe*, and the incorporated Villages of *Brighton* and *Colborne*, admitted persons to vote at the said election for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*, whose names did not appear upon the lists of voters last made and certified prior to the receipt, by the Returning Officer, of the Writ to hold the said election for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*; and the Deputy Returning Officers, and each and every of them, respectively, for the said Townships of *Brighton* and *Cramahe*, and the incorporated Villages of *Brighton* and *Colborne*, admitted persons to vote at the said election for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*, whose names did not appear upon the list of voters last made and certified prior to the holding of the said election for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*: That at the said election, held in the said Townships of *Murray*, *Percy*, and *Seymour*, the only Municipalities of said Riding which used the voters' lists as prescribed by law, your Petitioner received a large majority of the votes polled: That your Petitioner had the majority of the legal votes polled at the said election, and should have been declared duly elected: Your Petitioner, therefore, humbly prays, that your honorable House will be pleased to declare the return of the said *James Lyons Biggar*, as member-representative of the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*, as null and void, and that the same be cancelled, and to declare that your Petitioner was duly elected and returned as Member of the Legislative Assembly for the East Riding of the said County of *Northumberland*; and that the Return of the Returning Officer of the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland* may be amended, by inserting the name of your Petitioner, the said *Adam Henry Meyers*, as Member, as aforesaid, for the said East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*, and for such further and other relief in the premises as may be deemed just. And your Petitioner will ever pray.

Of *David Roblin*, of the Village of *Napanee*, in the County of *Lennox* and *Addington*, Esquire; setting forth: That your Petitioner was a candidate at the last election of a Member to serve in the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, held in and for the County of *Lennox* and *Addington*: That *Augustus F. Hooper*, of the Township of *Camden*, in said County, Esquire, was the other candidate at the said election: That a Poll was taken at the said election, and the Returning Officer, *Marshall Perry Roblin*, Esquire, refused to return or declare either of the said candidates elected at said election, but made a special return to the Writ of Election directed to him, in the words and to the effect following:—"Return of *Marshall Perry Roblin*, Esquire, Returning Officer for the County of *Lennox* and *Addington*: I find the total number of votes polled for *A. F. Hooper*, Esquire, 1,744; for *D. Roblin*, Esquire, 1,360. It being my duty, by law, to ascertain that the Deputy Returning Officers had a revised and corrected list of Voters in the several Municipalities within my Bailiwick, I found that the Deputy Returning Officers for the Township of *Camden* and the Village of *Newburgh*, did not use a correct list according to law; I, therefore, declare that I am unable to decide who is the Member for the County of *Lennox* and *Addington* aforesaid, and I submit the same, with all respect, to the House of Assembly." That on the twenty-fourth day of March, instant, by an order, and upon the direction of the Honorable the Legislative Assembly, then in session, the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery was ordered to amend said return, and the said Honorable House declared, that the said *Augustus F. Hooper* had a right to take his seat in the said Honorable House as a Representative for the said County of *Lennox* and *Addington*, he, the said *Augustus F. Hooper*, having the majority of votes polled at the said election,

saving to all candidates and electors the right of contesting the said election, if they should think proper, in such manner as may appertain in law and justice, and according to the usage of Parliament: That the said return was then amended by the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, as directed, and the said *Augustus F. Hooper* took his seat as the Representative of *Lennox and Addington*, in said Honorable House; and your Petitioner therefore states and shews the following facts and circumstances against the election and return of the said *Augustus F. Hooper*, as aforesaid, that is to say:—*First*, That the Assessment Roll, or list of Voters, for the Municipality of the Township of *Camden*, in said County of *Lennox and Addington*, for the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, was not duly or fairly revised and corrected by the Court of Revision of said Municipality, in this, that the assessor for said Municipality, for said year, did not return the Assessment Roll of said Township for said year, to the Clerk of the said Municipality, until on or about the fourteenth day of May in said year, the time fixed by law then having elapsed, or nearly so, for persons complaining against said assessment to the Court of Revision, as being wrongfully assessed on said Roll, or their names wrongfully omitted therefrom, which said neglect was wilful on the part of the assessor, and done with the sanction, knowledge and permission of the said *Augustus F. Hooper*, the said *Hooper* being, at the time, a member of the corporation of said Municipality, with the intent, and in order to deprive a number of persons who were so wrongfully assessed, of the right of voting at the said election for the said County of *Lennox and Addington*, now last past; by reason whereof a great number of persons were so wrongfully and fraudulently deprived of their right to vote at said election, who, if not so wrongfully deprived of their right, would have voted for your Petitioner: *Secoud*, That the Assessment Roll of the Municipality of the said Township of *Camden*, for said year, was not duly revised or corrected by the Court of Revision of said Municipality, before the first day of June in said year, according to the provisions of the Statute in such case made and provided: *Third*, That the Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Camden* aforesaid, and the Deputy Returning Officer for the Municipality of the Village of *Newburgh*, in said County of *Lennox and Addington*, were provided, by the Returning Officer at the said election, the said *Marshall Perry Roblin*, with a duly certified copy, each, of the then last revised and certified list of voters within the Municipality of which they were, respectively, Returning Officers, and each of said Deputy Returning Officers were required, by the said *Marshall Perry Roblin*, to use the said Voters' lists so furnished, and none others, said lists being the revised and certified lists for 1860, and being the last lists returned and filed previous to and upon the day the Writ of Election for said County was issued; but the said Deputy Returning Officers, on the contrary, and against the express wish and directions of the said Returning Officer, used the list of Voters purporting to be an alphabetical list or lists, filed in the office of the Clerk of the Peace for the United Counties of *Frontenac, Lennox and Addington*, after the said Writ of Election had been issued, and after the tenth day of June, the day of the issuing of said writ, which said latter "lists" your Petitioner avers were fraudulently and improperly prepared, and were not correct "lists" of all persons entitled to vote, even according to the then Assessment Roll for said Municipality or Municipalities aforesaid; and your Petitioner further avers, that no opportunity, according to law, was given, or time allowed, whereby an application could be made to the Judge of the County Court, of said United Counties, to correct said last mentioned "list" or "lists" of voters; by reason of which said improper, illegal and unlawful conduct, a large number of voters, whose names were on the lists of Voters by the said *Marshall Perry Roblin* furnished to the said Deputy Returning Officers as aforesaid, were deprived of voting, and did not vote at said election, their names having been left off the lists used by the said Deputy Returning Officers respectively, at the said election, and the lists so used by them, as aforesaid, contained the names of a large number of persons whose names were not on the proper lists furnished by the said *Marshall Perry Roblin*, but appeared and were in the lists used as aforesaid; whereby, and by reason thereof, your Petitioner lost the votes of a great number of persons, at the said election, who would have voted for your Petitioner; and your Petitioner says, that a great number of the electors, at the said election, would have voted for your Petitioner, but were discouraged from so doing

by the fraudulent and wrongful manner in which the election for the said Municipalities of *Camden* and *Newburgh* were conducted by the said Deputy Returning Officers: *Fourth*, That the said *Augustus F. Hooper* did, directly or indirectly, before and during the said election, employ various means of corruption, by giving sums of money, employment, gratuities, gifts, loans or promises of such, or rewards or promises of such, to electors of the said County, or did threaten electors of said County of losing some income or advantage, with the intent to corrupt and bribe the said electors to vote for him, or to keep back the said electors from voting for your Petitioner: *Fifth*, That the said *Augustus F. Hooper* did, at and during the said election, open and support, or caused to be opened and supported, taverns or houses of public entertainment for the accommodation of electors, as a means of procuring his election, contrary to the Statute in such case made and provided: *Sixth*, That the said *Augustus F. Hooper* was guilty of bribery and corruption at the said election, and did, directly or indirectly, by himself and by other persons in his behalf, give, lend, or agree to give or lend money or other valuable consideration, to voters at said election, to vote for the said *Augustus F. Hooper*, or refrain from voting for your Petitioner: That, for the reasons and causes aforesaid, the said *Augustus F. Hooper* was not duly or legally elected, or returned a member of Parliament, or eligible to sit or vote therein; and that the said unlawful acts, omissions and practices were contrary to law and to the freedom of election, and to the laws and statutes in force, concerning elections, and for preventing bribery and corruption on the election of members to serve in Parliament, and have rendered the said election and return of the said *Augustus F. Hooper* null and void: Your Petitioner, therefore, humbly prays, that your Honorable House will take the premises into consideration, and declare that the said *Augustus F. Hooper* was not duly elected to serve in the present Parliament, and ought not to have been returned to serve in such Parliament, and that the said election is void, and that a new Writ shall issue, and that your Honorable House will grant to your Petitioner such relief as to your Honorable House shall seem meet. And your Petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Of *Thomas Mayne Daly*, of *Stratford*, in the County of *Perth*, Esquire; setting forth: That at the last election of a member to serve in your Honorable House, for the County of *Perth*, in the Province of *Canada*, held in the said County in the month of July last past, your Petitioner was a Candidate for the representation of the said County of *Perth*, and then was, and still is, an elector of the said County, duly qualified to vote at the said election: That the Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley* was also a Candidate at the said election, and was, on the 11th day of July last past, declared to have been elected to serve in Parliament as member of your Honorable House, for the said County: That the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley* did, on or about the second day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, voluntarily make a declaration of qualification, bearing date the twenty-ninth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and did, then and there, deliver the same to the Returning Officer of the said County of *Perth*, by whom the same has been returned to your Honorable House, with the return to the Writ of Election for the said County, under which the said election was held, in which declaration the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley* hath given and inserted a description of the lands and tenements upon which he claimed to be qualified to be elected as member of your Honorable House, for the said County: That the said lands and tenements so mentioned in the said declaration of qualification, of the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, did not, and do not, constitute a legal or sufficient qualification to render the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley* capable of being, or qualified to be, elected a member of your Honorable House; and that, in fact, the said lands and tenements were not, at the time of the said election, of the value of Five hundred pounds, sterling money of *Great Britain*, over and above all rents, mortgages and incumbrances, charged upon or due and payable out of or affecting the same: That, in fact, the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley* was not, at the time of said election, duly qualified to be elected, or returned, a member of your Honorable House, and was not then possessed of the property qualification required for such member by the Statutes in such case made and provided, and by law: That at the said election, and at the Poll held for the purposes thereof, in the said

County, on the ninth and tenth days of July last past, there were illegally recorded for the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, upon the poll-books of the said County of *Perth*, one hundred illegal votes, by means whereof a colorable majority of the votes at the said election appeared upon the said poll-books to have been given for the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*; whereas, in truth and in fact, the majority of legal votes taken and recorded, at the said election, were so taken and recorded for your Petitioner: That, by reason of the premises and by law, the election and return of the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, are and each of them, is wholly null and void, and that your Petitioner was duly elected, and ought to have been returned, to serve in Parliament as member of your Honorable House, for the said County: Your Petitioner, therefore, prays your Honorable House to take the premises into your consideration, and thereupon to declare the said election and return of the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, wholly null and void, and that your Petitioner was duly elected, and ought to have been returned, to serve as member of your Honorable House, for the said County of *Perth*, and that your Honorable House will order the return to the said Writ of Election to be amended accordingly, and afford your Petitioner such further and other relief in the premises as to your Honorable House shall seem fit: And your Petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Of *Hugh Bowsby Willson*, of the Township of *Saltfleet*, in the County of *Wentworth*, and Province of *Canada*, Esquire; setting forth: That your Petitioner, the undersigned, was, at the last election of a Member to serve in the Parliament of *Canada*, for the South Riding of the County of *Wentworth*, as a member of the Legislative Assembly, and is a duly qualified voter in the said Riding, and voted at the said election: That, at the said election, *Joseph Rymal*, of the Township of *Barton*, Esquire, and *Samuel Kern*, of the same place, Yeoman, were Candidates, duly nominated and seconded, and a poll was taken, and the said *Joseph Rymal* was returned by the Returning Officer, *John H. Greer*, Esquire, as the duly elected member for the said Riding: That your Petitioner complains of the undue election and return of the said *Joseph Rymal*, to serve in Parliament as member of the Legislative Assembly, for the said South Riding of the County of *Wentworth*, for the following reasons and grounds, amongst others:—*First*, Because the persons polled, and voting at the poll in the Municipality of the Township of *Ancaster*, one of the Municipalities of the South Riding of the County of *Wentworth*, were not entered in any list of persons entitled to vote at the election of a member of the Legislative Assembly, within that Municipality, certified by the oath or affirmation of the Clerk of the said Municipality of the Township of *Ancaster*, as by law required: *Second*, Because there was no list of persons entitled to vote at said election, within the said Municipality of the Township of *Ancaster*, made by the Clerk of the said Township of *Ancaster*, and certified by his oath or affirmation, as required by the sixth section of chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, although there was, previous to said election, a duly revised Assessment Roll for the said Township of *Ancaster*: *Third*, Because the list of persons, entitled to vote at the said election within the said Municipality, used at the said election by the Deputy Returning Officer for the said Municipality, was not certified by the Clerk of the said Municipality, by his oath or affirmation, as required by law: *Fourth*, Because the list of persons entitled to vote at the said election, within the Municipality of the Township of *Glanford*, in the said South Riding of the County of *Wentworth*, used by the Deputy Returning Officer in and for the said Township of *Glanford*, was not the list made and certified by the Clerk of the said Municipality of the Township of *Glanford*, last before the said election; but, on the contrary thereof, the list used by the said Returning Officer, in the said Township of *Glanford*, was made and certified in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, after the nomination day for the said election, whereas there was a duly made and certified list of persons entitled to vote as aforesaid, within the said Municipality of the Township of *Glanford*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty; which was the last made and certified list of persons entitled to vote as aforesaid, as required by law, before such election, and such last mentioned list was not used by the said Deputy Returning Officer, in the said Township of *Glanford*: *Fifth*, Because the said *Samuel Kern* had a majority of the legally polled votes in the said Riding: Wherefore, your Petitioner most humbly submits, that the said election and return of the said *Joseph Rymal*

were, and are, informal, illegal and void; and therefore, your Petitioner prays your Honorable House, to take into consideration the several matters above set forth, and to declare the election and return of the said *Joseph Rymal*, for the South Riding of the County of *Wentworth* as aforesaid, to be null, illegal and of no effect, and that a new Writ of Election may issue for the same, and for such other relief as to your Honorable House may seem meet: And your Petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Of *Alexander Shields* and *William Chisholm*, of the County of *Peel*; setting forth: That your petitioners are persons who voted at the last general election for the County of *Peel*: That the Honorable *John Hillyard Cameron* and *James C. Aikens* were Candidates at the said election for the said County, and the former named person was, at the said last general election, declared elected to represent the said County of *Peel* in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*: That your Petitioners object to the said *John Hillyard Cameron* continuing to represent the said County of *Peel* in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, on the following grounds:—*Firstly*, That the Voters' List used at the said election were Voters' lists specially and illegally made up after the issuing of the Writ for the holding of the said election: *Secondly*, That the said *John Hillyard Cameron* procured his return by means of bribery and intimidation: Your Petitioners therefore pray, that your honorable House may investigate the above matters of complaint. And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

Of *Philip Wing*, of the Township of Rear of *Yonge* and *Escott*, in the South Riding of *Leeds*, in the Province of *Canada*, Esquire; setting forth: That your Petitioner was, at the last election for the Riding aforesaid, held for the election of a Member to serve in the present Parliament, an elector of the Township of Rear of *Yonge* and *Escott*, one of the electoral places or divisions in and for the said Riding, and voted, and had the right to vote, at the said election: That at the said last election of a Member to serve in Parliament, for the said Riding, in the month of July last past, *Benjamin Tett* and *Albert Norton Richards*, were Candidates to represent the said Riding in Parliament: That a Poll having been demanded, was taken for the said Riding, on the ninth and tenth days of July last past: That the said *Benjamin Tett* was, by the Returning Officer, declared to have had a majority of votes at the said election, and to have been duly elected, and was returned as the Member duly elected to serve in this present Parliament, for the said Riding, and is now the sitting member therefor: That your Petitioner complains of an undue election and return of the said sitting member, *Benjamin Tett*, as member for the said Riding, to serve in Parliament, for the following reasons:—That in each of the said electoral divisions or places, divers persons were permitted to vote, and did vote, for the said sitting Member, at the said election, whose names were not duly registered or entered in the proper list of Voters, as required by law in that behalf, and who were not entitled to vote at the said election: That the majority of votes, declared by the Returning Officer, in favor of the said sitting member, was only colorable, as the votes of divers persons were recorded for the said sitting member who were not legally entitled to vote at the said election, and that the real majority of good and legal votes, polled at the said election, was in favor of the said *Albert Norton Richards*: That the list of Voters used at the said election, for the Electoral Division or place of the Township of Front of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*, in the said Riding, was the list for the year 1861, instead of the list for the year 1860: That the list of Voters used at the said election, for the Electoral Division or place of the Township of Rear of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*, in the said Riding, was the list for the year 1860, instead of the list for the year 1861: That the list of Voters used at the said election, for the Electoral Division or place of the Township of *South Crosby*, in the said Riding, was the list for the year 1861, instead of the list for the year 1860; That the list of Voters used at the said election for the Electoral Division or place of the Township of *North Crosby*, in the said Riding, was the list for the year 1861, instead of the list for the year 1860: That the lists of Voters used at the said election for all of the Electoral Divisions or places in the said Riding (except for the Electoral Division or place of the Township of Rear of *Yonge* and *Escott*, in the said Riding) were the lists for the year 1861, instead of the lists for the year 1860: That the majority of Votes polled at the said election in the Electoral Division or place of the Township of Rear of *Yonge* and *Escott*, in

the said Riding, was in favor of the said *Albert Norton Richards*: That the list of Voters used at the said election for the Electoral Division or place of the Township of Front of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*, in the said Riding, was not made and the correctness of the same certified to by the oath or affirmation of the Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of Front of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*, in said Riding, before the issuing of the Writ to hold the said election, nor was any duplicate original of the said list delivered to the Clerk of the Peace of the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville* before the issuing of said Writ, but the correctness of the said list was so certified to and a duplicate original thereof so delivered after the issuing of said Writ: That the list of Voters used at the said election for the Electoral Division or place of the Township of Rear of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*, in the said Riding, was not made and the correctness of the same certified to by the oath or affirmation of the Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of Rear of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*, in said Riding, before the issuing of the Writ to hold the said election, nor was any duplicate original of the said list delivered to the said Clerk of the Peace before the issuing of said Writ, but the correctness of the said list was so certified to and a duplicate original thereof so delivered after the issuing of the said Writ: That the list of Voters used at the said election for the Electoral Division or place of the Township of *South Crosby*, in the said Riding, was not made and the correctness of the same certified to by the oath or affirmation of the Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of *South Crosby*, in the said Riding, before the issuing of the Writ to hold the said election, nor was any duplicate original of the said list delivered to the said Clerk of the Peace before the issuing of the said Writ, but the correctness of the said list was so certified to and a duplicate original thereof so delivered after the issuing of said Writ: That the list of Voters used at the said election for the Electoral Division or place of the Township of *North Crosby*, in the said Riding, was not made and the correctness of the same certified to by the oath or affirmation of the Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of *North Crosby*, in the said Riding, before the issuing of the Writ to hold the said election, nor was any duplicate original of the said list delivered to the said Clerk of the Peace before the issuing of the said Writ, but the correctness of the said list was so certified to and a duplicate original thereof so delivered after the issuing of said Writ: That the lists of Voters used at the said election for the respective Electoral Divisions or places of the Township of Front of *Yonge*, the Township of Front of *Escott*, and the United Townships of *Bastard* and *Burgess*, in said Riding, were made out and certified to according to the Statute in that behalf, before the issuing of the said Writ of Election, and duplicate originals thereof respectively certified, according to the Statute in that behalf, were delivered to the said Clerk of the Peace before the issuing of the said Writ, except a duplicate original of the said list used at the said election for the said Electoral Division or place of the United Townships of *Bastard* and *Burgess*, which duplicate was delivered to the said Clerk of the Peace on the day of the issuing of the said Writ, and that the majority of votes polled at the said election at each of the said Electoral Divisions or places of the Township of Front of *Yonge*, the Township of Front of *Escott*, and the United Townships of *Bastard* and *Burgess*, in said Riding, were in favor of the said *Albert Norton Richards*: That a majority of all the persons who voted at the said election, and whose names were duly registered or entered on the proper lists of Voters, in the said Riding, made from the Assessment Rolls of the various Municipalities in the said Riding, for the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty, was in favor of the said *Albert Norton Richards*: That the Votes of divers persons, whose names were entered on the last mentioned lists, were tendered and refused for the said *Albert Norton Richards*, which ought to have been received and added to the Poll for the said last mentioned Candidate: That divers persons were permitted to vote and did vote for the sitting member at the said election, who personated and falsely assumed to vote in the name of other persons whose names appeared in the last mentioned list of Voters: That divers persons, whose names were entered on the last mentioned list of Voters, were permitted to vote and did vote at the said election for the sitting member, who were bribed to give their votes for him: That divers persons, whose names were entered on the last mentioned lists, were admitted to vote and did vote at the said election for the said sitting member, who were

not entitled by law to vote in the said election or to have had their names inserted in any of the said lists, by reason of their not having had any qualification or any sufficient qualification in respect of property, occupation or value, or whose qualification was for other and various causes insufficient, or who were respectively subject to legal incapacities or disqualifications, and whose names had been and were unduly or improperly inserted in the said lists: That divers persons, whose names were entered on the last mentioned lists, were permitted to vote and did vote for the sitting member at the said election, who were not at the time subjects of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization: Your Petitioner, therefore, humbly prays that the said sitting member may be declared not duly elected, and that the said *Albert Norton Richards* may be declared duly elected, and may be substituted in the place of the said sitting member, and admitted to take his seat as member of the said South Riding of *Leeds* in this present Parliament; and that this Honorable House will grant such other and further relief in the premises as may be just and according to law.

Of *John Scobell*, of *Glenbanner*, in the Township of *Yarmouth*, in the County of *Elgin*, Esquire, a candidate at the last election for the West Riding of the County of *Elgin*; setting forth: 1. That your Petitioner was a candidate at the last election of a member to represent the said West Riding in the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*: 2. That in pursuance of Her Majesty's Writ, directed to the Returning Officer for the said West Riding, an election of a member to represent the said West Riding in the present Parliament of the Province, was commenced and held therein, on the twenty-ninth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one: 3. That at said election, *George Macbeth*, of the City of *London*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Esquire, and your Petitioner were candidates to represent the said West Riding in the then next ensuing Parliament: 4. That the polling of votes for the said candidates, *George Macbeth* and your Petitioner, took place on the eighth and ninth days of July in said year: 5. That on the tenth day of said month of July, the Returning Officer for said Riding declared and proclaimed that the said *George Macbeth*, Esquire, had the largest number of votes recorded in his favor, and that he was duly elected to represent the said West Riding of the County of *Elgin*, in the then next ensuing Parliament of this Province: 6. That the said *George Macbeth* was declared to have received a majority of thirteen votes of the electors of the said West Riding over your Petitioner: 7. Your Petitioner complains that the said *George Macbeth* did not receive the majority of good and right votes at the said election, and was not duly elected, and was not entitled to be returned to represent said West Riding, and that the real majority of good and legal votes polled at the said election was in favor of your Petitioner, over the said *George Macbeth*, and that your Petitioner should be declared to have been duly elected to represent the said West Riding of the County of *Elgin* in the present Parliament of this Province: 8. Your Petitioner, therefore, complains of the return of the said *George Macbeth*, as a Member to represent the said West Riding of the County of *Elgin*, on the following grounds:—*First*, Because the majority of votes, declared by the said Returning Officer in favor of the said *George Macbeth*, was only an apparent and colorable majority, inasmuch as the votes of divers persons were accepted and recorded on the poll in favor of the said *George Macbeth*, who were not legally entitled, and who had no legal right to vote at said election, and because divers persons were admitted to vote and did vote for the said *George Macbeth* at the said election, who were not entitled by Law to vote at the said election for the said West Riding, or to have their names inserted in the list of voters for the said West Riding, by reason of their not having the proper qualification in respect of property, or whose qualification was for such and other various causes insufficient, or who were respectively subject to legal incapacities, and whose names had been and were unduly and improperly returned and inserted in the said Voters' list used at the said election; and because divers persons were admitted to vote and did vote in favor of the said *George Macbeth* at said election, who were not entitled by Law to vote at said election, such persons being disqualified from or being incapable of voting under and by virtue of the Statutes of this Province then in force; and because divers persons were admitted to vote and did vote for said *George Macbeth* at said election who were not, at the time, of the full age of twenty-one years; and divers persons were admitted to vote and did vote for said *George Macbeth*

at said election, who were not subjects of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization; and divers persons were admitted to vote and did vote for the said *George Macbeth* at the said election, who were not entered on the then last Assessment Roll, revised, corrected, and in force, as by Law provided, as owners, tenants, or occupants of real property of the assessed value of two hundred dollars or upwards, or of the yearly assessed value of twenty dollars or upwards; and because divers persons were admitted to vote and did vote for said *George Macbeth* at said election, each of whom claimed a right to vote as having been assessed jointly with one or more other persons as owners, tenants, or occupants of real property, but the value of whose joint shares therein was not sufficient to entitle them to vote at said election, and whose name was not entered on the Assessment Roll or Voters' list, as by Law is required for the purpose of enabling such person to vote: *Second*, Because divers persons knowingly personated and falsely assumed to vote in the names of other persons whose names appeared on the lists of votes used at said election, and were admitted to vote and did vote in favor of the said *George Macbeth*, contrary to the provision of the Act respecting the election of members of the Legislature: *Third*, Because divers persons were admitted to vote and did vote for the said *George Macbeth* at the said election, whose names were not duly registered or entered on the proper list of voters in that behalf, contrary to the provisions of said Act: *Fourth*, Because divers persons, who, upon being required by the Agents of your Petitioner to take the oath provided by Law in that behalf, after their names had been duly recorded in the Poll-books, refused to take the said oath, and whose votes were thereupon rejected by the Deputy Returning Officer; subsequently, and after other votes had been recorded, again tendered their votes, and that same were illegally received and recorded in favor of the said *George Macbeth*, contrary to said Act; and divers persons were admitted to vote and did vote for the said *George Macbeth* at the said election, who, upon being required by the Agents of your Petitioner to take the oath provided by Law in that behalf, refused to take the said oath, and whose votes were thereupon rejected by the Deputy Returning Officer, and their names were not entered on the Poll-books; subsequently, and after other votes had been recorded, again tendered their votes and took the oath, and the Deputy Returning Officer registered their votes and entered their names on the Poll-books as voting for the said *George Macbeth*, contrary to the said Act: Wherefore, for these and other just causes your Petitioner humbly prays, that all the said votes so illegally admitted, received and recorded in favor of the said *George Macbeth*, at said election, may be struck off the said Poll-books, and that your honorable House will declare that the said *George Macbeth* was not duly entitled and ought not to have been returned at the said election, and will amend the said Return accordingly; and that your honorable House will declare that your Petitioner had a majority of votes over the said *George Macbeth* at the said election, and ought to have been returned at said election as Member for the said West Riding of the County of *Elgin*, and will cause the said Return to be amended, by erasing the name of the said *George Macbeth* therefrom and substituting the name of your Petitioner instead of the said *George Macbeth*, and that your Petitioner may have such further and other relief in the premises as the nature and circumstances of the case require, and as to your honorable House may seem meet. And your Petitioner will ever pray.

Of *Pierre Giroux*, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, Merchant, and Warden of the County of *Lévis*; *Robert Demers* and *Edouard Demers*, Pilots; and *Antoine Carrier*, Merchant, all three of the Town of *Levis*; *G. Lamontagne*, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de la Pointe Lévis*, Blacksmith; and *J. B. Carrier*, of the Parish of *St. Henry*, Merchant, all of the County of *Lévis*, setting forth: That your Petitioners had, long before the election to which their present Petition relates, at the time of the said election, and since that period up to this day, and still have, the right to vote at elections of members to serve in the Provincial Parliament of *Canada*, and at the election of a member of your Honorable House to serve in Parliament as member for the County of *Lévis*; and that at the time of the said election, long before, then and since, your petitioners were and have always been, since that time to this day, and still are, voters, enregistered and duly inscribed on the list of voters revised and certified according to law, as having the right to vote in the County of *Lévis*, at the election of a member of the Legislative Assembly,

and that they did vote at the said election : That in virtue of the statute in such case made and provided, an election took place, according to law, in the month of July last, for the election of a member to represent the County of *Lévis* in the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*, and that the Candidates nominated at the said election were the Honorable *François Lemieux*, of *Quebec*, Advocate, and *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, of *Lévis*, Physician : That polls having been demanded and granted, the voting took place on the eight and ninth days of the said month : That in virtue of Her Majesty's writ of election, dated at the City of *Quebec*, the tenth day of June last, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, for the election of a member to represent the County of *Lévis* in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*, an election was opened and commenced in the said County, on the first day of July last, being the day fixed for the nomination of candidates at the said election, by *François Marcel Guay*, Esquire, Registrar of the said County, being and acting as Returning Officer for the said county : That *François Lemieux*, Esquire, Advocate, of the City of *Quebec*, and *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, Physician, of the Town of *Lévis*, were the two candidates nominated at the said election : That a poll having been demanded and granted, the voting took place on the eighth and ninth days of the said month of July last, and that at the close of the said election, namely, the eleventh day of the same month, the day appointed for the proclamation of the member elected, the said Returning Officer declared that the said *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, had received the majority of the votes recorded in the poll-books, and he was returned and declared duly elected a member of your Honorable House to serve in Parliament for the said County of *Lévis* ; the said *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, being now the sitting member of your Honorable House, pretending to have the right to represent the said County of *Lévis* ; and that your Petitioners voted, at the said election, for the Honorable *François Lemieux*, the other candidate : That the said *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, was illegally declared and returned elected to represent, in the Legislative Assembly, the said County of *Lévis*, because, at the time of the election and of the return of the said *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, as member for the said County of *Lévis*, the said *Joseph Goderick Blanchet* was not, in accordance with the intent and with the true sense of the law in such case made and provided, duly qualified to be elected a member of the Legislative Assembly to serve in Parliament for the County of *Lévis*, and in consequence of his lacking the qualification required by law in order to be eligible as a member of that Honorable House to serve in Parliament, incapable of being elected for the said County of *Lévis* : That the said *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, at the time of the said election and of his return as aforesaid, was not possessed, and has not been possessed at any time either before, during or since the said election, and is not at present possessed in this Province, for his own use and benefit, as proprietor in law or in equity, of lands or tenements in free and common socage, and was not at any time, nor at the time of the said election and of the return thereof as aforesaid ; and is not now duly seized and possessed, for his own use or benefit, of lands or tenements held in *fief*, in *franc-aleu*, or in *roture*, of the value of Five hundred pounds, sterling money of *Great Britain*, as required by law, over and above all rents, mortgages, charges and incumbrances, with which the same were or might be charged, affected and incumbered at the time of the said election and return thereof, and which were or might be due or payable thereupon or affect the same ; and that the said *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, was not possessed at that time of any real property whatsoever, or of the value of the real property qualification required by law, over and above all hypothecs, charges and rents : That if the said *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, did possess at that time immoveables of the value aforesaid, and free of all debts and charges as aforesaid, he collusively or colourably obtained the title to, and possession thereof, for the purpose of qualifying and rendering himself eligible as a member of the Legislative Assembly of this Province : That in consequence of the facts hereinbefore mentioned and alleged, the election and return of the said *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, are entirely null and illegal, and that he be compelled to produce the titles and furnish the description of the real property upon which he pretends to qualify (*sic*) ; Wherefore, your Petitioners humbly pray your Honorable House to take the premises into consideration, and to find and declare

that the said *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, was not, at the time of the election and of the return thereof, eligible as a member of your Honorable House, to serve in Parliament as member to represent the County of *Lévis*; that the said *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, ought not to have been elected and returned as member to represent the said County, and that his election and the return thereof are entirely null, irregular and illegal; that the said *Joseph Goderick Blanchet*, Esquire, be declared disqualified and incompetent to sit in your Honorable House as member for the County of *Lévis*, and that the House do grant to your Petitioners such further relief as shall be deemed meet.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question, which was on Wednesday last proposed, That the following paragraph be added to the said Resolution (on which to found an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature), and do form part thereof:—

“That this House being convinced that one of the best safeguards of the Prerogatives of the Crown, as well as of the liberties and franchises of the people, is to be found in the application of the principle that the Government should be conducted by Ministers responsible to the people and holding seats in Parliament, avail themselves of this opportunity to express to His Excellency the regret with which they have seen that principle violated by the continuance of the Honorable *Joseph C. Morrison* during several years in the Government, without a seat in either House of Parliament.”

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate,

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock, on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 5th April, 1862.

And the Question being put, the House divided: and the names being called for they were taken down, as follow:—

Yeas:

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark)</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Labreche-Viger,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Macdonald, John S.</i>	<i>Sicotte,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>McGee,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Howland,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>White,</i>
<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Wilson, and</i>
<i>Dufresne, Alexandre</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Wright—48.</i>

Nays:

Messieurs

<i>Alley,</i>	<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Le Boutillier,</i>	<i>Ross, John J.</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Ross, John S.</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Att. Gen.</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell)</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morin, Sol. Gen.</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>

<i>Cameron, John H.</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cameron, Matthew C.</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Cartier, Att. Gen.</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>Tassé,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>	<i>Tett, and</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>	<i>Walsh.—65.</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>			

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the said Resolution be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, Mr. *Denis*, the Honorable Mr. *Portman* and Mr. *Langevin*, to prepare and report the draught of an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Legislature, in conformity to the said Resolution.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* reported, from the Select Committee appointed to draw up an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, that they had drawn up an Address accordingly, and the same was read, as followeth :—

To His Excellency the Right Honorable *Charles Stanley*, Viscount *Monck*, Baron *Monck*, of *Ballytrammion*, in the County of *Wexford*, Governor General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick* and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly thank your Excellency for Your gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session of the Provincial Parliament.

We have learned with the most profound sorrow that, since this Legislature last met, Her Majesty and Her subjects have suffered an irreparable loss in the death of the Prince Consort.

We can never forget that this illustrious Prince, though born and in a great degree educated in a Foreign country, was truly British in thought, feeling and action, while the spirit of universal benevolence by which he was animated, caused him to devote the great intellectual abilities with which nature had endowed him, and the stores of acquired information with which, by his own industry, he had filled his mind, to the promotion of every well-devised plan for the moral and material improvement of his fellow-creatures of all nations and races.

We trust that we worthily estimate the virtues which marked the character of the departed Prince, we appreciate the great bereavement which our Sovereign has sustained both in Her public and Her domestic relations, and we shall most cordially join with Your Excellency in laying at the foot of the Throne the respectful expression of our heartfelt sympathy and condolence.

We are proud to feel that the people we represent availed themselves heartily of the opportunity afforded by circumstances which occurred during the past autumn and winter, for exhibiting in a most striking and satisfactory manner, the sentiments of reciprocal attachment which exist between the inhabitants of this Province, of every race and creed, and their fellow-subjects in the Mother Country. We rejoice to learn that the feeling of loyalty shewn by Her North American subjects has been made matter of special notice by Her Most Gracious Majesty in Her Speech from the Throne on the opening of the Imperial Parliament; and that Your Excellency is right in believing that such a recognition is most grateful to us as the representatives of the people of *Canada*.

We receive with pleasure Your Excellency's congratulations on the blessing of an abundant harvest in the past year, and on the continuance of a satisfactory condition of our trade, notwithstanding the partial derangement to which it has been subjected by the effects of the Civil War now unhappily raging in the *United States*.

We thank your Excellency for having directed papers to be laid before us, shewing

the extension by the French Government to Canadian built ships, of the privileges in French Ports already enjoyed by ships of British build; and we feel that this cannot but be advantageous to the ship-building interest, and affords a fresh proof of the friendly feeling which underlies the alliance between *England* and *France*.

We are gratified to learn, that during the past recess, a Conference took place between delegates representing the Government of this Province and those of *New Brunswick* and *Nova Scotia*, to consider the propriety of renewing the application to the Imperial Government for assistance in constructing the railway which will unite the three Provinces; and that a joint delegation proceeded to *England* for the purpose of reopening negotiations with Her Majesty's Government. While we regret to learn that no answer has as yet been received, we thank Your Excellency for the assurance that the final decision of the Imperial Government shall be communicated to us so soon as it shall reach you.

We are happy to know that Your Excellency has received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies an intimation that it is the intention of Her Majesty's Government to introduce into the Imperial Parliament, in the present session, a Bill for the abolition in this, and other Colonies similarly circumstanced, of the power of the Superior Courts in *England* to issue the Writ of *Habeas Corpus* into such Colonies, in conformity with the representations made by Your Excellency's predecessor to the Imperial Government.

We shall give our careful consideration to any measure to be submitted to us for the purpose of securing a proper administration of Bankrupt Estates in *Upper Canada*, and also to any measure having for its object the establishment of well regulated Gaols and local Penitentiaries throughout the Province.

We shall thankfully receive the papers which Your Excellency has directed to be laid before us, showing that the Imperial Government entertains no objection to the establishment of a system of free commercial intercourse between the different Provinces of *British North America*, if the Governments and Legislatures of those Provinces can agree as to the basis upon which such an arrangement shall be carried into effect.

We learn with great satisfaction that Your Excellency has seen fit, during the recess, to issue a commission to consider the present condition of the Militia Force of the Province, and the propriety of amending its organization, and improving its efficiency; and that the Report of that Commission will be laid before us;—that Your Excellency may rest assured that the recommendations it contains, and the Bill which will be necessary in order to carry those recommendations into effect, shall receive our most careful and favorable consideration.

We shall give our best attention to any other measures of public usefulness which may be submitted for our consideration.

We thank Your Excellency for the assurance that the Accounts for the year which has just closed, will be forthwith laid before us; and we confidently trust that they will be found satisfactory.

We shall cheerfully vote the supplies necessary for carrying on the service of Her Most Gracious Majesty for the current year, and are grateful to Your Excellency for having directed that the estimates shall be framed with all the economy consistent with a due regard to efficiency.

We receive with pride Your Excellency's gracious acknowledgment of the good will and kindly feelings which we know it has been the desire of the whole people we represent, to manifest towards Your Excellency on the occasion of your assuming the Government of this Colony.

The constitution having committed to our hands the guardianship of the interests of this great Province, we shall give our earnest, impartial and diligent care to the several matters which may be brought before us, and with Your Excellency, we fervently pray Almighty God so to direct our counsels that our acts may conduce to His Glory, the honor of our Sovereign, and the prosperity and happiness of the people of *Canada*.

The said Address, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, that the said Address be engrossed.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by the whole House.

Ordered, That such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province, do wait upon His Excellency the Governor General, to know His Excellency's pleasure, when he will be attended by this House, with its Address.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, rose in his place, and acquainted Mr. Speaker and the House, that His Excellency the Governor General will receive the House, with its Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the present Session, on Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,
The House adjourned until Monday next.

Monday, 7th April, 1862.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the affairs of the *Canada Life Assurance Company of Hamilton*, for the year ending 30th April, 1861; Statement of the *Caisse d'Economie de Notre Dame de Québec*, for the year ending 31st May, 1861; and Statement of the affairs of the City and District Savings Bank, *Montreal*, on the 31st December, 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 9.*)

Also,—Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure of the *Montreal and Champlain Railroad*, for the year ending 31st December, 1861; and Statement of the affairs of the Northern Railway of *Canada*, on 31st December, 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 16.*)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Huntington*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. Gaboury* and others, of the Parishes of *Ste. Cécile de Milton* and *St. Valérien de Milton*, County of *Shefford*; and the Petition of the Reverend *J. D. Michon* and others, of the Township of *Roxton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. S. Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Great Western Railway Company of *Canada*, and of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Dawson*,—The Petition of *Thomas McGoey* and others, of the District of *Ottawa*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Alley*,—The Petition of Mrs. *M. T. Bradshaw*, President, and other Ladies, members of the Ladies' Protestant Home of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of the Fountain Division Sons of Temperance, No. 216, of *Chatham*.

By Mr. *Ryckert*,—The Petition of *W. B. Jarvis* and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of the University Lying-in Hospital, of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Hooper*,—The Petition of *John D. Ham* and others, of the Township of *Camden*.

By Mr. *Morris*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Perth*, in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*.

By Mr. *White*,—The Petition of *Robert Meade* and others, of the Township of *Nassagaweya*.

By Mr. *Fortier*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Yamaska*.

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of *W. Rae* and others, of the *Kennebec Road*.

By Mr. *Price*,—The Petition of the *Finlay Asylum of Quebec*.

By Mr. *Huot*,—The Petition of *J. B. Chevalier de la Durantay* and others.

By Mr. *Street*,—The Petition of *Samuel W. Buckner* and others, of the Fourth Concession of the Township of *Crowland*, County of *Welland*.

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

Of the Community of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, of the City of *Hamilton*; of Mrs. *Percy Spiller*, of the Town of *Prescott*, County of *Grenville*, School Teacher, widow of the late *William Spiller*; of *L'Hospice de St. Joseph de la Maternité de Québec*; of the *Quebec Lower Town Infant School*; and of *L'Union St. Joseph de Montréal*; severally praying for aid.

Of *J. T. Coffin* and others, of the *Magdalen Islands*; praying that a resident Judge be appointed for said *Islands*, having both Civil and Criminal jurisdiction.

Of the Reverend *C. E. Poiré* and others, of the Parish of *St. Anselme*, County of *Dorchester*; praying that the legal rate of interest may be fixed at six or seven per cent. per annum.

Of the Reverend *C. E. Poiré* and others, of the Parish of *Anselme*, County of *Dorchester*; praying aid for Colonization Roads.

Of *A. Dufour* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de l'Isle aux Coudres*; praying that a certain sum of money be granted to enable them to fill up a swamp in the said Parish.

Of *David Allan Poe*, of the City of *Montreal*, Commission Merchant; praying that the name of "*Watt*" be added to his present name.

Of *François Nadeau*, of the City of *Quebec*, Joiner; praying that he may be remunerated for services rendered, and also for losses sustained by reason of his discharge as overseer of the works of the new Court House and Prison at *St. Etienne de la Malbaie*.

Of the Municipality of the Village of *Welland*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the said Municipality to increase the number of Tavern Licenses in the said Village.

Of *H. J. Barber* and others, of the Township of *Townsend*; and of *W. Bradley* and others, of the Township of *Townsend*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Lobo*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize the investment of certain Clergy Reserve Moneys by the said Township.

Of *N. Pinsonneault* and others, of the Parish of *St. Constant*, County of *Laprairie*; praying that the tenure of the Seigniori of *Sault St. Louis* may be converted into a Freehold tenure.

Of *A. Collette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Constant*, County of *Laprairie*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of the Municipalities of the Parishes of *St. George*, *Clarenceville*, and *St. Thomas*, County of *Missisquoi*; praying for amendments to the Letters Patent establishing the said Parishes.

Of *Narcisse Dionne* and others, of the Parish of *St. Giles*, County of *Lotbinière*; of the Reverend *T. Aubert de Gaspé* and others, of the Parish of *St. Apollinaire*; and of the Reverend *E. Faucher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Lotbinière*, County of *Lotbinière*; severally praying for aid to construct a Bridge over the *Chaudière River*.

Of the Reverend *W. Birks* and others; praying for certain amendments to the School Laws of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lambton*; praying that any measure having for its object to impose the Railway and other indebtedness of the Municipalities upon the Province, may not be entertained.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lambton*; praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada*.

Of *Joseph Larivière* and others, of the Parish of *St. Calixte de Somerset*; and of *L. M. Rousseau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ferdinand d'Halifax*; severally praying for the passing of an Act for the protection of Squatters.

Of *Charles Perry* and others, of the Town of *Peterborough* and vicinity; praying that the control of the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway may be placed in the hands of the original stockholders, with power to raise new stock, whereby the necessary funds may be raised to put the said Railway into working operation.

Of the Reverend *A. King* and others, of the Village of *Colborne* County of *Northum-*

berland; praying that the present system and endowment of the *Toronto University* and *University College* may be preserved intact.

Of *W. H. Gibson* and others, Trustees of the First and Second Congregations of the Township of *Hinchinbrooke*, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church of *North America*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the 1st and 2nd Congregations of the United Presbyterian Church of *North America* in *Hinchinbrooke*.

Of *M. M. Mitivier* and others, of *Ste. Brigide*, County of *Iberville*; praying for the passing of an Act to allow him, after examination, to practise Physic, Surgery and Midwifery in *Lower Canada*.

Of *M. M. Mitivier* and others, of *Ste. Brigide*, County of *Iberville*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize the election of the Church-wardens of the Parish of *Ste. Brigide*.

Of *O. M. McClure* and others, of the Township of *Acton*; and of the Municipality of the Township of *Acton*, County of *Bagot*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to legalize the surveys, reports and plans made by *P. R. Blanchard*, P.L.S., for the settlement of the Boundaries of Lots of the 1st five Ranges of the said Township.

Of *James G. Ross* and others, Merchants, and others interested in the Trade of the Port of *Quebec*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "The *St. Lawrence Marine Insurance Company*."

Of *J. Bell Forsyth* and others, Stockholders in the City of *Quebec Hotel Company*, and others of the City of *Quebec*; praying for amendments to the Act incorporating said Company.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Norfolk*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the sale of lands in arrear for Taxes and for other purposes.

Of *George Sunter*, of the Town of *Brantford*; praying that the law concerning affirmation may be so amended as to allow him and all others having conscientious scruples against taking an oath, to affirm in Courts of Justice in the same way as Quakers and Tunkers.

Of the Orphans' Home and Widows' and Orphans' Friend Society of the City of *Kingston*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the Municipality of the United Townships of *Orillia* and *Matchedash*, County of *Simcoe*; praying for amendments to the Assessment Act of *Upper Canada*.

Of *William Laughton*, of the Village of *Bradford*, County of *Simcoe*; praying compensation for damage and injury to his steamboat called the "*Chatham*," during the rebellion of 1837.

Of *Pierre Valcourt* and others, of the Seigniories of *Temiscouata* and *Madawaska*, County of *Temiscouata*; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm them in the possession of their lands in the said Seigniories.

Of *Mrs. Marie J. E. Lozeau*, of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste de Nicolet*; praying for the passing of an Act to repeal the Act 4 *Geo.* 4, ch. 26; and to restore to her as Seignioress of the Fief and Seigniorship of *La Baie Saint Antoine* the lands known as the "*Commune*" within the said Seigniorship, which have been taken from the Seigniorship without compensation to her for the same.

Resolved, That a Special Committee of thirteen members be appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, Mr. *McDougall*, Mr. *Simard*, the Honorable *John S. Macdonald*, Mr. *Bureau*, Mr. *Benjamin*, Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*, Mr. *Dunkin*, Mr. *Simpson*, and Mr. *Street*, do compose the said Committee.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor

General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of the Report made by the Commission on the organization of the Militia.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

At the hour appointed, Mr. Speaker and the House attended upon His Excellency the Governor General with the Address of the House.

And being returned, Mr. Speaker reported, that the House had attended upon his Excellency with their Address, in answer to the Speech of His Excellency to both Houses of the Legislature, to which His Excellency was pleased to make the following answer :—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I thank you for your loyal Address, and I feel assured that the business of the Session will receive at your hands the attention which it requires.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Galt*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,

Ordered, That the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General, delivered to both Houses of the Legislature, at the opening of the present Session, be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Speech into consideration.

And the same being read ;

Resolved, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

Resolved, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of that motion.

Ordered, That that part of the Speech of His Excellency which relates to a Supply, be referred to the said Committee.

Ordered, That Mr. *Scott* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "An Act respecting Separate Schools in *Upper Canada*," in so far as the same relates to Roman Catholic Separate Schools.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bourassa* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Chapter 26 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in so far as it relates to Rivers and Streams.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bourassa* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal Chapter 58 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Interest," and to fix the rate of interest on money.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Lower Canada* Consolidated Municipal Act, in respect of its provisions as to the sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Huot* have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish the real property qualification now required from Members of the Legislative Assembly.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Joseph Dufresne* have leave to bring in a Bill to establish a Landed Credit Institution in *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the twenty-first instant.

Ordered, That Mr. *Langevin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting Interest.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain provisions of the Act Chaptered 92 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and to make other provision touching the Boards of Arts and Manufactures in *Upper* and *Lower Canada* respectively.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Langevin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "An Act respecting Lessors and Lessees."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fenning's Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council have agreed to an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, of condolence, on the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN:

We, the Legislative Council of the Province of *Canada*, in Parliament assembled, approach Your Majesty with renewed assurances of our devoted attachment to Your Person and Crown.

The people of *Canada* have learned, with universal grief, the sad intelligence that it has pleased the Divine Disposer of Events to take unto himself the Prince Consort, the partner of Your Majesty's domestic joys and sorrows—the wise adviser in your Councils—and the Father of that Family through whom, we trust, the beneficent rule now existing over the whole British Empire may be perpetuated.

We desire to offer to Your Majesty the expression of the deep sympathy with which your people in this Province regard your present affliction. The Christian virtues, and the high and noble qualities which adorned the character of the Prince Consort, while enhancing the first emotions of grief, must yet in their recollection comfort Your Majesty with the assured hope that his early removal has brought only increased happiness to him, although fraught with bitter grief to you, and profound sorrow to your subjects, whose love to your Person makes them sharers in all those events which bring either joy or pain to your own heart.

Your people in *Canada* pray Almighty God that it may please him to send you comfort and support in your present bereavement, and that in the cherished memory of your departed husband, in the love and devotion of your children, and in the affection of your whole people, you may find some alleviation in your present great distress, and may be spared to watch over your Royal Family and to continue the guardian of the destinies of the Empire

ALLAN N. MACNAB,
Speaker, Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,
April 7th, 1862.

And then he withdrew.

Resolved, That this House will send an answer to the said Message by Messengers of their own.

And the Master in Chancery was again called in, and Mr. Speaker acquainted him therewith.

And then he again withdrew.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dorion* have leave to bring in a Bill for the protection of settlers, in certain cases, in *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Notman* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act Cap. 77, Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting the action of seduction and the support of illegitimate children."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Archambault* have leave to bring a Bill to repeal Chapter 58 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Interest," and to fix the rate of interest at six per cent.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make other provision respecting Inventions, Trade-Marks and Designs."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Archambault* have leave to bring in a Bill to prevent the relations of parties from being heard as witnesses in civil matters.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Address of the Honorable the Legislative Council to Her Most Gracious Majesty, of condolence, on the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, and that the blank therein be filled up with the words "and Commons," and that the said Address be signed by Mr. Speaker on behalf of this House.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, acquainting their Honors that this House hath agreed to the Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, of condolence, on the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, by filling up the blank with the words "and Commons."

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Most Gracious Majesty, of condolence, on the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, in such a manner as His Excellency may see fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, acquainting their Honors that this House hath passed the accompanying Address to His Excellency

the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Most Gracious Majesty, of condolence, on the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, in such a manner as His Excellency may see fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne, to which they desire the concurrence of their Honors.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Foley* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Assessment Law of *Upper Canada*, and to render valid certain assessments already made, and for other purposes therewith connected.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Connor* have leave to bring in a Bill relating to Mortgages in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Connor* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Common Law Procedure Act.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Rose* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the inspection of Wheat and other grains.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Rose* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act in relation to Fire Insurance Companies not incorporated within the limits of this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jobin* have leave to bring in a Bill for better protecting Manufacturers and Tradesmen entrusting materials to workmen to be made up.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jobin* have leave to bring in a Bill to annex, for judicial and electoral purposes, to the County of *Joliette*, that part of the Parish of *St. Felix de Valois* which is situate in the Township of *Brandon*, and for other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Langevin* have leave to bring in a Bill legalizing and providing for the delivery of certain Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Langevin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Chapter 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting the registration of title to or charges upon Real Estate,—the Law of Hypothecs,—the Dower and Property of Married Women, and the conveyance of Socage Lands.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Langevin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chapter twenty of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Labreche-Viger* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the administration of Registry Offices in *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dawson* have leave to bring in a Bill for the incorporation and regulation of Joint Stock Companies.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time, and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Rymal* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend to the Counties of *Wentworth* and *Lincoln* the Act for the protection of persons owning lands on the shore of *Lake Ontario*, in the Counties of *York*, *Peel* and *Halton*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Abbott* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Insolvency.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Crawford* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for and regulate the inspection and stamping of Gas Meters, and to protect the consumers of illuminating Gas.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Benjamin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Chapter 105 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Petty Trespasses in *Upper Canada*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Benjamin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Chapter 54 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Price* have leave to bring in a Bill for the protection of the creditors of Locatees of Lands of the Crown.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *O'Halloran* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the 83rd Chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting the ordinary procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Cameron have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the limitation of actions and suits in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Huot have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chapter 3 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, containing special provisions concerning both Houses of the Provincial Parliament.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, Return of Commutation effected within the *Censive* of the Crown Domain, *Quebec*, under the Act 10 and 11 *Victoria*, chapter III, (chapter 43 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Lower Canada*) from 1st April, 1861, to 31st March, 1862:—

Name of party commuting.	Property where situate.	Date of Deed.	Notary.	Arrears of Seigniorial Dues.	Commutation money paid.	Commutation money left a constitut.
Narcisse Turcot.	Mountain St., L. T. Quebec.	Oct. 18, '61.	J. Peticleiro	\$201 33	\$100 77	.....

No commutation of Tenure has been effected in any of the *Censives* heretofore belonging to the late Order of the Jesuits in that part of the Province of *Canada* formerly *Lower Canada*, nor in the Seigniorial Tenure of *Lauzon*, nor *Censive* of the Crown Domain, *Three Rivers*, under the Act 10 and 11 *Victoria*, chapter III, (Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, chapter 43) from 1st April, 1861, to 31st March, 1862.

F. T. JUDAH,
Clerk, Jesuits' Estates, &c.

ANDREW RUSSELL,
Assistant Com. of Crown Lands.

DEPARTMENT OF CROWN LANDS;
Jesuits' Estates and Crown Domain Branch,
Quebec, 1st April, 1862:

On motion of Mr. *Bureau*, seconded by Mr. *Starnes*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a statement of the expenditure incurred by the Seigniorial Tenure Commission, from the date of its appointment up to the 31st December last, shewing separately for each year, and up to the 31st December last, the following particulars:—

1st. The salaries of the Commissioners—of the Secretary and of the Clerks—of the employees of the Surveying Department—travelling expenses—rent and taxes—fuel—stationery—printing—postage and telegraphic despatches—completion of schedules—publication of notices—and professional services;

2nd. The amount distributed by the Commission to Seigniors of Fiefs and Seignories in *Lower Canada*;

3rd. The amount awarded for the payment of the indemnity due to such Seigniors—the amount which has been received, and the amount yet to be received from the Government of this Province for that purpose—the amount which has been paid to the Seigniors up to the present date, and the balance remaining due to them;

4th. The amount of interest which has accrued on the sums set apart for the said indemnity during the period above mentioned—in what Bank such moneys have been deposited—what amount of interest has been paid—the amount at present under deposit, and the name of the Bank in which it is deposited—shewing also whether such amount bears interest, and at what rate.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery :

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council have agreed to the Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Most Gracious Majesty, of condolence on the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, by filling up the blank with the words "Legislative Council."

And also, The Legislative Council acquaint this House, that His Excellency the Governor General has appointed to-morrow, at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, to be attended with the Joint Addresses of both Houses to Her Most Gracious Majesty, and to His Excellency the Governor General, of condolence, on the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, and that such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of the Legislative Council will be in attendance at that time, on the part of their Honors.

And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Galt*, the Honorable Mr. *J. S. McDonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, and the Honorable Mr. *Scotte*, do attend His Excellency the Governor General, in behalf of this House, at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, to-morrow, with the Joint Addresses of both Houses to Her Most Gracious Majesty and to His Excellency the Governor General, of condolence on the death of his Royal Highness the Prince Consort.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, seconded by Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a statement of the Bounties paid to Canadian Fishermen, and of the number of vessels which have been entitled thereto since the last statement was laid before Parliament; also of the number of vessels to which the bounty has been refused, specifying the reasons of such refusal.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Bureau*, seconded by Mr. *Alexandre Dufresne*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copy of the Royal Instructions received by him on assuming the reins of the Government of this Colony.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Scott*,

Resolved, That when this House doth adjourn on Wednesday next, it do stand adjourned until Thursday, the twenty-fourth instant.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,
The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 8th April, 1862.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *Rankin*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Tilbury West*, County of *Essex*—and the Petition of the Municipality of *Sandwich West*.

By Mr. *Bell*, (of *Russell*)—The Petition of the Reverend *G. A. Dingman* and others, of the County of *Russell*,—the Petition of the Community General Hospital, Alms House, and Seminary of Learning of the Sisters of Charity at *Ottawa*,—and the Petition of *John McDougall*, Senior, and others, of the first and second concessions of the old survey of the Township of *Clarence*.

By Mr. *Wallbridge*,—The Petition of the Grand Division of the Order of the Sons of Temperance in *Canada West*.

By Mr. *Joly*,—The Petition of *E. Coté* and others, of the Parish of *St. Sylvestre*,—the Petition of *E. Larue* and others, of the Parish of *St. Antoine de Tilly*,—the Petition of *A. Monfette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Flavien*,—and the Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Ferras* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Des Chaillons*, all of the County of *Lotbinière*.

By Mr. *J. Dufresne*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. D. Michon* and others, of the Township of *Roxton*, County of *Shefford*.

By Mr. *Blanchard*,—The Petition of *Charles Fortier*,—the Petition of *Paul Girard*, of *St. Gervais*,—and the Petition of the Reverend *E. Baillargeon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Nicholas*, County of *Lévis*.

By Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. Rousseau* and others, of *St. Malachie*,—and the Petition of the Reverend *C. E. Poiré* and others, of the Parish of *St. Anselme*, both of the County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Fournier*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *L'Islet*.

By Mr. *Walsh*,—The Petition of *W. Mathews* and *John M. Tupper*, of the Town of *Brantford*,—and the Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Brantford*,—and three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Brant*.

By Mr. *Sylvain*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. S. Manceau* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Simon* and *St. Mathieu de Rioux*, County of *Rimouski*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Oxford*, County of *Kent*.

By Mr. *Simpson*,—The Petition of *R. W. Willson* and others, of the Town of *Niagara*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The petition of *C. S. Rodier* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdoald*,—The Petition of the Trust and Loan Company of *Upper Canada*.

By Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of *C. Pinet* and others, members of the Canadian Rifle Association.

Ordered, That Mr. *Benjamin* have leave to bring in a Bill for the protection of Hotel keepers in certain cases.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte* have leave to bring in a Bill to limit the right of Redemption (*droit de réméré*) to the period fixed by agreement.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Desaulniers* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chapter 6 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Tavern keepers and the sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Labreche-Viger* have leave to bring in a Bill to define fraud in commercial transactions, and to regulate the relation between debtor and creditor in certain cases.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday, the 25th instant.

Ordered, That Mr. *Labreche-Viger* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received, and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday, the 25th instant.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte* have leave to bring in a Bill concerning Donations *inter vivos* and Testamentary Donations.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte* have leave to bring in a Bill to establish a more expeditious means of deciding Controverted Elections.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and to make further provision for the encouragement of Agriculture, Arts and Manufactures.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Rankin* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal or amend the Petty Trespass Act.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the twenty-eighth instant.

Ordered, That Mr. *Taschereau* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting suits for penalties under Municipal By-laws respecting the sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday, the 24th instant.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald* reported to the House, That His Excellency the Governor General had been attended with the Joint Address of both Houses respecting the Address to Her Majesty, of condolence on the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort; and that His Excellency had been pleased to say that he would transmit the said Address to Her Majesty, to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

The Honorable Mr. *Alley*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, Report of the Postmaster General of *Canada*, for the year ending 30th September, 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 1.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Galt*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, Tables of the Trade and Navigation of the Province of *Canada*, for the year 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 2.*)

On motion of Mr. *Wallbridge*, seconded by Mr. *Biggar*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the Survey made during the summer of the year 1861, of *Weller's Bay*, and of the Report thereof

made by the Surveyor under the authority of the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Mr. *McGee* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bell*, of *Lanark*, and the Question being proposed, That a Special Committee be appointed to take into consideration the subject of Immigration and Colonization, especially with reference to the Spring Immigration of the present year, to report thereon from time to time, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

And a Debate arising thereupon,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Thursday, the twenty-fourth day of April instant, and be then the first Order of the Day.

Mr. *Bureau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Gagnon*, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, Mr. *Gagnon*, Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Desaulniers*, Mr. *Hébert*, Mr. *De Boucherville*, Mr. *Bourassa*, Mr. *De Cazes*, Mr. *Evanturel*, Mr. *Luframboise*, and the Mover, be appointed to take into consideration the colonization of our wild lands in *Lower Canada*, to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

And a Debate arising thereupon,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Thursday, the twenty-fourth day of April instant, and be then the second Order of the Day.

On motion of Mr. *Scatcherd*, seconded by Mr. *Huntington*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the Registrar, or Taxing Officer of the Court of Chancery for *Upper Canada*, in the several Counties thereof, to make forthwith a return to this House of the causes in said Court in which, during the year 1861, costs have been taxed on decree, and on further directions, and that such Return contain the following particulars:—

1st. Year when Bill filed.

2nd. Amount of costs taxed in each cause on decree.

3rd. Amount of costs taxed in each cause on further directions.

4th. Total amount of costs taxed in each cause to Plaintiff.

5th. Concisely the object of each suit; as for example,—Foreclosure of Mortgage, Account, Specific performance.

6th. In Foreclosure Suits, the amount reported by the Master as due the Plaintiff, exclusive of costs.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Morris*, seconded by Mr. *Dawson*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct a full statement of the affairs of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, with a balance sheet attested under oath, in conformity with the second section of the Act 20 *Vic.*, Cap. 11, to be made by the said Company, and laid before this Honorable House.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Somerville*, seconded by Mr. *Harcourt*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House,

a Return, showing the number of new offices created in the Public Departments at the seat of Government, and throughout the country, from the Prorogation of Parliament in 1861, till its re-assembling in the present year, with the amount of salary attached to each office, and the names of the incumbents; also, the number and names of those officials to whom an increase of salary was given during the same period, with the amount of the increase in each case.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *McGee*, seconded by Mr. *Bell*, (of *Lanark*),

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all instructions given to Emigration Agents abroad, with the amount of salaries and travelling expenses allowed to such agents; also, copies of all reports received from such agents up to the latest date.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Wilson*, seconded by Mr. *Connor*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all papers, correspondence and vouchers relating to the payment, since 1st January, 1861, of moneys by the Province to or for the City of *Lamilton*, or for or on account of the indebtedness of the City of *Hamilton*, or for or on account of their debentures either for principal or interest.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Morris*, seconded by Mr. *Dawson*,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery do prepare a Return from the Records of the Elections to the present Legislative Assembly, showing the aggregate number of votes polled for each Candidate, in each County, Riding, Township, City, Town, Parish, Precinct, or Division in which there has been a contest, with the total number polled in each such Division, and the number of voters on the voters' lists of the same, respectively; and also, showing in contrast the number polled at each of the said polling places at the General Election of 1858, and the population in each constituency according to the late census.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,
The House adjourned.

Wednesday, 9th April, 1862.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House—Return of the *Quebec Provident and Savings Bank*, up to 1st March, 1861; and Return of the average amount of liabilities and assets of the *City Bank of Montreal*, on the 31st of March, 1862. (*Sessional Papers, No. 9.*)

Also, Report of the Trustees of the Friends' or Quakers' Seminary of the County of *Prince Edward*, for the year 1861, as follows:—

In accordance with the Statute 10th and 11th *Victoria*, cap. 104, the Trustees of the

Friends' or Quakers' Seminary, *Prince Edward* County, C. W., submit the following account of the property holden by said Institution :

Land and buildings value, - - - - -	\$5000 00
Stock, farm utensils, furniture, &c., - - - - -	800 00
School apparatus, Maps, &c , - - - - -	200 00
Fund, the interest of which is appropriated to the education of poor children of the Society of Friends' or Quakers', -	500 00
	\$6500 00

Signed on behalf of Trustees,

ALLAN M. DORLAND,

Clerk to Board of Trustees.

3rd Month (March) 27th, 1862.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the Table :—

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of the Rector and Church Wardens of *St. John's* Church in the Town of *Bowmanville*.

By Mr. *Dunsford*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay*.

By Mr. *Kierzkowski*,—The Petition of *J. B. Brousseau*, M. D., of the Parish of *Belœil*, County of *Verchères*.

By Mr. *Tassé*,—The Petition of the Agricultural Society of the County of *Jacques Cartier*.

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of *J. G. Sutherland* and others, of *Lincoln* and other Counties.

By Mr. *Sylvain*,—The Petition of *W. Gosselin* and others, of the Township of *Matane*, County of *Rimouski*; and the Petition of *Edouard Martin* and others, of the District of *Rimouski*.

By Mr. *Morris*,—The Petition of *R. Douglas* and others, of the Town of *Perth*, County of *Lanark*.

By Mr. *Fortier*,—The Petition of *J. G. Proulx* and others, School Commissioners of the Parish of *St. Antoine de la Baie*, County of *Yamaska*.

By Mr. *Biggar*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Colborne*; and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Howard*, County of *Kent*.

By Mr. *Street*,—The Petition of *William Carl* and others, of the Township of *Crowland*; and the Petition of *Daniel Near* and others, of the Township of *Humberstone*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Stanley*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Morris*.

By Mr. *Walsh*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Norfolk*.

By Mr. *Ferguson*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Simcoe*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Alley*,—The Petition of the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Robitaille*,—The Petition of *R. Landry* and others, of *Baie des Chaleurs*, County of *Bonaventure*.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of *J. H. Brownlow* and others, of *Kingsey*; the Petition of *N. Brown* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre*, both of the County of *Drummond*; the Petition of *N. Brown* and others, of the Parish of *St. Christophe d'Arthabaska*; the Petition of *Kingsey* Division, No. 41, Sons of Temperance; and the Petition of *L. Thibaudau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eusèbe de Stanfold*, County of *Arthabaska*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Tloa*, Administrator of the Archdiocese of *Quebec*, and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,—The Petition of *N. Merritt* and others; and the Petition of the Western County Grammar School of the County of *York*.

By Mr. *Macbeth*,—Two Petitions of the *London and Port Stanley Railway Company*.
By Mr. *Poupore*,—The Petition of *John Coghlan* and others, of *Allumette Island* and other Townships, County of *Pontiac*.

By Mr. *Haultain*,—The Petition of *J. S. Stevenson* and others; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Dummer*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Asphodel*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Belmont*; all of the County of *Peterborough*.

By Mr. *Morton*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Frontenac, Lennox and Arldington*.

By Mr. *Bell* (of *Russell*),—The Petition of *A. McCallum* and others; and the Petition of *John S. Cameron* and others, both of the first Concession of the Township of *Cumberland*, County of *Russell*.

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

Of the Reverend *J. D. Michon* and others, of the Township of *Roxton*; praying aid to enable them to sow their land.

Of Mrs. *M. T. Bradshaw*, President, and other ladies, Members of the Ladies' Protestant Home, *Quebec*; of the University Lying-in Hospital, *Montreal*; and of the Finlay Asylum, *Quebec*; severally praying for aid.

Of *John D. Ham* and others, of the Township of *Camden*; and of *Robert Meade* and others, of the Township of *Nassagaweya*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Fountain Division, Sons of Temperance, No. 216, of *Chatham*; praying for amendments to the Sunday Liquor Law.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Perth*, in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize a By-law made and passed by the said Council on the 13th June, 1859, and intituled, "By-law to raise by way of loan a certain sum of money by the issue of Debentures, for the purpose therein mentioned,"; and also, to legalize certain Debentures issued under the authority of the said By-law, and bearing date the 1st July, 1861.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Yamaska*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of *W. Reu* and others, of the *Kennebec Road*; praying that a sum of money be granted to re-build the Bridges on the *Kennebec Road*.

Of *J. B. Chevalier de la Durantay* and others; praying that pensions be granted them for services rendered during the last war with the *United States*.

Of *W. B. Jarvis* and others; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of "The Railway Passengers Assurance Company of *Canada*," and for other purposes.

Of the Reverend *J. Gaboury* and others, of the Parishes of *Ste. Cecile de Milton* and *Ste. Valerien de Milton*, County of *Shefford*; praying that the said Parishes may be erected into two separate Municipalities.

Of *Samuel W. Buckner* and others, of the fourth Concession of the Township of *Crowland*, County of *Welland*; praying for the passing of an Act to set aside the Survey made by *E. DeCew*, P. L. S., of the line between the 3rd and 4th Concessions of the Township of *Crowland*, and confirm the Survey made by Messrs. *Fell* and *Hood*, P. L. S.

Of *Thomas McGoey* and others, of the district of *Ottawa*; praying aid to construct a Bridge over the *Gatineau River*.

Of the Great Western Railway Company of *Canada*; and of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*; praying for amendments to the Act 16 Vic., cap. 39, to empower any Railway Company whose Railway forms part of the Main Trunk Line of Railway throughout this Province to unite with any other such Company, or to purchase the property and rights of any such Company, and to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, incorporating Railway Companies.

William Pierce Howland, Esquire, *Jean Charles Chapais*, Esquire, *George Benjamin*, Esquire, *Jacques Olivier Bureau*, Esquire, *Robert Bell*, Esquire, (*North Lanark*), and *Louis Léon Lesieur Desaulniers*, Esquire, being the six Members appointed by Mr.

Speaker to serve on the General Committee of Elections, and not objected to by the House, severally took the following oath:—

“I swear that I will truly and faithfully perform the duties belonging to a Member of the General Committee of Elections to the best of my judgment and ability, without fear or favor. So help me God.”

Mr. Speaker appointed Friday, the twenty-fifth day of April instant, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, in the General Committee Room, for the first meeting of the General Committee of Elections.

On motion of Mr. *Benjamin*, seconded by Mr. *Bell*, (of *Russell*.)

Ordered, That the corrected list of Members to serve on Election Committees be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

The Honorable Mr. *Alley*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth:—

MONCK:

His Excellency the Governor General transmits, in accordance with the Imperial Act 3 and 4 *Victoria*, Chapter 35, section 38, for the information of both Houses of the Legislature, a copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State, enclosing an Order of Her Majesty in Council, disallowing the Act passed by the Legislature of *Canada* in 1861, intituled, “An Act to give jurisdiction to Canadian Magistrates, in respect to certain Offences committed in *New Brunswick*, by persons afterwards escaping to *Canada*.”

QUEBEC,

March 26, 1862.

(Copy.)

Canada.—No. 45.

DOWNING STREET,
20th January, 1862.

MY LORD,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of Sir *Edmund Head*'s despatch No. 71, of the 9th of September, enclosing a copy of an Act which had been passed by the Legislature of *Canada*, intituled “An Act to give jurisdiction to Canadian Magistrates in respect of certain offences committed in *New Brunswick* by persons afterwards escaping to *Canada*.”

I have caused this Act to be referred for the consideration of the Law Officers of the Crown, and learn that in their opinion it cannot properly be left to its operation by Her Majesty.

It is very possible that the proposed change of the Law, if duly effected, might be advantageous to *Canada* and *New Brunswick*; but I am advised that such a change cannot be legally effected by an Act of the Colonial Legislature, the jurisdiction of which is confined within the limits of the Colony.

I should hope, however, that the object intended by this Act might be effected by an arrangement in the nature of an agreement of extradition between the two Provinces, carried into effect by Acts of the two Legislatures, under which arrangement offenders against the Law would, in every case, be removed for trial to the Colony in which the offence had been committed.

If this mode of proceeding is found impracticable or insufficient, I shall gladly consider any suggestion which may be made to me by the Governments of *Canada* and *New Brunswick*, with the view of facilitating the repression or the punishment of crime upon their common frontier, even though it should prove necessary to have recourse to Imperial legislation. I must add, however, that the subject appears to me to involve important

questions of principle. Meantime, I am unable to take any other course than that of advising Her Majesty to disallow this Act, and I enclose the Order in Council by which this has been effected.

I have, etc.,
(Signed,)

NEWCASTLE.

(Copy.)

At the Court, at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 6th day of January, 1862.

Present :

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.
LORD PRESIDENT.
DUKE OF NEWCASTLE.
SIR GEORGE GREY, BART.

Whereas, the Governor General of Her Majesty's Province of *Canada*, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did in the month of May, 1861, pass an Act which has been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz. : No. 2428, " An Act to give jurisdiction to Canadian Magistrates in respect of certain offences committed in *New Brunswick* by persons afterwards escaping to *Canada*." And whereas, the said Act has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, together with a letter to the Lord President of the Council from the most Noble the Duke of *Newcastle*, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, setting forth that he is of opinion that the change of the Law proposed in the said Act cannot be legally effected by an Act of the Provincial Legislature, and therefore recommending that the said Act should not receive Her Majesty's Royal confirmation. Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to declare Her disallowance of the said Act, and the same is hereby disallowed accordingly. Whereof, the Governor General, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being of Her Majesty's Province of *Canada*, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed,)

ARTHUR HELPS.

I, *Henry Pelham-Pelham Clinton*, Duke of *Newcastle*, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, do hereby certify that the Act passed by the Legislature of *Canada* on the 18th of May, 1861, entitled " An Act to give jurisdiction to Canadian Magistrates in respect of certain offences committed in *New Brunswick* by persons afterwards escaping to *Canada*," was received by me on the 25th day of September, 1861.

Given under my hand and seal, this 7th day of March, 1862.

(Signed,)

NEWCASTLE.

COLONIAL OFFICE,
Downing Street.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Curtier*, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House, reported, That they had prepared Lists of Members accordingly, and the same were read, as followeth :—

1. PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.—The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte*, the Honorable Mr. *Cauchon*, the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, the Honorable Mr. *J. S. Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, Mr. *Langevin*, Mr. *Jobin*, Mr. *Desaulniers*, Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*, Mr. *Bureau*, Mr. *Chapais*, Mr. *Benjamin*, Mr. *Notman*, Mr. *Macbeth*, Mr. *Powell*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Simpson*, Mr. *White*, and Mr. *Fourvier*.

2. EXPIRING LAWS.—The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*, the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, Mr. *Ryerson*, Mr. *Bureau*, Mr. *Tett*, Mr. *Munro*, Mr. *Alexandre Dufresne*, Mr. *Rémillard*, Mr. *McGee*, Mr. *Archambault*, Mr. *Falkner*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Cowan*, Mr. *Beaudreau*, Mr. *Fortier*, Mr. *Labreche-Viger*, Mr. *Dorion*, Mr. *Kierzkowski*, and Mr. *Evanturel*.

3. RAILWAYS, CANALS AND TELEGRAPH LINES.—The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Cauchon*, the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, the Honorable Mr. *J. S. Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Mongenais*, Mr. *Morrison*, Mr. *Bureau*, Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Baby*, Mr. *D. A. Macdonald*, Mr. *Powell*, Mr. *Macbeth*, Mr. *Dickson*, Mr. *Dunkin*, Mr. *Abbott*, Mr. *Bown*, Mr. *Simard*, Mr. *Caron*, Mr. *Bell* (of *Russell*), Mr. *Jobin*, Mr. *Blunchet*, Mr. *Morton*, Mr. *Connor*, Mr. *Ross* (of *Dundas*), Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Robitaille*, Mr. *Simpson*, Mr. *Knight*, and Mr. *Wright*.

4. MISCELLANEOUS PRIVATE BILLS.—The Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*, the Honorable Mr. *J. H. Cameron*, the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Dunkin*, Mr. *Rykert*, Mr. *Scott*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Abbott*, Mr. *Chapais*, Mr. *Daoust*, Mr. *Connor*, Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*, Mr. *Simpson*, Mr. *Ault*, Mr. *Desaulniers*, Mr. *M. C. Cameron*, Mr. *Jobin*, Mr. *O'Halloran*, Mr. *Notman*, Mr. *Crawford*, Mr. *Denis*, Mr. *Wallbridge*, Mr. *Morris*, Mr. *Starnes*, Mr. *Taschereau*, Mr. *Huot*, Mr. *Walsh*, and Mr. *Bourassa*.

5. STANDING ORDERS.—The Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*, Mr. *Connor*, Mr. *Prévost*, Mr. *Haultain*, Mr. *Jones*, Mr. *Burwell*, Mr. *Dawson*, Mr. *Ross*, (of *Champlain*), Mr. *White*, Mr. *Gagnon*, Mr. *Huntington*, Mr. *Anderson*, Mr. *Gaudet*, Mr. *Rymal*, Mr. *McCann*, Mr. *Mackenzie*, Mr. *Pope*, Mr. *McKellar*, Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Joly*, Mr. *Tett*, Mr. *De Cuzes*, Mr. *Rankin*, Mr. *Dostaler*, Mr. *Cochburn*, Mr. *Clarke*, Mr. *Scatcherd*, Mr. *Poupore*, and Mr. *Sylvain*.

6. PRINTING.—The Honorable Mr. *Rose*, Mr. *Benjamin*, Mr. *Bell* (*Lanark*), Mr. *Langevin*, Mr. *Chapais*, Mr. *Simpson*, Mr. *Patrick*; Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Biggar*, Mr. *Brousseau*, and Mr. *Stirton*.

7. CONTINGENCIES.—The Honorable Mr. *Rose*, the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte*, the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, the Honorable Mr. *Portman*, Mr. *Street*, Mr. *Benjamin*, Mr. *Tassé*, Mr. *Brousseau*, Mr. *D. A. Macdonald*, Mr. *Ferguson*, Mr. *Tett*, Mr. *Hooper*, Mr. *Desaulniers*, Mr. *De Boucherville*, Mr. *Luframboise*, Mr. *Langevin*, Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Stirton*, Mr. *Le Boutillier*, Mr. *Robitaille*, Mr. *Somerville*, Mr. *Jones*, Mr. *Price*, Mr. *Mackenzie*, Mr. *Daoust*, Mr. *McGee*, Mr. *Hebert*, Mr. *McLachlin*, and Mr. *Bown*.

8. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—The Honorable Mr. *Galt*, the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, the Honorable Mr. *J. S. Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, Mr. *Desaulniers*, Mr. *Morrison*, Mr. *Dunkin*, Mr. *Simard*, Mr. *McDougall*, Mr. *Chapais*, Mr. *Pope*, Mr. *Howland*, Mr. *Benjamin*, Mr. *LeBoutillier*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Jackson*, Mr. *Dunsford*, Mr. *Simpson*, Mr. *Jobin*, Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Starnes*, Mr. *Street*, and Mr. *Haultain*.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,

Resolved, 1st. That if anything shall come in question touching the Return or Election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in debate; and all Members returned upon double Returns are to withdraw until their returns are determined.

2nd. That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavored so to be, by bribery, or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery or other corrupt practices.

3rd. That the offer of any money or other advantage to any Member of the Legislative Assembly, for the promoting of any matter whatsoever depending or to be transacted in the Provincial Parliament, is a high crime and misdemeanor, and tends to the subversion of the Constitution.

Ordered, That Mr. *McKellar* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chap. 54 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday the twenty-fourth instant.

Ordered, That Mr. *Kierzkowski* have leave to bring in a Bill to prevent the undue reduction of the salaries of School Teachers of Common Schools in *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday the twenty-fourth instant.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act chapter 15 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Superior Education and Normal and Common Schools.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday the twenty-fourth instant.

Ordered, That Mr. *Crawford* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Registry Laws of *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday the twenty-fourth instant.

Ordered, That Mr. *Harcourt* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the second section of the Act, intituled "An Act to diminish the number of licenses issued for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors by retail," in so far as the same relates to the Village of *Cayuga*, in the County of *Haldimand*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday the twenty-fourth instant.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to the fifth of May next; the time for receiving Private Bills to the twelfth of May next; and the time for receiving Reports of Committees on Private Bills, to the twenty-sixth of May next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Rosc*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any correspondence on the subject of the recent Report by the Committee of Commerce of the House of Representatives of the *United States*, on the subject of the Reciprocity Treaty; and of all Minutes, Orders in Council, Reports or other Documents relating thereto.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a return under the Act 23rd *Victoria*, chapter 33, in relation to Fire Insurance Companies, of the following matters:—

1st. The names of Insurance Companies which have obtained licenses in terms of the Act.

2nd. Of those which have invested the sum of \$50,000, and those which have invested the sum of \$10,000, respectively, in terms of the Act.

3rd. Of those which have filed their charters and powers of Attorney.

4th. Of those which have rendered accounts of the premiums received and losses paid, and of the balance of profits which, by the terms of the 3rd section, they are required to invest, and of the securities in which the investments have been made.

Ordered, That the said Addresses be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Honorable Mr. *Alcyn*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Return of the distribution of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*; and of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper* and

Lower Canada (English and French versions), to 17th October, 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 18.*)

Also, a Statement respecting the Jesuits' Estates, furnished by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, as required by the 5th section of the 16th *Victoria*, chapter 163. (*Sessional Papers, No. 15.*)

Also, Report of the Board of Railway Commissioners of *Canada*, for the years 1859 and 1860. (*Sessional Papers, No. 16.*)

Also, Report of the Board of Inspectors of Asylums, Prisons, &c., for the year 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 19.*)

Also, Report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands of *Canada*, for the year 1861.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 11.*)

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,

The House adjourned until Thursday, the 24th April instant.

Thursday, 24th April, 1862.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that the Clerk of this House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the following certificates:—

Province of *Canada*.

This is to certify that, in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-seventh day of March last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the High Sheriff of the County of *Middlesex* (*William Glass*, Esquire), Returning Officer, *ex officio*, for the City of *London*, for the election of a Member to represent the said County in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *John Carling*, who, since his election as Representative of the said City, had accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of Receiver General, by means whereof the seat of the Honorable *John Carling* had become vacant; the Honorable *John Carling* has been returned as duly elected, accordingly, as appears by the Return of the said Writ of Election, dated the seventh day of April instant, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Quebec, 14th April, 1862.

L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

To WILLIAM BURNS LINDSAY, Esquire,
Clerk, Legislative Assembly, *Quebec*.

Province of *Canada*.

This is to certify that, in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-seventh day of March last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Sheriff of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel* (*Frederick W. Jarvis*, Esquire), Returning Officer, *ex officio*, for the Electoral Division of *Toronto* West, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral Division of *Toronto* West in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *John Beverley Robinson*, who, since his election as Representative of the said Electoral Division, had accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of President of Committees of the Executive Council, by means whereof the seat of the Honorable *John Beverley*

Robinson had become vacant; the Honorable *John Beverley Robinson* has been returned as duly elected, accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the twenty-second day of April instant, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,

Quebec, 24th April, 1862.

L. R. FORTIER,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

WILLIAM BURNS LINDSAY, Esquire,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, Quebec.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Municipal Returns for *Upper Canada* for the year 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 20.*)

Also, General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, in the District of *Ottawa*, for the years 1860 and 1861; in the Districts of *St. Francis* and *Montreal*, for 1861, with a Supplementary Return for the District of *Montreal* for the years 1856, 1858, 1859 and 1860. (*Sessional Papers, No. 8.*)

Also, Annual Statement of the Affairs of the *Kingston* General Hospital, for the year 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 19.*)

Also, Statement of the Affairs of the Manhattan Fire Assurance Company of *New York*, up to 1st July, 1860. (*Sessional Papers, No. 9.*)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Durham*; the Petition of the Reverend *S. S. Wood* and others, of the Township of *Durham*, County of *Drummond*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the United Townships of *Grant-ham*, *Wendover* and *Simpson*.

By Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of *F. W. G. Austin* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; the Petition of *La Société Saint Jean Baptiste*, of the City of *Quebec*; two Petitions of the Reverend *E. Hallé* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Marguerite*, County of *Dorchester*; and the Petition of *Joseph Auld* and others, Bondholders of the *Quebec* Turnpike Trust.

By Mr. *Cockburn*,—The Petition of the *Cobourg* and *Peterboro* Railway Company.

By Mr. *Baby*,—Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Temiscouata*; and the Petition of *E. Duret* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eloi*, squatters, of the Township of *Denonville*, County of *Temiscouata*.

By Mr. *Evanturel*,—Three Petitions of the Reverend *J. H. Bureau* and others; and the Petition of *P. L. Giroux* and others, both of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, County of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Huntington*,—The Petition of *L. H. Knowlton* and others, of the Township of *South Strickely*.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of *Moise Gagnon* and others, of the Village of *L'Avenir*.

By Mr. *Jackson*,—Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Grey*; and the Petition of *Hugh Bratton* and others, of the Townships of *Bentwick* and *Glenely*, County of *Grey*.

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. Nelligan* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de la Beauce*; the Petition of the Reverend *J. F. Bérubé* and others, of the Parish of *St. Evariste de Forsyth*; the Petition of the Reverend *F. X. Tessier* and others, of the Parish of *St. François de la Beauce*; the Petition of *T. J. Taschereau* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Marie de la Beauce*; the Petition of the Reverend *F. Cotelier* and others, of the Parish of *St. George d'Aubert Gallion*; and the Petition of the Reverend *O. J. O. Bédard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Victor de Tring*, all of the County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Street*,—The Petition of *James Fortier* and others, of the County of *Welland*.

By Mr. *Morris*,—The Petition of *James Torrance* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Harcourt*,---The Petition of *James Henderson* and others, of the Township of *Crowland*.

By Mr. *Le Boutillier*,---The Petition of *J. B. Rail*, of the Seigniorship of *Grande Rivière*; and the Petition of *G. T. Cormick* and others, Magistrates, and others, both of the County of *Gaspé*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,---The Petition of *J. E. Guilbault*, of the City of *Montreal*, Botanist.

By Mr. *Smith*,---The Petition of *Thomas Campbell*, of the Township of *Hope*, County of *Durham*

By Mr. *Dunsford*,---The Petition of *W. McDonnell* and others, of the Town of *Lindsay*.

By Mr. *McDougall*,---The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Woodstock*; and the Petition of *George Brown* and others, of the Township of *Blenheim*, both of the County of *Oxford*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,---The Petition of *R. C. Coote* and others, of the Village of *Linwood*; and the Petition of *John J. Whitters* and others, of the Village of *Millbank*.

By Mr. *Blanchet*,---The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Lévis*; and the Petition of *Louis Carrier* and others, of the Town of *Lévis*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*,---Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ontario*.

By Mr. *Knight*,---The Petition of *W. Pierce* and others, of the Eastern Townships of *Canada*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,---The Petition of the Commercial Bank of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Price*,---Two Petitions of the Municipality of the Village of *Bagotville*; and the Petition of *P. McLaren* and others, Squatters of the Township of *Saguenay*.

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

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Tilbury West*, County of *Essex*; and of the Municipality of the Township of *Sandwich West*; severally praying for the repeal of the Petty Trespass Act of *Upper Canada*.

Of *C. Panet* and others, Members of the Canadian Rifle Association; praying that a certain sum of money may be granted them for the purpose of purchasing "*Whitworth's Rifles*," and for other purposes.

Of *R. W. Willson* and others, of the Town of *Niagara*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the *Fort Erie and Niagara Grain Portage Railway Company*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Oxford*, County of *Kent*; praying for aid to open out roads through the Indian Lands in the said Township.

Of the Reverend *G. S. Marceau* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Simon* and *St. Mathieu de Rioux*, County of *Rimouski*; praying aid for a Colonization Road in the said County.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Brant*; praying for amendments to the Jury Laws of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *L'Islet*; praying that the legal rate of interest be fixed at six per cent per annum.

Of the Reverend *C. E. Poiré* and others, of the Parish of *St. Anselme*, County of *Dorchester*; praying aid for a Convent in the said Parish.

Of the Reverend *L. Rousseau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Malachie*, County of *Dorchester*; praying for aid to construct a Model School in the said Parish.

Of *Paul Girard*, of *St. Gervais*; praying that leave be granted him to construct a Toll Bridge over the *Etchemin River*, in the Parish of *St. Henri*.

Of *Charles Fortier*; praying for the passing of an Act to allow him to practise Physic, Surgery and Midwifery in *Canada*.

Of the Reverend *J. D. Michon* and others, of the Township of *Roxton*, County of *Shefford*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish Registry Offices in the Local Municipalities of the Eastern Townships.

Of the Reverend *J. B. Perras* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean des Chaillons*

County of *Lotbinière*,—of the Reverend *E. Baillargeon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Nicholas*, County of *Lévis*,—of *A. Monfette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Flavien*,—of *E. Larue* and others, of the Parish of *St. Antoine de Tilly*,—and of *E. Coté* and others, of the Parish of *St. Sylvestre*, all of the County of *Lotbinière*; severally praying aid to construct a Bridge over the *Chaudière River*.

Of *John McDougall*, Senior, and others, of the 1st and 2nd Concessions of the old survey of the Township of *Clarence*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorise the running of side lines in the old survey of the said Township, from post to post, instead of parallel with the Boundary Line.

Of the Reverend *G. A. Dingman* and others, of the County of *Russell*,—of the *Kingssey* Division, No. 41, Sons of Temperance,—and of *J. H. Brownlow* and others, of *Kingssey*, County of *Drummond*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Brant*,—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Simcoe*,—and of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Frontenac*, *Lennox* and *Addington*; severally praying that any measure having for its object to impose the Railway and other indebtedness of the Municipalities upon the Province, may not be entertained.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Howard*, County of *Kent*; praying that any measure having for its object to impose the Railway and other indebtedness upon the Province, may not be entertained,—and also, that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Colborne*,—of the Municipality of the Township of *Morris*,—of the Municipality of the Township of *Stanley*,—and of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Frontenac*, *Lennox* and *Addington*; severally praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Brant*; praying for certain alterations in the law relating to Taxes upon unoccupied lands of the Crown, and for power to collect arrears on said lands.

Of the Trust and Loan Company of *Upper Canada*; praying for the passing of an Act to facilitate the conveyance by the said Company of lands in the Province of *Canada*, by and through their Commissioners and Attorneys, and for other purposes.

Of the Community, General Hospital, Alms House and Seminary of Learning of the Sisters of Charity, at *Ottawa*; praying aid for the construction of a General Hospital in the said place.

Of the Grand Divisions of the Order of the Sons of Temperance, in *Canada West*; praying that the provisions of the Act relating to the Order of the Sons of Temperance may be continued.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Brantford*; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to manage and control all matters appertaining to the works and lands of the *Grand River Navigation Company*.

Of *C. Rodier* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that a sum of money be granted to erect a public bridge across the *Lachine Canal*, at some point near *St. Gabriel's Locks*.

Of *W. Mathews* and *John M. Tupper*, of the Town of *Brantford*; praying for amendments to the Act 24 *Victoria*, cap. 134, to remove doubts as to the validity of certain bequests in the last will of *Nathan Gage*, deceased, and to enable the Trustees under the said will to carry into effect the said bequests.

Of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Tloa*, Administrator of the Archdiocese of *Quebec* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for the passing of an Act granting more ample power to the Corporation of the City of *Quebec* to repress and regulate houses of ill-fame in the said city.

Of *J. S. Stevenson* and others; praying for the passing of an Act to revive the provisions of the fourth clause of the Act 16 *Vic.*, cap. 241, further to amend the Act incorporating the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Railway Company.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*; praying for amendments to Chapter 38, Section 3, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, respecting the office of Sheriff.

Of *John S. Cameron* and others,—and of *A. McCallum* and others, of the 1st Concession of the Township of *Cumberland*, County of *Russell*; severally praying for the repeal of the Act 23 Vic., cap. 101, to declare the mode in which the side lines in the 1st Concession, old survey, of the Township of *Cumberland*, in the County of *Russell*, shall be run.

Of *J. G. Sutherland* and others, of *Lincoln* and other Counties; praying for the remission of the Tolls on the *Chippawa* River, and for other purposes.

Of *R. Landry* and others, of *Baie des Chaleurs*, County of *Bonaventure*; praying that the Tax imposed on their Salmon Nets may be abolished.

Of the Agricultural Society of the County of *Jacques Cartier*; praying that a sum of money be granted them for the cultivation of Hemp and Flax.

Of the Trustees of the Western County Grammar School, County of *York*; praying for amendments to the 63rd chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, respecting Grammar Schools.

Of *N. Merritt* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of “*The Hamilton Powder Company*.”

Of *V. Houd* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre*, County of *Drummond*,—and of *L. Thibaudeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eusèbe de Stanfold*, County of *Arthabaska* severally praying for amendments to the Representation Act.

Of *N. Brown* and others, of the Parish of *St. Christophe d'Arthabaska*; praying for the passing of an Act for the protection of Squatters in the Eastern Townships.

Of the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of *Quebec*; praying for amendments to the Acts consolidating the provisions of the law incorporating and relating to the said City.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Simcoe*; praying for amendments to the Fishery Act of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Norfolk*; praying that measures may be adopted to open out a road between the Township of *Oakland*, in the County of *Brant*, and the Township of *Townsend*, in the County of *Norfolk*.

Of *J. G. Proulx* and others, School Commissioners, of the Parish of *St. Antoine de la Baie*, County of *Yamaska*; praying aid for an Academy in the said Parish.

Of *R. Douglas* and others, of the Town of *Perth*, County of *Lanark*; praying that the prayer of the Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Perth*, to legalize a certain By-law of the said Town, may not be granted.

Of *Edouard Martin* and others, of the District of *Rimouski*; praying aid for a College at *St. Germain de Rimouski*.

Of *J. B. Brousseau*, M. D., of the Parish of *Belœil*, County of *Verchères*; praying that permission be granted him to maintain the erection of Wharves in the River *Chambly*, at *Belœil*, and that of erecting others when required, at the same place.

Of the Rector and Church Wardens of *St. John's Church*, in the Town of *Bowmanville*; praying for the passing of an Act to allow them to mortgage certain church property in the said Town.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay*; praying for the passing of an Act granting power to the said Council to lease certain parts of the “*Queen's Square*,” in the said Town.

Of *William Carl* and others, of the Township of *Crowland*,—and of *Daniel Near* and others, of the Township of *Humberstone*; severally praying that the lands in the said Townships, known as the “*Dorchester Glebe Lands*,” may be sold to the present occupants.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Dummer*,—of the Municipality of the Township of *Asphodel*,—and of the Municipality of the Township of *Belmont*, County of *Peterborough*; severally praying for aid to erect a Bridge over the River *Trent*.

Of *John Coghlan* and others, of *Allumette Island* and other Townships, County of *Pontiac*; praying aid to erect a Bridge over the north branch of the *Ottawa River*.

Of the *London and Port Stanley Railway Company*; praying that power be granted them for chartering or owning vessels to trade between *Port Stanley*, the Town of *St. Thomas*, and the City of *London*.

Of the *London and Port Stanley Railway Company*; praying that they may be relieved from the annual tax imposed by the Government for the support of a Board of Railway Examiners or Commissioners.

Of *W. Gosselin* and others, of the Township of *Matane*, County of *Rimouski*; praying aid to open out a road in the said Township.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act chaptered seventy-nine of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Circuit Courts.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Tassé* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chapter 18 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, concerning the erection of Parishes, and the building and erection of Churches.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

The Honorable *John Carling*, Member for the City of *London*, having previously taken the oath, according to law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Alleyn*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, dated 7th April, 1862; for copy of the Royal Instructions to His Excellency the Governor General. (*Sessional Papers No 29.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Alleyn* laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Bursar's Statement of Cash transactions connected with the University of *Toronto* and *Upper Canada* College, for the year ended 31st December, 1860.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 14.*)

Also, General Report of the Commissioner of Public Works, for the year ended 31st December, 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 3.*)

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Galt*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Public Accounts of the Province of *Canada*, for the year 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 4.*)

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Galt*,

The House adjourned.

Friday, 25th April, 1862.

Mr. Speaker reported to the House, that the recognizance to the Petition of *Gabriel Lenoir dit Rolland*, Boot and Shoemaker, complaining of the undue Election and Return for the City of *Montreal West*, is unobjectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House, that the Recognizance to the Petition of *John O'Connor*, junior, complaining of the undue Election and Return for the County of *Essex*, is unobjectionable.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

- By the Honorable Mr. *Alcyn*,—The Petition of the *Quebec Harbor Commissioners*.
- By Mr. *Hébert*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. L. Martel* and others, of the Township of *Nelson*, County of *Megantic*.
- By Mr. *Denis*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. Séguin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Gonzague*, County of *Beauharnois*.
- By Mr. *Laframboise*,—The Petition of *H. Mignault* and others, of the Township of *Acton*, County of *Bagot*.
- By Mr. *Abbott*,—The Petition of *H. Abbott* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of the City and District Savings Bank of *Montreal*; and the Petition of the Honorable *Samuel Gale*, of the City of *Montreal*.
- By Mr. *Joly*,—The Petition of *L. Boulanger* and others, of the Parish of *St. Agatha*; the Petition of *X. Legendre* and others, of the Parish of *St. Flavien*; and the Petition of the Reverend *S. Belleau* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Croix*, all of the County of *Lotbinière*.
- By Mr. *Street*,—The Petition of *Thomas Barnett*, proprietor of the *Niagara Falls Museum*.
- By Mr. *Biggar*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Village of *Colborne*; and the Petition of *George Tice* and others of the Township of *Seymour*, County of *Northumberland*.
- By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *N. Godbout* and others, of the Township of *Lambton*; and the Petition of *J. Bignell* and others, of the Township of *Lambton* and *Aylmer*, both of the County of *Beauce*.
- By Mr. *O'Halloran*,—The Petition of *J. Littledale* and others, of the Township of *Durham*, County of *Missisquoi*.
- By Mr. *Ault*,—The Petition of *J. R. Ault* and others, of the Township of *Osnabruck*, County of *Storvont*.
- By Mr. *Anderson*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Prince Edward*.
- By Mr. *Ferguson*,—Two Petitions of the Municipality of the Township of *West Gwillimbury*, County of *Simcoe*.
- By Mr. *Smith*,—Three Petitions of the Town Council of the Town of *Port Hope*.
- By Mr. *Huntington*,—The Petition of *Henry Kent* and others; and the Petition of the Sons of Temperance of the *Granby* Division, No. 44, both of the County of *Shefford*.
- By Mr. *Harcourt*,—The Petition of *Edmund DeCew*, Provincial Land Surveyor.
- By the Honorable Mr. *Morin*,—The Petition of *La Compagnie du Richelieu*.
- By Mr. *De Cazes*,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. A. Gauthier* and others, of the Township of *Wolfestown*, County of *Wolfe*.
- By Mr. *Pope*,—The Petition of *A. A. Adams* and others, of the Townships of *Barford* and *Hereford*.
- By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,—The Petition of *F. G. Atoharishon*, Chief, and other Indians of *Caughnawaga*; the Petition of the Very Reverend *F. A. Truteau*, V. G., Administrator of the Diocese of *Montreal*; the Petition of *Les Dames Religieuses de Notre Dame de Charité du bon Pasteur*, of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *Les Dames Religieuses Sœurs Hospitalières de Hotel Dieu de Montreal*.
- By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,—The Petition of the Botanical Society of *Canada*; the Petition of the Orphans' Home, *Kingston*; and the Petition of the *Kingston Hospital*.
- By Mr. *Macbeth*,—The Petition of the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railway Company*.
- By Mr. *Daoust*,—Two Petitions of the Reverend *L. Brissette* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Scholastique*; two Petitions of *P. Cyr* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Hermas*; the Petition of the Reverend *A. Groulx* and others, of the Parish of *St. Benoit*; and the Petition of *F. H. Le Maire* and others, of the Parish of *St. Benoit*, all of the County of *Two Mountains*.
- By Mr. *Haultain*,—The Petition of the Regular Baptist Church and Congregation of *Haldimand*, County of *Northumberland*; the Petition of the Reverend *P. Gray* and others, Members of *Chalmers' Church* of the City of *Kingston*; the Petition of the Reverend *W. Coulthard* and others, Members of the Presbyterian Congregation of *Valley-*

field; the Petition of the Reverend *W. H. Watts* and others, of the Congregation of the Baptist Church in the City of *Kingston*; and the Petition of the Reverend *John Edwards* and others, of the City of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Crawford*,—The Petition of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for *Upper Canada*.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, That, in pursuance of the 48th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, they had selected the following eight Members to be the Chairmen's Panel, and to serve as Chairmen of Election Committees for the present Session:—The Honorable *John Rose*; the Honorable *Oliver Mowat*; *Angus Morrison*, Esquire; *Skeffington Connor*, Esquire; *John J. C. Abbott*, Esquire; *Maurice Laframboise*, Esquire; *John Crawford*, Esquire; and *Henri Gustave Joly*, Esquire.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, that they had divided into three Panels the List of Members to serve on Election Committees.

Whereupon the Clerk decided by lot, at the Table, the order of the said Panels, and distinguished each of them by a number, denoting the order in which they were respectively drawn, as follows:—Panel A, No. 1; C, No. 2; and B, No. 3.

Ordered, That the said Panels be printed.

Mr. *White*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that sufficient notice has been given in each case, viz.: Of *William Fraser*, of the Town of *Port Hope*; of *James Smith*, of the Town of *Port Hope*; and of the Bank of *Upper Canada*,—all for the legalization of a certain By-law of the Town of *Port Hope*, and of the bonds issued thereunder; of *A. G. Hall* and others, for incorporation of the Village of *Lanark*; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lincoln*, for an Act to empower the rate-payers to select a more convenient site for the County Town; of the Town Council of the Town of *Niagara*, for power to sell their interest in the *Erie and Ontario* Railway; of the Municipality of the Township of *Caistor*; of the Town Council of *Niagara*; and of the Municipality of the Township of *Gainsborough*,—all for the passing of an Act to relieve them from liabilities incurred by the assumption of the *Queenston and Grimsby* Road by the County Council of *Lincoln*; of *G. W. Stewart* and others, of the County of *Wellington*, for an Act of incorporation to establish a Bank in the Town of *Guelph*; of *Hugh McMahon*, of the Town of *Windsor*; of the Reverend *James Campbell* and others, Church Wardens and Members of Grace Church in the Town of *Brantford*; of *John Campbell* and others, for erection of part of the Parish of *St. Roch*, of *Quebec*, into a separate Municipality; of *J. Bell Forsyth* and others, for amendments to the Act incorporating the *Quebec Hotel* Company; of *M. M. Mitivier*, for an Act to admit him to practise physic, surgery and midwifery; of the Municipality of the Township of *Acton*, for establishment of Mr. *Blanchard's* Survey of the first five Ranges of that Township; of the Municipality of the Township of *Arthur*, and of the Municipality of the Township of *Luther*, for the legalization of certain of their proceedings concerning the purchase of seed grain; of *James G. Ross* and others, for incorporation of the *St. Lawrence* Marine Insurance Company; of *M. Charpentier* and others, praying that the Parish of *St. Peter* (of *Drummond*) may be erected into a separate Municipality; of *Samuel W. Buchner* and others, for an Act to establish Messrs. *Fell and Hood's* Survey of the 4th Concession of *Crowland*; and of the Trust and Loan Company of *Upper Canada*.

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and are of opinion that they are not of a nature to require the publication of notice under the 51st Rule: Of the Corporation of *L'Hospice des Sœurs de la Charité de Québec*, for amendments to their Act of incorporation; of the Corporation of the College of *Ste. Anne de la Pocatière*, for the like; of the Reverend *E. Bonin*, of the Village of *Ste. Scholastique*, for an Act of incorporation for School purposes; of the Orphans' Home, and Widows' and Orphans' Friend Society of

the City of *Kingston*, for an Act of incorporation; of *Richard Burke* and others, for incorporation of the Ship Laborers' Benevolent Society of *Quebec*; and of *L'Association de St. François Xavier* of *Montreal*, for an Act of incorporation.

In conclusion, your Committee would beg leave to recommend that their quorum be reduced, as in former Sessions, to seven Members.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dorion* have leave to bring in a Bill to erect the Parish of *St. Pierre de Durham*, in the County of *Drummond*, into a separate Municipality.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Street* have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the rate-payers of the County of *Lincoln* to select a more convenient place for the County Town.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Scott* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas, and Chancery, to admit *Hugh McMahon* to practice therein respectively.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the Standing Committee on Standing Orders be reduced to seven Members.

Ordered, That Mr. *Price* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Game Act of *Lower Canada*, and the amendments thereto.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Street* have leave to bring in a Bill to legalize By-law No. 128 of the Township of *Port Hope*, and the issue of the Debentures therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill for facilitating the conveyance, by the Trust and Loan Company of *Upper Canada*, of Lands in the Province of *Canada*, by and through their Commissioners or Attorneys.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Petition of *John O'Connor*, junior, of the Town of *Windsor*, County of *Essex*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said County, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the petition of *Gabriel Lenoir dit Rolland*, of the City of *Montreal*, boot and shoe maker, complaining of an undue Election and Return for *Montreal West*, be referred to the general Committee on Elections.

Ordered, That Mr. *Simard* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating "The Sisters of Charity of *Quebec*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bell*, (of North *Lanark*,) have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Village of *Lanark* in the County of *Lanark*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* have leave to bring a Bill to amend the *Laws of Upper Canada* affecting trade and commerce.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Stirton* have leave to bring in a Bill to confirm the action of the corporations of *Arthur* and *Luther* under the Act to enable County Councils to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases to sow their land, and for other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Foley* have leave to bring in a Bill relative to the mortgaging of a certain property belonging to the Church of England at *Brantford*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, that Mr. *Street* have leave to bring in a Bill to confirm the original survey of the 3rd and 4th Concessions of the Township of *Crowland*, in the County of *Welland*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Alley* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *St. Lawrence Assurance Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Alley* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Ship Labourers' Benevolent Society of Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, have leave to bring in a Bill for registering costs of arbitrators in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Act 23 *Vic.*, cap. 50, and to amend an Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, so far as relates to Recorders' Courts.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Crawford* have leave to bring in a Bill for quieting Titles to Real Estate, and to authorize the issue of Debentures chargeable on land in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Galt* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the Provincial Duty on Tavern Licenses.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read a third time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Pope* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting the Bureau of Agriculture and Agricultural Societies."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, requesting that their Honors will unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, and informing their Honors that the Members of the Standing Committee on Printing, the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, Mr. *Benjamin*, Mr. *Bell*, (North *Lanark*) Mr. *Langevin*, Mr. *Chapais*, Mr. *Simpson*, Mr. *Patrick*, Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Biggar*, Mr. *Brousseau*, and Mr. *Stirton*, will act as Members of the said Joint Committee, on the part of this House.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend cap. 45, Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, respecting mortgages and sales of personal property.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chapais* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Charter of the College of *Ste Anne de la Pocatière*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Militia.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* moved, seconded by Mr. *De Cazes*, and the Question being proposed, That a sum of three hundred pounds, currency, be appropriated, out of the Contingencies, for the publication in the French Language of the Debates of this House.

Mr. *Langevin* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Dufresne*, That the words "and that the Committee on Contingencies be directed to make forthwith the necessary arrangements to give effect to the said proposed Resolution."

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas:

Messieurs

<i>Alley</i> ,	<i>Crawford</i> ,	<i>Fournier</i> ,	<i>Price</i> ,
<i>Baby</i> ,	<i>Daoust</i> ,	<i>Gagnon</i> ,	<i>Rose</i> ,
<i>Beaubien</i> ,	<i>Dawson</i> ,	<i>Huot</i> ,	<i>Scott</i> ,
<i>Benjamin</i> ,	<i>De Cazes</i> ,	<i>Jackson</i> ,	<i>Sherwood</i> ,
<i>Beaudreau</i> ,	<i>Denis</i> ,	<i>Langevin</i> ,	<i>Simard</i> ,
<i>Brousseau</i> ,	<i>Dostaten</i> ,	<i>Macdonald</i> , Att. Gen.	<i>Sylvain</i> ,
<i>Carling</i> ,	<i>Dufresne</i> , Joseph	<i>Morin</i> , Sol. Gen.	<i>Tassé</i> , and
<i>Cartier</i> , Att. Gen.	<i>Dunkin</i> ,	<i>O'Halloran</i> ,	<i>Walsh</i> —35.
<i>Cauchon</i> ,	<i>Foley</i> ,	<i>Prévost</i> ,	

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark)</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>McGee,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Tuschereau,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>White, and</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Wright—49.</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>			

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Alleyn,</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>McGee,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Morin, Sol. Gen.</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Cartier, Att. Gen.</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Taschereau, and</i>
<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Att. Gen.</i>	<i>Tassé,—40.</i>

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark)</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>O' Halloran,</i>	<i>White,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Walsh, and</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>	<i>Wright,—44.</i>

So it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. *Bourassa*, seconded by Mr. *Dorion*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be prepared a synoptical table, arranged in alphabetical order, shewing what parishes and other localities in *Lower Canada* have been erected, incorporated, or otherwise recognized by civil authority, and have become thereby entitled to the benefits of the *Lower Canada* Municipal Act of 1860;

the date of their erection or incorporation, the names of the Counties, Districts and Dioceses as the case may be) in which they are situated; and also a statement of the parishes and other localities which have only been erected or recognized by Ecclesiastical authority, giving such information as may be necessary to distinguish them.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question, which was, on Tuesday the eighth instant, proposed, "That a Special Committee be appointed to take into consideration the subject of Immigration and Colonization, especially with reference to the Spring Immigration of the present year; to report thereon from time to time, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate :

And the Question being again proposed ;

And a further Debate arising thereupon,

Ordered, That the the Debats be adjourned.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,

The House adjourned until Monday next.

Monday, 28th April, 1862.

Mr. Speaker reported to the House, That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Egerton Fish Ryerson, James Alexander McCulloch, John Sidney Smith, James A. Carroll, Samuel Loyd Roberts* and others; and of *Thomas Mayne Daly*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Perth*, are unobjectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House, That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Charles François Painchaud* Esq., M. D., complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Verchères*, is unobjectionable.

Mr. Speaker reported to the House, That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Wilson Seymour Conger*, Gentleman, *Charles Perry*, Esq., and *Massam Boyd*, Lumber Merchant, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Peterborough*, is unobjectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House, That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Flavien Renault Blanchard*, Merchant, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Shefford*, is unobjectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House, That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Simon Baquet*, Merchant, and others, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Bellechasse*, is unobjectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House, That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Robert Nugent Watts*, Esquire, and others, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, is unobjectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House, That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Adam Henry Meyers*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*, is unobjectionable.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, Annual Report of "La Société Canadienne des Menuisiers et Charpentiers de *Montreal*," from 1st March, 1861, to 1st January, 1862, as follows :

GENTLEMEN,—We have the honor to present to you the Annual Report of the Canadian Society of Carpenters and Joiners of *Montreal*, in conformity with the provisions of our Act of Incorporation.

Herein will be found, in an account of our proceedings, the real number of our active members, and a statement of our receipts, expenditure, and cash in bank, by which you will readily perceive that our Company is now, more than in the preceding year, in a position to be of service to all those who are unable to work.

In preceding years we lost a great number of members because we were not sufficiently strict in making them pay their dues; when they were more than twelve months in arrears, we were in the habit of erasing their names from the list. We found that this did not ensure the existence of our Society, and we adopted a more certain means, which was to sue some of those in default, and this course was successful. Since we adopted this course, the Society has greatly increased instead of diminishing, and this may be easily perceived by glancing at the account of our admissions and collections.

In the present year the Managing Committee have proceeded with greater strictness than formerly, and all the members are well satisfied, and nearly all pay regularly.

The following statistics will confirm these remarks, and shew our progressive condition, justifying our confidence in the future. We give an account of ten months only, in order that we may be in a position next year to give a summary from one January to another, which will be more convenient for the arrangement of our reports.

The whole humbly submitted.

MOISE MARTIN, President.
 FRANÇOIS LAPOINTE, Vice-President.
 JOSEPH GALIPEAU, " "
 EDMOND LAPOINTE, Chief Secretary.
 VICTOR TERRIAU, Assistant Secretary.
 CAIUS CADIEU, Corresponding Secretary.
 ISIDORE PAQUET, Treasurer.
 AD. GIBEAU, Collector and Treasurer.
 — PARISEAU, Ass't Collector and Treasurer.

Report of the ten months from 1st March, 1861, to 1st January, 1862.

Receipts in ten months.....	\$408 37½	
Savings Bank Interest.....	26 82	
Total.....		\$435 19½
Contingent Expenses.....	\$ 71 74½	
Rent of Room.....	60 00	
Aid to sick members of the Society.....	57 75	
		\$189 49½
Excess of receipts over expenditure		\$245 70
Cash in Bank, on 1st March, 1861.....	\$582 85	
Deposited between that date and 1st January, 1862.....	245 70	
Total.....		\$828 55
Active Members on the 1st March, 1861.....	85	
Of these five have since been struck from the list.		
Members admitted between the 1st March, 1861,		
and the 1st January, 1862.....	69	
Total.....	154	
Number of Members entitled to aid.....	99	
Due by Members a few months in arrears.....	\$ 41 25	

The whole humbly submitted.

ADOLPHE GIBEAU,
 Collector and Treasurer.

The Honorable John Beverley Robinson, Member for the Electoral Division of Toronto

West, having previously taken the Oath, according to law, and subscribed, before the Commissioners, the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Scott*,—The Petition of the Community of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, of the Town of *Guelph*; the Petition of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Hamilton* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; and the Petition of the Community of the Sisters of Our Lady of *Loretto*, of the Town of *Guelph*.

By Mr. *Tett*,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Bishop, Clergy, and Lay Delegates of the Church of *England*, of the Diocese of *Toronto*, in Synod assembled.

By Mr. *Denis*,—The Petition of the Honorable *George Moffatt* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Laframboise*,—The Petition of *A. Quintin dit Dubois* and others, of the Village of *Acton Vale*, County of *Bagot*.

By Mr. *Labrèche-Viger*,—The Petition of *F. X. Dufault* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Thérèse de Blainville*, County of *Terrebonne*.

By Mr. *Tassé*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Ste. Germain*, of the Parish of *St. Laurent*, County of *Jacques Cartier*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Portman*,—The Petition of *John Wilson* and others, of the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *McGillivray*.

By Mr. *Robitaille*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Maria*, County of *Bonaventure*.

By Mr. *Gaudet*,—The Petition of *P. H. Hébert* and others, of the Township of *Aston*, and of the 13th and 14th Ranges of *Wendover*; and the Petition of *Jean Beaubien* and others, of part of the Parishes of *Nicolet* and *Yamaska*.

By Mr. *Morris*,—The Petition of the Reverend *John Machar*, D.D., and Session of *St. Andrew's Church*, *Kingston*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*.

By Mr. *Scatcherd*,—The Petition of the Reverend *W. Fletcher* and others, of the Townships of *East* and *West Williams*, County of *Middlesex*.

By Mr. *Rankin*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Gosfield*.

By Mr. *Dawson*,—The Petition of *Malcolm McLeod*.

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of *Charles DeLery* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Joseph*, *Ste. Marie*, and *St. François*, County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *McDougall*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Woodstock*, County of *Oxford*.

By Mr. *J. Dufresne*,—Two Petitions of the Reverend *T. S. Provost* and others, of that part of the Township of *Cathcart* lying to the North East of the River *L'Assomption*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of the *Montreal* Board of Trade.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of *S. Piché* and others, of the Township of *Bulstrode*.

By Mr. *Evanturel*,—The Petition of *Joseph Savard* and others; and the Petition of *Jacques Bourbeau* and others, both of the Parish of *St. Ambroise*, County of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Reverend *R. V. Rogers*, M. A., and others, the Congregation of *St. James Church*, *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Price*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Gagnon* and others, of the County of *Chicoutimi*.

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

Of the Reverend *J. H. Bureau* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, in the County of *Quebec*; praying that the *Quebec* Turnpike Road Commissioners may be relieved from the payment of forty thousand pounds, contracted for the macadamizing of Roads on the south shore of the *St. Lawrence*, and for other purposes.

Of *P. L. Giroux* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, County of *Quebec*; praying for an enquiry into the working of the Law respecting Sheriffs' Sales, and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Woodstock*, County of *Oxford*; praying for an effectual measure of relief, in relation to the indebtedness of the said Town.

Of *W. McDonnell* and others, of the Town of *Lindsay*; praying for the passing of an Act to enable the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay* to lease a certain piece of land in the said Town, and also to collect the rents arising therefrom.

Of *W. Pierce* and others, of the Eastern Townships of *Canada*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "*Massawippi Valley Railway Company*."

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ontario*; praying for amendments to the Municipal Laws of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ontario*; of *John J. Whitters* and others, of the Village of *Millbank*; of *R. C. Coote* and others, of the Village of *Linwood*,—of *George Brown* and others, of the Township of *Blenheim*, County of *Oxford*; of *L. H. Knowlton* and others, of the Township of *South Stukely*; of *J. Littledale* and others, of the Township of *Dunham*, County of *Missisquoi*; of *J. R. Ault* and others, of the Township of *Osnaburck*, County of *Stormont*; of the Sons of Temperance of the *Granby* Division, No. 44, County of *Shefford*; and of *Henry Kent* and others, of the County of *Shefford*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *T. J. Taschereau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Marie de la Beauce*; of the Reverend *F. X. Tessier* and others, of the Parish of *St. François de la Beauce*; of the Reverend *J. F. Bérubé* and others, of the Parish of *St. Evariste de Forsyth*; of the Reverend *J. Nelligan* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de la Beauce*; of the Reverend *C. J. O'Béland* and others, of the Parish of *St. Victor de Tring*; of the Reverend *F. Cutellier* and others, of the Parish of *St. George d'Aubert Gallion*; of the Reverend *N. Godbout* and others, of the Township of *Lampton*, all of the County of *Beauce*; severally praying that the legal rate of interest may be fixed at seven per cent. per annum.

Of the Reverend *E. Hallé* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Marguerite*, County of *Dorchester*; praying that the legal rate of interest may be fixed at six or seven per cent. per annum.

Of the Reverend *J. H. Bureau* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, County of *Quebec*,—and of *H. Mignault* and others, of the Township of *Acton*, County of *Bagot*; severally praying that the legal rate of interest may be fixed at six per cent. per annum.

Of *Louis Carrier* and others, of the Town of *Levis*; praying for aid to construct a Bridge over the *Chaudière* River.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Levis*; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Grey*; praying for amendments to the Fishery Act.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Durham*,—and of the Reverend *S. S. Wood* and others, of the Township of *Durham*, County of *Drummond*, severally praying that no bill may be passed to establish within the limits of the County of *Drummond*, a new Municipality under the title of "*The Municipality of the Parish of St. Pierre*."

Of *Thomas Campbell*, of the Township of *Hope*, County of *Durham*; praying for the passing of an Act to vest the estate of the late *William Campbell* in the hands of Trustees, with power to sell or divide the same among the parties entitled thereto, and for other purposes.

Of the Municipality of the United Townships of *Grantham*, *Wendover* and *Simpson*; praying that the Townships of *Wendover* and *Simpson* may not be erected into a separate Municipality.

Of *F. W. G. Austin* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for amendments to the Fishery Act of *Lower Canada*.

Of *La Société Saint Jean Baptiste* of the City of *Quebec*; praying aid to enable them to liquidate the debt contracted in erecting a monument to the memory of those who fell during the war of 1760.

Of the Reverend *E. Hallé* and others, of the Parish of *St. Marguerite*, County of *Dorchester*; praying that the sum granted for Colonization Roads may be increased.

Of *Joseph Auld* and others, Bond-holders of the *Quebec Turnpike Trust*; praying for relief.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Temiscouata*; praying for amendments to the Municipal Act of *Lower Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Temiscouata*; praying that the *chef lieu* of the District of *Kamouraska* may be transferred from the Parish of *St. Louis de Kamouraska* to the Parish of *St. Patrice de la Rivière du Loup*.

Of *E. Duret* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eloi*, Squatters of the Township of *Denonville*, County of *Temiscouata*; praying aid to open out a Colonization Road.

Of the Reverend *J. H. Bureau* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, County of *Quebec*; praying aid for Colonization Roads.

Of *J. E. Gullbault*, of the City of *Montreal*, Botanist; praying aid to establish a Botanical and Geological Garden in the said City.

Of *O. T. Connick* and others, Magistrates and others, of the County of *Gaspé*; praying aid to open out a new road to be carried round the *Grand Pabos Basin*, with bridges over the north and north-west streams.

Of *James Henderson* and others, of the Township of *Crowland*; praying that no alteration may be made in the survey of *E. De Cew*, P. L. S., of the line between the 3rd and 4th Concessions of the said Township.

Of *James Torrance* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "*Victoria Skating Club*."

Of *James Fortier* and others, of the County of *Welland*; praying arrears of Pension to the said *James Fortier*, for services rendered during the War of 1812.

Of *Hugh Bratton* and others, of the Townships of *Bentinck* and *Glenelg*, County of *Grey*; praying for the abolition of the laws relating to the Common and Grammar School and Public Libraries of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Grey*; praying for amendments to the Petty Trespass Act.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Grey*; praying for certain alterations in the Laws relating to Taxes upon unoccupied lands of the Crown, and for power to collect arrears of taxes on such lands.

Of *Moise Gagnon* and others, of the Village of *L'Avenir*; praying that the Bill respecting the Militia may not become law.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Temiscouata*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the sale of lands in the possession of the *Malechite* Indians in the Township of *Viger*, and for other purposes.

Of the Municipality of the Village of *Bagotville*; praying further aid to complete the wharf in the said Village.

Of *P. McLaren* and others, Squatters of the Township of *Saguenay*; praying aid to construct a Bridge in the said County.

Of the Commercial Bank of *Canada*; praying for amendment to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *J. B. Rail*, of the Seigniorship of *Grande Rivière*, County of *Gaspé*; praying for the passing of an Act granting to him and his heirs forever, the right to collect tolls on a Bridge which he proposes to build over the *Grande Rivière*, in the said County.

Of the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company; praying that they may be relieved from the tax termed "*The Railway Inspection Fund*."

Of the Municipality of the Village of *Bagotville*; praying for the purchase of the rights of Squatters in the said Village by the Crown Land Department.

Of the Reverend *A. Groulx* and others, of the Parish of *St. Benoit*; of *P. Cyr* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hermas*; of the Reverend *J. Brissette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Scholastique*, all of the County of *Two Mountains*; and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Prince Edward*; severally praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*.

Of *X. Legendre* and others, of the Parish of *St. Flavien*; and of *L. Boulanger* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Agathe*, County of *Lotbinière*; severally praying for aid to complete the road from the said Parish to *Méthot's Mills Station*.

Of the Reverend *W. Coulthard* and others, members of the Presbyterian Congregation of *Valleyfield*; of the Reverend *P. Gray* and others, members of *Chalmers' Church*, in the City of *Kingston*; of the Regular Baptist Church and Congregation, of *Haldimand*, County of *Northumberland*; of the Reverend *W. H. Watts* and others, of the Congregation of the Baptist Church in the City of *Kingston*; and of the Reverend *John Edwards* and others, of the City of *Kingston*; severally praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *George Tice* and others, of the Township of *Seymour*, County of *Northumberland*; praying that a Bridge may be constructed over the River *Trent*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *West Gwillimbury*, County of *Simcoe*; and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Prince Edward*; severally praying that any measure having for its object to impose the Railway and other indebtedness of the Municipalities upon the Province may not be entertained.

Of the Reverend *J. Brissette* and others, of the Parish of *St Scholastique*; of *F. H. LeMaire* and others, of the Parish of *St. Benoit*; and of *P. Cyr* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hermas*, all of the County of *Two Mountains*; severally praying for the passing of a Usury Law.

Of the Reverend *S. Belleau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Croix*, County of *Lotbinière*; praying aid to enlarge the Convent in the said Parish.

Of the Reverend *J. Seguin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Gonzague*, County of *Beauharnois*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of the Honorable *Samuel Gale*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that no Act may be passed in favor of the *Montreal and Champlain* Railway Company affecting his rights, unless he be paid the sum of four thousand pounds.

Of *Thomas Barnett*, proprietor of the *Niagara Falls* Museum; praying aid in pursuance of the recommendation of a committee of the House in 1859.

Of the *Kingston* Hospital; praying for an increased aid.

Of *A. A. Adams* and others, of the Townships of *Barford* and *Hereford*; praying for a grant of money to complete a public Road through the Township of *Barford*; and also that *J. B. Chesley* be appointed to superintend the laying out of the said grant.

Of *F. G. Altoharishon*, Chief, and other Indians, of *Caughnawaga*; praying that the Government Agency may be suppressed previous to the sale of their Seigniori; and for the punishment of trespassers who have wasted the timber on their lands.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Port Hope*; praying for amendments to the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act, to enable them to vote at the election of Directors, and to dispose of their stock in the *Port Hope, Lindsay, and Beaverton* Railway Company.

Of the Reverend *L. A. Gauthier* and others, of the Township of *Wolfestown*, County of *Wolfe*; praying aid to enable them to sow their lands.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Port Hope*; praying for the passing of an Act to amend the Act to consolidate the debt of the said Town.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Port Hope*; praying for amendments to the Municipal, Grammar School, and Assessment Acts of *Upper Canada*.

Of *La Compagnie du Richelieu*; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Edmund DeCew*, Provincial Land Surveyor; praying that the prayer of the Petition of *Samuel W. Buchner* and others, of the 4th concession of the Township of *Crowland*, County of *Wellington*, may not be granted.

Of the Municipality of the Town of *West Gwillimbury*, County of *Simcoe*; praying for the passing of an Act to alter and amend the charter of the *Georgian Bay* and *Lake Ontario* Canal Company, and for other purposes.

Of the Municipality of the Village of *Colborne*; praying that they may be relieved from the manifest injustice to which they have been subjected by the provisions of the Act 23 Vic., cap. 98, concerning the construction of certain gravel roads in the Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

Of *J. Bignell* and others, of the Townships of *Lambton* and *Aylmer*, County of *Beauce*; praying aid to open out a Road from the said Townships to the Grand Trunk Station at *Somerses*.

Of the City and District Savings Bank of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of an Act to extend and define the powers of the said Bank.

Of *H. Abbott* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "The *Montreal Racket Club*."

Of the Reverend *J. L. Martel* and others, of the Township of *Nelson*, County of *Megantic*; praying aid to construct a Bridge in the said Township.

Of the *Quebec Harbor Commissioners*; praying for the passing of an Act to amend an Act to provide for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*.

Of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for *Upper Canada*; praying that the annual grants to Mechanics' Institutes may be resumed.

Of the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railway Company*; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Orphans' Home, *Kingston*; of the Botanical Society of *Canada*; of *Les Dames Religieuses de Notre Dame de Charité du Bon Pasteur*, of *Montreal*; and of *Les Dames Religieuses Sœurs Hospitalières de Hotel Dieu, de Montréal*; severally praying for aid.

Of the Very Reverend *F. A. Truteau*, V. G., Administrator of the Diocese of *Montreal*; praying for an increased aid in favor of the *Montreal St. Patrick's Hospital*.

The Honorable Mr. *Alley*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth:—

MONCK.

The Governor General transmits, for the information of the Legislative Assembly, a copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State, conveying Her Majesty's gracious reply to the Joint Address of condolence from the Legislative Council and Assembly, on the death of Her Royal Highness the Duchess of *Kent*.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Quebec, April 5, 1862.

(Copy.)

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DOWNING STREET,
19th May, 1861.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 12, of the 11th of April last, enclosing a joint Address of condolence to the Queen, from the Legislative Council and Assembly of *Canada*, on the death of Her Royal Highness the Duchess of *Kent*.

I have laid this Address before the Queen, and I am commanded to express Her Majesty's sense of the feelings of loyalty and of sympathy by which it has been dictated. I have, etc.,

(Signed,)

NEWCASTLE.

Governor,

Sir *E. Head*, Bart., &c., &c., &c.

Mr. *Benjamin*, from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee beg leave to recommend that the Quorum of the Committee be reduced to seven Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to seven Members.

Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee recommend that their Quorum be reduced, as in former Sessions, to seven Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to seven Members.

Mr. *Langevin*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee beg leave to present the accompanying Resolution, to which they ask the concurrence of your Honorable House.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to issue his Warrant in favor of *William Burns Lindsay*, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars, towards defraying the contingent expenses of this House, and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

Mr. *Langevin*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee beg leave to recommend that their Quorum be reduced to nine Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to nine Members.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to issue his Warrant in favor of *William Burns Lindsay*, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars, towards defraying the contingent expenses of this House, and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Alley* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act to provide for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Public Accounts for the year 1861, be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. *Davost* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Académie *Bonin*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Laframboise* have leave to bring in a Bill to legalize the operations of *Patrice Renault Blanchard*, Esquire, Surveyor, with reference to the survey, boundary lines, reports and plans, executed and prepared by him for the division and settlement of the limits of the lots in the first five ranges of the Township of *Acton*, in the County of *Bagot*, and District of *St. Hyacinthe*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery :—

MR. SPEAKER,—The Legislative Council acquaint this House, that they have appointed the Honorable Sir *Etienne P. Taché*, the Honorable Mr. *Allan*, the Honorable Mr. *Crawford*, the Honorable Mr. *Le Tellier de St. Just*, the Honorable Mr. *Morris*, the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, the Honorable Sir *Narcisse F. Belleau*, and the Honorable *Philip H. Moore*, a Select Committee to assist His Honor the Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of the Legislative Council are concerned, and to act on behalf of that House as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses of the Library.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *J. Dufresne*, seconded by Mr. *Anderson*,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery do attend this House, to-morrow, with the Return of the last election for the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, together with the poll-books and all other papers, letters and documents, which have been transmitted to him by the Returning Officer for the said Electoral Division:

Ordered, That Mr. *Stirton* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Bank of the County of *Wellington*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Taschereau* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Chap. 75 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, concerning the division of *Lower Canada* into Counties.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to restrain Municipalities from issuing Debentures beyond a certain amount, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Street*, seconded by Mr. *Crawford*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to restrain Municipalities from issuing Debentures beyond a certain amount, and for other purposes," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Langevin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting Fisheries and Fishing.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Wright* be added to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the question which was on Tuesday, the 8th instant proposed, "That a Special Committee be appointed to take into consideration the subject of Immigration and Colonization, especially with reference to the Spring Immigration of the present year, to report thereon from time to time," with power to send for persons, papers and records; and the question being put,

Resolved, That a special Committee be appointed to take into consideration the subject of Immigration and Colonization, especially with reference to the Spring Immigration of the present year, to report thereon from time to time, with power to send for persons papers and records.

Ordered, That the 79th Rule of this House be suspended, and that Mr. *McGee*, the Honorable Mr. *Alley*, the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, Mr. *Jackson*, Mr. *McDougall*, Mr. *Robitaille*, Mr. *J. Dufresne*, Mr. *De Cazes*, Mr. *Desaulniers*, Mr. *Pope*, Mr. *O'Halloran*, Mr. *Jobin*, Mr. *Abbott*, Mr. *Bell*, (North Lanark) Mr. *Dawson*, Mr. *Scott*, Mr. *Benjamin*, Mr. *Hooper*, Mr. *Dickson*, the Honorable Mr. *Portman*, Mr. *Haultain* and Mr. *McKellar* do compose the said Committee.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the question which was on Tuesday, the eighth instant, proposed, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. Bureau, the Honorable Mr. Loranger, Mr. Gagnon, Mr. Beaubien, Mr. Desaulniers, Mr. Hébert, Mr. De Boucherville, Mr. Bourassa, Mr. De Cazes, Mr. Evanturel, and Mr. Laframboise be appointed to take into consideration the Colonization of the Wild Lands in Lower Canada, to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records; and the question being put,

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. Bureau, the Honorable Mr. Loranger, Mr. Gagnon, Mr. Beaubien, Mr. Desaulniers, Mr. Hébert, Mr. De Boucherville, Mr. Bourassa, Mr. De Cazes, Mr. Evanturel, and Mr. Laframboise be appointed to take into consideration the Colonization of the Wild Lands in Lower Canada, to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That the 79th Rule of this House be suspended, and that Mr. Sylvain, Mr. Chapais, Mr. Langevin, Mr. Knight, Mr. Ross, Mr. Huntington, Mr. Fortier, Mr. J. Dufresne, Mr. Dawson, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Cartier, Mr. Dunkin, Mr. Price, and Mr. Abbott, be added to the said Committee.

Mr. Laframboise moved, seconded by Mr. Bureau, and the question being put, That the Petition of Pierre Tetrault, of the Parish of Ste. Rosalie, of the County of Bagot; praying to be remunerated for services rendered during the last war with the United States, be referred to a Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General Morin, Mr. Bureau, Mr. Daoust, Mr. Archambault, Mr. De Boucherville, Mr. Tassé and the mover, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows:

Yeas:

Messieurs

Archambault,	De Cazes,	Jobin,	Patrick,
Bell, (North Lanark)	Dickson,	Joly,	Rankin,
Beaudreau,	Dorion,	Kierzkowski,	Rémillard,
Biggar,	Dufresne, Alexandre,	Labrèche-Viger,	Rymal,
Bourassa,	Evanturel,	Laframboise,	Scatcherd,
Bown,	Foley,	Le Boutilhier,	Sicotte,
Brousseau,	Gaudet,	Loranger,	Simard,
Bureau,	Harcourt,	McDougall,	Somerville,
Burwell,	Haultain,	McGee,	Stirton,
Cockburn,	Hébert,	Mowat,	Street,
Connor,	Hooper,	Munro,	Sylvain, and
Cowan,	Huntington,	Notman,	Wright.—49.
Daoust,			

Nays:

Messieurs

Alleyn,	De Boucherville,	Macbeth,	Robinson,
Anderson,	Demis,	Macdonald, Atty. Gen.	Robitaille,
Ault,	Desaulniers,	McCann,	Rose,
Baby,	Dostaler,	Morin, Sol. Gen.,	Ross, John S.
Benjamin,	Drummond,	Morris,	Ryerson,
Blanchet,	Dufresne, Joseph,	Morrison,	Scott,
Carling,	Dunkin,	Morton,	Sherwood,
Cartier, Atty. Gen.	Dunsford,	O'Halloran,	Taschereau,
Cauchon,	Ferguson,	Pope,	Tassé,
Chapais,	Fournier,	Fortman,	Tett,
Crawford,	Knight,	Prévost,	Walsh, and
Dawson,	Langevin,	Price,	White.—48.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. *Crawford*, seconded by Mr. *Jackson*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the sums expended by the Government since the Union in making Colonization Roads, showing the cost, the number of miles opened in *Upper Canada* and *Lower Canada* respectively.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Taschereau*, seconded by Mr. *Evanturel*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, 1st. Copy of the tender made by *Simon Xavier Cimon* for the completion of the Court House and Prison Buildings at *Malbate*. 2nd. Copy of the contract between the Commissioner of Public Works and the said *Simon Xavier Cimon*, for the erection of the said buildings. 3rd. Copy of the correspondence between the Department of Public Works and said *Simon Xavier Cimon* on the subject of the said buildings. 4th. Copies of the reports of *Pierre Gauvreau* and *F. P. Rubidge* on the said buildings, and work done upon it. 5th. Copies of the correspondence between the Department of Public Works and the different persons employed by the Commissioner of Public Works to oversee the works on the said buildings, since the contract with the said *Simon Xavier Cimon* was made. 6th. Copy of all correspondence relating to the said building since the contract with the said *S. X. Cimon* was made. 7th. A statement in detail of the different sums of money paid to the said *S. X. Cimon* on account of the said contract. 8th. A statement containing the accounts of the Department of Public Works since the contract was taken away from the said *S. X. Cimon*, including the names of the laborers employed, their number and pay, the sums paid or due for material, and the names of the persons who have furnished the same. 9th. The amount expended since the said *S. X. Cimon* has not had the contract. 10. A statement of the progress of the said building, and the sum necessary to complete it, if such there be.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, seconded by Mr. *Dunkin*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence and petitions touching the erection of bridges across the *Lachine* Canal, in or adjoining the City of *Montreal*, and of all reports, estimates, and communications in possession of the Government upon the subject.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Mr. *Bureau* moved, seconded by Mr. *DeBoucherville*, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the expediency of addressing His Excellency, the Governor General, to represent that, in the opinion of this House, it would be to the advantage of the country, that a larger sum should be appropriated for the making of roads and bridges in the wild lands of the Crown, and that this House prays His Excellency to recommend that an appropriation of three hundred thousand dollars be made for the making of roads and bridges, with the view of favoring the colonization of the wild lands of the Crown; and that it then be the first Order of the Day.

Resolved, That a Select Committee of nine Members, composed of Mr. *Langevin*, the Honorable Mr. *Galt*, the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, Mr. *Simard*, Mr. *Blanchet*, Mr. *Evanturel*, Mr. *Baby*, Mr. *Huot*, and Mr. *Brousseau*, be appointed, to take into consideration the allegations of the Petition of *Joseph Auld* and others, Bond holders of the Quebec

Turnpike Trust, to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

On motion of Mr. *Crawford*, seconded by Mr. *Street*,

Resolved, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of a certain proposed Resolution, relative to a tax to be imposed upon Gas Companies in this Province.

And the House having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock, on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 29th April, 1862.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Cochburn*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the Volunteer Infantry, Cavalry, and Engineers and Artillery, at present recognized by the Government, stating their numbers, and where raised; also, a Return of the reports of their condition, as made by the Officer appointed for their inspection, up to the present time.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Mr. *Scott* moved, seconded by Mr. *Rankin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill to amend "An Act respecting Separate Schools in *Upper Canada*, in so far as the same relates to Roman Catholic Separate Schools," be now read a second time.

And a debate arising thereupon,

On motion of Mr. *Morris*, seconded by Mr. *Patrick*,

The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 29th April, 1862.

Isaac Buchanan, Esquire, Member for the City of *Hamilton*, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners, the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Huntington*,—The Petition of *H. D. Hungerford* and others; and the Petition of the Reverend *H. Poulin* and others, of the Township of *Stukely*, both of the County of *Shefford*.

By Mr. *Hébert*,—The Petition of *Robert Gullen* and others, of the Township of *Leeds*, County of *Megantic*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. Caron* and others, of the Parish of *St. Henny*, County of *Lévis*.

By Mr. *Bell* (North *Russell*),—The Petition of *John Mackay* and others, of the Counties of *Ottawa* and *Carleton*.

By Mr. *Sylvain*,—The Petition of *E. Martin* and others; and the Petition of the Reverend *F. A. Blouin* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Cecile du Bic*, both of the County of *Rimouski*.

By Mr. *Rymal*,—The Petition of *S. Waldron* and others, of the Village of *Sombra* and vicinity.

By Mr. *D. A. Macdonald*,—The petition of *W. McEdward* and others, of the County of *Glengarry*, superannuated teachers.

By Mr. *McDougall*,—The Petition of *A. Sharrard* and others, of the Township of *Pickering*.

By Mr. *Evanturel*,—The Petition of *Charles Langevin* and others; two Petitions of *Joseph Savard* and others, both of the Parish of *St. Ambroise*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Gabriel West*, all of the County of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *M. C. Cameron*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ontario*.

By Mr. *Haultain*,—The Petition of the Session of the *Canada Presbyterian Church of St. Catharines*.

By Mr. *Crawford*,—The Petition of the North West Transit Company; and the Petition of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Toronto* and others, of the City of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of *John Ritchey* and others, Trustees of the *Drummondville Mining Company*; the Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Barrie*; and the Petition of *Richard Haseldon*, of the City of *Hamilton*.

By Mr. *Morris*,—The Petition of the Medical School of *Kingston*, in connexion with the University of *Queen's College*.

By Mr. *De Cazes*,—The Petition of *J. R. Delisle* and others, of *Stratford* and other Townships; the Petition of the Reverend *A. Bouchard*, and others, of the United Townships of *Carthby* and *Stratford*, both of the County of *Wolfe*; and the Petition of *G. K. Foster* and others, of the Township of *Cleveland*, County of *Richmond*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Carling*,—The Petition of the Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in *Canada*.

Mr. *White*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find the notices sufficient in each case:—Of the Municipality of the Township of *Augusta*,—relative to the investment of certain Clergy Reserve Moneys; of the Municipality of the Township of *Kenyon*,—for an Act to confirm certain Side-Roads; of *W. Barrett* and others,—for a division of the Township of *Hemmingford*; of the Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company,—of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa Railway Company*, (2 petitions); of *A. Huntingdon* and others, Trustees to the estate of the late *Nathan Gage*; of Mrs. *M. G. Sophie Masson* and others,—for authority to construct certain Turnpike Roads in the County of *Terrebonne*; and of *J. J. Vinet* and others, of *Ile Jésus*,—for authority to construct certain Macadamized Roads in that vicinity; of *D. Côté* and others,—for erection of the Township of *Wendover* and *Simpson* into a separate Municipality; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*,—for power to recover the amount of a certain claim against the City of *Toronto*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Scarborough*,—for an Act to confirm certain Side-Roads; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hastings*,—for an Act to Consolidate their Debt; of *H. S. Beaudry* and others, of *St. Antoine Abbé*,—for erection of *St. Antoine de Chateauguay* into a separate Municipality; of the Municipality of the Township of *McNab*,—for an Act to attach that Township to the County of *Lanark*; of *A. Russell* and others,—for incorporation of the Village of *Arnprior*; of *W. H. Gibson* and others,—for incorporation of the 1st and 2nd Congregations of the United Presbyterian Church of *Hinchinbrooke*; of *M. M. Mitivier* and others,—for an Act to legalize the election of the Church Wardens of the Parish of *Ste. Brigitte*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Lobo*,—for an Act to legalize their investment of certain Clergy Reserve Moneys; of the Trustees of the Presbyterian Congregation of *Martintown*,—for power to dispose of the Glebe Farm; of *J. B. Brousseau, M. D.*, of the Parish of *Beloeil*,—of *Paul Girard*, of *St. Gervais*; for power to build a toll-bridge over the River *Etchemin*; of *Charles Fortier*,—of the Grand Division of the Order of the Sons of Temperance in *Canada West*; of the *London and Port Stanley Railway Company*; of the Town Council of the Town of *Perth*,—for the legalization of a certain By-Law; of *J. S. Stevenson* and others,—for amendments to the Act incorporating the *Peterborough and Port Hope Railway Company*; of *W. Pierce* and others,—for incorporation of *Massawippi Valley Railway Company*; of *La Compagnie du*

Richelieu; and of *Thomas Campbell*, of the Township of *Hope*,—for an Act to vest in Trustees the estate of the late *William Campbell*.

On the Petition of the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbor of *Quebec*, for amendments to their Act of incorporation, your Committee find that the local notices (English and French) were published for one month only, but inasmuch as the official Gazette (in which the notices were published for the full time) is published in *Quebec*, they beg to recommend that the notice be considered sufficient.

The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of *Montreal*,—for certain additional powers—contains, amongst other provisions applied for, one for power to effect a further loan of \$150,000. No mention is made of this in the notice, which merely covers amendments of an ordinary kind; your Committee beg to recommend that the notice be considered sufficient for the introduction of a Bill, but that provision should be made in the Bill to require the consent of the Citizens to be obtained by the Corporation before effecting any such loan.

The Petitions of the Very Reverend *E. Crevier*, V. G., and others,—for incorporation of *La Société Ecclésiastique du Diocèse St. Hyacinthe*; of the Commercial Bank of *Canada*; for certain unimportant amendments in their Act of incorporation; and of *David Allan Poe*, of *Montreal*; praying that the name of "*Watt*" may be added to his present name, are not of such a nature as to require the publication of notice.

Ordered, That the petition of *Charles François Painchaud*, Esquire, M. D., residing in the Village of *Vareennes*, in the County of *Verchères*, District of *Montreal*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said County, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Robert Nugent Watts*, of the Township of *Grantham*, in the County of *Drummond* and District of *Arthabaska*, Esquire; *Joseph Boisvert*, of the said Township of *Grantham*, Merchant; *James Duncan*, of the Parish of *St. Germain de Grantham*, in the said Township of *Grantham*, Esquire; and *Honoré Gagnon*, the younger of the said Township of *Grantham*, baker, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the United Counties of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Egerton Fish Ryerson*, *James Alexander McCulloch*, *John Sidney Smith*, *James A. Carroll*, *Samuel Loyd Roberts* and others, electors in the County of *Perth*, in the Province of *Canada*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said County, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Simon Baquet*, Merchant, *Augustin Audet*, and *Joseph Olivet*, junior, yeomen, of the Parish of *St. Gervais*, in the County of *Bellechasse*, in the Province of *Canada*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said County, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Flavien Renault Blanchard*, of the Township of *Ely*, in the County of *Shefford*, in the Province of *Canada*, Merchant, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said County, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Adam Henry Meyers*, of the Township of *Seymour*, in the County of *Northumberland*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said County, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Wilson Seymour Conger*, of the Town of *Peterborough*, in the County of *Peterborough*, one of the United Counties of *Peterborough* and *Victoria*, Gentleman; *Charles Perry*, of the said Town of *Peterborough*, Esquire; and *Massam Boyd*, of the same place, Lumber Merchant, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said County, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That Mr. *Benjamin* have leave leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate part of the debt owing by the Municipality of the County of *Hastings*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dorion* have leave to bring in a Bill to erect the Townships of *Wendover* and *Simpson* into a separate Municipality.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Macbeth* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Charter of the *London* and *Port Stanley* Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Wright* have leave to bring in a Bill to charge the Corporation of the City of *Toronto* with the payment of the expense of taking care of, supporting, and maintaining certain prisoners in the common Gaol of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Wright* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to confirm certain roads in the Township of *Scarborough*, and to provide for defining other road allowances and lines in the said Township.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended as regards the Petition of the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbor of *Quebec*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Langevin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Pilots for and below the Harbor of *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *D. A. Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill to establish certain side lines in the Township of *Kenyon*, County of *Glengarry*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to bring in a Bill for the relief of certain persons, alleged subscribers to the stock-books under the original Act incorporating the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Somerville* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the 1st and 2nd Congregations of *Hinchinbrooke*, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church of *North America*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Rose* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 22 (1858) *Vic.*, chap. 36, intituled, "An Act to divide the Township of *Hemmingford*, "in the County of *Huntingdon*, into two separate Municipalities."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Knight* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Massawippi Valley* Railroad Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Tassé* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the limits of the Municipality of the East part of the Parish of *St. Antoine Abbé*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Richelieu* Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of certain Turnpike Roads in *Isle Jésus*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Terrebonne* Turnpike Road Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the Colonization of the wild lands in *Lower Canada*, be reduced to seven members.

Ordered, That the said Committee have leave to report from time to time.

The Honorable Mr. *Alley*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, dated 8th April, 1862, for copies of instructions given to Emigrant Agents abroad, correspondence, &c. (*Sessional Papers, No. 21.*)

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the Commercial Bank of the *Midland District*, and to change its corporate name to 'The Commercial Bank of *Canada*.'"

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chapter 19 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled "An Act respecting Division Courts."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bell*, (*North Lanark*) have leave to bring in a Bill further to amend the Act relating to the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Assessment Law of *Upper Canada*, so as to enable County Councils to sell unimproved lands of non-residents two years in arrears for taxes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled "An Act respecting Witnesses and Evidence."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, with respect to the Bureau of Agriculture.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fenwings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint this House that they have appointed the Honorable Messieurs *Simpson*, *Seymour*, *E. H. J. Duchesnay*, *Armstrong*, *Christie*, *Campbell*, *Des-saulles*, *Panet*, *Armand*, and *Perry*, to act on behalf of the Legislative Council as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses, on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature, and to unite with the Members of the Legislative Assembly named for that purpose in the Resolution, of which a copy is contained in the Message on that subject, received this day from this House.

And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of Chapters 36 and 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, with respect to the Registration of Titles to and the removal of incumbrances upon real estate in *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Association de François Xavier de Montréal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*, to borrow a certain sum of money for drainage and other purposes therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the "*Société Ecclesiastique du Diocese de St. Hyacinthe*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill intituled, "An Act futher to amend the Charter of the Bank of *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Street*, seconded by Mr. *Cameron*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act further to amend the Charter of the Bank of *Upper Canada*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Scathered* have leave to bring in a Bill to legalize certain investments of Clergy Reserve Money by the Corporation of the Township of *Lobo*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery attended, according to order, with the Return of the last election for the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, and the poll-books, papers and documents transmitted to him by the Returning Officer for the said Electoral Division, and laid the same before the House.

Ordered, That the Oath of Office of *Francis Cassidy*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire, Advocate, as one of the Deputy Returning Officers for the *St. Louis Ward*, in the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, at the last election held in the month of July last past, together with the certificate of *J. Belle*, Esquire, Returning Officer at said Election, touching said oath, be now read.

The same were severally read accordingly, as followeth :—

“I, the undersigned, *Francis Cassidy*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire, Advocate, appointed one of the Deputy Returning Officers for the *St. Louis Ward*, in the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, solemnly swear that I will act faithfully in my capacity as Deputy Returning Officer, without partiality, fear, favor or affection. So help me God.”

(Signed,)

F. CASSIDY,
Deputy Returning Officer.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify, that on the twenty-eighth day of the month of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, *Francis Cassidy*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire, Advocate, Deputy Returning Officer for the *St. Louis Ward*, in the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, took and subscribed the oath of office required in such case of a Deputy Returning Officer, by the Forty-fourth Section of the Sixth Chapter of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*. In testimony whereof, I have delivered to him this certificate under my hand.

(Signed,)

J. BELLE,
Returning Officer.

Ordered, That the entry opposite figures 99 on the 8th page of the Poll Book for *St. Louis Ward No. 3*, of the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, now on the table of this House, be now read.

The same was read accordingly, as followeth :—

99	Francis Cassidy.....	Advocate...	8, Sanguinet street..	Tenant.	Objected to on behalf of Mr. Cartier.	Candidate voted for. } Dorion.
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Mr. *Joseph Dufresne* moved, seconded by Mr. *Knight*, and the Question being put, That as it appears from the poll-book and documents therewith, of *St. Louis Ward*, No. 3, in the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, at the last election held in the month of July last past, that *Francis Cassidy*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire, Advocate, was duly appointed Deputy Returning Officer for said Ward, and duly took and subscribed the oath of office as such, and that the said *Francis Cassidy* neglected to perform the duties of such Deputy Returning Officer, and voted as an elector at the said election, he be summoned to appear at the Bar of this House, on the ninth day of May next, to be examined in reference to such apparent irregularity and to answer therefor.

The House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

Yeas :

Messieurs

Abbott,
Alleyn,
Anderson,
Ault,

Daoust,
DeCazes,
Denis,
Desaulniers,

Langevin,
Le Boutillier,
Macbeth,
Macdonald, Atty. Gen.

Robitaille,
Rose,
Ross, John J.
Ross, John S.

<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Mc Cann,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Bell (Russell)</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Morin, Sol. Gen.,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Fourmier,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Buchanan,</i>	<i>Gaudin,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>	<i>Tassé,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Price,</i>	<i>Walsh, and</i>
<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>White.—64.</i>

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark),</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Labreche-Viger,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dufresne, A.</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.</i>	<i>Sicotte,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. S.</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Stirton, and</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Houper,</i>	<i>McGee,</i>	<i>Wright.—39.</i>
<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. *Joseph Dufresne* moved, seconded by Mr. *Knight*, and the Question being put, That *J. Belle*, Esquire, Returning officer at the said Election; Mr. *J. Kelly*, Poll Clerk at the said Election, at Poll No. 3 in *St. Louis Ward*, and *Louis Marchand*, of *Montreal*, Merchant, Agent for the Honorable *George Etienne Cartier*, one of the Candidates at the said Election, be summoned to attend as witnesses at the Bar of this House on the ninth day of May next, in the said matter of *Francis Cassidy*, Deputy Returning Officer.

The House divided : and it was Resolved in the Affirmative.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,

The House adjourned.

Wednesday, 30th April, 1862.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Annual Report of the Provident Life Assurance and Investment Company, for the year ending 31st August, 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 9.*)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *Bell (of Russell)*,—The Petition of *A. Petrie* and others, of the first Concession of *Cumberland*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Cumberland*; and the Petition of *George Shaw* and others, of the eighth Concession of the Township of *Cumberland*, all of the County of *Russell*.

By Mr. *Dawson*,—The Petition of *Allan Gilmour* and others, Lumber Manufacturers of the *Ottawa*, and others interested in the Timber Trade.

By Mr. *McLachlin*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the United Townships of *Bagot* and *Blythefield*; and the Petition of *Edward Griffin* and others, of *McNab* and other Townships, Lumber Merchants.

By Mr. *Ryersen*,—The Petition of *James S. Henderson* and others, of the County of *Brant*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of *Firmin Lévesque*, of *Quebec*, Militiaman of the third Battalion of Incorporated Militia, during the last War with the *United States*.

By Mr. *Connor*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *North Norwich*, County of *Oxford*.

By Mr. *Scatcherd*,—The Petition of *G. W. Ross* and others, of the Township of *Lobo*, County of *Middlesex*.

By Mr. *Abbott*,—The Petition of *A. M. Delisle* and others, of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Street*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Humberstone*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of *Paul Gosselin* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Jean* and *St. François*, Island of *Orleans*, County of *Montmorency*.

By Mr. *Buchanan*,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of *Hamilton*; the Petition of *F. J. Rastrick* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; the Petition of the Reverend *John Hebden* and others, the Clergy and Church Wardens of the Church of the Ascension in the City of *Hamilton*; the Petition of the Reverend *Robert Irwin* and others, the Minister and Elders of *Knox Church*, in the City of *Hamilton*; and the Petition of the Rector and Church Wardens of *Christ Church, Hamilton*.

By Mr. *M. C. Cameron*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Reach*, County of *Ontario*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*,—The Petition of *E. Constant* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—Two Petitions of the Municipality of the Township of *Hullett*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Howick*, all of the County of *Huron*.

By Mr. *Benjamin*,—The Petition of *George C. Ward*, Registrar of the County of *Durham*; the Petition of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of *Canada East*; and the Petition of the Reverend *E. B. Rickman* and others, of the Parish of *Lacolle*.

By Mr. *Hébert*,—The Petition of *Adarique Lourandean* and others, of the Township of *Somerset*, County of *Megantic*.

By Mr. *Stirton*,—The Petition of *John Godfrey* and others, of the Village of *Elora* and vicinity.

By Mr. *Fortier*,—The Petition of *A. L. Gourn* and others, co-proprietors of the Common of the Seigniorship of *La Baie St. Antoine*.

By Mr. *Rymal*,—The Petition of *S. W. Marming* and others, of the Township of *Barton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of the Council of the *Quebec* Board of Trade.

By the Honorable Mr. *Alleyn*,—Two Petitions of the *Quebec* Board of Trade.

By Mr. *Dostaler*,—The Petition of *J. B. Lamère*, Mayor of the Town of *Sorel*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,—The Petition of *Edmund Hooper* and others.

By Mr. *Dorton*,—The Petition of *C. A. Pacaud* and others, of the Parish of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*; and the Petition of *François Mercier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Médard de Warwick*, County of *Drummond*.

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

Of *S. Piché* and others, of the Township of *Bulstrode*; praying that the sale of Government lands in the said Township may be postponed until next year, in order to give them time to prepare for the payment of the purchase money required by the late advertisement.

Of *Jean Beaubien* and others, of part of the Parishes of *Nicolet* and *Yamaska*; praying that the Parishes of *St. Gregoire*, *St. Pierre*, *Clestin*, *Nicolet* and *Ste Monique*, in the County of *Nicolet*, the Parishes of *St. Antoine de la Baie*, *St. Thomas de Pierreville* and *St. Zéphérin*, in the County of *Yamaska*, and the Township of *Aston*, with that part of *Wendover* joining the said Township of *Aston* to the south-west branch of the river *Nicolet*, in the County of *Drummond*, may be annexed to the Judicial District of *Three Rivers*.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Woodstock*, County of *Oxford*; praying for the repeal of the Act 24 *Vic.*, cap. 38, to amend the Assessment Act.

Of *Charles de Léry* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Joseph*, *Ste. Marie* and *St. François*, County of *Beauce*; praying for amendments to the 20th Section of the Act 24 *Vic.*, cap. 29, to amend the *Lower Canada* Consolidated Municipal Act.

Of the *Montreal* Board of Trade; praying for the repeal of the 4th Section of the Act 22 *Vic.*, cap. 55, to make better provision for regulating the measurement of coals, and for other purposes therein mentioned; and also for amendments to the 12th Section of the Act 10th and 11th *Vic.*, cap. 31, for repealing and consolidating the present duties of customs in this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *McGillivray*; praying for the passing of an Act to separate the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* from the County of *Huron*, and to annex the same to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Muria*, County of *Bonaventure*; praying aid for Colonization Roads.

Of the Reverend *John Machar*, D. D., and Session of *St. Andrew's Church*, *Kingston*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*,—and of the Reverend *R. V. Rogers*, M. A., and others, of the Congregation of *St. James Church*, *Kingston*; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Reverend *W. Fletcher* and others, of the Townships of East and West *Williams*, County of *Middlesex*; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *Malcolm McLeod*; praying that the *Red River* Settlement may be annexed to *Canada*.

Of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*; praying for aid.

Of *F. X. Dufault* and others, of the Parish of *St. Thérèse de Blainville*, County of *Terrebonne*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of the Community of the Sisters of Our Lady of Loretto, of the Town of *Guelph*,—and of the Community of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, of the Town of *Guelph*; severally praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *Joseph Savard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ambroise*, County of *Quebec*; praying that the *Quebec* Turnpike Road Commissioners may be relieved from the payment of £40,000, contracted for the macadamizing of Roads on the South Shore of the *St. Lawrence*.

Of the Reverend *J. B. St. Germain*, of the Parish of *St. Laurent*, County of *Jacques Cartier*; praying for amendments to the Act incorporating "L'Academie Industrielle" in the said Parish.

Of the Reverend *J. B. Gagnon* and others, of the County of *Chicoutimi*; praying for the opening of Colonization Roads and free grants in the Townships of *Simard*, *Tremblay* and *Harvey*; also for the survey of an augmentation to the Township of *Simard*.

Of the Right Reverend the Bishop, Clergy and Lay Delegates of the Church of *England* of the Diocese of *Ontario*, in Synod assembled; praying for an Act of incorporation conferring upon the Synod of the said Diocese all the rights and privileges of a corporate body, as the same are now possessed by all or any of the Diocesan Church Societies in this Province.

Of the Honorable *George Moffatt* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that no change may be made in the Municipality of *St. Lambert*.

Of *John Wilson* and others, of the Township of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray*; praying for the passing of an Act to separate the said Townships from the County of *Huron*, and to annex the same to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex*.

Of the Reverend *T. S. Provost* and others, of that part of the Township of *Cathcart*, lying to the north-east of the River *l'Assomption*; praying aid to erect a Bridge over the said River.

Of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Hamilton* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the College of *St. Ignatius*, in the Town of *Guelph*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Gosfield*; praying that any measure having

for its object to impose the railway and other indebtedness of the Municipalities upon the Province may not be entertained.

Of *Jacques Bourbeau* and others, of the parish of *St. Ambroise*, County of *Quebec*; praying that the legal rate of interest may be fixed at 6 per cent. per annum.

Of *A. Quintin dit Dubois* and others, of the Village of *Acton Vale*, County of *Bagot*; praying for the passing of an Act to determine the maximum rate of taxes which should be paid by the rate-payers of the said Village.

Of *P. H. Hébert* and others, of the Township of *Aston*, and of the 13th and 14th Ranges of *Wendover*; praying that the said Township and the 13th and 14th Ranges of *Wendover* may be detached from the District of *Arthabaska*, and annexed to the District of *Three Rivers*, for Judicial and other purposes

Of the Reverend *T. S. Provost* and others, of that part of the Township of *Cathcart* lying to the north-east of the River *l'Assomption*; praying aid to open out a road; and also for the erection of a Bridge in the said Township.

The Honorable Mr. *Alley*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, copy of a Despatch from the Colonial Secretary to His Excellency the Governor General, which was read, as followeth:

(Copy.)

No. 93.

DOWNING STREET,
12th April, 1862.

MY LORD,—You are aware that I duly received your Despatch, No. 4, of the 31st October last, reporting that at a meeting in the Council Chamber at *Quebec*, of Members of the Councils of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, and *New Brunswick*. it was resolved that those three Governments should renew the offer made to the Imperial Government on the 26th October, 1858, to aid in the construction of an Inter-Colonial Railway between *Halifax* and *Quebec*, and that a Delegation from the Province should proceed to England with the view of promoting this object.

You reported to me that the Honorable *Philip Vankoughnet* was appointed to represent *Canada*, and not long afterwards this gentleman, associated with the Honorable *Joseph Howe*, from *Nova Scotia*, and the Honorable *Samuel Tilley*, from *New Brunswick*, arrived in *England*.

I had several interviews with these gentlemen, who urged, with great ability, the project committed to their charge, and eventually embodied their views in a memorandum communicated to me in a letter dated the 2nd December, 1861.—But owing to the urgency of business connected with the threatening aspect of affairs in the United States, I was unable to bring the subject under the consideration of Her Majesty's Government before the Deputies were obliged to return to their homes, and other urgent matters have hitherto prevented the adoption of a decision. The subject has now been before Her Majesty's Government, and I need scarcely assure you that they have examined it with the care due to the importance of the question, to the high authorities from whom it has emanated in the Provinces, and to the character and position of the Delegates by whom it has been so powerfully presented to notice in this country.

The length of Railway necessary to complete the communication between *Halifax* and *Quebec*, is estimated at 350 miles, and the cost, after deducting the right of way, which the Province will provide, is estimated at three millions (£3,000,000) sterling. Such being the data supplied by the deputation, the project is that the Imperial Government should join the three Provinces in a guarantee of four per cent, upon three million pounds, (£3,000,000), in which case the Provinces are ready to pass Bills of supply for sixty thousand pounds (£60,000) a year—twenty thousand pounds (£20,000) in each Province—if the Imperial Government will do the same. The selection of the route is left solely to the British Government.

Should the sum of three million pounds (£3,000,000) be found insufficient, nothing very definite is said on the essential point of the provision to be made for the completion of the Railway.

I much regret to inform you that, after giving this subject their best consideration,

Her Majesty's Government have not felt themselves at liberty to concur in this mode of assistance. Anxious, however, to promote, as far as they can, the important object of completing the great line of Railway communication on British ground, between the *Atlantic* and the westernmost parts of *Canada*, and to assist the Provinces in a scheme which would so materially promote their interests, Her Majesty's Government are willing to offer to the Provincial Governments an Imperial guarantee of interest towards enabling them to raise, by public loan, if they should desire it, at a moderate rate, the requisite funds for constructing the Railway.

This was the mode of action contemplated by Earl *Grey* in the year 1851, and is the same method which was adopted by Parliament in the Act of 1842, in order to afford to *Canada* the benefit of British credit in raising the money with which she has completed her great system of internal water communications.

The nature and extent of the guarantee which Her Majesty's Government could undertake to recommend to Parliament, must be determined by the particulars of any scheme which the Provincial Governments may be disposed to found the present proposal, and on the kind of security which they would offer.

I fear that this course will not be so acceptable to the Provincial Governments as that which the Delegates were authorised to propose for consideration. It is, however, the only one in which Her Majesty's Government, after anxious deliberation, feel that they would be at liberty to participate. I trust that the proposal will, at all events, be received as a proof of their earnest wish to find some method in which they can co-operate with the Provinces in their laudable desire to complete a perfect Intercolonial communication over British Territory. And it will be a source of sincere pleasure to me if, adverting to all the different bearings of the subject, and to the condition of their respective finances, the Provincial Governments should end by finding it in their power to make use of the present offer, and to propound some practicable scheme for applying it to the attainment of the desired object.

I have addressed a similar despatch to the Lieutenant Governor of *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, and I must now leave the subject in the hands of the several Provincial Governments, who will best know, in case they prosecute the subject further, how to provide for the requisite mutual consultations.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

NEWCASTLE.

Governor

Viscount *Monck*.

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the said Despatch be printed in each of the English and French languages, for the use of the Members of this House.

Mr. Benjamin, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House, as the First Report of the said Committee, the Report of the Clerk of the Joint Committee of both Houses, on Printing, which was read as followeth:—

CONFERENCE CHAMBER,

Wednesday, 30th April, 1862.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee on Printing:—

GENTLEMEN,—Having, in my report last Session, set forth fully the changes that have been effected in the system of the Printing, by the appointment of the Joint Committee, and the practical result of the carrying out of the Rules and Regulations as adopted by them,—of the perfect control they insured,—the avoidance of waste,—and the consequent economy,—I, this Session, have merely to add that the experience of another year has proved the system to be a good one, easy of management, and with the like economy, as shewn by the Accounts I now hand in to the Committee.

Accompanying the Printing Accounts is a complete fyle of every document printed, each shewing on its endorse an exact statement, in detail, of its cost, &c. The vouchers are numbered, those of the Honorable the Legislative Council from 1 to 271,—and those of the Legislative Assembly from 1 to 810, inclusive.

The Printing Contract has been fairly carried out during the past year, and the Printing paper has been properly furnished as required.

The bound volumes of the Journals and Sessional Papers were not delivered in the time specified in the contract for the binding; and it may be necessary for the Committee to consider of some means to ensure the said contract, in that particular, being more faithfully carried out in future.

The Accounts now submitted shew the total cost for Printing, Printing Paper, Lithographing and Binding, for the two Houses, for the year 1861, to be \$21,493.19.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY HARTNEY,
Clerk, Joint Committee on Printing.

Mr. *Benjamin*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee beg leave to recommend that their Quorum be reduced to nine Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to nine Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the Special Committee on Immigration be reduced to seven Members.

Ordered, That Mr. *Scatcherd* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law in relation to Law Costs in Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law and Chancery in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Huot* have leave to bring in a Bill to erect that part of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec*, situate on the North side of the River *St. Charles*, into a separate Municipality.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Rose* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the appointment of a Port Warden for the Harbor of *Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Walsh* have leave to bring in a Bill, supplementary to the Act chapter 89 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, respecting the Registration of Deeds.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Walsh* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chap. 55 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, concerning assessment of Property.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Resolved, That a Special Committee of seven Members be appointed to enquire into the manner in which the Ocean Steamship Company, subsidized in virtue of several Acts of Parliament, has executed the contracts made with the Government, and the causes of the frequent shipwreck of their steamers, on their transatlantic voyages; to report thereon from time to time, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, Mr. *Langevin*, the Honorable Mr. *Galt*, Mr. *Laframboise*, the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, Mr. *Street*, and Mr. *Labrèche-Viger*, do compose the said Committee.

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte*, Mr. *DeBoucherville*, Mr. *Laframboise*, Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*, Mr. *Bureau* and Mr. *Sylvain*, be appointed to enquire as to the expediency of introducing into Canada the system of Landed Credit, (*Crédit Foncier*), and the principles upon which it ought to be organized; to report thereon from time to time, by Bill, Resolution, or otherwise, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

On motion of Mr. *McGee*, seconded by Mr. *Haultain*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence which may have taken place with the Imperial Government during the last twelve calendar months, in reference to the subject of the military defences of this Province.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Macbeth*, seconded by Mr. *Bell*, (North Lanark,)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, in detail,—

1stly, The amounts paid by Canadian Railways respectively for the expenses of inspection since the creation of Board of Inspectors;

2ndly. The amount of salaries paid to the Railway Inspectors and Secretary; amounts in arrear (if any) due by Railway Companies for inspection;

3rdly. The number of times the Railways were inspected, and the date of the several inspections, and the time occupied in inspection; and, also,

4thly. The cost of printing a certain Blue Book, purporting to be the Report of *Samuel Keefer*, Inspector of Railways, with the number of copies printed.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to his Excellency, the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Cowan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Poley*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Petitions and Correspondence that may have passed between the Government and the Municipal Councils of the County of *Waterloo* and any inhabitant thereof, or any person relative to the Division of the said County for registration purposes.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *White*, seconded by Mr. *Patrick*,

Resolved. That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the names of all persons, Municipal Officers, and others, who are in default in the payment of moneys received by them and payable to the Receiver General on account of Tavern Licenses.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question, which was on Monday, the twenty-eighth instant, proposed, That the Bill to amend "An Act respecting Separate Schools in Upper Canada," in so far as the same relates to Roman Catholic separate schools, be now read a second time.

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate, and the Question being again proposed, that the Bill be now read a second time,

Mr. *Morris* moved, in amendment to the question, seconded by Mr. *Haultain*, that the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

And a further Debate arising thereupon,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,
The House adjourned.

Thursday, 1st May, 1862.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Galt*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Ascot*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Carling*,—The Petition of *T. Kent* and others, of the County of *Middlesex*.

By Mr. *Connor*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Oxford*.

By Mr. *Crawford*,—The Petition of the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital.

By Mr. *Starnes*,—The Petition of the Municipality and Inhabitants of the Parish of *St. Joachim de Chateauguay*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Grey*.

By Mr. *M. C. Cameron*,—The Petition of the *Toronto* School of Medicine, in affiliation with the University of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Street*,—The Petition of *D. Bethune* and others, of the Town of *Port Hope*, County of *Durham*.

By Mr. *Smith*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Port Hope*.

By Mr. *Wallbridge*,—The Petition of *Robert C. Wilkins* and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte*,—The Petition of *B. C. A. Guy*, of the Parish of *Beauport*; and the Petition of Mrs. *Rosalie Archambault*, widow of the late *Jean Baptiste Brunelle*, of *St. Basile*.

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

Of *A. Sherrard* and others, of the Township of *Pickering*; of *G. K. Foster* and others, of the Township of *Cleveland*, County of *Richmond*; of *S. Waldron* and others, of the Village of *Sombra* and vicinity; and of *H. D. Hungerford* and others, of the County of *Shefford*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *E. Martin* and others, of the County of *Rimouski*; praying aid to repair a Wharf in the said County.

Of *John MacKay* and others, of the Counties of *Ottawa* and *Carleton*; praying for an Act of Incorporation to establish a Steam Ferry between the Village of *New Edinburgh*, in the Township of *Gloucester*, and the Village of *Waterloo*, in the Township of *Templeton*.

Of the Reverend *F. Caron* and others, of the Parish of *St. Henri*, County of *Lévis*; praying that the prayer of the Petition of *Paul Girard*, of *St. Gervais*, may not be granted.

Of the Reverend *H. Poulin* and others, of the Township of *Stukely*, County of *Shefford*; praying that a certain part of the Parish of *Ste. Anne de Stukely* may be formed into a separate Municipality.

Of the Reverend *F. A. Blouin* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Cécile du Bic*, County of *Rimouski*; praying aid to open out a Road in the said County.

Of *Robert Gullen* and others, of the Township of *Leeds*, County of *Megantic*; praying aid for a Road.

Of the Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in *Canada*; praying for a grant of money to the *Victoria* College; and also, to amend the University Act so as to

place all Colleges in *Upper Canada* upon the same footing and on equal terms in regard to public aid, &c.

Of *Charles Langevin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ambroise de la Jeune Lorette* and other places, County of *Quebec*; praying that the Road called "La Route de la Misère" may be macadamized.

Of *W. McEdward* and others, County of *Glengarry*, superannuated Teachers; praying that the Superannuated Teachers' Fund may be increased.

Of *Joseph Savard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ambroise*, County of *Quebec*; praying aid for Roads.

Of the Session of the *Canada* Presbyterian Church of *St. Catharines*; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ontario*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the payment to witnesses attending the Courts of Assize and General Quarter Sessions of the Peace on behalf of the Crown to give evidence in criminal cases.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ontario*; praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Gabriel* West, County of *Quebec*; praying aid to erect a Bridge over the River *Jacques Cartier*.

Of the Reverend *A. Bouchard* and others, of the United Townships of *Garthby* and *Stratford*, County of *Wolfe*; praying aid for a Road in the said County.

Of the Medical School of *Kingston*, in connection with the University of *Queen's* College; praying for aid.

Of *John Ritchey* and others, Trustees of the *Drummondville* Mining Company; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Toronto* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the Boys' Industrial School of the Gore of *Toronto*.

Of the North-West Transit Company; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Barrie*; praying that 10,000,000 of acres of land in *Canada*, on the northern shore of *Lake Superior*, be granted to the *Georgian Bay Ship Canal* Company, to be vested in them in fee simple on the completion of the Canal, and for other purposes.

Of *Richard Haselden*, of the City of *Hamilton*; praying for the passing of an Act to alter and amend the Act of Incorporation of the *Preston* and *Berlin* Railway Company; and to authorize him to extend the said Road from the Town of *Berlin* to the Village of *Waterloo*, and for other purposes.

Of *J. R. Delisle* and others, of *Stratford* and other Townships, County of *Wolfe*; praying that Messieurs *C. S. Clark* and Company may be compelled to remove the Dam constructed by them over the River *St. Francis*, near *Lake Aylmer*, whereby the adjoining lands and roads are inundated, and cause great damage to the Petitioners.

Of *Joseph Savard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ambroise*, County of *Quebec*; praying for an enquiry into the working of the Law respecting Sheriff's Sales, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That Mr. *Taschereau* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 24 Vic., cap. 29, intituled, "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Consolidated Municipal "Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Thomas Mayne Daly*, of *Stratford*, in the County of *Perth*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said County, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Eugene Urgel Piché*, Esquire, Advocate, heretofore of the Village of *Berthier*, in the District of *Richelieu*, at present of the Town of *Sorel*,

complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Berthier*, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *William Bishop*, of the Town of Woodstock, in the County of *Oxford*, Elector of the North Riding of the County of *Oxford*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said North Riding of the County of *Oxford*, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Placide Octave Morin*, Brewer, and *Louis C. Marion*, Baker, of the Parish of *St. Jacques*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Montcalm*, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Edouard René Demers*, Esquire, Notary, residing in the Parish of *St. George de Henryville*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Iberville*, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Denis Emery Papineau*, Esquire, Notary, *Cyrille Archambault*, Esquire, Advocate, and *Rodolphe Laflamme*, Esquire, Advocate, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Alexander Moffatt*, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, in the County and District of *Quebec*, in the Province of *Canada*, Trader, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Gabriel Lenoir dit Rolland*, of the City and District of *Montreal*, Merchant and Trader, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Hochelaga*, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *David Roblin*, of the Village of *Napanee*, in the County of *Lennox* and *Addington*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said County, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Hugh Bowlsby Wilson*, of the Township of *Saltfleet*, in the County of *Wentworth*, and Province of *Canada*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the South Riding of the said County, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Alexander Shields* and *William Chisholm*, of the County of *Peel*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said County, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Phillip Wing*, of the Township of *Rear of Yonge* and *Escott*, in the South Riding of *Leeds*, in the Province of *Canada*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said South Riding of the County of *Leeds*, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *John Scoble*, of *Glenbanner*, in the Township of *Farmouth*, in the County of *Elgin*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the West Riding of the said County of *Elgin*, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Pierre Giroux*, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostome*, Merchant, and Warden of the County of *Lévis*, and others, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said County, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Francis Henry Burton*, of the Town of *Port Hope*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Durham*, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fortier* have leave to bring in a Bill to exempt from seizure the salaries and household effects of School Teachers.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act chaptered twenty-four of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respecting Municipalities and Roads in Lower Canada.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Simpson* have leave to bring in a Bill to exempt the Town of *Niagara* and the Townships of *Gainsborough* and *Caistor* from liabilities incurred by the assumption of the *Queenston* and *Grimby* Macadamised Road by the County Council of *Lincoln*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Simpson* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Charter of the *Eric* and *Ontario* Railroad Company, and to authorise the Corporation of the Town of *Niagara* to sell and convey their interest in the said Railroad.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Crawford*, seconded by Mr. *Jackson*,
Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,

1stly.—A return of the number of Post Offices and miles of Post Road in *Upper Canada* and *Lower Canada*, (separately), existing in 1791, 1801, 1811, 1821, 1831, 1841, 1851 and 1861, or as many of these periods or as near to them as can be found ;

2ndly.—A return of the number of registered vessels owned in Canada, distinguishing inland from seagoing, and steamers from sailing vessels, for each of the above periods, or as far back as can be ascertained ;

3rdly.—A return of all Plank, Gravel, and Macadamised Roads in each County of *Upper Canada* and *Lower Canada*, constructed under the authority of the Government since the Union.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Simpson*, the Honorable Mr. *Galt*, Mr. *Street*, Mr. *Howland* and Mr. *White*, be appointed to enquire as to the expediency of Legislative action, or of procedure at Law, in reference to the charters granted to the Bank of *Clifton* and the Western Bank of *Canada* ; to report thereon from time to time ; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

On motion of Mr. *Price*, seconded by Mr. *Taschereau*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the Townships of the Crown in *Lower Canada* entitled to share in the Fund voted to the Townships of *Lower Canada* by the Seigniorial Amendment Act of 1859, stating, at the same time, the population of each Township, as ascertained by the late census, and the amount that each Township is entitled to under the said Act.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Bourassa*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of all correspondence or negotiation which may have taken place between the Imperial Government and our own Government on the subject of the Military defence of this country, since the Report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons appointed to enquire into military colonial expenditure was laid before the Imperial Parliament in July last, with all papers, documents, reports, and minutes of evidence accompanying such correspondence or negotiation.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House to the fact, that a clerical error had occurred in the Report made by him, on Monday, the 28th April last, with respect to the Order in which the Recognizances, therein stated to be unobjectionable, were placed, and submitted to the House the following Report as being the correct one :—

THURSDAY, 1st May, 1862.

Mr. Speaker Reports to the House :—

That the Recognizances in the following cases are unobjectionable :—

Petition of *Egerton Fish Ryerson* and others, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Perth*.

Petition of *Robert Nugent Watts* and others, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the United Counties of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*.

Petition of *Charles Francois Painchaud*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Verchères*.

Petition of *Wilson Seymour Conger* and others, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Peterborough*.

Petition of *Flavien Renault Blanchard*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Shefford*.

Petition of *Simon Baquet*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Bellechasse*.

And Petition of *Adam Henry Meyers*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the amendment which was, on Monday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Bill to amend "An Act respecting separate schools in *Upper Canada*," in so far as the same relates to Roman Catholic separate schools, be now read a second time; and which amendment was, That the word "now" be left out, and the words, "this day six months," added at the end thereof.

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question on the amendment being again proposed,

And the House having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 2nd May, 1862.

And the Question on the amendment being put, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

Yeas :

Messieurs

Bell, (North Lanark,) *Ferguson*,
Biggar, *Haultain*,
Burwell, *McDougall*,
Cameron, M. C.

Morris,
Mowat,
Munro,
Notman,
Scatcherd, and
Stirton,—13.

Nays :

Messieurs.

— *Abbott*,
Alley,
+ *Anderson*,
Archambault,
— *Ault*,
Baby,
Daoust,
Dawson,
De Boucherville,
De Cazes,
Denis,
Desaulniers,

— *Huntington*,
Huot,
Jobin,
— *Joly*,
Kierzkowski,
— *Knight*,
Prévost,
— *Price*,
— *Rankin*,
Rémillard,
— *Robinson*,
Robitaille,

Beaubien,	— Dickson,	Laframboise,	Ross, John J.,
— Bell, (Russell),	Dorion,	Langevin,	— Rymal,
+ Benjamin,	Dostaler,	Loranger,	Scott,
Beaudreau,	Drummond,	— Macbeth,	— Sherwood,
Blanchet,	Dufresne, Alexandre,	Macdonald, Atty-Gen.	Sicotte,
Bourassa,	Dufresne, Joseph,	Macdonald, Donald A.	Simard,
— Bowen,	— Dunkin,	Macdonald, John S.	— Simpson,
Brousseau,	Dunsford,	— Mc Cann,	— Somerville,
Buchanan,	Evanturel,	McGee,	Starnes,
+ Cameron, J. H.,	— Foley,	— McLaughlin,	— Street,
— Carling,	Fortier,	Mongenais,	Sylvain,
Caron,	Fournier,	Morin, Sol.-Gen.,	Taschereau,
Cartier Atty. Gen.,	Gagnon,	— Morrison,	Tassé,
Cauchon,	Gaudet,	— O'Halloran,	— Tett,
Chapais,	— Harcourt,	Patrick,	— Walbridge,
— Connor,	Hébert,	— Portman,	— Walsh, and
— Cowan,	— Hooper,	Poupore,	— Wilson.—93.
— Crawford,			

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. Scott, the Hon. Mr. Attorney General Macdonald, Mr. Crawford, Mr. McCann, Mr. Bell, (Russell), Mr. Anderson, Mr. Bown, and the Hon. Mr. Foley, to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

On Motion of Mr. Benjamin, seconded by Mr. Bell, (North Lanark),

Resolved that this House doth concur in the report made this day, by Mr Speaker to this House, of the unobjectionable Recognizances, in certain contested Elections; and that the same be substituted for the Report on the same subject made by Mr. Speaker, on Monday last.

Then, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Attorney General Cartier, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Attorney General Macdonald,

The House adjourned.

Friday, 2nd May, 1862.

Mr. Speaker, acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter, in the matter of the Petition of *Alexander Shields* and *William Chisholm*, of the County of *Peel*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Peel*.

TORONTO TOWNSHIP,
April 24th, 1862.

Hon. Mr. Turcotte,

SIR,—We hereby inform you that we will proceed no further in contesting the right of the Hon. *J. H. Cameron* to sit as Member in the Legislative Assembly for the County of *Peel*, and request that all proceedings under the Election Petition presented by us may be stayed.

We have the honor to be,

Your obedient servants,

ALEX. SHIELDS,
WILLIAM CHISHOLM.

I certify that the above signatures are genuine,

JOHN WHITE.

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The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*,—The Petition of the Reverend *W. Taylor*, D.D., and other Ministers of the Synod of the *Canada* Presbyterian Church.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—Two Petitions of the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railroad Company.

By Mr. *Haultain*,—The Petition of the *Mooretown* Division, No. 153, Sons of Temperance; the Petition of the Reverend *S. E. Mandsley* and others, members of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, in the Township of *Roxborough*; the Petition of the Official Board of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, in the City of *Kingston*; the Petition of *A. M. Gunn* and others, of the Village of *Port Stanley* and vicinity; the Petition of *T. G. Young* and others, of the Village of *Pittsburgh*; the Petition of *John Dennis* and others, of the Village of *Springfield* and vicinity; the Petition of *John Cowen* and others, of the Village of *Moore*; and the Petition of *J Crawford* and others, of the Township of *Chiniquacousy*.

By Mr. *Daoust*,—Two Petitions of the Reverend *L. J. Guyon* and others, of Parish of *St. Eustache*, County of *Two Mountains*.

By Mr. *Biggar*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Moore*; the Petition of *W. Scott* and others, of the Village of *Glenwilliams* and vicinity; the Petition of *John Pace* and others, of the Village of *Sparta* and vicinity; the Petition of the Reverend *J. Natrass* and others, of the Township of *Markham*; and the Petition of *G. W. Albertson* and others, of the County of *Halton*.

By Mr. *Mongenais*,—The Petition of the Reverend *B. Ricard* and others, of *L'Isle Perrot*; and the Petition of the Reverend *P. Bélanger* and others, of the Parish of *St. Régaud*, both of the County of *Vaudreuil*.

By Mr. *Hooper*,—Two Petitions of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of *Canada West*.

By Mr. *M. C. Cameron*,—The Petition of *George Brabazon* and others, of the Township of *Reach*.

By Mr. *John J. Ross*,—The Petition of the Reverend *N. T. B. Olscamps* and others, of *St. Stanislas* and other Parishes.

By Mr. *Burwell*,—The Petition of *N. Patton* and others, of *Bishop's Mills*; and the Petition of *F. Kirkpatrick* and others, of the Township of *Osnabruck*.

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Abbott*,—The Petition of Messieurs *Black* and *Perry* and others, Merchants, Forwarders, and others interested in the navigation of the *Ottawa* River.

By the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Waterloo*.

By Mr. *Tassé*,—The Petition of *T. Sawé* and others, of the County of *Jacques Cartier*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of the Provisional Council of the County of *Peel*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Albion*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Toronto Gore*; The Petition of the Provident Life Assurance and Investment Company; and the Petition of the *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* Railway Company.

By Mr. *Crawford*,—the Petition of Mrs. *J. M. Ford*, of *Brockville*, Widow and Administrator of the estate of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*, Esquire, and others.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,—Two Petitions of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of *Kingston*; and the Petition of *Robert Brydon* and others, of the South Riding of the County of *Waterloo*.

By Mr. *Huot*,—Two Petitions of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch de Quebec*.

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

Of *Edmund Hooper* and others; of *S. W. Marming* and others, of the Township of *Barton*; of *John Godfrey* and others, of the Village of *Elora* and vicinity; of the Reverend *E. B. Ryckman* and others, of the Parish of *Lacolle*; of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of *Canada East*; of *James S. Henderson* and others, of the

County of *Brant*; and of *G. W. Ross* and others, of the Township of *Lobo*, County of *Middlesex*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Reverend *John Hebden* and others, the Clergy and Church Wardens of the Church of the Ascension, in the City of *Hamilton*; of the Reverend *Robert Irvine* and others, the Minister and Elders of Knox's Church, in the City of *Hamilton*; and of the Rector and Church Wardens of *Christ Church*, *Hamilton*; severally praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *A. Petrie* and others, of the First Concession of *Cumberland*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Cumberland*; and of *George Shaw* and others, of the Eighth Concession of the Township of *Cumberland*, all of the County of *Russell*; severally praying that the Act 23 Vic., cap. 101, authorizing the running of side lines in the said Concession from post to post, as in the original Survey, may not be amended.

Of *A. M. Delisle* and others, of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of the "*Lower Canada Trust and Loan Company*."

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Hamilton*; praying for the passing of a measure to relieve the said City from their Railway indebtedness.

Of *F. J. Rastrick* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of the "*St. George's Benevolent Society, of Hamilton*."

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Reach*, County of *Ontario*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish and confirm certain Roads in the said Township.

Of *E. Contant* and others of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "*l'Union St. Pierre de Montreal*."

Of the *Quebec* Board of Trade; praying for amendments to the Act to incorporate the Pilots for and below the Harbour of *Quebec*.

Of *J. B. Lamère*, Mayor of the Town of *Sorel*; praying for amendments to the Act to provide for the more general adoption of the practice of vaccination.

Of *Allan Gilmour* and others, Lumber Manufacturers of the *Ottawa*, and others interested in the Timber Trade; praying for certain ameliorations in the regulations affecting the said Timber Trade.

Of *George C. Ward*, Registrar of the County of *Durham*; praying for compensation for the loss of fees which he has sustained in consequence of the establishment of another Registry Office in the said County.

Of *A. L. Gouin* and others, co-proprietors of the Common of the Seigniorship of *La Baie St. Antoine*; praying that the prayer of the petition of *Mrs. Marie J. E. Lozeau*, of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste de Nicolet*, may not be granted.

Of the Municipality of the United Townships of *Bagot* and *Blythfield*; praying for the passing of the Act to detach the said Townships from the County of *Renfrew*, and attach them to the County of *Lanark*, for municipal and judicial purposes.

Of *Edward Griffin* and others, of *McNab* and other Townships, Lumber Merchants; praying aid for the construction of a Road from the mouth of the *Madawaska River* to the *Opeongo Road* near *Mount St. Patrick*.

Of *Firmin Levesque*, of *Quebec*, Militiaman of the Third Battalion of Incorporated Militia during the last war with the *United States*; praying that the pension granted him in 1860, for his services during the said war, may date from 1814, in which year he was wounded.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *North Norwich*, County of *Oxford*; praying for the passing of a measure to stay the proceedings of the Government against the said Municipality, and to relieve them from their indebtedness to the Municipal Loan Fund.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Hullet*, County of *Huron*; praying that the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* may be separated from the County of *Huron*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Hullet*, County of *Huron*; praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Howick*, County of *Huron*; praying for the repeal of the Petty Trespass Act.

Of *Adarique Lawrandeau* and others, of the Township of *Somerset*, County of *Megantic*; praying that the Bill respecting the Militia may not become law.

Of the Council of the *Quebec* Board of Trade; praying that no Act may be passed to incorporate the Ship Labourers of the Port of *Quebec*.

Of *François Mercier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Médard de Warwick*, County of *Drummond*; praying for amendments to the Representation Act.

Of *C. A. Pacaud* and others, of the Parish of *Norbert d'Arthabaska*; praying for the passing of an Act for the protection of squatters.

Of the *Quebec* Board of Trade; praying for amendments to the Cullers' Act.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Humberstone*; praying that some measure may be adopted to cause the sale of the lands known as the *Dorchester Glebe Lands*.

Of *Paul Gosselin* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Jean* and *St. François*, *Island of Orleans*, County of *Montmorency*; praying aid to effect certain improvements to prevent the overflowing of the *Rivière Belle Fine*.

Mr. *White*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that the notices are sufficient in each case: Of *John Larkin* and others, of the Township of *King*, for an Act to establish a certain survey; of the Great Western Railway Company of *Canada*, and Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*; of the Town Council of the Town of *Brantford*, in relation to the works of the *Grand River* Navigation Company; of *N. Merritt* and others, for incorporation of the *Hamilton* Powder Company; of the Provisional Directors of the Merchants' Bank of the City of *Montreal*; of *James Torrance* and others, of *Montreal*, for incorporation of the *Victoria* Skating Club; of the City and District Savings Bank of *Montreal*; of *H. Abbott* and others, for incorporation of the *Montreal* Racket Club; of the Town Council of the Town of *Port Hope*, for an amendment of the Act to consolidate the debt of the said Town; of the Town Council of the Town of *Lévis*, for amendments to their Act of Incorporation; of the Right Reverend the Bishop, Clergy, and Lay Delegates of the Church of *England*, of the Diocese of *Ontario*, in Synod assembled, for an Act of Incorporation; and of *John Mackay* and others, for an Act of incorporation to establish a steam ferry at *New Edinburgh*.

The following Petitions have also been examined, and are not, in the opinion of your Committee, of a nature to require the publication of notice:—Of the Reverend *J. B. St. Germain*, for amendments to the Act incorporating the *Académie Industrielle de St. Laurent*; of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Hamilton* and others, for the incorporation of the College of *St. Ignatius*, at *Guelph*; of the Community of the Sisters of Our Lady of *Loretto*, of the Town of *Guelph*; and of the Community of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, of the Town of *Guelph*, both for an Act of Incorporation.

On the Petition of *Robert Boyd* and others, of the Village of *Aurora*, for incorporation of that Village, your Committee find that the notice, though given for the full time in the *Canada Gazette*, was published only for one month in the local paper. The locality affected being very limited in extent, your Committee have no doubt that all parties are sufficiently notified of the application, and they therefore beg to recommend that the notice be considered sufficient.

On the Petition of *P. H. Hébert* and others, praying that the Township of *Aston*, and the 13th and 14th Ranges of *Wendover* may be detached from the District of *Arthabaska*, and annexed to that of *Three Rivers*, for all purposes, your Committee find that no notice was given; but the Members representing the localities having represented that there is no opposition to the change, and no difference of opinion as to its necessity, they beg to recommend the suspension of the 51st Rule.

Mr. *Simpson*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have had under their consideration a work prepared by Mr. *Todd*, Chief Clerk of the Private Bill Office, for explaining the course of proceeding in Private Bills in the Provincial Legislature; and believing that the work in question will be exceedingly useful to all the Members of the House, they have much pleasure in

recommending that 160 copies be subscribed for now, in order that each Member may be furnished with a copy for use during the present Session; and that it be kept in type, so that any alterations made during this Session may be introduced and embodied therein, and 300 copies of the complete work then obtained for distribution among the Members and Departments of the two Houses.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, that they had appointed the following days for choosing the Select Committees to try the matter of the Petitions complaining of undue Elections and Returns for the following places:

County of Essex:—Tuesday, 20th May, at 11 A.M., from Panel C, No. 2.

City of Montreal (West):—Tuesday, 13th May, at 11 A.M., from Panel A, No. 1.

Counties of Drummond and Arthabaska:—Tuesday, 13th May, at 11 A.M., from Panel A, No. 1.

County of Verchères:—Tuesday, 13th May, at 12, noon, from Panel A, No. 1.

County of Peterborough:—Tuesday, 20th May, at 11 A.M., from Panel C, No. 2.

County of Shefford:—Tuesday, 13 May, at 12, noon, from Panel A, No. 1.

County of Bellechasse:—Tuesday, 20th May, at 12, noon, from Panel C, No. 2.

East Riding of the County of Northumberland:—Tuesday, the 20th May, at 12, noon, from Panel C, No. 2.

Mr. *Benjamin*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee recommend that the Printing of the Third Readings of Bills be henceforth transferred to the contractor for the Legislative Printing.

Mr. *Benjamin*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have carefully examined the documents referred to in the following Motions for Printing, viz:

By Mr. *McGee*,—Petition of *John Lewis* and others, Representatives of the British and German National Societies of *Montreal*, concerning the Emigration Department.

By Mr. *Benjamin*,—Report of the Inspectors of Prisons, Asylums, &c. The Committee recommend that the above documents be printed for the use of Members.

By Mr. *Price*,—Report of the Inspector of Agencies for *Lower Canada*. The Committee recommend that the document be printed, 500 copies in French and 250 in English, for the use of Members.

Ordered, That Mr. *Alexandre Dufresne* have leave to bring in a Bill to enable *Moise Martin Mitivier* to undergo an examination for admission to practice Medicine, Surgery and Midwifery.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Alexandre Dufresne* have leave to bring in a Bill to render valid the election and proceedings of the Trustees for the erection of a Catholic Church in the Parish of *St. Brigide*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered That Mr. *Tassé* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Charter of the Industrial Academy of *St. Laurent*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable *J. S. Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the fusion of certain Railway Companies.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That it be an instruction to the Clerk of this House to carry into effect the recommendation of the Committee contained in the said Report.

Ordered, That Mr. *Buchanan* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton Powder Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Abbott* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Merchants' Bank*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Abbott* have leave to bring in a Bill to define and extend the powers of the *City and District Savings' Bank of Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Abbott* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Montreal Racket Court Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morris* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Victoria Skating Club of Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Patrick* have leave to bring in a Bill to appropriate the share of the *Township of Augusta* in the *Upper Canada Municipality Fund* to Common School purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Brousseau* have leave to bring in a Bill concerning prosecutions for the unlawful sale of *Intoxicating Liquors*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended as regards a Bill to annex the *Township of Aston* and part of the *Township of Wendover* to the *County of Nicolet*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Gaudet* have leave to bring in a Bill to annex the *Township of Aston* and part of the *Township Wendover* to the *County of Nicolet*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Scatcherd* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the sixty-sixth chapter of the *Consolidated Statutes of Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Railways."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Wilson* have leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating the *Village of Aurora*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Wilson* have leave to bring in a Bill to establish and continue a survey in the Township of *King*, in the County of *York*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to confirm the navigation, property and income of the Grand River Navigation Company in the Municipal Corporation of the Town of *Brantford*, and transfer to and vest in the said Corporation all the rights, powers, privileges, and immunities which were conferred upon the said Company by its charter.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Cartier* have leave to bring in a Bill to alter the name of office of the Inspectors and Superintendents of Police for the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of Chapter 77 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada* in matters of appeal.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the Reports of Messrs. *Godley*, *Hamilton*, and *Elliot*, Imperial Commissioners appointed to report on the subject of Colonial Defences in 1859; and the Report of the Committee of the House of Commons of 1861, on the same subject, be printed in each of the English and French languages, for the use of the Members of this House.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 17.)

The Order of the Day being read for the House in Committee to consider of the motion made, on Monday, the seventh of April last, that a supply be granted to Her Majesty,

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Benjamin* reported, that the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received, on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill for facilitating the conveyance, by the Trust and Loan Company of *Upper Canada*, of lands in the Province of *Canada*, by and through their Commissioners or Attorneys, being read.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill for regulating the costs of Arbitrators in *Upper Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, Mr. *Crawford*, the Honorable *J. S. Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, Mr. *Connor*, Mr. *Morrison*, and Mr. *Scatcherd*; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *St. Lawrence Assurance Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Act 23 Vic., chap. 50, and to amend an Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, so far as relates to Recorders' Courts, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter 45, Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, respecting Mortgages and Sales of personal property, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Militia, being read;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, and the question being proposed,

That the Bill be now read a second time;

And a Debate arising thereupon, Mr. *Desaulniers* moved, seconded by Mr. *Tassé*, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn, it passed in the negative.

And the House having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock, on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 3rd May, 1862.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And a further Debate arising thereupon;

The House adjourned until Monday next.

Monday, 5th May, 1862.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Return of the British American Assurance Company, to 31st December, 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 9.*)

Mr. Speaker reported to the House,—That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Eugène Urgel Piché*, Esquire, Advocate, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Berthier*, is objectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House,—That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Edouard René Demers*, Esquire, Notary, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Iberville*, is objectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House,—That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Gabriel Lenoir dit Rolland*, Merchant and Trader, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Hochelaga*, is objectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House,—That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Hugh Bowsby Willson*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the South Riding of the County of *Wentworth*, is objectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House,—That the Recognizance to the Petition of *William Bishop*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the North Riding of the County of *Oxford*, is unobjectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House,—That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Francis Henry Burton*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, is unobjectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House,—That the Recognizance to the Petition of *John Scoble*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the West Riding of the County of *Elgin*, is unobjectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House,—That the Recognizance to the Petition of *Philip Wing*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the South Riding of the County of *Leeds*, is unobjectionable.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *Bourassa*,—The Petition of *Louis Lacasse*, senior, of the Town of *St. Johns*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*,—the Petition of *John Ratchiff* and others; and the Petition of *A. McKenzie* and others, both of the Township of *East Whitby*.

By Mr. *Daoust*,—The Petition of *Joseph Rodrigue* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Scholastique*, County of *Two Mountains*.

By Mr. *Dawson*,—The Petition of *W. D. Leslie* and others, of *Hull* and other Townships.

By Mr. *Burwell*,—The Petition of *Stephen Moore* and others, of the Township of *Fitzroy*, County of *Carleton*; and the Petition of *R. Richardson* and others, of *Medonte*, County of *Simcoe*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Chinguacousy*, County of *Peel*; and the Petition of *William Fraser*, of the Town of *Port Hope*.

By Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of *Thomas Osgood*, of the County of *Shefford*; and the Petition of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Mongenais*,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. Aubry* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Marthe*, County of *Vaudreuil*.

By Mr. *Baby*,—The Petition of the Municipality of *St. Jean Baptiste de L'Isle Verte*.

By Mr. *Rylbert*,—The Petition of *Richard Woodruff* and others; the Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *St. Catherines*; the Petition of the Municipality of *Grimsbey*; and the Petition of *John McCarter* and others, all of the County of *Lincoln*.

By Mr. *J. J. Ross*,—The Petition of *P. O. Trudel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Tite*, County of *Champlain*.

By Mr. *Caron*,—The Petition of *Magloire Lafonds* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de Maskinongé*, County of *Maskinongé*.

By Mr. *Dostaler*,—The Petition of *F. G. Lafond* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Barthelemy* and *Berthier*, County of *Berthier*.

By Mr. *Scatcherd*,—The Petition of *A. C. Alwood* and others, of the Townships of *Lobo* and *London*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,—The Petition of the *Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company*.

By Mr. *Patrick*,—The Petition of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance, *Canada East*.

By Mr. *Harcourt*,—The Petition of *C. McPherson* and others, of the Township of *East Gwillimbury*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—Two Petitions of the Municipality of the Township of *Bruce*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Morris*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Grey*.

By Mr. *Powell*,—The Petition of *S. Band* and others, of the Township of *Fitzroy*, County of *Carleton*; and three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carleton*.

By Mr. *Jobin*,—The Petition of *Urgel Sibert dit Bélair* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Paul* and *St. Charles Borromée*, County of *Joliette*.

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Bell* (North *Lanark*),—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Lanark*.

By Mr. *Huot*,—The Petition of *L'Association de L'Union St. Roch*.

By Mr. *Haultain*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Peterborough*; the Petition of the Congregation of *St. Paul's Church, Kingston*; the Petition of *William Stafford* and others, of the Village of *Wardsville* and vicinity; the Petition of *J. Foley*

and others, of the Township of *Belmont*, County of *Peterborough*; and the Petition of the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway Company*.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of *William Montgomery* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre de Durham*, County of *Drummond*.

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

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Kingston*; praying for amendments to the Assessment Act of *Upper Canada*; and also, for certain measures in relation to Coroners.

Of the *Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company*; praying aid to construct a Harbour of Refuge at *Goderich*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Waterloo*; praying that the said County may not be divided into two Registration Districts.

Of the *Montreal and Champlain Railroad Company*; praying for authority to make a further issue of Preferential Bonds, to relieve them of their present embarrassments.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch de Quebec*; praying for amendments to the Municipal Act of *Lower Canada*.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Kingston*; praying that any measure having for its object to impose the Railway and other indebtedness of the Municipalities upon the Province, may not be entertained.

Of Messieurs *Black and Perry* and others, Merchants, Forwarders and others, interested in the Navigation of the *Ottawa River*; praying that measures may be adopted to render perfect the navigation at and near the *St. Ann's Lock*, at the upper end of the Island of *Montreal*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Albion*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Toronto Gore*; and of the Provisional Council of the County of *Peel*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to repeal all special Acts having reference to the separation of the County of *Peel* from the County of *York*.

Of the Reverend *N. J. B. Olscamps* and others, of *St. Stanislas* and other Parishes; praying aid to erect a Bridge over the River *Bastican*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Beauce*; praying that no further amount be granted for the construction of the Public Buildings at *Ottawa*.

Of Mrs. *J. M. Ford*, of *Brockville*, widow and administratrix of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*, Esquire, and others; praying for the passing of an Act to empower her, either solely or in conjunction with Trustees, to sell, manage and dispose of the lands and real estate of the deceased *David B. Ogden Ford*, who died intestate, and to apply the proceeds to the payment of debts, and the maintenance and education of his children.

Of the Municipality and inhabitants of the Parish of *St. Joachim de Chateauguay*; praying for amendments to the Municipal Act of *Lower Canada*.

Of the Trustees of the *Toronto General Hospital*; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to issue new Debentures to the amount of £10,000, bearing interest at 8 per cent per annum, payable in twenty years from the date thereof, and to substitute such new Debentures for those issued under the provisions of the Act 16 Vic., Cap. 220.

Of *Robert C. Wilkins* and others; praying for a grant of money, for the purpose of surveying and building a Canal between the head-waters of the Bay of *Quinté* and Lake *Ontario*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Oxford*; praying for amendments to the Jury Laws of *Upper Canada*.

Of *B. C. A. Guggy*, of the Parish of *Beauport*; complaining of certain grievances, and praying relief in the premises.

Of the *Toronto School of Medicine*, in affiliation with the University of *Toronto*; praying for aid.

Of Mrs. *Rosalie Archambault*, widow of the late *Jean Baptiste Brunelle*, of *St. Barnabé*; praying for arrears of Pension due her late husband, for wounds received during the war of 1812.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Port Hope*; praying that the Bill to legalize By-Law No. 128, of the said Town, and the issue of the Debentures therein mentioned, may not become Law.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Grey*; of the Reverend *L. J. Guyon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eustache*, County of *Two Mountains*; and of the Municipality of the Township of *Ascot*; severally praying that no further aid may be given to the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*.

Of *D. Bethune*, and others, of the Town of *Port Hope*, County of *Durham*; of *J. Kent* and others, of the County of *Middlesex*; severally praying for amendments to the Bill respecting the Militia.

Of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of *Canada West*; praying for an Asylum for Inebriates.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Beauce*; praying that the legal rate of interest may be fixed at 7 per cent. per annum.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch de Quebec*; praying aid for a road.

Of the Provident Life Assurance and Investment Company; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railroad Company; praying that they may be relieved from the Annual tax levied on them by the Government, for the support of the Board of Railway Commissioners.

Of the Official Board of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, in the City of *Kingston*; and of the Reverend *S. E. Maudsley* and others, Members of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, in the Township of *Roxborough*; severally praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Reverend *W. Taylor*, D. D., and other Ministers of the Synod of the *Canada Presbyterian* Church; praying that the present system and endowment of the *Toronto* University and University College may be preserved intact.

Of the *Mooretown* Division No. 153, Sons of Temperance; of *A. W. Gunn* and others, of the Village of *Port Stanley* and vicinity; of *John Dennis* and others, of the Village of *Springfield* and vicinity; of the Reverend *J. Natrass* and others, of the Township of *Markham*; of *John Cowen* and others, of the Township of *Moore*; of *John Pace* and others, of the Village of *Sparta* and vicinity; of the Municipality of the Township of *Moore*; of *George Brabazon* and others, of the Township of *Reach*; of *J. Crawford* and others, of the Township of *Chinguacousy*; of *G. W. Alberston* and others, of the County of *Haltou*; of *J. G. Young* and others, of the Township of *Pittsburg*; of *N. Patton* and others, of the Village of *Glenwilliams* and vicinity; of *F. Kirpatrick* and others, of the Township of *Osnabruck*; and of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of *Canada West*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Reverend *P. Belanger* and others, of the Parish of *Rigaud*; of the Reverend *B. Ricard* and others, of *l'Isle Perrot*, both of the County of *Vandrevuil*; of *T. Sawé* and others, of the County of *Jacques Cartier*; and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Beauce*: severally praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of the Reverend *L. J. Guyon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eustache*, County of *Two-Mountains*; praying for the passing of a Usury Law.

Mr. Desaulniers, from the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the Colonization of the wild lands in *Lower Canada*, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix, No. 1.*)

Ordered, That one thousand copies in French, and five hundred copies in English, of the circular letter and the series of questions annexed to the said Report, be printed.

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the Petition of *John Lewis* and others, the Representatives of the British and German National Societies of the City of *Montreal*, be printed in each of the English and French languages, for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That *Mr. Crawford* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the appointment of Commissioners for taking affidavits and affirmations in the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, to be used in this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Huntington* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Rose* have leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate the remedy by attachment under execution of Separate Creditors against Co-partnership property.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Rose* have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the conditions on which wives separated, as to property, from their husbands, may carry on business as traders in *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Crawford* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend and explain the Act passed in the 24th year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to repeal the laws relating to the registration of Judgments in *Upper Canada*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Alleyn*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to two Addresses from the Legislative Assembly, dated respectively 30th April and 1st May, 1862, for copies of correspondence with the Imperial Government relative to the Military Defence of the Province.

By command.

C. ALLEYN,
Secretary.

Secretary's Office,
Quebec, 5th May, 1862.

(Copy.)

Canada.—Circular.

DOWNING STREET,
July 4th, 1861.

SIR,—Her Majesty's Government have desired that a Committee should be appointed in several of the more important Colonies, for the purpose of considering annually whether any and what reductions may be practicable in the military expenditure incurred for the protection of such Colonies.

I transmit to you herewith, for your information and guidance, a copy of a letter which has been addressed by the Secretary of State for War, upon the subject, to the Officers commanding the troops in the various Colonies. That letter will explain to you the composition of the Committee of which you will be a member, and the general scope and tendency of their contemplated enquiries. I have expressed to the Secretary of State for War my concurrence in this measure, and I have to request that you will afford your co-operation in the proposed course of proceedings.

(Signed,)

I have, &c,

NEWCASTLE.

Governor

Sir E. Head, Bart.,
&c., &c., &c.

(Copy.)

WAR OFFICE,
June, 1861.

SIR,—You are doubtless aware that the attention of Her Majesty's Government has of late been repeatedly called to the very heavy expenditure which is incurred for the military protection of our Colonies.

In some instances which have been brought to my notice, I have been myself impressed with the belief that the charges were susceptible of reduction, if not of total abolition; and yet the want of local knowledge on the part of those on whom I have to rely for checking this class of expenditure renders it scarcely possible to form any conclusive opinion upon the subject.

Under these circumstances, it has occurred to me that advantages might result from a Committee being assembled in each of the more important Colonies, to be composed of the Governor, the Officer Commanding the troops, the Commanding Royal Engineer, and the Senior Commissariat Officer, to whom should be referred a copy of the Estimate of Army Services, which is annually prepared by the Comptroller of army expenditure, for the information of this Department.

I propose that the duty of the Committee should be carefully to consider each item in the Estimate, with a view to their suggesting for the consideration of the Secretary of State, such reductions or alterations as they might deem expedient and practicable. The Estimate would continue to be transmitted to England as usual by the Comptroller of Army Expenditure; and it would be desirable that the Report of the Committee should be forwarded by the same mail, in order that the Report and Estimate may come under the consideration of this Department at the same time.

The Duke of *Newcastle*, whom I have consulted on the subject, having signified his Grace's concurrence in this proposal, I have to instruct you to take the necessary steps, in concert with the Governor for carrying it into effect.

I have, &c.,
HERBERT.

(Signed,)

The Officer Commanding
The Troops in *Canada*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Rémillard* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Municipal Act for *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to the sixteenth instant; for receiving Private Bills, to the twenty-third instant; and for receiving Reports on Private Bills, to the eighth of June next.

On motion of Mr. *Benjamin*, seconded by Mr. *Bell* (North *Lanark*),

Ordered, That the Order of this House of the first instant, referring the Petition of *Eugene Urgel Piché*, Esquire, Advocate, heretofore of the Village of *Berthier*, in the District of *Richelieu*, and at present of the Town of *Sorel*, in the County of *Richelieu*, in the said District, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Berthier*, be rescinded.

Ordered, That the Order of this House of the first instant, referring the Petition of *Edouard René Demers*, Esquire, Notary, residing in the Parish of *St. George de Henryville*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Iberville*, be rescinded.

Ordered, That the Order of this House of the first instant, referring the Petition of *Gabriel Lenoir dit Rolland*, of the City and District of *Montreal*, Merchant and Trader, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Hochelaga*, be rescinded.

Ordered, That the Order of this House of the first instant, referring the Petition of *Hugh Bowlsby Willson*, of the Township of *Saltfleet*, in the County of *Wentworth*, and Province of *Canada*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the South Riding of the County of *Wentworth*, be rescinded.

Ordered, That Mr. *Scott* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Sisters of *St. Joseph, Guelph*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Scott* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Sisters of Our Lady of *Loretto*, of the Town of *Guelph*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Scott* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the College of *St. Ignatius, Guelph*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to erect the Parish of *St. Pierre de Durham*, in the County of *Drummond*, into a separate Municipality, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to enable the rate-payers of the County of *Lincoln* to select a more convenient place for the County Town, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the Courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas and Chancery, to admit *Hugh McMahon* to practice therein respectively, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to legalize By-law No. 128 of the Town of Port Hope, and the issue of the debentures therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of Charity of *Quebec*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to confirm the action of the Corporations of *Arthur* and *Luther*, under the Act to enable County Councils to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases to sow their land, and for other purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to confirm the original survey of the 3rd and 4th Concessions of the Township of *Crowland*, in the County of *Welland*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the charter of the College of *Ste. Anne de la Pocatière*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Académie *Bonin*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to legalize the operations of *Patrice Renault Blanchard*, Esquire, Surveyor, with reference to the survey, boundary lines, reports and plans executed and prepared by him for the division and settlement of the limits of the lots in the first five ranges of the Township of *Acton*, in the County of *Bagot* and District of *St. Hyacinthe*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Pilots for and below the Harbor of *Quebec*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to consolidate part of the debt owing by the Municipality of the County of *Hastings*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to charge the Corporation of the City of *Toronto* with the payment of the expense of taking care of, supporting, and maintaining certain prisoners in the Common Gaol of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act to confirm certain side roads in the Township of *Scarborough*, and to provide for defining other road allowances and lines in the said Township, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to establish certain side-lines in the Township of *Kenyon*, County of *Glengarry*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill for the relief of certain persons, alleged subscribers to the stock-books under the original Act incorporating the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Railway Company, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act 22; (1858) *Vic.*, chap. 36, intituled, "An Act to divide the Township of *Hemmingford*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into two separate Municipalities," being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to extend the limits of the Municipality of the East part of the Parish of *St. Antoine Abbé*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to legalise certain investments of Clergy Reserve moneys by the Corporation of the Township of *Lobo*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act further to amend the Charter of the Bank of *Upper Canada*," being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to erect that part of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec*, situate on the North side of the River *St. Charles*, into a separate Municipality, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fenning's Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—The Legislative Council have given power to the General Committee on the Contingencies of their House, to communicate from time to time with the Committee on the Contingencies of the Legislative Assembly, with the view of considering if the expenses of the Legislature cannot be diminished.

And also, The Legislative Council acquaint this House, That they have added the Honorable Mr. *Moore* to the Select Committee appointed to assist His Honor the Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of that House are concerned, and to act on behalf of the Legislative Council as a Member of the Joint Committee of both Houses named for that purpose by a Resolution of the 25th of April last.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence which may have taken place between the Postmaster General or other person connected with the Post Office or any other of the public departments and any individual, relative to the removal of the Post Office from the Village of *Kinkora*, in the County of *Perth*, soon after the last General Election.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence which has taken place during the last and present years, between the Post Office Department or any of its officers, and any other individual or Corporation, relative to the establishment of a daily mail between *Stratford* and *Milbank*, in the County of *Perth*.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a list of Postmasters who have been dismissed or removed from their offices, respectively, since the last General Election, with the reason in each case for such dismissal or removal, together with all correspondence in possession of the Post Office Department on the subject.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspon-

dence which may have taken place between the Post Office Department or any of its officers and any other person or persons, relative to the Resignation of *Charles Hendry, Esq.*, as Postmaster of *Canestoga*, in the County of *Waterloo*, and the appointment of any other person in his stead.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence which has taken place between the Government or any member of it, and any other person or persons, relative to the last Commission of the Peace for the County of *Waterloo*, together with the names of the persons appointed, and those omitted who were on the last previous Commission, with the reasons in each case for their being so omitted.

Ordered, That the said Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Rankin* seconded by Mr. *Wilson*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a statement in detail of the manner, the time and place or places at which the sum of \$20,000, which will be found among the items of supply for 1857, as having been voted for expenditure "towards Pier and Harbour Works for shelter on Lake Erie, for that year," has been expended, the authority under which such expenditure was made, the nature of the work performed, and whether such work was executed under contract or otherwise, the person or persons to whom the money was paid, and under whose superintendence the disbursements were made; together with copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works, or any of the other Departments of the Government, and any person or persons who may have interested himself or themselves about the expenditure of the said sum of \$20,000.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Huot*, seconded by Mr. *Chapais*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a list of the Militiamen who were wounded in the war of 1812, between England and the United States of America, and who have applied to the Government for indemnity, specifying those who have obtained pensions, and the dates of their so obtaining them, and those who have received nothing.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Joly*, seconded by Mr. *Simard*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all papers, reports, and other documents relating to the claim of the heirs of the late Major *Holland* (since those produced before this House in 1859), on the lot known as the "Governor's Garden" at Quebec.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mongenais* be added to the Select Committee appointed to enquire as to the expediency of introducing into *Canada* the system of Landed Credit.

On motion of Mr. *Tett*, seconded by Mr. *Powell*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all petitions and memorials, departmental and other orders, and documents and reports, on the

subject of the erection of bridges across the *Rideau* Canal at various places between the Narrows and *Jones' Falls* inclusive, on the line of the said Canal.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Dorion*, seconded by Mr. *Bourassa*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government and His Honor Judge *Short*, relative to the complaints made by certain inhabitants of the County of *Drummond*, of the great irregularity in the holding of the sittings of the Circuit Court for that County since its establishment.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, seconded by Mr. *Morris*,

Resolved, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House, to consider of certain proposed Resolutions relative to the Municipal Act of *Upper Canada*.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter 26 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in so far as relates to Rivers and Streams, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Bourassa*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*, Mr. *Dorion*, Mr. *Desaulniers*, and Mr. *Hébert*; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Orders of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal Chapter 58 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting interest," and to fix the rate of interest on money; the Bill to amend the Act respecting interest, and the Bill to repeal Chapter 58 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Interest," and to fix the rate of Interest at six per cent," being severally read;

Mr. *Bourassa* moved, seconded by Mr. *Laframboise*, and the Question being put, That the said Bills be now read a second time;

The House divided: and it was resolved in the affirmative

The Bills were accordingly read a second time.

Mr. *Bourassa* moved, seconded by Mr. *Laframboise*, and the Question being proposed, That the said Bills be referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Langevin*, Mr. *Archambault*, Mr. *Chapais*, Mr. *Ryker*, Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Ault*, and the mover; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. *Langevin* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, That the words "Mr. *Chapais*, Mr. *Ryker* and Mr. *Ault*," be left out; and the words, "the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, the Honorable Mr. *Carling*, the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Simard*, Mr. *Houland*, Mr. *Morris*, and Mr. *Taschereau*," inserted instead thereof.

The Honorable Mr. *Rose* moved, in amendment to the said amendment, seconded by Mr. *Langevin*, That the words, "and that it be an instruction to the said Committee to enquire by evidence into the working of the existing Law, and to report such evidence, together with their opinion founded thereon to this House," be added at the end thereof.

And the Question being put, That these words be there added, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follows:—

Yeas.

Messieurs

Alley,
Ault,

Cowan,
Crawford,

Morris,
Munro,

Ryerson,
Rymal,

<i>Bell, (North Lanark)</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Scatherd,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Cameron, John H.,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Cameron, Matthew C.,</i>	<i>Howland,</i>	<i>Price,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>	<i>Tett, and</i>
<i>Cartier, Atty. Gen.</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Wilson.—39.</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Morin, Sol. Gen.,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>	

Nays.

Messieurs

<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>DeBoucherville,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Macdonald, John S.,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>DeCazes,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Ross, John J.,</i>
<i>Buchanan,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Ross, John S.,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Sylvain, and</i>
<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Taschereau.—49.</i>
<i>Dawson,</i>			

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the original Question, it was Resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main question, so amended, being put,

Resolved, That the said Bills be referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Bourassa*, the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, the Honorable Mr. *Carling*, the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Simard*, Mr. *Howland*, Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Archambault*, Mr. *Morris*, Mr. *Langevin*, and Mr. *Taschereau*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the *Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act*, in respect of its provisions as to the sale of Intoxicating Liquors, being read;

And the House having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock, on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 6th May, 1862.

The Bill was then read a second time, and referred to a select Committee composed of Mr. *Dunkin*, Mr. *Langevin*, Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*, Mr. *O'Halloran*, Mr. *Jobin*, Mr. *Somerville*, Mr. *Chapais*, and Mr. *Desaulniers*, to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Jobin*, seconded by Mr. *Laframboise*.

The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 6th May, 1862.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Return from the Registrar of the County of *Middlesex*, of fees received during the year 1861, in accordance with sec. 76, cap. 89 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 7.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table :

By Mr. *Crawford*,—The Petition of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for *Upper Canada* ; and the Petition of Mrs. *Charlotte Elmsley* and other ladies of the City of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *McDougall*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Oxford*.

By Mr. *Blanchet*,—The Petition of *C. Belodeau* and others, of *St. Henri* and other Parishes ; and the Petition of *Pierre Bourget* and others, School Commissioners for the Municipality of *St. Joseph de la Point Lévis*.

By Mr. *Biggar*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Murray*.

By Mr. *Wright*,—The Petition of *J. P. Rupert* and others, of the Township of *Vaughan*.

Mr. *Langevin*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix*, No. 2.)

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the said Report be printed in each of the English and French languages, for the use of the Members of this House.

Mr. *Langevin*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Resolved, That the Chairman be instructed to apply to the House for power to communicate from time to time with the Committee of the Legislative Council on Contingencies, with the view of considering if the expenses of the Legislature cannot be diminished.

Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Contingencies of this House be authorized to communicate, from time to time, with the General Committee on the Contingencies of the Legislative Council, with the view of considering if the expenses of the Legislature cannot be diminished.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, to communicate the said Order to their Honors.

Ordered, That Mr. *Langevin* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

The Honorable Mr. *Alley*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 8th ultimo, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before the House, all papers, correspondence, and vouchers, relating to the payment, since the 1st January, 1861, of moneys by the Province to or for the City of *Hamilton*, or for, or on account of the indebtedness of the City of *Hamilton*, or for, or on account of their debentures, either for principal or interest. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 22.)

The Honorable Mr. *Alley* also laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, Report of the Minister of Finance on the Reciprocity Treaty with the *United States* ; also the Memorial of the Chamber of Commerce of *St. Paul, Minnesota*, and Report of Congress, *U. S.*, thereon. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 23.)

Mr. *White*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have examined the following petitions, and find the notice sufficient in each case :—Of *A. M. Delisle* and others, for incorporation of the *Lower Canada Trust and Loan Company* ; of the Municipality of the Township of *McGillivray*, for annexation of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex* ; of *John Ritchey* and others, for incorporation of the *Drummondville Mining Company* ; of the Municipality of the Township of *Reach*, for an Act to establish certain roads in that Township ; of Mrs. *J. M. Ford*, of *Brockville*, widow and administratrix of the estate of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*, and others ; of the Provincial Insurance Company of *Canada*, and of the *British America Assurance Company*, both for incorporation of the *Lake and River Underwriters' Association* ; and of the Municipality of the United Townships of *Bagot and Blythfield*, for annexation of those Townships to the County of *Lanark*.

On the Petition of *D. Campbell* and others, for incorporation of a Company to construct a tram-way from the Town of *Simcoe*, to *Port Ryerse*, or some other harbor, on Lake *Erie*, your Committee find that no mention is made in the notice of any other harbor than *Port Ryerse*, though complete in other respects, they therefore recommend that it be considered sufficient to that point, and that the Petitioners, be limited to that harbor in the Bill.

On the Petitions of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, for amendments to their charter, and power to reduce the nominal value of the shares of stock; of the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railroad Company, for authority to make a further issue of preferential bonds, and of the *Provident Life Assurance and Investment Company*, for power to add *Fire and Marine Insurance* to their present business, or to amalgamate with a *Mutual Insurance Company* for such purposes. Your Committee find that notices given by them respectively referred only to amendments to their several Acts of incorporation; but they have had proof to their satisfaction, in each case, of the consent of the stockholders to the matters prayed for, given at a general meeting for the discussion of the same, and they therefore recommend that in these cases the notice be considered sufficient.

In the following cases your Committee find that the requisite notices have not been given, but having made a careful investigation into each, they are disposed to recommend a suspension of the 51st Rule in their favor, upon the ground of public necessity:—Of the Municipality of the Village of *Welland*, for power to issue a further number of tavern licenses within the limits of the Municipality than is at present allowed by law; of the Municipality of the Village of *Cayuga*, for similar powers; of the Reverend *P. L. Babel* and others, for a division of the County of *Saguenay*; of *H. Pedneault*, Mayor, and others, of the Village of *Chicoutimi*, for erection of that Village into a separate Municipality.

The Petitions of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Toronto* and others, for incorporation of the Boys' Industrial School at the Gore of *Toronto*; of *E. Contant* and others, for incorporation of the "Union *St. Pierre de Montréal*," of *F. J. Rastrick* and others, for incorporation of the *St George's* Benevolent Society of *Hamilton*; and of the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital, for power to issue new debentures at a longer date, to redeem those already issued by them and now outstanding, are not of such a nature as to require the publication of notice.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended, as regards a Bill to divide the County of *Saguenay* into two Municipalities.

Ordered, That Mr. *Price* have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the County of *Saguenay* into two Municipalities.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the 51st rule of this House be suspended, as regards a Bill to amend the *Lower Canada* Consolidated Municipal Act, and to erect the Village of *Chicoutimi* into a separate Municipality.

Ordered, That Mr. *Price* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Lower Canada* Consolidated Municipal Act, and to erect the Village of *Chicoutimi* into a separate Municipality.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Rose* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railway Company, and to authorize the raising of new preferred stock for certain purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Tott* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "An Act respecting "Elections of Members of the Legislature."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Buchanan* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *St. George's Benevolent Society of Hamilton*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Mr. *Street* moved, seconded by Mr. *Benjamin*, and the question being put, that the 51st Rule of House be suspended, as regards a Bill to authorize the Municipal Council of the Village of *Welland*, to grant certificates to increase the number of licensed Taverns in that Village.

The House divided: and it was Resolved in the Affirmative,

Ordered, That Mr. *Street* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Municipal Council of the Village of *Welland* to grant certificates to increase the number of Licensed Taverns in that Village.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Crawford* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Boy's Industrial School of the *Gore of Toronto*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dostaler* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend to the Town of *Sorel* the provisions of the Act respecting the practice of Vaccination.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Abbott* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Lower Canada Trust and Loan Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Abbott* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *New Edinburgh and Waterloo Steam Ferry Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *McLachlin* have leave to bring in a Bill to separate the Townships of *McNab*, *Bagot*, and *Blythfield* from the County of *Renfrew*, and annex the same to the County of *Lanark*, for judicial and Municipal purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *McLachlin* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Village of *Arnprior*, in the County of *Renfrew*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Portman* have leave to bring in a Bill to separate the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* from the County of *Huron*, and to annex the same to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Smith* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of *Port Hope*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, from the Special Committee appointed to enquire into the manner in which the Ocean Steamship Company, subsidized in virtue of several Acts of Parliament, has executed the contracts made with the Government, and the causes of the frequent shipwrecks of their steamers, on their transatlantic voyages, presented to the House the first Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee are of opinion that it would be desirable that this Committee should unite with the Committee appointed by the Legislative Council on the subject of their enquiry, and that the two should form a Joint Committee.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, Mr. *Laframboise* and Mr. *Street*, be appointed to search the Journals of the Legislative Council, to inquire if any proceedings have been instituted by their Honors, on the subject of an inquiry concerning the fulfilment, on behalf of the Oceanic Steamer Company, of its contract with the Government of this Province; and the causes of the disasters experienced by the said Company; to report thereon with all convenient speed.

The Honorable Mr. *Alley*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 28th April last, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, Return of the Volunteer Infantry, Cavalry, Engineers and Artillery in Canada, at present recognized by the Government. (*Sessional Papers, No. 17.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* reported, from the Select Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Legislative Council, to enquire if any proceedings have been instituted by their Honors on the subject of an enquiry concerning the fulfilment, on behalf of the Oceanic Steamer Company, of its contract with the Government of this Province, and the causes of the disasters experienced by the said Company; that they had inspected the said Journals, and found that a Select Committee of inquiry, relating to the above subject, had been appointed; before which Committee proceedings are actually pending.

Ordered, That the Special Committee appointed to inquire into the manner in which the Ocean Steamship Company, subsidized in virtue of several Acts of Parliament, has executed the contracts made with the Government, and the causes of the frequent shipwreck of their Steamers, on their transatlantic voyages, have power and authority to join with the Select Committee appointed by the Legislative Council for the same purposes; and to act with the Members of the said Select Committee, as a Joint Committee of both Houses.

Resolved, That a Conference be desired, with the Legislative Council, on the subject of an enquiry concerning the fulfilment, on behalf of the Oceanic Steamer Company, of its contract with the Government of this Province, and the causes of the disasters experienced by the said Company.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Loranger* do go to the Legislative Council and desire the said Conference.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, Mr. *Laframboise*, and Mr. *Street*, be appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered to the Legislative Council, at a Conference, on the subject of an inquiry concerning the fulfilment, on behalf of the Oceanic Steamer Company, of its contract with the Government of this Province, and the causes of the disasters experienced by the said Company.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire as to the expediency of introducing into *Canada* the system of Landed Credit, (*Credit Foncier*) and the principles upon which it ought to be organized, presented to the House the first report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee are of opinion that the establishment of Landed Credit Institutions, having for their object the loan of capital at a moderate rate of interest, and for long periods of time on hypothecary security, would be of the greatest advantage.

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,

Resolved, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House, to consider of certain proposed Resolutions relative to the Active Militia of this Province.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Ship Labourers' Benevolent Society of *Quebec*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the Commercial Bank of the Midland District," and to change its corporate name to "The Commercial Bank of *Canada*," being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*, to borrow a certain sum of money for drainage and other purposes therein mentioned, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. *Benjamin*, from the Committee to which it was referred to consider of the motion made, on Monday, the seventh of April last, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty, reported a Resolution, which was read as followeth :—

Resolved, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the supply granted to Her Majesty.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Galt*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,

Resolved, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to repeal the Act 23 *Vic.*, chap. 50, and to amend an Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, so far as relates to Recorders Courts, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable Mr. *Rose* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend chap. 45 Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, respecting Mortgages and sales of personal property : and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Bourassa* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Friday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question, which was, on Friday last, proposed, That the Bill (respecting the Militia,) be now read a second time,

And the Question being again proposed,

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Then, on motion of the Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, seconded by Mr. *Price*,
The House adjourned.

Wednesday, 7th May, 1862.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, Statement of the affairs of the "*La Compagnie du Richelieu*," up to the 31st January, 1862. (*Sessional Papers* No. 16.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of *W. Hannah* and others, of the Township of *Albion*, County of *Peel*.

By Mr. *Beaudreau*,—The Petition of *D. G. Gauthier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre de Sorel*.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Wickham*, County of *Drummond*.

By Mr. *Fournier*,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. A. Casgrain* and others.

By Mr. *Smith*,—The Petition of *James Smith*; the Petition of *John Helm*, Junior; and the Petition of *Archibald Porter*, each of the town of *Port Hope*; and the Petition of *J. Boyce*, of the Township of *Hope*, all of the County of *Durham*.

By Mr. *Haultain*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Duro*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Asphodel*; the Petition of the Municipality of the United Townships of *Belmont* and *Methune*; the Petition of the Municipality of the United Townships of *Dummer* and *Burleigh*, all of the County of *Peterborough*; and the Petition of the Methodist New Connexion Church and Congregation of *Aurora*.

By Mr. *Ferguson*,—the Petition of the Trustees of the *Bradford* Junior County Grammar School.

By Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Wickham*, County of *Drummond*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of the *Montreal* Dispensary.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of *J. Minshall* and others, of the Second Concession of the Township of *Howard*.

By Mr. *Evanturel*,—The Petition of *Olivier de Villers* and others, of the Parish of *St. Foye*, County of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Crawford*,—The Petition of the *Toronto* Cotton Mills Company.

By Mr. *Pope*,—The Petition of *A. A. Adams* and others, of the Township of *Barnston*, County of *Stanstead*.

By Mr. *Brousseau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. Susseville* and others, of the Parishes *St. Raymond* and *St. Basile*, County of *Portneuf*.

By Mr. *Huntington*,—The Petition of *J. B. Lay* and others, of the County of *Shefford*.

By Mr. *Bell*, (of *Russell*),—The Petition of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*.

By Mr. *DeCazes*,—The Petition of *W. Smith* and others, of the Township of *Brompton*, County of *Richmond*.

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

Of *John McCarter* and others; of the Town Council of the Town of *St. Catharines*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Grimsby*; and of *Richard Woodruff* and others, all of the County of *Lincoln*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to enable the Rate-payers of the said County to select a more convenient site for the County Town.

Of the Congregation of *St. Paul's* Church, *Kingston*; and of *William Stafford* and others, of the Village of *Wardsville* and vicinity; severally praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Morris*; and of the Municipality of the Township of *Grey*; severally praying that the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* may be attached to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex*.

Of *Joseph Rodrigue* and others, of the Parish of *St. Scholastique*, County of *Two Mountains*; of *P. O. Trudel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Tite*, County of *Champlain*; and of the Reverend *F. Aubury* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Marthe*, County of *Vaudreuil*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of *Magloire Lafond* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de Maskinongé*, County

of *Maskinongé*; and of *F. X. Lafond* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Barthélemy* and *Berthier*, County of *Berthier*; severally praying for amendments to the Act respecting abuses prejudicial to Agriculture.

Of *C. McPherson* and others, of the Township of *East Gwillimbury*; of *A. C. Atwood* and others, of the Townships of *Lobo* and *London*; of *R. Richardson* and others, of *Medonte*, County of *Simcoe*; of *Stephen Moore* and others, of the Township of *Fitzroy*, County of *Carleton*; of *John Ratchiffe* and others, of the Township of *East Whitby*; and of *A. McKenzie* and others, of the Township of *East Whitby*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *William Frazer*, of the Town of *Port Hope*; praying that no Act may be passed for the relief of certain shareholders of the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway Company*.

Of *Urgel Sibert dit Belair* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Paul* and *St. Charles Borromée*, County of *Joliette*; praying for the repeal of the Act 13 and 14 Vic., chap. 115, to incorporate a Company for making a Railroad from the Village of *Industry* to the Township of *Rawdon*, in *Lower Canada*, and also the Act 16 Vic., chap. 246, amending the same.

Of *W. D. Leslie* and others, of *Hull* and other Townships; praying aid to open out a Road through the Townships of *Hull, Eardly, Masham, Wakefield* and *Low*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Bruce*; praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Chinguacousy*, County of *Peel*; praying for the election of Reeves and Deputy Reeves by a direct vote of the people, and for the increase of representatives in Township Councils.

Of *Louis Lacasse*, Senior, of the Town of *St. John's*; praying to be recompensed for services rendered during the War of 1812.

Of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance, *Canada East*; praying for the establishment of an Asylum for inebriates.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Bruce*; praying for the passing of an Act to relieve the purchasers of Crown and School Lands in the County of *Bruce* from the payment of arrears of interest, and for an extension of time for the payment of the principal.

Of *S. Bond* and others, of the Township of *Fitzroy*, County of *Carleton*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the running of certain side lines in the said Township straight from post to post.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Beauce*; praying that no more licenses be granted for the cutting of Timber in the said County.

Of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the *Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company*; praying for a more equitable Postal remuneration.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste de l'Isle-Verte*; praying that the Township known as the *Township des Sauvages*, situate in the rear of the Seigniorship of *l'Isle Verte*, may be re-united to the Crown Lands.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carleton*; praying that any measure having for its object to impose the Railway and other indebtedness of the Municipalities upon the Province may not be entertained.

Of *Thomas Osgood*, of the County of *Shefford*; complaining of certain grievances, and praying relief in the premises.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carleton*; praying for aid to erect a Bridge over the River *Rideau*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carleton*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalise the Assessment and imposition of Taxes on Lands.

Of *William Montgomery* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre de Durham*, County of *Drummond*; praying that the Bill to erect the said Parish into a separate Municipality may become Law.

Of *L'Association de l'Union, St. Roch*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Lanark*; praying that the prayer of the

Petition of *A. G. Hall* and others, for the Incorporation of the Village of *Lanark*, may not be granted.

Of *J. Foley* and others, of the Township of *Belmont*, County of *Peterborough*; praying for aid to erect a Bridge over the *Trent* River.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Peterborough*; praying that their rights under certain agreements entered into with the Lessees of the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton* Railway Company, and the Town Council of the Town of *Port Hope* may be secured to them by Legislative enactment.

Of the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton* Railway Company; praying that certain agreements entered into between the said Railway Company, the Town Council of the Town of *Port Hope*, and the Town Council of *Peterborough*, in relation to the Branch Railway uniting the Town of *Peterborough* with the Village of *Millbrook*, may be confirmed by Legislative enactment.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, from the Select Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered to the Legislative Council, at a conference on the subject of an inquiry concerning the fulfilment, on behalf of the *Oceanic Steamer Company*, of its contract with the Government of this Province, and the causes of the disasters experienced by the said Company, reported that the Committee had drawn up Reasons accordingly, which were read, as follow :

1. The union of the two Committees, having the same object, will render uniform the action of both Houses.

2. It will facilitate and expedite proceedings, save expense to the country, time to the Members, and to witnesses the necessity of appearing before two Committees in relation to the same subject, and to give the same evidence.

The said Reasons, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *Bourassa* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend Chapter 26 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in so far as it relates to Rivers and Streams, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Mr. *Benjamin*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses, on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :

Your Committee have carefully considered the document referred to in the following motion for Printing, viz :

By the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Waterloo*; praying that the said County may not be divided into two Registration Districts. The Committee recommend that the above Petition be printed.

The Honorable Mr. *Alley*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, dated 7th April, 1862, for statement relative to Fishery Bounties. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 11.)

Ordered, That the Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Waterloo*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. *Bell*, (of *Russell*), seconded by Mr. *Scott*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of the Report of the Provincial Arbitrators, dated 18th October, 1861, upon the claim of the proprietors of certain Toll Bridges, erected over the River des *Prairies*, for compensation for the repeal of certain clauses in the Acts 10 and 11 *Victoria*, chap. 97 and 98, and the other provisions of Act 24 *Vic.*, chap. 69, and the evidence accompanying the same.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor

General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Lake and River Underwriters Association.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* have leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Act of Incorporation of the Provident Life Assurance Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Street* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal part of chap. 8^d, sec. 107 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, so far as relates to the distribution of the *Upper Canada* Municipalities Fund arising from the Clergy Reserves Fund.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Benjamin*, the Honorable *J. S. Macdonald*, the Honorable *L. V. Scotte*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, the Honorable Mr. *Alley*, the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, Mr. *McGee*, Mr. *McDougall*, Mr. *Chapais*, Mr. *Wallbridge*, and Mr. *Buchanan*, be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, communicating to their Honors the foregoing Resolution.

Ordered, That Mr. *Benjamin* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dorion* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the Representation of the People in the Legislative Assembly.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Blanchet* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Town of *Lévis*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Blanchet* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize *Paul Girard* to construct a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemin*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Desaulniers* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Chapter 26 of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, and the Act amending the same, respecting Agriculture.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *M. C. Cameron* have leave to bring in a Bill to establish and confirm certain roads in the Township of *Reach*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morris* have leave to bring in a Bill to legalise a By-law made

and passed by the Town Council of the Corporation of the Town of *Perth*, in the United Counties of Lanark and Renfrew, for raising a certain sum of money therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Mr. *Dorion* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bourassa*, and the question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he may be pleased to amend the by-laws which regulate the cutting of timber on the Crown Lands, that they may contain the following provisions:

1st. Every settler located on any lot forming part of the Lands of the Crown, or of the Clergy Reserves, and whose name shall be registered as occupant in the books of the local agent, or of the Department of Crown Lands, may take, cut and sell, as he may deem expedient, all the serviceable timber which he may find within the limits of the ground undergoing the process of clearing for agricultural purposes.

2nd. No settler shall be entitled to take or remove any serviceable timber for purposes of commerce from the lot which he so occupies, beyond the limits of the land undergoing the process of clearing; but he may, as heretofore, take the necessary timber for the construction of the buildings which may be required in effecting the settlement of the said land.

3rd. Any settler who desires to do so, may obtain a license or permit from the Department of Crown Lands to cut timber over the whole extent of the land occupied by him for the purposes of commerce, upon payment of the fee of one dollar, and the amount of the Government dues shall be placed to his credit in respect of the purchase money of such lot.

4th. No license shall be necessary for any settler who shall have paid in full the purchase money of his lot, and so soon as such payment shall have been made, he may make use of the timber on such lot as his own property.

5th. No license shall be granted to any person whomsoever to cut timber upon lots of land already occupied, as mentioned in the first of these proposed amendments, excepting only to the occupants themselves.

And a Debate arising thereupon,

And it being six of the clock,

Pursuant to the Rule of this House, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Bureau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Dorion*, and the question being proposed, That the Order of the Day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the expediency of addressing His Excellency the Governor General, to represent that, in the opinion of this House, it would be to the advantage of the country that a larger sum should be appropriated for the making of roads and bridges in the wild lands of the Crown, and that this House prays His Excellency to recommend that an appropriation of three hundred thousand dollars be made for the making of roads and bridges, with the view of favoring the colonization of the wild lands of the Crown, be now read.

Mr. Speaker declined receiving the motion, as being out of Order, and against the Constitutional Act of Canada, inasmuch as it tended to an appropriation of Public Moneys, which had not been recommended by Message from His Excellency the Governor General, or otherwise.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Walsh*, seconded by Mr. *Morrison*,
The House adjourned.

Thursday, 8th May, 1862.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*,—The Petition of *Benoit Bastien* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Somerville*,—The Petition of *J. S. Priest* and others, of the Township of *Franklin*, County of *Huntingdon*.

By Mr. *Hébert*,—The Petition of *P. Nolin* and others, of the Township of *North Halifax*, County of *Megantic*.

By Mr. *Haultain*,—The Petition of the *Peterborough* Division of the Sons of Temperance; the Petition of the Right Reverend the Bishop, the Clergy and Laity of the Church of *England*, of the Diocese of *Ontario*; the Petition of the Invincible Division of the Sons of Temperance, and the Petition of *W. H. Withrow* and others, Members of the New Connexion Methodist Congregations of the County of *Norfolk*, and Township of *Oakland*, and County of *Brant*.

By Mr. *Patrick*,—The Petition of *S. Stouffer* and others, of the Village of *Altona* and vicinity.

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of *Arthur Armstrong* and others, of the City of *Toronto* and other places.

By Mr. *Bell*, (North *Lanark*),—The Petition of *James Clark* and others, of the Townships of *Lanark* and *Ramsay*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Portman*,—The Petition of *Alexander Morrison* and others, residing in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, holders of *Hamilton* Bonds (C.W.); the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *De'aware*; and the Petition of *Robert Brough* and others, of the Township of *Delaware*, both of the County of *Middlesex*.

By Mr. *Beaudreau*,—the Petition of *A. Smith* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre de Sorel*.

By Mr. *Smith*,—The Petition of *Henry Argue*, of the Township of *Cavan*, County of *Durham*.

By Mr. *Falkner*,—The Petition of *J. B. Gaudry* and others, of *La Cote St. Michel*, in the Parish of *Sault au Recollet*, County of *Hochelaga*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Maria Murney*, Widow, Executrix of the Will of the late Honorable *Edmund Murney*.

By Mr. *Huntington*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. Gaboury* and others, of the Township of *Milton*, County of *Shefford*.

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

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Oxford*; praying for amendments to the Jury Laws of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for *Upper Canada*; praying for the passing of an Act to do away with all prohibitory or discriminating laws for the granting of Letters Patent in this Province.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Murray*; praying for the passing of an Act to relieve the said Municipality from the manifest injustice to which it has been subjected by the provisions of the Act 23 Vic., Chap. 98, concerning the construction of certain gravel roads in the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

Of *J. P. Rupert* and others, of the Township of *Vaughan*; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *Pierre Bowrges* and others, School Commissioners for the Municipality of *St. Joseph de la Pointe-Levis*; praying aid for a Model School.

Of *C. Bilodeau* and others, of *St. Henri* and other Parishes; praying that the prayer of the Petition of *Paul Girard*, of *St. Gervais*, for authority to construct a Toll-bridge over the River *Etchemin*, may be granted.

Of Mrs. *Charlotte Elmsley* and other Ladies of the City of *Toronto*; praying that they may be incorporated for the purpose of founding an Institution for the protection of destitute young females, exposed to corrupt influences.

Mr. *McGee*, from the Special Committee appointed to take into consideration the subject of Immigration and Colonization, especially with reference to the spring Immigration of the present year, presented to the House, the First Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix*, No. 2.)

Ordered. That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Bureau,
Ordered, That Marshall Perry Roblin, Esquire, Returning Officer at the late Election for the County of Lennox and Addington, do attend at the Bar of this House, on Wednesday, the twenty-first day of May instant, to answer for his Return to the Writ of Election for the said County.

On motion of Mr. Joseph Dufresne, seconded by Mr. Prévost,
Ordered, That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery do attend this House to-morrow, with the Return of the last Election for the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, together with the poll-books, and all other papers, letters and documents which have been transmitted to him by the Returning Officer for the said Electoral Division.

Ordered, That Mr. McCann have leave to bring in a Bill to grant certain powers to Township Councils in *Upper Canada*, with respect to wharfs within the limits of their Municipalities.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Walsh have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Simcoe and Port Ryerse Tram Road Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Smith have leave to bring in a Bill to vest certain Real Estate of the late *William Campbell*, in the hands of Trustees.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Mr. Mackenzie moved, seconded by Mr. Dorion, and the question being proposed, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. Bureau, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Langevin, the Honorable Mr. Loranger, Mr. McKellar, Mr. McDougall, the Honorable J. S. Macdonald, Mr. McGee, Mr. Haultain, Mr. Scott, the Honorable Mr. Sherwood, Mr. Street, Mr. Morris, Mr. Simard and the mover, be appointed to enquire into the management of the works and expenditure of Public Moneys on, and connected with the new Parliamentary and Departmental Buildings at the City of *Ottawa*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Six of the Clock,

Pursuant to the Rule of this House, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to establish a Landed Credit Institution in *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Committee appointed to enquire as to the expediency of introducing into *Canada*, the system of Landed Credit (*Crédit Foncier*) and the principle upon which it ought to be organized.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend "An Act respecting Lessors and Lessees," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. Langevin, the Honorable Mr. Rose, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General Morin, Mr. Simard, Mr. Laframboise, and Mr. Rémillard; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill for the protection of settlers in certain cases in *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. Dorion, Mr. Hébert, Mr. Huntington, Mr. Chapais, Mr. Desaulniers, Mr.

Robitaille, and Mr. *Mongenais*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act, chap. 77 Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting the action of seduction and the support of illegitimate children," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Notman*, the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, Mr. *Connor*, Mr. *Morrison*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Crawford*, and Mr. *M. C. Cameron*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Assessment Law of *Upper Canada*, and to render valid certain assessments already made, and for other purposes therewith connected, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, Mr. *Connor*, Mr. *Ferguson*, Mr. *Dickson*, the Honorable Mr. *Portman*, and Mr. *Benjamin*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill relating to mortgages in *Upper Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read a third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Common Law Procedure Act, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Connor*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Crawford*, Mr. *M. C. Cameron*, the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, and Mr. *Scatcherd*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the inspection of Wheat and other Grains, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend an Act in relation to Fire Insurance Companies, not incorporated within the limits of this Province; being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Galt*, the Honorable Mr. *J. H. Cameron*, Mr. *Howland*, Mr. *Langevin*, Mr. *DeBoucherville*, and Mr. *Abbott*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That it be an instruction to the said Committee to enquire into and report upon the propriety of applying the same principle to Life Insurance and other Assurance Companies.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill for better protecting Manufacturers and Tradesmen entrusting materials to workmen to be made up, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Jobin*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte*, Mr. *McGee*, and Mr. *Brousseau*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to annex for judicial and electoral purposes, to the County of *Joliette*, that part of the Parish of *St. Felix de Valois* which is situate in the Township of *Brandon*, and for other purposes; being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Jobin*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*, Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*, Mr. *Archambault*, Mr. *Dostaler*, Mr. *Desautniers*, and Mr. *Labrèche-Viger*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill legalizing and providing for the delivery of certain Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Langevin*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*, the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, Mr. *Simard*, Mr. *Laframboise*, and Mr. *Remillard*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend chapter 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled "An Act respecting the registration of titles to or charges upon real estate,—the law of Hypothecs, the Dower and property of married women, and the conveyance of soccage lands," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Langevin*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, Mr. *Abbott*, Mr. *Dunkin*, Mr. *Labrèche-Viger*, the Honorable Mr. *Scotte*, and Mr. *Price*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend chapter 20 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Registers of Marriages, Baptisms, and Burials," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Langevin*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*, the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, Mr. *Simard*, Mr. *Laframboise* and Mr. *Remillard*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to extend to the Counties of *Wentworth* and *Lincoln* the Act for the protection of persons owning lands on the shore of *Lake Ontario*, in the Counties of *York*, *Peel* and *Halton*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read a third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for and regulate the inspection and stamping of Gas Meters, and to protect the Consumers of Illuminating Gas, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Crawford*, the Honorable Mr. *Alley*, the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, Mr. *Abbott*, Mr. *Connor*, and Mr. *Scott*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill for the protection of the Creditors of Locatees of Lands of the Crown, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Price*, the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, Mr. *Abbott*, Mr. *Sylvain*, Mr. *Pope*, Mr. *Taschereau*, Mr. *Bureau*, Mr. *Lieboutillier*, and Mr. *Labrèche-Viger*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the 83rd Chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting the ordinary Procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee,

composed of Mr. *O'Halloran*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, Mr. *Abbott*, Mr. *Dunkin*, and Mr. *Laframboise*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law relating to the limitation of Actions and Suits in Upper Canada, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Joseph Dufresne* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Joseph Dufresne* reported the Bill accordingly, and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Carling*, The House adjourned.

Friday, 9th May, 1862.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Buchanan*,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonality of the City of *Hamilton*.

By Mr. *De Boucherville*,—The Petition of *A. Williams* and others, of the County of *Chambly*.

By Mr. *Laframboise*,—The Petition of the Reverend *G. Marchesseau* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Rosalie*.

By Mr. *Haultain*,—The Petition of the *Halton Pine Grove* Division, Sons of Temperance.

By Mr. *Falkner*,—The Petition of *John Greaves* and others, of *La Petite Côte de la Visitation*, County of *Hochelaga*.

By Mr. *Gagnon*,—The Petition of *M. Bouchard* and others, of *Baie St. Paul* and other Parishes.

By Mr. *Tassé*,—The Petition of *J. Dubreuil* and others, of the County of *Jacques Cartier*.

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of *S. Shepard* and others, Masters of Vessels, and others navigating the Lakes and Rivers of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Crawford*,—The Petition of the Community of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, of the City of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Abbott*,—The Petition of *Theodore Hart* and others, universal resufructuary legatees of the late *Dame Harriet Judith Hart*, Widow of the late *Benjamin Hart*, of *Montreal*, Merchant.

By Mr. *Poupore*,—The Petition of *Robert Wilson* and others; and the Petition of *John Steel* and others, both of the Township of *Onslow*, County of *Pontiac*.

By Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*,—The Petition of the Reverend *M. S. Caisse* and others, of *Wexford* and other Townships, County of *Montcalm*.

By Mr. *Dawson*,—The Petition of *J. Henry Fry* and others, Merchants, Shipowners and others, interested in the trade of *Quebec*; and the Petition of the Trustees of the Roman Catholic Academy of *Aylmer*, and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Allegn*,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Quebec*, Church of *England*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Brockville*.

By Mr. *Macbeth*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *St. Thomas*.

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

Of *J. Boyce*, of the Township of *Hope*; of *Archibald Porter*; of *John Helm, Junior*; and of *James Smith*, of the Town of *Port Hope*, all of the County of *Durham*; severally praying that no Bill may be passed to enable certain stockholders in the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway Company* to withdraw from the said Company.

Of the Municipality of the United Townships of *Dummer and Burleigh*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Duro*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Asphodel*; of the Municipality of the United Townships of *Belmont and Methuen*, County of *Peterborough*; severally praying for aid to erect a Bridge across the Narrows of *Stony Lake*, between the Townships of *Dummer and Burleigh*.

Of *J. B. Lay* and others, of the County of *Shefford*; and of *W. Smith* and others, of *Brompton*, County of *Richmond*; severally praying for the passing of a prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *Olivier de Villiers* and others, of the Parish of *St. Foye*, County of *Quebec*; praying for an enquiry into the working of the law respecting Sheriff's Sales, and for other purposes.

Of the *Toronto Cotton Mills Company*; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *A. A. Adams* and others, of the Township of *Barnston*, County of *Stanstead*; praying for the passing of an Act to declare the Model School building of "*Barnston Corner*" specially mortgaged and hypothecated for the payment of the same to the said *A. A. Adams*, and for other purposes.

Of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*; praying for the passing of an Act to provide for the re-organization of the said Company, and also for amendments to their Acts of Incorporation, and for other purposes.

Of *W. Hannah* and others, of the Township of *Albion*, County of *Peel*; praying for the repeal of all special Acts relating to the separation of the said County from the County of *York*.

Of the Reverend *J. Sasseville* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Raymond* and *St. Basile*, County of *Portneuf*; praying that the roads in *Colbert*, and other Townships in the said County, may be continued, and for other purposes.

Of the Reverend *L. A. Casgrain* and others; praying that the *Elgin Road* may be terminated during the coming summer.

Of the *Montreal Dispensary*; praying for aid.

Of the Trustees of the *Bradford Junior County Grammar School*; praying for amendments to the Grammar School Act.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Wickham*, County of *Drummond*; praying for aid to complete a road in the said Township.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Wickham*, County of *Drummond*; praying that no Bill may be passed to erect the Parish of *St. Pierre*, in the said County, into a separate Municipality.

Of *D. G. Gauthier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre de Sorel*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of the Methodist New Connexion Church and Congregation of *Aurora*; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *J. Minshall* and others, of the second Concession of the Township of *Howard*; praying for amendments to the Act to establish the side roads between lots Nos. 6 and 7, and lots Nos. 12 and 13, in the said Township.

Mr. *White*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that sufficient notice has been given in each case:—Of the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay*, for authority

to lease certain portions of Queen's Square in that Town; and of the Provisional Council¹ of the County of *Peel*, for repeal of the Acts relating to the separation of *Peel* from *York*.

The notice published on the Petition of the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of *Quebec*, for amendments to the Acts Incorporating that City, does not specify the nature of the amendments, and it is therefore sufficient for ordinary amendments only.

On the Petition of *Thomas Chisholm* and others, for an Act to do away with the division of the County of *Waterloo* into two registration districts, your Committee find that no notice was given, but the division having been but recently effected, by Proclamation, there was not time to give two months' notice before the presentation of the Petition; your Committee find also that the Petition is signed very extensively, and that another Petition has been presented against the measure, which proves that the matter is sufficiently well known in the locality, they therefore beg to recommend a suspension of the 51st Rule in this case.

On the following Petitions your Committee find that no notice has been given:—Of the Reverend *H. Poulin* and others, for the erection of the Parish of *St. Anne de Stukely* into a separate Municipality; of the Reverend *J. Gaboury* and others, for erection of the Parishes of *Ste. Cecile de Milton* and *St. Valériende Milton*, into two separate Municipalities; of Mrs. *Marie J. E. Lozeau*, concerning her rights in the Common of *La Baie St. Antoine*; of *Pierre Valcourt* and others, of the Seigniories of *Temiscouata* and *Madawaska*, for an Act to confirm them in the possession of their lands; and of *A. Quintin dit Dubois* and others, for an Act to determine the maximum rate of taxes in the Village of *Acton Vale*.

The Petitions of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*, for amendments to their Act of Incorporation; and of *L'Association de l'Union St. Roch* for an Act of incorporation, are not of a nature to require the publication of notice.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, that they had selected the following days for choosing the Select Committees to try the matter of the Petitions complaining of undue Elections and Returns, for the following places:—

County of *Oxford* (North Riding).—Tuesday the 27th day of May instant, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, from panel B. No. 3.

County of *Durham* (East Riding).—Tuesday, the 27th day of May, instant, at half-past eleven o'clock in the forenoon, from Panel B. No. 3.

County of *Elgin*, (West Riding).—Tuesday, the 27th day of May instant, at twelve o'clock noon, from Panel B. No. 3.

County of *Leeds*, (South Riding).—Tuesday, the 27th day of May instant, at half-past twelve o'clock, noon, from Panel B. No. 3.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Alleyne* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts incorporating and relating to the City of *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dunsford* have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay* to lease parts of the Queen's Square in said Town.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended, as regards a Bill to set aside a certain Proclamation issued with reference to the County of *Waterloo*, under the eighty-ninth chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cowan* have leave to bring in a Bill to set aside a certain Proclamation issued with reference to the County of *Waterloo*, under the eighty-ninth chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Cameron have leave to bring in a Bill to re-unite the Counties of *York* and *Peel*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Alley*, seconded by Mr. *Langevin*,

Resolved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of certain proposed Resolutions to impose a tonnage duty on vessels entering the Harbor of *Quebec*.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery attended, according to order, with the return of the last Election for the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, together with the Poll Books, and all other papers, letters, and documents transmitted to him by the Returning Officer for the said Electoral Division.

The Order of the 29th April last, directing *Francis Cassidy*, Esquire, Deputy Returning Officer for *St. Lewis Ward*, No. 3, in the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, at the last Election for the said Electoral Division, to appear at the Bar, to be examined in reference to certain apparent irregularities, and to answer therefor; and also for the attendance of *J. Belle*, Esquire, returning Officer at the said Election, Mr. *J. Kelly*, Poll Clerk at the said Election, at Poll No. 3, in *St. Louis Ward*, and *Louis Marchand*, of *Montreal*, Merchant, Agent for the Honorable *George E. Cartier*, one of the Candidates at the said Election, to attend as witnesses in the said matter, being read;

The Sergeant-at-Arms reported they were in attendance.

J. Belle, Esquire, was called in, and at the Bar examined, as followeth:

[By Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*.]

1. What is your name, profession and residence?—*Joseph Belle*, Notary Public, *Montreal*.

2. Did you act as Returning Officer for the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, at the last Election?—I acted as such.

3. Whom did you appoint as Deputy Returning Officer for *St. Louis Ward*, in the said Division, at Poll No. 3?—*Francis Cassidy*, of *Montreal*, Advocate.

4. Did you give the said Deputy Returning Officer the usual commission as such, and did he take the oath of office? Look at the paper now shewn, and is that the oath and the certificate, and whose signature is that of "*J. Belle*," at the foot thereof?—I gave the ordinary commission to Mr. *Francis Cassidy*, and I swore him in as such. The oath and certificate now shown me are the same, and the signature at the end thereof is the same.

On motion of Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*, the oath of office and certificate were read by the Clerk at the table, and are as follows:

"I, the undersigned, *Francis Cassidy*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire, Advocate, appointed one of the Deputy Returning Officers for the *St. Louis Ward*, in the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, solemnly swear that I will act faithfully in my capacity as Deputy Returning Officer, without partiality, fear, favor, or affection.—So help me God."

(Signed,)

F. CASSIDY,

Deputy Returning Officer.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that on the twenty-eighth day of the month of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, *Francis Cassidy*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire, Advocate, Deputy Returning Officer for the *St. Louis Ward*, in the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, took and subscribed the oath of office required in such case of a Deputy Returning Officer, by the forty-fourth Section of the sixth Chapter of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*. In testimony whereof, I have delivered to him this certificate under my hand.

(Signed,)

J. BELLE,
Returning Officer.

Mr. *Belle* was then further examined:

[By Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*.]

5. Did you appoint any other person as Deputy Returning Officer at the said Poll at

the said Election?—Mr. *Cassidy* not being present on the first day of the Election, 3rd July, 1861, as I was informed by Mr. *Kelly*, who had been appointed Poll Clerk by Mr. *Cassidy*, I administered the oath of office to Mr. *Kelly*, to enable him to act in the place and stead of Mr. *Cassidy*, on account of his absence.

6. Did you give Mr. *Kelly* a commission as Deputy Returning Officer?—I gave him that Commission.

7. Was Mr. *Cassidy* absent from the City of Montreal during the said Election?—I am not aware of it.

8. Was Mr. *Cassidy*, to your knowledge, incapacitated from acting during the said election by sickness?—I understood that he was unable to act in consequence of his absence at the time the election begun.

9. Do you know whether Mr. *Cassidy* voted at the said election?—I was informed at the time that he had voted.

10. Did Mr. *Cassidy* go to the Poll on the first day of Polling; state at what hour he went there, and at what hour he left?—As I had to take charge of all the polls as Returning Officer, it is not to my personal knowledge that he was there. I knew that he had been there the first day, because I was told so, but I was not present myself so as to be personally satisfied he was there.

[By Honorable Mr. *Loranger*.]

11. Mr. *Kelly*, the Poll Clerk first appointed, having been sworn in as Deputy Returning Officer, was another Poll Clerk appointed?—I think that Mr. *Kelly*, who had been sworn in as Deputy Returning Officer, appointed his brother to be Poll Clerk, to replace himself as such.

12. Can you state when the signature "*F. Cassidy*," affixed to the first three folios of the Poll Book, were so affixed?—It could only be affixed thereto after the book had been delivered to him before the election. He did not affix it in my presence.

13. Do you remember upon what day you delivered the Poll Book to Mr. *Cassidy*?—I do not recollect the day, but I know that it was several days before the election.

14. Under what circumstances did you appoint Mr. *Cassidy* Deputy Returning Officer; when and where did you appoint him, and what conversation took place between you on the subject?—A few days before I received the Writ of Election, I was desirous of coming to an understanding with *John Boston*, Esquire, who was at that time Returning Officer for *Montreal* Centre, with respect to the measures to be taken for the maintenance of peace during the election. I went to the Court House to meet Mr. *Boston* at his office, and I met Mr. *Francis Cassidy* in the corridor of the Court House. Mr. *Cassidy* asked me if I had appointed all my Deputy Returning Officers; I told him that I had still several to appoint; Mr. *Cassidy* then said, "Appoint me then to be one of your Deputies, as that will prevent me from taking any part in that election." I then told him that as he wished it, I would appoint him.

15. After having sworn in Mr. *Kelly* as Deputy Returning Officer, did you in any way recognize Mr. *Cassidy* as such Deputy Returning Officer?—I did not consider that he ceased to be Deputy Returning Officer; I put the oath to the other owing to the absence of Mr. *Cassidy* at the commencement of the election.

16. Did you have any official communication with him as Deputy Returning Officer after having sworn in Mr. *Kelly*?—No. I did not see him during the election.

17. Was Mr. *Kelly* the only person who acted as Deputy Returning Officer during and after the election?—He was the only person that acted; but I considered that Mr. *Cassidy* could have resumed his post as soon as he arrived.

18. Can you produce the Commission given to Mr. *Kelly* as Deputy Returning Officer?—The Commission must be attached to the Poll Book. I retained nothing in my possession.

19. Is it not true that on the first day of the Poll, Mr. *Kelly* went to inform you that Mr. *Cassidy* was absent from the City of *Montreal*, and was he not accompanied by Mr. *Le Blanc*, Mr. *Cassidy*'s partner?—Mr. *Kelly* came and notified me of Mr. *Cassidy*'s absence. It is possible that Mr. *Le Blanc* was present, but I do not remember it.

20. Did Mr. *Kelly* tell you the cause of Mr. *Cassidy*'s absence?—As well as I can

recollect, he told me that he was absent on business, and that he would return before the hour appointed for the election.

21. Where is the certificate of taking the oath of office by Mr. *Kelly*, as Deputy Returning Officer, which you state you signed, and which oath you state you administered to him?—*John P. Kelly* is the person who was sworn in by me to replace Mr. *Francis Cassidy* in his absence.

[By Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*.]

22. Examine the Poll Book and show the Commission of Mr. *Kelly* as Deputy Returning Officer, which you say must be attached to the Poll Book, and his Oath of Office?—Mr. *John P. Kelly* had no commission as Deputy Returning Officer; he was merely sworn in as such according to law, being Poll Clerk at the time, and in consequence of Mr. *Cassidy*'s absence.

23. Then you did not give a commission to either Mr. *Kelly* to act as Deputy Returning Officer to replace Mr. *Cassidy*?—I gave but one Deputy's Commission, and that was to Mr. *Cassidy*.

24. When you spoke in your former answer of a commission to Mr. *Kelly*, did you refer to the certificate attached to the Poll Book, and nothing else?—I meant to say that the oath he had taken empowered him to act in the absence of the Deputy.

[By Honorable Mr. *Loranger*.]

25. Did Mr. *Kelly* perform the duties of Deputy Returning Officer faithfully and to your satisfaction?—There was no complaint whatever as to Mr. *Kelly*'s conduct, and I had therefore reason to be satisfied.

26. Did the integrity of the Election suffer in consequence of the substitution of Mr. *Kelly* for Mr. *Cassidy* as Deputy Returning Officer?—I think not.

[By Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*.]

27. Did you, after the conversation in the Court House with Mr. *Cassidy*, send him the pamphlet containing the Act of Parliament concerning Elections, which is usually sent to Deputy Returning Officers?—I sent him that pamphlet after appointing him Deputy Returning Officer.

Mr. *Belle* was then directed to withdraw, and to remain in further attendance on the House.

Mr. *J. Kelly* was called in, and at the Bar examined as followeth :

[By Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*.]

28. What is your name, occupation, residence, and age?—*John Patrick Kelly*, Student-at-Law, *Montreal*, aged twenty-one years and eleven months.

29. In whose office are you a Law-Student?—In the office of Messrs. *Leblanc* and *Cassidy*, Advocates, *Montreal*.

30. Were you appointed Poll Clerk at Poll No. 3, *St. Lewis Ward*, Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, at the Election held in July last? Produce any commission which you received?—I was named Poll Clerk by Mr. *Belle*, for Poll No. 3, *St. Lewis Ward*, Division of *Montreal East*. I took the oath to act as Poll Clerk, and to act as Deputy Returning Officer in case the latter were absent. The commission was written out by Mr. *Cassidy* a few days before the Election; and he told me also a few days before the Election that he was going to appoint me as Poll Clerk; but he did not give me the appointment. I have not the commission in my possession. I gave it to Mr. *Belle*, who told me that he had sent it down to *Quebec*.

31. Look at the paper now shewn you, and state is that your oath of office, and whose is the signature at the foot thereof. And if you took any other oath, state when and where, and before whom?—I took no other oath than that contained in the Poll Book. I may remark, at the same time, that I do not find my commission as Poll Clerk in the Poll Book.

32. Did you see Mr. *Cassidy* at the said Poll on the first and second days of the Election? If so, how long was he present, and on how many occasions did he come to the said Poll?—I remember having seen Mr. *Cassidy* at the Poll on the first day. He came at half-past nine, half an hour after the Poll opened, or after. He remained there about five or ten minutes that time. He returned sometime in the morning about an hour

afterwards. He may have come there in the afternoon of the first day, but I am not certain. He may also have come there on the second day, but if he did, he remained a very short time. I am under the impression, however, that he did not come.

33. Did Mr. *Cassidy* vote at the said Election, and is his vote recorded at No. 99 in the said Poll Book, and state is the said entry in your handwriting, and has it reference to Mr. *Cassidy* who is to appear at the Bar of this House?—Mr. *Cassidy* did vote at that Election. He voted the second time he returned on the first day of the Election. His vote is recorded at No. 99 in the said book. It is not in my handwriting, but in that of my brother, who acted as my Poll Clerk at the said Election. It has reference to Mr. *Cassidy* who is to appear at the Bar of this House.

34. What was the objection taken to the said vote, and what answer was made by Mr. *Cassidy* to the said objection? At what o'clock did he vote, to the best of your recollection?—An objection was made to the said vote on behalf of Mr. *Cartier*, by Mr. *Marchand*, who represented him at the said Poll. I do not remember the precise words which passed between Mr. *Marchand* and Mr. *Cassidy* when he voted; but to the best of my knowledge he gave Mr. *Marchand* to understand that he was no longer Deputy Returning Officer, as I was acting as Deputy Returning Officer. To the best of my recollection, he voted at half-past 10 or 11 o'clock, but I cannot say precisely.

35. When were the erasures made on the first, second and third pages of the said Poll Book now shewn you, and by whom?—To the best of my knowledge, those erasures were made on the morning of the first day of the Election. They were made by myself. The writing under the said erasures is in the handwriting of Mr. *Cassidy*, and was written two or three days before the opening of the polls. I went into his office two or three days before the election, and taking up the book through curiosity I noticed this writing in the Poll Book.

36. Are you aware of the cause of Mr. *Cassidy's* absence from the Poll on the morning of the Election?—I have no personal knowledge of the reason of Mr. *Cassidy's* absence on the morning of the first day of the Election, but I was told by Mr. *Leblanc*, his partner, that he had gone to *Three Rivers*, and that he had been too late to come up to *Montreal* on the morning of the Election.

[By Honorable Mr. *Loranger*.]

37. Did Mr. *Leblanc* go with you to Mr. *Belle's* to acquaint him with Mr. *Cassidy's* absence? Say what took place at Mr. *Belle's*?—I am not very positive whether Mr. *Leblanc* came to Mr. *Belle's* with me, but I believe he did. On the morning of the opening of the Polls, he sent one *Pauzé*, a bailiff in his employ, to my residence: *Pauzé* there told me that Mr. *Leblanc* had sent for me; that Mr. *Cassidy* had not yet arrived from *Three Rivers*, and that it was very probable that I should have to replace him as Deputy Returning Officer at the said Poll. Thereupon I got ready to go with the said *Pauzé*, did go with him, and brought my brother to Mr. *Belle's* house. In going to Mr. *Belle's* house I stopped at Mr. *Cassidy's* office, which was on the way, to get the Poll Books, and also the Legislative Act relating to Elections, and I in fact did get them, and proceeded to Mr. *Belle's* house. There I saw Mr. *Belle* and his son. This was about half-past eight, or twenty minutes to nine, in the morning. I accounted to Mr. *Belle* for going to his place at that hour in the morning, by telling him that Mr. *Leblanc* had sent for me to replace Mr. *Cassidy*, in case he should not return in time to fill the office of Deputy Returning Officer, to which he had been appointed. Mr. *Belle* then swore me in as Poll Clerk. The purport of that oath was to act as Poll Clerk, and also to act as Deputy Returning Officer, in case the Deputy Returning Officer appointed did not arrive in time to open the Polls. I then appointed my brother, who was along with me, to act as my Poll Clerk at the said Election, and then and there swore him in as such.

38. When Mr. *Cassidy* went to the Poll for the first time, what question did he put to you, and what answer did you give?—When Mr. *Cassidy* arrived the first time at the Poll on the first day of the Election, he asked me in what capacity I was acting there, and I answered, as Deputy Returning Officer; and in fact I considered myself as such according to the oath which I had taken, and also, because I had appointed a Poll Clerk, and had opened the Poll at nine o'clock on that day as Deputy Returning Officer, the Deputy Returning Officer appointed by Mr. *Belle* being absent. When I told Mr. *Cassidy* that I

was acting in the capacity of Deputy Returning Officer at the said Poll, he requested me to shew him the papers appointing me as such. I then tried to lay my hands upon the papers, but they not being at hand, and there being a great number of voters waiting at the Poll to give their votes, Mr. *Cassidy* told me to receive their votes, and that I would shew him my papers at another time when I would be less busy.

39. Did you consider yourself bound to proceed to the Election, notwithstanding Mr. *Cassidy's* return, after you had been sworn in as Deputy Returning Officer and had already proceeded as such?—When Mr. *Cassidy* arrived, it did not strike me at the time whether I was strictly bound to proceed or not, but I considered that I had full authority to go on, and accordingly did so.

40. Is the signature of "*W. Kelly*," affixed to the Poll Book, the signature of your brother, who acted as your Poll Clerk?—It is.

41. On what day and what hour did you swear in your brother as Poll Clerk?—On the morning of the first day of the Election, at Mr. *Belle's* house, about half-past eight or twenty minutes to nine, when I went there, as already stated.

[By Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*.]

42. At what hour on the first day of the polling did you first see Mr. *Cassidy*?—At half-past nine or ten, as I have already stated.

43. You say you considered yourself under your oath bound to act as Deputy Returning Officer; did you take any oath but that signed by you and attached to the Poll Book, and when were the words "Acting Deputy Returning Officer" placed after your signature? Was it at the time that the words "Poll Clerk" were placed there?—As I have already stated, I did not take time to consider whether I was strictly bound to proceed as Deputy Returning Officer at the said election, but I considered that I had full authority to proceed as such. The oath which is annexed to this Book, and which is undersigned by me, is the only oath which I have taken. The words "Deputy Returning Officer," placed after the words "Poll Clerk," were placed after those words at the same time that I affixed my signature to the oath, to the best of my knowledge. The words "Poll Clerk" are not in my handwriting. I believe they are in the same handwriting as the body of the oath.

44. After having told Mr. *Cassidy* that you could not lay your hands on the papers, did you add: "but I assure you that I am Deputy Returning Officer," or words to that effect?—I do not remember whether I gave that assurance to Mr. *Cassidy* when I told him that I could not lay my hands upon the papers at that moment, but I am very certain that I told him that I was Deputy Returning Officer before he asked me for the papers.

[By the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*.]

45. From whom did you receive your commission as Poll Clerk, and by whom was it signed?—When I called at Mr. *Cassidy's* office on the first morning of the election, as I have already stated, I found it in the Poll Book which I took out of the said office and brought to Mr. *Belle's* house. The body of the appointment was in the handwriting of Mr. *Cassidy*. Whether it was signed by him or not, I do not remember, but likely it was.

[By Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*.]

46. Had Mr. *Cassidy*, before the first day of the election, asked or offered you to be Poll Clerk, or had he any conversation with you on the subject?—Two or three days before the opening of the Polls, I cannot say the precise day, Mr. *Cassidy* told me that he would appoint me as his Poll Clerk at the said election. I had no further conversation with him on the matter of my appointment.

Mr. *Kelly* was then directed to withdraw, and to remain in further attendance on the House.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of this House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act further to amend the Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by Mr. *Langevin*, Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act further to amend the *Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act*," be now read a first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Louis Marchand, Esquire, was called in, and at the Bar examined, as followeth:—

[By Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*.]

47. What is your name, residence, and profession?—*Louis Marchand*, of *Montreal*, Merchant.

48. Did you act as Agent at Poll No. 3, in *St Lewis Ward*, in the Electoral Division of *Montreal East* at the election in July last, for any and what candidate?—I acted as Agent of the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, at Poll No. 3, in the *St Lewis Ward*.

49. Did *Francis Cassidy*, of *Montreal*, Esquire, Advocate, vote at the said election?—Yes, he voted at the said Election, on the first day, to the best of my knowledge, early in the afternoon.

50. Was any objection, and if so what objection was taken to his so voting?—A few moments before he voted Mr. *Cassidy* was sitting beside me. He said to me, "I am going to vote." I answered, "I think you are joking, for you are disqualified." He replied, "I have not acted as Deputy Returning Officer," and I answered that did not disqualify him from acting as such if he pleased; that he was still Deputy Returning Officer, and that if he persisted in his determination to vote, I would enter an objection, which I did after he had given his vote.

51. Did you object specially because he was Deputy Returning Officer?—Yes. To the best of my knowledge, I said "I object because Mr. *Cassidy* is a Deputy Returning Officer."

52. Did you withdraw the said objection and allow Mr. *Cassidy* to vote without further difficulty, or did you persist in your said objection?—I did not withdraw my objection, but on the contrary I desired the Poll Clerk, who was then acting as Deputy Returning Officer, to enter my objection on the Poll Book, which I believe he did.

53. Are you aware that Mr. *Cassidy* aforesaid, was the Deputy Returning Officer at said Poll No. 3, in *St. Lewis Ward*, at the said Election?—I knew it. He told me himself at the time, and I afterwards saw it in the newspapers.

54. How often did you see Mr. *Cassidy* at the Poll on the first day of the Election, and at what hours, and did you see him there on the second day?—To the best of my knowledge, the first time I saw Mr. *Cassidy* at the Poll on the first day of the Election was about half-past nine; and at intervals, to the best of my knowledge, he passed the greater part of the day there. On the second day I also saw him at the Poll, but he only stayed a short time; at least I think I saw him on the second day.

54½. Were you authorized verbally or in writing, to act as Agent for Honorable Mr. *Cartier* at the last election for *Montreal*?—I was authorized by a written paper, signed by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, which I delivered to the Poll Clerk, acting as Deputy Returning Officer, upon my arrival at the Poll.

[By Honorable Mr. *Loranger*.]

55. During the period that Mr. *Cassidy* remained at the Poll, did you notice that he watched Mr. *Kelly* who acted as Deputy Returning Officer? Did the question arise as to the right of foreigners to vote, and was not Mr. *Kelly* embarrassed on that point? Did Mr. *Cassidy* go to his office for the Statutes in order to examine the question?—Mr. *Cassidy*, in fact, did not seem to take part in the Election; he did not seem to act as Deputy Returning Officer. I remember that this question arose, and that Mr. *Cassidy* was either sent, or went of his own accord, to fetch books to consult.

56. Did not Mr. *Cassidy*, though not acting as Deputy Returning Officer, appear to pay attention to the proceedings at the Election?—No.

Mr. *Marchand* was then directed to withdraw, and to remain in further attendance on the House.

Francis Cassidy, Esq., was called in, and at the Bar examined, as followeth:—

[By Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*.]

57. What is your name, profession, and residence?—*Francis Cassidy*. I am an advocate, and I live at *Montreal*.

58. Did you receive a commission to act as Deputy Returning Officer for *St. Lewis Ward*, in the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, at the Election held in July last. If so, produce it?—I received such a commission, but it is not now in my possession. I believe that I returned it to Mr. *Jos. Belle*, Returning Officer for that Division.

59. Did you take the oath of office to act as such Deputy Returning Officer?—Yes.

60. Look at the paper now shown you, and is the signature "*F. Cassidy*" in your handwriting?—Yes.

61. Did you receive, with the said Commission, a copy of the Consolidated Statutes respecting Elections of Members of the Legislature, being chap. 6, Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and did you read the same before the days of Polling?—I received a pamphlet containing the Election Law, and I read the principal clauses specially bearing upon the Election, without examining the Schedules. I received this Act at the same time that I received my commission in June last.

62. Did you appoint Mr. *J. Kelly* to act as Poll-Clerk at the Poll No. 3, in *St. Lewis Ward*, and is it not true that he is a Law Student in your office?—In June last, after receiving my commission as Returning Officer, I told Mr. *Kelly* that I was desirous of appointing him my Poll-Clerk. He told me he was willing. A day or two after that, I prepared the commission appointing Mr. *Kelly* my Poll-Clerk; I put this commission on a table in my office with the Poll-Books that I had received from Mr. *Belle*. After that, on the first day of July last, I was obliged to go to *Three Rivers*, on important business in which I was interested: I started without having delivered over the commission to Mr. *Kelly* and without having sworn him in, it having been my intention to deliver over to him the commission and to swear him in on my return. During my absence Mr. *Kelly*, as I have been since informed, took the books and his commission from my office. I was only informed of the fact that Mr. *Kelly* had taken his commission as Poll-Clerk that I had placed in my office, after the election was over. The said *John Kelly* is a Student in my office. My office consisted then as now of several rooms, and it was in the room in which I usually worked myself that I had placed these documents, the clerk's office being quite separate and distinct.

63. Look at the Poll-Book of the said Poll, and are the signatures "*F. Cassidy*," on the first, second and third pages in your handwriting, and when were they erased?—In June last, immediately after I had received the Poll-Books from the Returning Officer, I affixed my signature to the top of each one of those three pages. I did this in anticipation of the day on which I was about to act as Deputy Returning Officer. I cannot say when these signatures were effaced, because I did not efface them myself. I remember, however, that Mr. *Kelly*, who acted during the election, mentioned to me the fact that my signature had been effaced from the book. He may have told me that he effaced it, but I do not recollect his having done so.

64. Were you at the said Poll on the first day of the said Election; if so how long were you at the said Poll?—I arrived at the Poll in question on the 3rd of July, about twenty minutes past nine in the morning. On the first day of July previous, I started for *Three Rivers*, where I had to be present on the second of the same month at the sale of a real property in which I was interested. This sale was to take place at *Yamachiche*. I started from *Three Rivers* to return to *Montreal* on the night of the 2nd and 3rd of July. Before I left *Three Rivers*, I telegraphed to *Charles A. Leblanc*, Advocate, my partner, to see the Returning Officer on the subject of the election. I gave this information because the weather was very stormy, and I expected to be delayed on board the steamer. After that, I embarked on the night of the 2nd July on a steamboat which arrived from *Quebec*, and was going to the City of *Montreal*. This vessel was commanded by Captain *Jean Baptiste Labelle*, to whom I remarked as I had done previously on my passage down to *Three Rivers* (for I went down on the same steamer,) that I was anxious to return to open the poll on the morning of the next day. He told me that he would use every exertion to return in time. A dark night and a contrary wind prevented the vessel from arriving in time. When I left the steamer on the 3rd July at the wharf in *Montreal*, it was ten minutes

past nine o'clock. I was the first passenger who left the steamer, and I forthwith took a carriage and went directly to the Poll which I was to have kept if I had been in town. On arriving at the Poll I found two persons, namely, *John P. Kelly*, before mentioned, and his brother, *William*. *John P. Kelly* and his brother were both engaged receiving the votes of the electors. I asked him in what capacity he was acting there. He answered that he had been appointed Deputy Returning Officer, to represent me in my absence, and that he had appointed his brother to be his Poll Clerk; in fact, I saw his brother, who was writing in the Poll Book, under his directions. I then asked him to shew me his papers appointing him to that office, but he could not lay his hand upon them, and that being the case, he said to me, "I cannot lay my hand on my papers, but I will have them shewn to you; I assure you that I am Deputy Returning Officer;" and I replied, "All right; act, continue." After that I went home and dressed. About an hour after, or perhaps less, I am not certain, I returned to the same poll and presented myself as a voter. Mr. *Kelly* had my name inscribed in the Poll Book, and the agent of the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*. (Mr. *Louis Marchand*) then remarked to me that I was Deputy Returning Officer, and that therefore I had not a right to vote. I then observed to him that I had ceased to be Deputy Returning Officer, and that it was the said *John P. Kelly* who was Deputy Returning Officer. Thereupon he said to me, "I shall object to your vote," and his objection was entered. Having thus voted, I went to my office, where I remained about an hour; after which, I went to another poll in the *St. Lewis* Ward in the same Electoral Division, where my partner, *Charles A. Leblanc*, who represented Mr. *Cartier* at the Poll, was. I told him that I intended to set out for the County of *Montcalm*, where the nomination was to take place next day. Mr. *Leblanc* thereupon said to me that one of the Hon. Mr. *Cartier's* supporters had complained to him of my having voted, and he added: "I advise you not to leave for the County of *Montcalm*," saying, "after the complaint just made to me, if any thing happened at this Poll, you would be liable to blame for not being there." I then explained to him under what circumstances I had voted. I told him that I had ceased to be Deputy Returning Officer, owing to the appointment of another, as I had been told at the Poll. Without giving his opinion as to my right to do so, Mr. *Leblanc* asked me to remain. After this conversation, I returned to the poll held by Mr. *Kelly*. I left it at different times to return to my office, and went back. I visited the Poll in this way two or three times on the first day, and on the following day twice, to the best of my knowledge. On one of these occasions the said *Kelly* was somewhat embarrassed about certain aliens who came up to vote. As he had not at hand the law relating to that class of electors, I went home and brought him the Statutes by which he could be guided, and I showed him the clauses upon which he had to rely. These were the only Polls which I visited during the election, with the exception of a Poll in another division, to which I went in order to give my vote; and also, with the exception of a Poll to the door of which I went in order to ask for Mr. *McGee*, with whom I wished to speak upon business which did not relate to the *Montreal* election. I must add that before starting for *Three Rivers*, or at least at the time of my departure, as I have stated, I enquired of the captain of the steamer whether I could be back in time, and he assured me of it.

65. Look at the Election Act (Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, chap. 6) and point out the clauses which you refer to in your last Answer?—I refer to the 44th, 46th, 49th, and 50th clauses of the Act.

66. To establish what principle of Law did you refer to these clauses?—In the clauses which I have just cited, there is none which refers to aliens; but the following are the circumstances under which allusion was made to the law respecting aliens. For one reason or another a difficulty arose between the representatives of the candidates and the Deputy Returning Officer as to how many years residence were necessary to enable an alien to vote. I did not enter into the merits of this discussion or these remarks, which were made as to the opportunity of raising or not raising such question. But as the persons desired to know what course to take in the matter, I went to fetch that law for them, leaving its application to them.

67. Was it then as a partizan of either candidate that you so cited the law, or as Deputy Returning Officer?—I did not act as a partizan; I merely shewed the clauses of the law to the Deputy Returning Officer, Mr. *Kelly*.

68. Did you vote at the said election at the said Poll; if so, for whom?—Yes, I did vote at the said election under the circumstances above specified. I voted for Mr. *Dorion*, and in so voting I acted in good faith. My intention was not to violate the law in any manner. If I had thought that the law of election could really be interpreted in a different manner, I would not have voted. When I was told by Mr. *Kelly* that he had been appointed Deputy Returning Officer, I knew that the Returning Officer had the power to appoint him in my absence, and I took it for granted that he had been regularly and truly appointed. My desire had been from the commencement of that election not to participate in any manner in it. My partner, Mr. *Leblanc*, a friend of Mr. *Cartier*, was unwilling that I should interfere in any manner, and seeing this, and in order to live in peace with him, I said to the Returning Officer that if he had a place for me as Deputy, I would accept of it, asserting that it would be a protection to me, inasmuch as I would be relieved from going to canvass and speaking at the meetings, and by such means avoid difficulties with my associatè. To this I remained true, with the exception of voting as above stated.

69. Did you consult or advise with any person respecting your acting as Deputy Returning Officer, and as to your voting at the said Election between the reception of your said Commission and the close of the Poll?—No. I did not. However, a person, about the hour of eight o'clock, on the first day of the polling, told me that I was going to be sued in a penalty of five hundred pounds because I had voted. I replied that I thought the person was not aware of my circumstances, alluding to the circumstances under which I had given my vote; adding, that if I was guilty, it would only be proper that I should suffer; but at the same time, that I thought the contrary. On the second day of the polling, I related the case to Mr. *Doutre*, a lawyer in the City of *Montreal*, and asked him if I were correct, according to his views, in my interpretation of the law.

70. You said in your answer to the 64th question: "Those were the only Polls I visited during the Election, except a Poll in another Division, to which I went in order to give my vote," did you mean to say that you voted at two different Polls? If necessary, read over that portion of your evidence?—I voted in the last Division and then in the Centre Division. I had the right to vote in two distinct Divisions.

Mr. *Cassidy* was then directed to withdraw, and remain in further attendance on the House.

On motion of Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*, seconded by Mr. *Langevin*,
Ordered, That Mr. *Belle*, Mr. *Kelly*, and Mr. *Marchand*, be discharged from further attendance at the Bar of this House.

Charles A. Leblanc, Esquire, Advocate, was called in, and at the Bar examined as followeth:—

[By Honorable Mr. *Loranger*.]

71. State your name, surname and residence?—*Charles André Leblanc*, Advocate, residing at *Montreal*.

72. Were you, in the month of July last, the partner of *Francis Cassidy*, Esquire, of *Montreal*, who had been appointed Returning Officer for the election at *Montreal*? Are you acquainted with the circumstances under which this gentleman omitted to discharge his duties as Deputy Returning Officer, and if so, state what they were?—In the month of July last, Mr. *Cassidy* was my partner, as he still is. I remember that in the beginning of July he went down to *Three Rivers*, about a land sale in which he was personally interested. He was to be back on the first day of the polling for the Eastern Division. About ten in the evening of the day previous to the day of polling, I received a telegram from Mr. *Cassidy* asking me to see that another Deputy Returning Officer was appointed in his place and stead, in case he should not arrive in time to fulfil his duties as such. On the day of polling at half past seven or eight o'clock in the morning, I sent for Mr. *Kelly*, that is to say, the gentleman who was to act as his Poll Clerk. I went with him to Mr. *Belle*, the Returning Officer of the Eastern Division, who is my neighbor. I then told Mr. *Belle* what had occurred, and I begged him to appoint Mr. *Kelly* to take the place of Mr. *Cassidy* until his arrival. I left Mr. *Kelly* at Mr. *Belle's* house, and then went to represent Mr. *Cartier*, in another part of the Division.

Mr. *Leblanc* was then directed to withdraw.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, second by Mr. *Dorion*,
Ordered, That Mr. *Leblanc* be discharged from further attendance at the Bar of this House.

Mr. *Joseph Dufresne* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Carling*, and the question being put, That this House do now adjourn ;
 The House divided : *Yeas*, 33 ; *Nays*, 39.
 So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Village of *Lanark* in the County of *Lanark*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill relative to the mortgaging of certain property belonging to the Church of *England* at *Brantford*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Bank of the County of *Wellington*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the 1st and 2nd Congregations of *Hinchinbrooke*, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church of *North America*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton Powder Company* being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

A Bill to extend to the Counties of *Wentworth* and *Lincoln*, the Act for the protection of persons owning lands on the shore of *Lake Ontario*, in the Counties of *York*, *Peel*, and *Halton*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved,—That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Limitations of actions and suits in *Upper Canada*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved,—That the Bill do pass.

Ordered.—That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,

The House adjourned until Monday next.

Monday, 12th May, 1862.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House Return from the Registrar of the County of *Dundas*, of Fees and Emoluments received for the year ending 31st December, 1861, in accordance with sec. 76, cap. 89, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 7.)

Also, Return from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, prepared from the Records of the Elections to the present Legislative Assembly, shewing the aggregate number of votes polled for each candidate in each County, Riding, Township, City, Town, Parish, Precinct or Division in which there has been a contest, with the total number polled in each such Division, and the number of voters on the Voters' Lists of the same respectively; and also showing in contrast the number polled at each of the said polling places at the General Election of 1858, and the population in each constituency, according to the late Census; as called for by an Order of the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of the 8th April, 1862.

Mem.—The Returns for the uncontested Elections are included. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 24.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table:

By Mr. *Crawford*,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Munro*,—The Petition of the Grand Temple of the Independent Order of Good Templars of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Burwell*,—The Petition of *W. S. Kennedy* and others, of the Township of *Bayham*, County of *Elgin*.

By Mr. *Gagnon*,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. Morisset* and others, of the Parish of *St. Urbain*, County of *Charlevoix*.

By Mr. *Blanchet*,—The Petition of *Louis Ruel*, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de la Pointe Levi*, Militiaman of the Fourth Battalion of Incorporated Militia, during the last war with the *United States*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Wawanosh*.

By Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of the Reverend *C. Tanguay* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hénédine*, County of *Dorchester*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,—The Petition of *William Hagar* and others, of *Palermo*, Township of *Trafalgar*, County of *Halton*.

By Mr. *Walsh*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Windham*, County of *Norfolk*.

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

Of *Arthur Armstrong* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, and other places; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize them to establish communications in the direction of the *Pacific*, within the Northern and Western limits of *Canada*, with the like powers to those granted to the late North West Transportation Company.

Of *S. Shepard* and others, Masters of Vessels, and others, navigating the Lakes and Rivers of *Canada*; praying for the appointment of a Board of Inspectors for the examination of seamen.

Of *Benoit Bastien* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that Mr. *Edward Simays*, of *Montreal*, be appointed Belgian Emigration Agent for *Canada*.

Of Mrs. *Maria Murney*, Widow, Executrix of the will of the late Honorable *Edmund Murney*; praying for compensation for deficiency of land caused by erroneous Government surveys.

Of *Robert Brough* and others, of the Township of *Delaware*; and of the Municipality of the Township of *Delaware*, County of *Middlesex*; severally praying that the said Township may be detached from the West Riding of the County of *Middlesex* and annexed to the East Riding thereof.

Of *P. Nolin* and others, of the Township of *North Halifax*, County of *Megantic*; and of *A. Smith* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre de Sorel*; severally praying that the Bill respecting the Militia may not become law.

Of the Community of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, of the City of *Toronto*; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *A. Williams* and others, of the County of *Chambly*; of the Reverend *G. Marchesseau* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Rosalie*; of *M. Bouchard* and others, of *Bate St. Paul* and other Parishes; and of *J. Dubreuil* and others, of the County of *Jacques Cartier*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of the *Invincible Division*; of the *Peterborough Division*; and of the *Halton Pine Grove Division*, Sons of Temperance; severally praying for amendments to the present License Laws.

Of *James Clark* and others, of the Townships of *Lanark* and *Ramsay*; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *John Greares* and others, of *La Petite Côte de la Visitation*; and of *J. B. Gaudry* and others, of *La Côte St. Michel*, in the Parish of *Sault au Recollet*, County of *Hochelega*; severally praying that the Trustees of the *Montreal Turnpike Road Company* may be authorized to continue certain arrangements heretofore in force with the *St. Michel Road Company*.

Of the Right Reverend the Bishop, the Clergy and Laity of the Church of *England*, of the Diocese of *Ontario*; of *S. Stouffer* and others, of the Village of *Altona* and vicinity; and of *W. H. Withrow* and others, members of the New Connexion Methodist Congregations of the County of *Norfolk* and Township of *Oakland*, County of *Brant*; severally praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Reverend *J. Gaboury* and others, of the Township of *Milton*, County of *Shefford*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Registry Office in each Municipality in the Eastern Townships.

Of *Henry Argue*, of the Township of *Cavan*, County of *Durham*; praying that no Act may be passed to relieve the Shareholders of the *Port Hope, Lindsay, and Beaverton Railway Company*, from the payment of their unpaid Stock.

Of *Alexander Morrison* and others, residing in *Great Britain and Ireland*, holders of *Hamilton Bonds*, (C. W.); praying the interference of the Legislature in their behalf.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Hamilton*; and of the Town Council of the Town of *Brockville*; severally praying for amendments to the Assessment Law of *Upper Canada*.

Of *J. S. Priest* and others, of the Township of *Franklin*, County of *Huntingdon*; praying that no part of the said Township may be attached to the County of *Chateauguay*.

Of the Reverend *M. S. Caisse* and others, of *Wexford* and other Townships, County of *Montcalm*; praying aid for a Road and Bridge in the said County.

Of *Robert Wilson* and others, of the Township of *Onslow*, County of *Pontiac*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the re-survey of the 5th, 6th and 7th Concessions of the said Township.

Of *John Steel* and others, of the Township of *Onslow*, County of *Pontiac*; praying that no Act may be passed to authorize the re-survey of the 5th, 6th and 7th Concessions of the said Township.

Of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Quebec*, Church of *England*; praying for the passing of an Act granting him the power to sell a certain lot of ground in the City of *Quebec*, held by him in trust for the National School.

Of the Trustees of the Roman Catholic Academy of *Aylmer*, and others; praying for an act of incorporation under the name of the "Roman Catholic Academy of *St. Paul's*, of *Aylmer*."

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Toronto*; praying for the passing of an Act to repeal all special Acts having reference to the separation of the County of *Peel* from the County of *York*.

Of *Theodore Hart* and others, Universal Usufructuary Legatees of the late *Dame Harriet Judith Hart*, widow of the Late *Benjamin Hart*, of *Montreal*, merchant; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the administration and sale, for the benefit of whom it may concern, of the real estate appertaining to the estate and succession of the said late *Dame Harriet Judith Hart*.

Of *J. Henry Fry* and others, merchants, shipowners and others, interested in the trade

of *Quebec*; praying for amendments to the Act to amend the Act to provide for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *St. Thomas*; praying for the passing of a measure to relieve them from their Railway indebtedness.

Mr. *Langevin*, from the Select Committee, to which was referred the Bill to repeal Chapter 58 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled "An Act respecting Interest" and other References, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

The Select Committee on the Bill to repeal chapter 58 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Interest," and to fix the rate of interest on money,—The Bill to amend the Act respecting interest, and the Bill to repeal chapter 58 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Interest," and to fix the rate of interest at six per cent., beg leave to report that they have combined the provisions of the said Bills in the Bill to amend the Act respecting interest, with amendments, which they submit for the consideration of your Honorable House.

The Honorable Mr. *Alley*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General:—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 5th May, 1862, for papers relative to claim of heirs *Holland*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 26.)

Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 9th April, 1862, for Return in relation to Foreign Insurance Companies. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 27.)

Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 5th May, 1862, for copies of correspondence relative to the non-holding of Circuit Court in *Drummond*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 28.)

Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 7th May, 1862,—for Report of Provincial Arbitrators on the claim of proprietors of bridges across *Rivière des Prairies*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 25.)

Mr. *White*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find the notices sufficient; of *S. Band* and others, for an Act to authorize the running of certain side lines in *Fitzroy*, straight from post to post; of *John McDougall*, senior, and others, for an Act to authorize the running of side lines in the old survey of *Clarence* from post to post, instead of parallel with the boundary line; and of the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railway Company*.

On the Petitions of the Town Council of the Town of *Peterborough*; and of the *Port Hope*, *Lindsay*, and *Beaverton Railway Company*, for the legalization of certain agreements entered into between the said Company and the Town Councils of *Peterborough* and *Port Hope*. Your Committee find that the notice was published in the *Canada Gazette*, and in the *Peterborough* newspaper, but none in the Town of *Port Hope*; they are of opinion, however, that, under the circumstances, the notice is sufficient.

On the Petition of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, for an Act to provide for the re-organization of the Company, and for amendments to their Acts of incorporation, your Committee find that no notice has been given; but evidence has been adduced of the consent of the principal creditors of the Company (the parties whom it will most affect) to the application. Your Committee therefore beg to recommend a suspension of the 51st Rule in this case.

On the Petitions of *F. A. McCallum* and others, for repeal of the Act 23 Vic., chap 100, concerning certain side lines in the Township of *Oumberland*; and of the Municipality of the Village of *Colborne*, praying to be relieved from the injustice to which they have been subjected by the provisions of the Act 23 Vic., chap. 98, concerning the cost of certain gravel roads in the Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*. Your Committee find the notice insufficient, because, though published for the full time required by the 51st Rule, it merely mentions, in each case, the chapter of the Act to be amended

(23 Vic., chap. 100, and 23 Vic., chap. 98), without mentioning the subject of the Act, thus affording no information that can be considered equivalent to a notice to parties whose interests may be affected.

The Petition of the *Toronto Cotton Mills Company*, for an extension of the term of their Act; and of Mrs. *Charlotte Elmsley* and other ladies of the City of *Toronto*, for incorporation of an Institution for the protection of destitute young females, are not of a nature to require the publication of notice.

Ordered, That the Bill to amend the "Act respecting interest," as amended, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That all Petitions on the subject of the Assessment Laws of *Upper Canada* be referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Bill to amend the Assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*, and to render valid certain Assessments already made, and for other purposes therewith connected.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Simpson*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Bell* (of *Russell*), Mr. *Bell* (of *Lanark*), Mr. *McLachlin*, Mr. *Smith*, the Honorable Mr. *Portman*, and Mr. *Connor*, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the best method of relieving the distress of certain Municipalities, arising from debts contracted in the construction of Railways; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Mr. *Crawford* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Toronto Female Industrial School*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Blanchet* have leave to bring in a Bill to empower *Charles Fortier* to undergo an examination for admission to practice Medicine, Surgery, and Midwifery.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *McCann* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the election of Reeves and Deputy Reeves by a direct vote of the Municipal Electors.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Poupore* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Survey of the 5th, 6th and 7th Concessions of the Township of *Onslow*, in the County of *Pontiac*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morris* have leave to bring in a Bill to render Wills made in conformity with the Laws of either *Upper* or *Lower Canada*, effectual to pass Real Estate in the other section of the Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morris* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the execution of conveyances by married women in *Lower Canada*, affecting real estate in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Powell* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the running of certain side lines in the Township of *Fitzroy*, from post to post.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *McKellar* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chapter 54 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

The Order of the 29th April last, directing *Francis Cassidy*, Esquire, Deputy Returning Officer for *St. Lewis Ward*, No. 3, in the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, at the last election for the said Electoral Division, to appear at the Bar to be examined in reference to certain apparent irregularities, and to answer therefor, and others, to attend as witnesses in the said matter, being read:—

Francis Cassidy, Esquire, was again called in, and attended at the Bar.

Mr. *Dufresne* moved, seconded by Mr. *Prévost*, and the Question being proposed, That inasmuch as it appears by the explanations of *Francis Cassidy*, Esquire, Deputy Returning Officer at Poll No. 3, *St. Lewis Ward*, in the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, at the Election held in July, 1861, and by the other evidence before this House, that he was prevented by unavoidable accidents from assuming the duty of Deputy Returning Officer at the opening of the said Poll, and that although in voting at the said Election, in the said Ward, the said *Francis Cassidy* acted contrary to law, yet that he so acted without any evil intention, and through a misconception of the law in that behalf, that he be discharged from further attendance before this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Sicotte* moved, in Amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the question be left out, and the words "This House, in the interest of the freedom and purity of Elections, ought to exercise a diligent supervision over the conduct of Returning Officers; and that while maintaining this right, this House, in view of the facts established by *Francis Cassidy*, Esquire, Deputy Returning Officer, and by the other witnesses heard at the Bar of this House, which prove that he acted in good faith, orders that the said *Francis Cassidy* be discharged," inserted instead thereof.

And the question being put on the Amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas:

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lark)</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. S.,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Sicotte,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>McGee,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Howland,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>White,</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>	<i>Wilson, and</i>
<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>	<i>Wright.—52.</i>

Nays:

Messieurs

<i>Abbott,</i>	<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>
<i>Alleyne,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Le Boutillier,</i>	<i>Ross, J. S.</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Beaudien,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>	

<i>Bell</i> , (Russell),	<i>Desaulniers</i> ,	<i>McLachlin</i> ,	<i>Scott</i> ,
<i>Benjamin</i> ,	<i>Dostaler</i> ,	<i>Mongenais</i> ,	<i>Sherwood</i> ,
<i>Blanchet</i> ,	<i>Dufresne</i> , <i>Joseph</i> ,	<i>Morin</i> , Sol. Gen.,	<i>Simard</i> ,
<i>Brousseau</i> ,	<i>Ferguson</i> ,	<i>Morris</i> ,	<i>Simpson</i> ,
<i>Buchanan</i> ,	<i>Fournier</i> ,	<i>Morrison</i> ,	<i>Street</i> ,
<i>Carling</i> ,	<i>Gagnon</i> ,	<i>Portman</i> ,	<i>Sylvain</i> ,
<i>Caron</i> ,	<i>Galt</i> ,	<i>Poupore</i> ,	<i>Tett</i> , and
<i>Cartier</i> , Atty. Gen.	<i>Hébert</i> ,	<i>Prévost</i> ,	<i>Walsh</i> .—53.
<i>Cauchon</i> ,			

So it passed in the Negative.

And the question being again proposed,

The Honorable Mr. *Drummond* moved, in amendment to the question, seconded by Mr. *Dorion*, That the words "and that although on voting at the said Election in the said "Ward, the said *Francis Cassidy* acted contrary to law, yet that he so acted without any "evil intention, and through a misconception of the law on that behalf, that," be left out.

And the question being put on the Amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:

Yeas:

Messieurs

<i>Archambault</i> ,	<i>Drummond</i> ,	<i>Labrèche-Viger</i> ,	<i>Rymal</i> ,
<i>Ault</i> ,	<i>Dufresne</i> , <i>Alexandre</i>	<i>Macdonald</i> , J. S.	<i>Scatcherd</i> ,
<i>Bell</i> , (North Lanark),	<i>Evanturel</i> ,	<i>Mackenzie</i> ,	<i>Sicotte</i> ,
<i>Biggar</i> ,	<i>Foley</i> ,	<i>McDougall</i> ,	<i>Smith</i> ,
<i>Bureau</i> ,	<i>Fortier</i> ,	<i>McGee</i> ,	<i>Somerville</i> ,
<i>Bourassa</i> ,	<i>Harcourt</i> ,	<i>Mowat</i> ,	<i>Starnes</i> ,
<i>Bown</i> ,	<i>Haultain</i> ,	<i>Munro</i> ,	<i>Stirton</i> ,
<i>Burwell</i> ,	<i>Hébert</i> ,	<i>Notman</i> ,	<i>Taschereau</i> ,
<i>Clark</i> ,	<i>Hooper</i> ,	<i>Patrick</i> ,	<i>Wallbridge</i> ,
<i>Connor</i> ,	<i>Howland</i> ,	<i>Rankin</i> ,	<i>White</i> ,
<i>Cowan</i> ,	<i>Huot</i> ,	<i>Rémillard</i> ,	<i>Wilson</i> ; and
<i>Dickson</i> ,	<i>Jobin</i> ,	<i>Rykert</i> ,	<i>Wright</i> .—50.
<i>Dorion</i> ,	<i>Joly</i> ,		

Nays:

Messieurs

<i>Abbott</i> ,	<i>Chapais</i> ,	<i>Knight</i> ,	<i>Price</i> ,
<i>Alleyn</i> ,	<i>Crawford</i> ,	<i>Langevin</i> ,	<i>Robinson</i> ,
<i>Anderson</i> ,	<i>Daoust</i> ,	<i>Le Boutillier</i> ,	<i>Robitaille</i> ,
<i>Baby</i> ,	<i>Dawson</i> ,	<i>Macbeth</i> ,	<i>Ross</i> , J. S.
<i>Beaubien</i> ,	<i>De Cazes</i> ,	<i>McCann</i> ,	<i>Ryerson</i> ,
<i>Bell</i> (Russell)	<i>Denis</i> ,	<i>McLachlin</i> ,	<i>Scott</i> ,
<i>Benjamin</i> ,	<i>Desaulniers</i> ,	<i>Mongenais</i> ,	<i>Sherwood</i> ,
<i>Blanchet</i> ,	<i>Dostaler</i> ,	<i>Morin</i> , Sol. Gen.,	<i>Simard</i> ,
<i>Brousseau</i> ,	<i>Dufresne</i> , <i>Joseph</i>	<i>Morris</i> ,	<i>Simpson</i> ,
<i>Buchanan</i> ,	<i>Ferguson</i> ,	<i>Morrison</i> ,	<i>Street</i> ,
<i>Carling</i> ,	<i>Fournier</i> ,	<i>Portman</i> ,	<i>Sylvain</i> ,
<i>Caron</i> ,	<i>Gagnon</i> ,	<i>Poupore</i> ,	<i>Tett</i> , and
<i>Cartier</i> , Att. Gen.	<i>Galt</i> ,	<i>Prévost</i> ,	<i>Walsh</i> .—54.
<i>Cauchon</i> ,	<i>Jones</i> ,		

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put,

Ordered, That inasmuch as it appears by the explanations of *Francis Cassidy*, Esquire, Deputy Returning Officer at Poll No. 3, *St. Lewis Ward*, in the Electoral Division of *Montreal East*, at the election held in July, 1861, and by the other evidence before this House, that he was prevented by unavoidable accidents from assuming the duty of Deputy Returning Officer at the opening of the said Poll, and that although in voting at said election, in the said Ward, the said *Francis Cassidy* acted contrary to law, yet that he so acted

without any evil intention, and through a misconception of the law in that behalf, and he be discharged from further attendance before this House.

Francis Cassidy, Esquire, was then discharged from further attendance on the House.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :—

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to change the name of *David Allan Poe* and of his family, by adding thereto the name of "*Watt*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House; and also,

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act respecting Public Exhibitions in Lower Canada," to which they desire the concurrence of this House; and then he withdrew.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to erect the Townships of *Wendover* and *Simpson* into a separate Municipality, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Massachusetts* Valley Railroad Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to exempt the Town of *Niagara*, and the Townships of *Gainsborough* and *Caistor* from liabilities incurred by the assumption of the *Queenston* and *Grimsby* Macadamized Road by the County Council of *Lincoln*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to enable *Moise Martin Mitivier*, to undergo an examination for admission to practice Medicine, Surgery, and Midwifery, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to render valid the election and proceedings of the Trustees for the erection of a Catholic Church in the Parish of *St. Brigide*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Charter of the Industrial Academy of *St. Laurent*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Honorable *J. S. Macdonald* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte*, and the question being proposed, that the Bill to enable the Fusion of certain Railway Companies, be now read a second time;

Mr. *Notman* moved, in amendment to the question, seconded by Mr. *Clarke*, that the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof."

And a debate arising thereupon,

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned;

Then, on motion of Mr. *Patrick*, seconded by the Honorable *J. S. Macdonald*,
The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 13th May, 1862.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*.—The Petition of *D. McTavish* and others, of the Township of *Caledon*; and the Petition of the *Oshawa* Division, No. 35, Sons of Temperance.

By Mr. *Denis*.—The Petition of *J. B. Gervais* and others; and the Petition of *J. B. Scott* and others, both of the Parish of *St. Timothée*; the Petition of the Reverend *M. Foisy* and others, of the Parish of *St. Stanislas de Kotska*; and the Petition of the Reverend *L. D. Charland* and others, of the Parish of *St. Clement*, all of the County of *Beauharnois*.

By Mr. *Desautniers*.—The Petition of *Joseph Lacote* and others, of the Parish of *St. Anne d' Yamachiche*, County of *St. Maurice*.

By Mr. *McGee*.—The Petition of *James H. Marshall* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eustache* and vicinity.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*.—The Petition of the Municipality of the Village of *Ste. Rose*; and the Petition of *F. X. Perrault*, M. D., and others, of the City of *Montreal*, and of the Parish of *Pointe aux Trembles*.

By Mr. *Beaudreau*.—The Petition of *J. B. Allard* and others, of the Town of *Sorel*, and of the Parish of *St. Pierre de Sorel*.

By Mr. *Mongenais*.—The Petition of *Donald Morrison* and others, of the Township of *Newton*, County of *Vaudreuil*.

By Mr. *Taschereau*.—The Petition of *P. Richard* and others, of the Township of *Lambton*, County of *Beauce*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*.—The Petition of the Reverend *J. A. Provençal* and others, of the Seigniorship of *St. Hyacinthe*.

By Mr. *McDougall*.—The Petition of the *Toronto* School of Medicine.

By Mr. *Dunkin*.—The Petition of the Medical Faculty of *McGill* College.

By Mr. *Huntington*.—The Petition of *C. Abbott* and others.

By Mr. *Buchanan*.—The Petition of *Charles Magill* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*.—The Petition of the Mayors of the different Municipalities in the County of *Huntington*; and the Petition of the Honorable *T. J. J. Loranger* and others, of the Electoral Divisions of *Montreal* East, West, and Centre.

Mr. *Langevin* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend an Act respecting Lessors and Lessees, that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

Mr. *Langevin* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill legalizing and providing for the delivery of certain Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Mr. *Langevin* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend Chapter 20 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Registers of Marriages, Baptisms, and Burials," that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have prepared certain amendments to each, which they beg to submit for the consideration of your Honorable House.

Bill to enable the rate-payers of the County of *Lincoln* to select a more convenient place for the County Town.

Bill to authorize the Courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas and Chancery, to admit *Hugh McMahon* to practise therein respectively.

Mr. *Price* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill for the protection of the creditors of locatees of lands of the Crown, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Mr. *Benjamin*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :

The Committee have carefully examined the documents referred to in the following Motions for Printing :—

By Mr. *Bureau*,—Copy of the Royal Instructions to His Excellency the Governor General.

By Mr. *Langevin*,—Return to Address,—Statement relative to Fishery Bounties.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—Return to Address,—Papers, &c., relating to the payment of moneys of the Province to or for the City of *Hamilton*, on account of the indebtedness of the said City.

By Mr. *McGee*,—Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Imperial and Colonial authorities on the Defence of this Province.

By Dr. *Connor*,—Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *North Norwich*, County of *Oxford*, to stay proceedings of the Government against them, and to be relieved from their indebtedness to the Municipal Loan Fund. The Committee recommend that the above documents be printed.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Loranger* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Union *St. Pierre de Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Return to an Address of the 7th of April last, for Statement relative to Fishery bounties, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. *Morris*, seconded by the Honorable *J. S. Macdonald*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, " An Act to change the name of *David Allan Poe*, and of his family, by adding thereto the name of " *Watt*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Return to an Address of the 8th April last, for copies of papers and correspondence relating to the indebtedness of the City of *Hamilton*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That the Return to two Addresses of the 30th April and 1st May last, relative to the Military defence of the Province, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Huot* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Société de l'Union de St. Roch*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That all Petitions referring to the indebtedness of embarrassed Municipalities be referred to the Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report upon the best method of relieving the distress of certain Municipalities, arising from debts contracted in the construction of Railways.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill further to amend the Charter of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws of *Upper Canada* affecting trade and commerce, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, Mr. *Connor*, Mr. *Crawford*, the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, Mr. *Buchanan* and Mr. *Howland*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Terrebonne* Turnpike Road Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Association de *St. François Xavier de Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the "Société "Ecclesiastique du Diocèse de *St. Hyacinthe*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of certain Turnpike Roads in *Isle Jésus*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to alter the name of Office of the Inspectors and Superintendents of Police for the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider of certain proposed Resolutions to impose a tonnage duty on vessels entering the harbor of *Quebec*.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Alley*, it was

Resolved, That the *Quebec* Harbor Commissioners be authorized to impose a tonnage on sea-going vessels discharging ballast or cargo, or loading in the Harbor of *Quebec*, not exceeding five cents per ton.

Resolved, That the *Quebec* Harbor Commissioners be authorized to impose penalties not exceeding fifty dollars on all persons who infringe any By-law respecting the Harbor of *Quebec*.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Caron* reported that the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received, on Friday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Merchants' Bank, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to define and extend the powers of the City and District Savings' Bank of *Montreal*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* Racket Court Company, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to appropriate the share of the Township of *Augusta*, in the Upper *Canada* Municipalities' Fund, to Common School purposes, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to annex the Township of *Acton* and part of the Township of *Wendover*, to the County of *Nicolet*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Gaudet*, Mr. *Chapais*, Mr. *Desaulniers*, Mr. *Dorion*, and the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin* ; to report thereon with all convenient speed ; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill for incorporating the Village of *Aurora*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to establish and continue a Survey in the Township of *King*, in the County of *York*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *St. George's* Benevolent Society of *Hamilton*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the Second Reading of the Bill to authorize *Paul Girard* to construct a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemin*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question which was on Thursday last, proposed, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Mackenzie*, Mr. *Bureau*, Mr. *Crawford*, Mr. *Langevin*, the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, Mr. *McKellar*, Mr. *McDougall*, the Honorable J. S. *Macdonald*, Mr. *McGee*, Mr. *Haultain*, Mr. *Scott*, the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, Mr. *Street*, Mr. *Morris*, and Mr. *Simard*, be appointed to enquire into the management of the Works, and the expenditure of Public moneys on, and connected with, the new Parliamentary and Departmental Buildings at the City of *Ottawa* ; to report thereon with all convenient speed ; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

And the Question being again proposed :

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit until after Twelve of the Clock, on Wednesday morning ;

Wednesday, 14th May, 1862.

The Honorable *J. S. Macdonald* moved, seconded by Mr. *Alexandre Dufresne*, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn,

The House divided: Yeas, 72; Nays, 41.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, 14th May, 1862.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Huntington*,—The Petition of the *Shefford* Division, No. 47, Sons of Temperance; and the Petition of *J. B. Lay*, and others, of the County of *Shefford*.

By Mr. *Desaulniers*.—The Petition of *J. Ronette* and others, of the Parish of *Point du Lac*, County of *St. Maurice*.

By Mr. *Chapais*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kamouraska*.

By Mr. *Gaudet*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Julie Précourt*, Widow of the late *Olivier Dugré*, of *Three Rivers*; and the Petition of *T. A. Lambert* and others, of the Parish of *Bécancour*, County of *Nicolet*.

By Mr. *Bown*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Brant*.

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of *W. Gibbard* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, and County of *Simcoe*.

By Mr. *J. S. Ross*,—The Petition of *James West*, of the Township of *Mountain*, County of *Dundas*, Provincial Land Surveyor and Engineer.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—The Petition of *W. Anstead* and others, of *Paisley*; and the Petition of *Hugh Matteson* and others, of the County of *Bruce*.

By Mr. *Scatcherd*,—The Petition of *B. McMahon* and others, of the West Riding of the County of *Middlesex*.

By Mr. *Wallbridge*,—The Petition of *James Geddes* and others, Fishermen and others, of the County of *Hastings*.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of *L. Thibodeau* and others, of the Township of *Stanfold*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Alleyne*,—The Petition of the *Quebec* Board of Trade.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of *W. H. A. Davies* and others, proprietors of Real Estate in the first five Ranges of the Township of *Acton*, County of *Bagot*; the Petition of *Galston Sandford*, of the City of *Quebec*, and late of *Poughkeepsie*, in the State of *New York*; and the Petition of *Isaac Rogers*, of the City of *Montreal*, and late of *Newark*, in the State of *New Jersey*.

By Mr. *Bell* (of *Russell*),—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Renfrew*.

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

Of the Reverend *C. Tanguay* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hénédine*, County of *Dorchester*; praying an increased aid for Colonization Roads.

Of the Reverend *P. Morisset* and others, of the Parish of *St. Urbain*, County of *Charlevoix*; praying aid for a road in the said County.

Of the Grand Temple of the Independent Order of Good Templars of *Canada*; praying for the establishment of an Asylum for inebriates.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Windham*, County of *Norfolk*; praying for the passing of a measure to stay the proceedings of the Government against the said Municipality, and to relieve them from their indebtedness to the Municipal Loan Fund.

Of *William Hager* and others, of *Palermo*, Township of *Trafalgar*, County of *Halton*; and of *W. S. Kanady* and others, of the Township of *Bayham*, County of *Elgin*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *Louis Kuehl*, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de la Pointe Lévi*, Militiaman of the

Fourth Battalion of Incorporated Militia during the last war with the *United States*; praying that the pension which was granted him for services during the said war, may date from 1814, in which year he was wounded.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Toronto*; praying for amendments to the Municipal and other Laws of *Upper Canada*, so far as the same relates to the said City.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Wawanosh*; praying for the passing of an Act to separate the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* from the County of *Huron*, and to annex the same to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex*.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral Division of *Montreal West*, to which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House relative thereto: and the names of the Committee were read as follow:—*George Caron*, Esquire; *James Cowan*, Esquire; *Robert Bell*, Esquire, (of *Russell*.) *Alex. Archambault*, Esquire; Chairman, *Maurice Laframboise*, Esquire.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the United Counties of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, to which they annexed the petition referred to them by the House relative thereto; and the names of the Committee were read as follow:—*Joseph Octave Beaubien* Esquire; *William Anderson*, Esquire; *François Bourassa*, Esquire; Chairman, *Henri Gustave Joly*, Esquire.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Verchères*, to which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House relative thereto; and the names of the Committee were read, as follow:—*James Dickson*, Esquire; *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, Esquire; *Moyse Fortier*, Esquire; *Thomas Roberts Ferguson*, Esquire; Chairman, *John J. C. Abbott*, Esquire.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Shefford*, to which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House relative thereto; and the names of the Committee were read, as follow: *Charles Boucher de Boucherville*, Esquire; *John Young Bown*, Esquire; *James Cockburn*, Esquire; *William McDonell Dawson*, Esquire; Chairman, the Honorable *John Rose*.

Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to certain amendments to each, which they beg to submit for the consideration of your Honorable House.

Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of Charity of *Quebec*.

Bill to amend the Charter of the College of *Ste. Anne de la Pocatière*.

Bill to amend the Charter of the Industrial Academy of *St. Laurent*.

Bill to amend "An Act to incorporate the Pilots for and below the Harbour of *Quebec*."

Bill to charge the Corporation of the City of *Toronto* with the payment of the expense of taking care of, supporting, and maintaining certain prisoners in the Common Gaol of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.

The Honorable Mr. *Alley*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address from

the Legislative Assembly, dated 30th April, 1862, for Return of persons who have failed to transmit to the Receiver General fees on Tavern Licenses. (*Sessional Papers, No. 30.*)

Ordered, That the Return to an Address, for a Copy of the Royal Instructions to His Excellency the Governor General, on his assuming the reins of the Government of this Colony, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. *Benjamin*, seconded by Mr. *Bell*, (of North Lanark,)

Ordered, That in pursuance of the 52nd section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, the General Committee of Elections have leave to increase the number of Members forming "the Chairmen's Panel" by adding four additional names thereto.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of North *Norwich*, County of *Oxford*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dorion* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Lower Canada* Municipal Act.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *McGee*, seconded by Mr. *Bell*, (of North Lanark,)

Ordered, That the First Report of the Committee on Immigration and Colonization, especially with reference to the Spring Immigration of the present year, presented to this House on Thursday, the 8th instant, be committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow; and be then the first Order of the Day.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to bring in a Bill for closing the Canals on the Lord's Day, and for prohibiting the running of Trains on Railways, and the departure of Steamers and other vessels from Port on that day.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Crawford* have leave to bring in a Bill to explain the Act to provide for the separation of the City of *Toronto* from the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*, for certain judicial purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *McKellar*, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of the Report and Survey made by *William Scot*, Esquire, of the mouth of *Two Creeks*, and also, copies of the Survey and Report made of the *Rondeau*, by order of the Government, in 1861.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Dawson*, seconded by Mr. *Morris*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return, shewing what works have been constructed or repaired on the *St. Maurice* within the last three years; the cost of each such work or repair; the amount of each separate contract for any such work made, or in progress, and the name of the contractor; what works, either complete or partially finished, have been abandoned, and their cost respectively. Also, copies

of any petition for remission of dues on account of losses sustained in 1861, through the state of the works, and the correspondence and reports in relation thereto.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Gagnon*, seconded by Mr. *Hébert*,

Resolved,—That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Reports and Correspondence addressed to the Government by Dr. *Edouard Boudreau*, in his capacity of Coroner of the *Sagunay* District; also, copies of all accounts sent in by him for Post Mortem examinations, the date of these examinations, and also the date of the payment of the accounts by the Government, and to whom these sums of money were paid by the said *Edouard Boudreau*, and for what services.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Patrick*, Mr. *Biggar*, the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Wright*, Mr. *Anderson*, Mr. *McKellar*, Mr. *Mackenzie*, Mr. *Haultain*, Mr. *Hooper*, Mr. *Huntington*, Mr. *O'Halloran*, Mr. *Chapais*, Mr. *Desaulniers*, and Mr. *Dorion*, be appointed to consider the best means by which the vice of intemperance may be suppressed; with power to report thereon from time to time, by Bill or otherwise.

Mr. *Simpson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Benjamin*, and the Question being put, That *Edmund Hooper*, Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Camden*, *Florence McEgan*, Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Newburg*, at the late Election for the County of *Lennox* and *Addington*, and *William Whalan*, of the Village of *Centreville*, in the Township of *Camden East*, and *James O'Reilly*, of the City of *Kingston*, be severally summoned to attend at the Bar of this House, on Wednesday, the 21st instant, to give evidence on the Return to the Writ of Election for the said County.

The House divided: and it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. *Haultain* moved, seconded by Mr. *Hooper*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House correspondence connected with the removal of Messieurs *Clemshaw*, *Horstone*, and *Kennedy*, late Postmasters in the West Riding of *Northumberland*.

And a debate arising thereupon, and it being Six of the Clock,

Pursuant to the Rule of this House, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the "Orphans' Home and Widows' Friend Society of *Kingston*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

A Bill relating to mortgages in *Upper Canada*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Connor*, seconded by Mr. *Wilson*, the following amendment was made to the Bill:—

Clause III., lines 6 and 7, leave out the words "same had been registered under and

“in pursuance of section 58 of chapter 89 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*,” and insert the following instead thereof: “Second section of this Act had passed and been the eighth sub-section of section number seven of the said Act 24 *Victoria*, chapter forty-one, at the time of the passing thereof.”

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend “An Act respecting Lessors and Lessees,” and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fortier* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill legalizing and providing for the delivery of certain Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Dunkley* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend chapter twenty of the Consolidated Statutes of *Lower Canada*, intituled, “An Act respecting Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials;” and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bureau* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bureau* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question, which was, on Wednesday, the 7th instant, proposed,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he may be pleased to amend the by-laws which regulate the cutting of timber on the Crown Lands, that they may contain the following provisions:—

1st. Every settler located on any lot forming part of the lands of the Crown, or of the Clergy Reserves, and whose name shall be registered as occupant in the books of the local agent, or of the Department of the Crown Lands, may take, cut, and sell, as he may deem expedient, all the serviceable timber which he may find within the limits of the ground undergoing the process of clearing for Agricultural purposes.

2nd. No settler shall be entitled to take or remove any serviceable timber for purposes of Commerce from the lot which he so occupies, beyond the limits of the land undergoing the process of clearing; but he may, as heretofore, take the necessary timber for the construction of the buildings which may be required in effecting the settlement of the said land.

3rd. Any settler who desires to do so, may obtain a license of permit from the Department of Crown Lands to cut timber over the whole extent of the land occupied by him for the purposes of commerce, upon payment of the fee of one dollar, and the amount of the Government dues shall be placed to his credit in respect of the purchase money of such lot.

4th. No license shall be necessary for any settler who shall have paid in full the purchase money of his lot, and so soon as such payment shall have been made, he may make use of the timber on such lot as his own property.

5th. No license shall be granted to any person whomsoever to cut timber upon lots of land already occupied as mentioned in the first of these proposed amendments, excepting only to the occupants themselves.

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being again proposed,

Mr. *Dawson* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Bell*, (of *Russell*), That all the words after the word "pleased" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "to lay before this House copies of all regulations affecting respectively, the granting of Licenses to cut timber on the waste lands of the Crown, and the settlement of the said lands," inserted instead thereof.

Mr. *Desaulniers* moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. *Caron*, That all the words after "that," to the end thereof, be left out, and the words "the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the colonization of the wild lands in *Lower Canada*, be instructed to consider the following propositions, viz:—

1st. Every settler located on any lot forming part of the Lands of the Crown, or of the Clergy Reserves, and whose name shall be registered as occupant in the books of the local Agent, or of the Department of Crown Lands, may take, cut and sell, as he may deem expedient, all the serviceable timber which he may find within the limits of the ground undergoing the process of clearing for agricultural purposes.

2nd. No settler shall be entitled to take or remove any serviceable timber for purposes of Commerce from the lot which he so occupies, beyond the limits of the land undergoing the process of clearing; but he may, as heretofore, take the necessary timber for the construction of the buildings which may be required in effecting the settlement of the said land.

3rd. Any settler who desires to do so, may obtain a license or permit from the Department of Crown Lands to cut timber over the whole extent of the land occupied by him for the purposes of Commerce, upon payment of the fee of one dollar, and the amount of the Government dues shall be placed to his credit in respect of the purchase money of such lot.

4th. No license shall be necessary for any settler who shall have paid in full the purchase money of his lot, and so soon as such payment shall have been made, he may make use of the timber on such lot as his own property.

5th. No license shall be granted to any person whomsoever to cut timber upon lots of land already occupied as mentioned in the first of these proposed amendments, excepting only to the occupants themselves; inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the said proposed Amendment, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the main Question, as amended, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the colonization of the wild lands in *Lower Canada*, be instructed to consider the following propositions, viz.:

1st. Every settler located on any lot forming part of the Lands of the Crown, or of the Clergy Reserves, and whose name shall be registered as occupant in the books of the local Agent, or of the Department of Crown Lands, may take, cut and sell, as he may deem expedient, all the serviceable timber which he may find within the limits of the ground undergoing the process of clearing for agricultural purposes.

2nd. No settler shall be entitled to take or remove any serviceable timber for purposes of Commerce from the lot which he so occupies, beyond the limits of the land undergoing the process of clearing; but he may, as heretofore, take the necessary timber for the construction of the buildings which may be required in effecting the settlement of the said land.

3rd. Any settler who desires to do so, may obtain a license or permit from the Department of Crown Lands to cut timber over the whole extent of the land occupied by him for the purposes of Commerce, upon payment of the fee of one dollar, and the amount of the dues shall be placed to his credit in respect of the purchase money of such lot.

4th. No license shall be necessary for any settler who shall have paid in full the purchase money of his lot, and so soon as such payment shall have been made, he may make use of the timber on such lot as his own property.

5th. No license shall be granted to any person whomsoever to cut timber upon lots of land already occupied as mentioned in the first of these proposed amendments, excepting only to the occupants themselves.

On motion of Mr. *Hooper*, seconded by Mr. *Wallbridge*,

Ordered, That *Benjamin C. Davy*, of *Napanee*, Esquire, *Henry Finkle*, *John D. Ham*, and *Douglas Hocper*, of *Newburg*, Esquires, do attend at the Bar of this House, on Wednesday, the twenty first instant, to give evidence in the matter of the motion directing the attendance, at the Bar of this House, of the Returning Officer for the County of *Lennox* and *Addington*.

Mr. *Dufresne* moved, seconded by Mr. *Langevin*, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn,

The House divided; Yeas 53; Nays 42.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House adjourned accordingly.

Thursday, 15th May, 1862.

Mr. Speaker stated that it was his painful duty to announce to the House the death of its Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sirotte*,

Resolved, That this House entertains a just and high sense of the distinguished services and exemplary conduct of the late *William Burns Lindsay*, as its Clerk, and of the efficient manner in which he uniformly discharged the duties of his office; and also, of his faithful services as a Public Officer in various situations, during a period of more than fifty years; and that, as a mark of respect to his memory, this House do now adjourn.

The House then adjourned accordingly, at 10 minutes to 4 o'clock.

Friday, 16th May, 1862.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to appoint *William Burns Lindsay*, the younger, Esquire, to be Clerk of this House; and that Mr. *Lindsay* had taken and subscribed the Oaths of Allegiance and of Office.

Mr. *Lindsay's* Commission was then read.

Mr. Speaker then stated that the Clerk of the House had, with his permission, appointed *Alfred Patrick*, Esquire, to be his Deputy for the transaction of business, during his absence from the House this day.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Somerville*,—The Petition of *Julius Scriber* and others, of the Township of *Hemmingford*, County of *Huntingdon*.

By Mr. *Desaulniers*,—The Petition of *George Diamond*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Barnabé*, County of *St. Maurice*.

By Mr. *Daoust*,—Two Petitions of the Reverend *A. Toupin*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Placide*; the Petition of *Victor Perrault*, and others; the Petition of *C. H. Champagne*, and others, both of the Parish of *St. Eustache*; all of the County of *Two Mountains*.

By Mr. *Anderson*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Ameliasburgh*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*,—The Petition of the Honorable *Louis Renaud*, and others, of the City of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *M. D. Meunier La Pierre*, of the Parish of *St. Pie*, County of *Bagot*.

By Mr. *Bourassa*,—The Petition of *Albert Rounds*, of the Town of *St. John's*, Master Mason; and the Petition of *T. Girard*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Valentin*, County of *St. John's*.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of the Municipality and Citizens of the Parish of *St. Valerède Bulstrode*; and the Petition of *V. St. Germain*, and others, of *St. Louis de Blanford*.

By Mr. *Blanchet*,—The Petition of the Reverend *P. Beaumont*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostome*; the Petition of *T. Amiraux*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Romuald d'Etchemin*; and the Petition of *Charles Robertson*, and others, of the Parish of *Notre Dame de la Victoire*; all of the County of *Lévis*.

By Mr. *Joly*,—The Petition of *W. Miller*, and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Street*,—The Petition of the *Welland Railway Company*.

By Mr. *Stirton*,—Two Petitions of the Town Council of the Town of *Guelph*.

By Mr. *Morris*,—The Petition of the *Ramsay Lead Mining and Smelting Company*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Townships of *Bathurst, Elmsley, and Burgess*; and the Petition of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—The Petition of *John Kay*, M.D. and others, of the Township of *Usborne*, County of *Huron*.

By Mr. *Robitaille*,—The Petition of *Edourd Demers* and others, Branch Pilots for and below the Harbour of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of *R. M. Watts* and others, of the *Five Ranges* of the Township of *Grantham*; the Petition of *G. Wright* and others, of the Township of *Simpson*; the Petition of *W. S. Robins* and others, of the Township of *Wendover*, all of the County of *Drummond*; and the Petition of *H. F. Whitten* and others, *West Shefford*, and other places.

By Mr. *McCann*,—Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Prescott* and *Russell*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*,—The Petition of the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railway Company*.

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

Of the Medical Faculty of *McGill College*; praying for aid.

Of the *Toronto School of Medicine*; praying for amendments to their Act of incorporation.

Of *P. Richard* and others, of the Township of *Lambton*, County of *Beauce*; praying for aid to elevate the ground on each side of the Bridge over the River *des Bluets*.

Of the Reverend *M. Foisy* and others of the Parish of *St. Stanislas de Kotska*; of *J. B. Gervais* and others, of the Parish of *St. Timothée*, County of *Beauharnois*; and of *Donald Morrison* and others, of the Township of *Newton*, County of *Vaudreuil*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of *D. McTavish* and others, of the Township of *Caledon*; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Mayors of the different Municipalities of the County of *Huntingdon*; praying that no portion of the said County may be detached and annexed to the County of *Chateauguay*.

Of *James H. Marshall* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eustache* and vicinity; praying for the passing of an Act prohibiting all single sleighs upon public roads, the left runner of which does not follow upon the track of the horse drawing the same

Of the Municipality of the Village of *Ste. Rose*; praying for amendments to the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of certain Turnpike Roads in *Isle Jésus*.

Of *J. Bte. Allard* and others, of the Town of *Sorel* and of the Parish of *St Pierre de Sorel*; praying aid for losses sustained at the breaking up of the ice on the River *Richelieu*.

Of the Reverend *L. D. Charland* and others, of the Parish of *St. Clement*; and of *J. B. Scott* and others, of the Parish of *St. Timothée*, County of *Beauharnois*; praying that the inhabitants of the said County may not be compelled to aid in the construction of a Bridge across the River *Chateauguay*.

Of *Charles Magill* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of the "*Hamilton Masonic Hall Association*."

Of the Rev. *J. A. Provençal* and others, of the Seigniori of *St. Hyacinthe*; praying that measures may be adopted to establish a uniform rate of Seigniorial Rentes Foncières.

Of the *Oshawa* Division, No. 35, Sons of Temperance; praying for amendments to the Law relating to the sale of Liquors on Sunday.

Of *Joseph Lacerte* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Anne d'Yamachiche*, County of *St. Maurice*; praying that the Bill respecting the Militia may not become law.

Of *C. Abbott* and others; praying that an Act of incorporation may be granted for the construction of a Railroad from the *Connecticut* and *Passumpsic* Rivers Railroad, to some point on the *St. Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Railroad.

Of the Honorable *T. J. J. Loranger* and others, of the Electoral Divisions of *Montreal East*, *West*, and *Centre*; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the organization of Agricultural and Horticultural Societies in the said Electoral Divisions, and for other purposes.

Of *F. X. Ferrault*, M. D., and others, of the City of *Montreal*, and of the Parish of *Pointe-aux-Trembles*; praying that the Road leading from the farm of *Joseph Jeannot* to that of *Felix Archambault*, may be re-opened to the public.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

MR. SPEAKER,—The Legislative Council agrees to the Conference desired on the subject of the manner in which the Ocean Steamship Company, subsidized in virtue of several Acts of Parliament, has executed the Contracts made with the Government, and the cause of the frequent shipwreck of their Steamers on their transatlantic voyages; and that the Managers, on the part of this House, are to be the Honorable Messieurs *Alexander* and *Seymour*, who are to meet the number of Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly, required by Parliamentary Usage, at half-past four o'clock this day, in the Conference Chamber of the Legislative Council.

And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, Mr. *Street*, Mr. *Laframboise*, and Mr. *Langevin*, be appointed on the part of this House to manage the Conference agreed to by the Honorable the Legislative Council, on the subject of the manner in which the Ocean Steamship Company, subsidized by virtue of several Acts of Parliament, has executed the contracts made with the Government, and the causes of the frequent shipwreck of their steamers on their transatlantic voyages; and that the Honorable the Legislative Council be informed of the appointment of such Managers on behalf of this House, to manage the Conference at the hour fixed by their Honors.

George Caron, Esquire; *James Cowan*, Esquire; *Robert Bell*, Esquire, (of *Russell*;) *Alexandre Archambault*, Esquire; Chairman, *Maurice Laframboise*, Esquire, being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral Division of *Montreal West*, their names were called over; and being come to the table, they were sworn in by the Deputy Clerk.

Ordered,—That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the Electoral Division of *Montreal West*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for that Division.

Ordered,—That the said Committee do meet at Committee Room No. 19, at the hour of Eleven of the Clock, A. M., to-morrow.

Joseph Octave Beaubien, Esquire; *Leonidas Burwell*, Esquire; *William Anderson*, Esquire; *François Bourassa*, Esquire; Chairman, *Henri Gustave Joly*, Esquire, being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the united Counties of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, their names were called over; and being called to the table, they were sworn by the Deputy Clerk.

Ordered, That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the United Coun-

ties of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said United Counties.

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet at Committee Room No. 23, at Six of the Clock, P. M., this day.

Charles Boucher de Boucherville, Esquire; *John Young Bown*, Esquire; *James Cockburn*, Esquire; *William McDonell Dawson*, Esquire; Chairman, the Honorable *John Rose*, being the select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Shefford*, their names were called over; and being come to the table, they were sworn by the Deputy Clerk.

Ordered, That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the County of *Shefford*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for that County.

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet in Committee Room No. 21, at the hour of Eleven of the Clock, A. M., to-morrow.

James Dickson, Esquire; *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, Esquire; *Moise Fortier*, Esquire; *Thomas Roberts Ferguson*, Esquire; Chairman, *John J. C. Abbott*, Esquire, being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Verchères*; their names were called over, and the Chairman, *John J. C. Abbott*, appeared not.

On motion of Mr. *Benjamin*, seconded by Mr. *Joly*,

Resolved, That when Mr. Speaker leaves the Chair at six o'clock, the House do stand adjourned until half-past seven o'clock this day.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,

Ordered, That a copy of the Royal Patent or Commission, appointing *Gustavus W. Wicksteed*, Esquire, Law Clerk of this House, be laid upon the table.

Mr. *Simpson*, from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee, in the course of their investigations into the Accounts for Contingencies in the various Public Departments, have discovered that very excessive charges have been made for Stationery and Printing; and your Committee have further learned that large supplies of Stationery and Printing have been sent into several of the said Departments since the commencement of the current year, and that some of the accounts therefor have not yet been paid. Your Committee therefore beg to be authorized to examine and report to your Honorable House thereon.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the said Report.

Mr. *McGee*, from the Special Committee appointed to take into consideration the subject of Immigration and Colonization, especially with reference to the Spring Immigration of the present year, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix, No. 2.*)

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Mr. *Dawson*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have considered the Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of *Toronto*, for amendment to the Municipal and other laws, so far as they affect the City of *Toronto*; they find that the notice, though published in the *Canada Gazette* for two months, appeared in a *Toronto* paper, (the *Leader*) only from the 15th February to the 17th March. In a matter of this nature, which has been fully discussed in the City Council, they beg to recommend that the notice be considered sufficient.

With regard to the Petitions of *Thomas Morrow* and others, of the town of *Cobourg*,

and *Charles Perry* and others, of the town of *Peterborough*, praying that the control of the *Cobourg and Peterborough* Railway may be transferred from the Bondholders to the original Stockholders, with power to raise new stock, your Committee find that the notice makes mention merely of amendments to the Act of Incorporation; they have received evidence, however, to satisfy them that the principal bondholders are aware of the nature of the application, and they therefore beg to recommend that the notice be considered sufficient.

On the Petition of the North West Transit Company, for amendments to their Act of Incorporation; your Committee have to report that the said Company is no longer in existence, its charter having become forfeited by non-user.

On the Petition of *Arthur Armstrong* and others, for incorporation of the North West Transportation Company, no notice has been given, but your Committee beg to recommend a suspension of the 51st Rule, on the ground that the measure is one of great public importance, and affects no local interest.

On the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Humberstone*, for the adoption of measures for causing the sale of the *Dorchester* Glebe Lands, your Committee find that no notice was given.

On the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Murray*, for an Act to relieve the said Municipality from alleged injustice through the operation of the Act 23 Vic., chap. 98, concerning certain gravel roads in the Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*; your Committee find the notice insufficient, inasmuch as it merely specifies the chapter of the Act proposed to be amended, without indicating the subject thereof.

The Petitions of the Trustees of the Roman Catholic Academy of *St. Paul's*, of *Aylmer*, for an Act of Incorporation; and of the Community of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, of the City of *Toronto*, for amendments to their Act of Incorporation, are not of a nature to require the publication of notice.

Ordered, That Mr. *Walsh* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Will of *Nathan Gage*, late of the Town of *Brantford*, Esquire.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dawson* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Roman Catholic Academy of *St. Pauls'* of *Aylmer*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Bell* (of *North Lanark*), seconded by Mr. *Notman*,

Ordered, That the Order referring the Petition of *Alexander Shields* and *William Chisholm*, complaining of an Undue Election and Return for the County of *Peel*, to the General Committee of Elections, be discharged.

The Honorable Mr. *Alley*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 8th April, 1862; For Statement of Affairs of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*. (*Sessional Papers*, No 16.)

And also, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 28th April, 1862; for Copies of Papers relating to the erection of Bridges across the *Lachine* Canal. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 31.)

And it being Six of the Clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, until half-past seven o'clock, this day, without a Question first put.

Half-past 7 o'clock, P.M.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of *John Carr* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, and other places.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Drummondville* Mining Company of *Canada East*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Crawford* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, for the Diocese of *Toronto*, in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the North West Transportation, Navigation and Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Alley* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Pilotage Fees on Colonial Vessels trading to *Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to read a second time, on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. *Morris*, seconded by Mr. *Dunkin*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Orphans' Home and Widows' Friend Society, of Kingston," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Sicotte* have leave to bring in a Bill to prevent the sale of the property of others.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Joly*, seconded by Mr. *Starnes*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the United Counties of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska* Election Petition, having obtained the consent of the Petitioner and the Sitting Member, have leave to adjourn until Wednesday, the 21st instant, at Eleven of the Clock in the forenoon.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cockburn* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Act 22 Vic., chap. 119, and to make further provisions relating to the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Galt*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency, the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth:—

MONCK:

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Assembly, the Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province during the year ending 31st December, 1862; and, in conformity with the provisions of the 57th Section of the Union Act, he recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 4.)

Government House,
Quebec, 15th May, 1862.

Ordered, That the said Message, together with the Estimates for the year 1862, accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee of Supply, being read,

And the Question being put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand two hundred and sixty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Governor General's Secretary's Office, for the year 1862.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Benjamin* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the report be received, on Tuesday next.

Mr. *Benjamin* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee to consider of Ways and Means for raising the supply granted to Her Majesty; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Benjamin* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Tuesday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Galt*,

The House adjourned until Monday next.

Monday, 19th May, 1862.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had appointed George Manly Muir and Alfred Patrick, Esquires, to be Clerks Assistant to the House; such appointments to date from the 16th instant.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, Return from the Registrar of the County of *Welland*, of Fees received for the year ending 31st December, 1861, in accordance with Sec. 76, Chap. 89, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 7.) Also,

Return of Shareholders of the *Niagara District Bank*, as on the 31st March, 1862. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 9.)

Mr. Speaker reported to the House, that the Recognizance to the Petition of *Placide O. Morin*, and *Louis O. Marion*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Montcalm*, is objectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House, that the Recognizance to the Petition of *Pierre Giroux*, and others, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Lévis*, is objectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House, that the Recognizance to the Petition of *David Roblin*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Lennox* and *Addington*, is objectionable.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House, that the Recognizance to the Petition of *Alexander Moffatt*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Quebec*, is objectionable.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *Knight*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Hatley*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township and Village of *Stanstead*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Barnston*; all of the County of *Stanstead*.

By Mr. *Jobin*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Paul*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Thomas*; both of the County of *Joliette*; and the Petition of *Joseph J. de Beauregard*, of the Parish of *St. Paul de Lavaltrie*, County of *Joliette*, and *Narcisse Goulet*, of the Parish of *St. Ligouri*, County of *Montcalm*.

By Mr. *Somerville*,—The Petition of *P. McNaughton*, and others, of the Township of *Hemmingford*, County of *Huntingdon*.

By Mr. *Stirton*,—The Petition of the *Guelph Farmers and Mechanics' Institute*.

By Mr. *Morris*,—the Petition of *A. Sherwood* and others; of *Brockville* and *Elizabethtown*.

By Mr. *Munro*,—two Petitions of the Municipality of the Township of *Darlington*.

By Mr. *Prévost*,—the Petition of the Reverend *F. Cholet* and others; of the Parish of *Polycarpe*, County of *Soulanges*.

By the Honorable *J. S. Macdonald*,—the Petition of *Thomas Galt*, of the City of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—the Petition of *Henry Chapman*.

By Mr. *Price*,—the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Laterrière*, County of *Chicoutimi*; and the Petition of *A. Brassard*, of *Murray Bay*, County of *Charlevoix*.

By Mr. *Bell*, (of *Russell*),—the Petition of *Duncan Sinclair* and others; of the County of *Renfrew*.

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

Of the *Shefford Division*, No. 47, Sons of Temperance; of *Hugh Matheson* and others, of the County of *Beauce*; and of *W. Anstead* and others, of *Paisley*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *B. McMahon* and others, of the *West Riding* of the County of *Middlesex*; praying for amendments to the present Liquor Law.

Of *T. A. Lambert* and others, of the Parish of *Becancour*, County of *Nicolet*; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kamarrouska*; and of *C. H. Champagne* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eustache*, County of *Two Mountains*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of *J. Rouette* and others, of the Parish of *Point du Lac*, County of *St. Maurice*; of *L. Thibeau* and others, of the Township of *Stansfold*; of *V. St. Germain* and others, of *St. Louis de Blanford*; of *George Diamond* and others, of the Parish of *St. Barnabé*, County of *St. Maurice*; severally praying that the Bill respecting the Militia may not become law.

Of *Gelston Sanford*, of the City of *Quebec*, and late of *Poughkeepsie*, in the State of *New York*; and of *Isaac Rogers*, of the City of *Montreal*, and late of *Newark*, in the State of *New Jersey*; severally praying for a special Act of Naturalization.

Of *J. B. Lay* and others, of the County of *Shefford*; praying for certain amendments to the Judicature Acts of *Lower Canada*.

Of Mrs. *Julie Precourt*, widow of the late *Olivier Dugré*, of *Three Rivers*; praying for arrears of pension due her late husband for wounds received during the war of 1812.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Brant*; praying that the present system and endowment of the *Toronto University* and *University College* may be preserved intact.

Of *W. Gibbard* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, and County of *Simcoe*; and of *John Carr* and others, of the City of *Toronto* and other places; severally praying for the passing of an Act to establish communications within the Northern and Western limits of *Canada*.

Of *W. H. A. Davies* and others, proprietors of Real Estate in the 1st Five Ranges of the Township of *Acton*, County of *Bagot*; praying that the Bill to legalize certain

operations of *P. R. Blanchard*, P. L. S., with reference to the Boundary Lines of the said Ranges, may not become law.

Of *James Geddes* and others, Fishermen and others, of the County of *Hastings*; praying for amendments to the Fishery Act.

Of the *Quebec* Board of Trade; praying for amendments to the Act incorporating the City of *Quebec*.

Of *W. Miller* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying that the Bill to amend the Acts incorporating the City of *Quebec* may not become law.

Of *James West*, of the Township of *Mountain*, County of *Dundas*, Provincial Land Surveyor and Engineer; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the Government to effect a loan of money, for the construction of a Railroad between *Halifax*, in *Nova Scotia*, and the mouth of the *Fraser River*, opposite *Vancouver Island*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Renfrew*; praying that no Act may be passed separating the Townships of *McNab*, *Bagot* and *Lythfield* from the County of *Renfrew*.

Of the Honorable *Louis Renaud* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of "Compagnie de Navigation de *Beauharnois*."

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Guelph*; praying for a repeal of a portion of the two hundred and ninety-fourth clause of the Municipal Incorporation Act of *Upper Canada*.

Of the *Welland* Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to declare and define the capital of the said Company, and to authorise them to raise further capital, and for other purposes.

Of *Victor Perrault* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eustache*, County of *Two Mountains*; praying that the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of certain Turnpike Roads in *Isle Jésus* may not become law.

Of *M. D. Meunier La Pierre*, of the Parish of *St. Pie*, County of *Bagot*; praying that he may be heard before a Committee of the House in support of his claim for losses sustained during the Rebellion of 1837 and 1838.

Of the Reverend *P. Beaumont* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostome*; of *T. Amiraux* and others, of the Parish of *St. Romuald d'Etchemin*; and of *Charles Robertson* and others, of the Parish of *Notre Dame de la Victoire*, County of *Lévis*; severally praying aid to construct a Bridge across the River *Chaudière*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Ameliasburgh*; praying for a grant of money for the purpose of surveying and building a canal between the head waters of the Bay of *Quinté* and *Lake Ontario*.

Of the *Ramsay* Lead Mining and Smelting Company; praying for amendments to their Act of incorporation.

Of the Reverend *A. Toupin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Placide*, County of *Two Mountains*; and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Prescott* and *Russell*; severally praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada*.

Of *Julius Sriver*, and others, of the Township of *Hemmingford*, County of *Huntingdon*; praying that the Bill to divide the said Township into two Municipalities may not become law.

Of *John Kay*, M. D., and others, of the Township of *Usborne*, County of *Huron*; praying that the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* may not be annexed to the County of *Middlesex*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Prescott* and *Russell*; praying that any measure having for its object to impose the Railway and other indebtedness of the Municipalities upon the Province, may not be entertained.

Of *W. S. Robins*, and others, of the Township of *Wendover*; of *G. Wright*, and others, of the Township of *Simpson*; of *R. M. Watts*, and others, of the *Five Ranges*, of the Township of *Grantham*, County of *Drummond*; severally praying that the Townships of *Wendover* and *Simpson* may not be erected into a separate Municipality.

Of *Edouard Demers*, and others, Branch Pilots for and below the Harbor of *Quebec*; praying for amendments to the Act to incorporate the Pilots for and below the Harbor of *Quebec*.

Of *H. T. Whitt-n*, and others, of *West Shefford*, and other places; praying for an annual grant in behalf of an Academy about to be founded in *West Shefford*, and for which they are erecting a suitable building.

Of the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly* Railway Company; praying that no Act of Incorporation may be granted for the construction of a Railroad from the *Connecticut and Passumpsic* Rivers Railroad, to some point on the *St. Lawrence and Atlantic* Railroad.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Prescott and Russell*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize the assessment and imposition of taxes on lands.

Of the Municipality of the Townships of *Bathurst, Elmsley and Burgess*; praying that an Act may be passed in favor of the *Brockville and Ottawa* Railway Company, prejudicial to the interests of the United Counties of *Lanark and Renfrew*, and for other purposes.

Of *T. Girard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Valentin*, County of *St. John's*; praying to be indemnified for losses sustained during the Rebellion of 1837 and 1838.

Of *Albert Rounds*, of the Town of *St. John's*, master mason; praying that he may be paid the sum of \$8,000, due him by Messieurs *Sinclair and Skelsey* for work performed in the erection of Court Houses and Jails in *Lower Canada*.

Of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of an Act for the protection of Insectiverous Birds.

Of the Municipality and Citizens of the Parish of *St. Valere de Bulstrode*; praying aid for a road and a bridge.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Guelph*; praying that the 51st Rule of this House be suspended as regards the introduction of a Bill for the leasing of a portion of the Market Square of the Town of *Guelph*.

Of the Reverend *A. T. Youp* and others, of the Parish of *St. Placide*, County of *Two Mountains*; praying for the passing of a Usury Law.

Mr. Morris, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to certain amendments to each, which they beg to submit for the consideration of your Honorable House:—

Bill to confirm the action of the Corporations of *Arthur and Luther* under the Act to enable County Councils to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases to sow their land, and for other purposes.

Bill to amend the Act to confirm certain side roads in the Township of *Scarborough*, and to provide for defining other road allowances and lines in the said Township.

Bill to incorporate the "*Quebec Ship Labourers' Benevolent Society of Quebec*."

Bill to incorporate the *St. Lawrence* Marine Insurance Company of *Quebec*.

Bill to legalize certain investments of Clergy Reserves moneys by the Corporation of the Township of *Lobo* (one amendment only.)

Bill to establish certain side lines in the Township of *Kenyon*, County of *Glenarry*.

Bill relative to the mortgaging of certain property belonging to the Church of *England* at *Brantford*.

Bill to consolidate part of debt owing by the Municipality of the County of *Hastings*.

Your Committee have also considered the Bill, from the Legislative Council, intitled; "An Act further to amend the Charter of the Bank of *Upper Canada*," and have agreed to report the same, without amendment.

Mr. Benjamin reported, from the General Committee of Elections, that in pursuance of the leave granted them by the House, they have added the following four names to the Chairmen's Panel: The Honorable *Thomas J. J. Loranger*, Esquire; *Hector Louis Langevin*, Esquire; *Adam Wilson*, Esquire; and *Matthew Crooks Cameron*, Esquire; also that,

Pursuant to the 50th section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, they had corrected the Panels by inserting the name of *Pierre Eustache Dostaler*, Esquire, upon Panel A. No. 1; *Joseph Paschal Falkner*, Esquire, and *Joseph Rymal*, Esquire, to Panel C. No. 2, and of *Alexandre Dufresne*, Esquire, to Panel B. No. 3.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Portman* have leave to bring in a Bill for the more effectual protection of birds in *Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jones* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting Common Schools in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *M. C. Cameron* have leave to bring in a Bill to remove doubts as to the legality of certain instruments therein mentioned, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, seconded by Mr. *De Boucherville*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the *Shefford* Election Petition have leave to adjourn until Thursday, the 22nd day of May instant, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, for the convenience of all parties concerned.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, seconded by Mr. *Dawson*,

Resolved, That when Mr. Speaker leaves the Chair at six o'clock, the House do stand adjourned until half-past seven o'clock this day.

On motion of Mr. *Laframboise*, seconded by Mr. *Archambault*.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Electoral Division of *Montreal West* Petition, have leave to adjourn until Thursday, the Twenty-second day of May instant, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon, with the consent of the sitting Member and the Petitioner.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morris* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the 58th Chapter of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled "An Act respecting interest."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Alley*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 5th instant, for copies of all correspondence which has taken place during the last and present years, between the Post Office Department, or any of its Officers, and any other individual or Corporation, relative to the establishment of a daily Mail between *Stratford* and *Millbank*, in the County of *Perth*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 1.)

Also, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 5th instant; for copies of all correspondence which may have taken place between the Post Office Department or any of its Officers, and any other person or persons, relative to the resignation of *Charles Hendry*, Esquire, as Post Master of *Conestoga*, in the County of *Waterloo*, and the appointment of any other person in his stead. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 1.)

And, also, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 5th instant; for copies of all correspondence which may have taken place between the Post Master General, or other person connected with the Post Office, or any other of the Public Departments, and any individual relative to the removal of the Post Office from the Village of *Kinkora*, in the County of *Perth*, soon after the last General Election. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 1.)

The House, according to order, resolved itself into Committee on the first Report of the Committee appointed to take into consideration the subject of Immigration and Colonization, especially with reference to the Spring Immigration of the present year; and after

some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Dawson* reported that the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received, to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Allyn*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth:—

MONCK :

The Governor General transmits, for the information of the Legislative Assembly, a copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State in answer to the Joint Address of Condolence from the Legislative Council and Assembly to Her Majesty.
Government House,

Quebec, May 19th, 1862.

Canada,—No. 104.

DOWNING STREET,
29th April, 1862.

MY LORD,—I have the honor to acknowledge your despatch, No. 69, of the 11th of April, forwarding a Joint Address of Condolence to Her Majesty, from the Legislative Council and Commons of *Canada*.

I have been commanded by the Queen to convey to both branches of the Legislature, her sense of this fresh proof of their loyal attachment, and to assure them of the satisfaction which Her Majesty has derived from the testimony borne by them to the sympathy felt for Her in Her affliction, by all Her faithful subjects in *Canada*.

I have, etc.,
(Signed,)

NEWCASTLE.

Governor

The Viscount MONCK,

&c., &c., &c.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Bill to enable the Rate-payers of the County of *Lincoln* to select a more convenient place for the County Town, being read;

Mr. *Rykert* moved, seconded by Mr. *Street*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Mr. *Simpson* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Benjamin*, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words—"This House will resolve itself into the said Committee on this day six months," inserted instead thereof.

James Dickson, Esquire; *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, Esquire; *Moyse Fortier*, Esquire; *Thomas Roberts Ferguson*, Esquire; Chairman, *John J. C. Abbott*, Esquire, being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Verchères*, (their names were called over; and *Moyse Fortier*, Esquire, not appearing within one hour after four of the clock;

On motion of Mr. *Benjamin*, seconded by Mr. *Bell* (of *Lanark*),

Ordered, That the 75th section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, be now read;

And the same being read,

Ordered, That *Moyse Fortier*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Yamaska*, having been appointed to serve as one of the Members to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Verchères*, and not having attended in his place within an hour after four of the clock this day, being the day appointed for the swearing of the said Committee, be taken into custody by the Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

Yeas :

Messieurs :

<i>Abbott,</i>	<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>
<i>Allyn,</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>De Boucherville;</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>De Cazes;</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Beauveau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Morin, Sol.-Gen.,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Walsh, and</i>
<i>Cartier, Atty. Gen.,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Price,</i>	<i>White.—32.</i>

Nays :

Messieurs.

<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Donald A.</i>	<i>Ross, John J.,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Macdonald, John S.</i>	<i>Ross, John S.,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark),</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>McKenzie,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Bluncket,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>McGee,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Bowen,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Sicotte,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.</i>	<i>Howland,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>Tuschereau,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>	<i>Wilson, and</i>
<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Kerzkowski,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>	<i>Wright.—70.</i>
<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>		

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main Question being again proposed,

Mr. *Simpson* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Benjamin*, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words—"the Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members," inserted instead thereof.

And it being Six of the Clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, until half-past seven o'clock, this day, without a Question first put.

Half past 7 o'clock, P. M.

The Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House, informed the House that he had been unable to comply with the Order of the House of this day, for taking into his custody *Moyses Fortier*, Esquire, in consequence of his absence from this city.

The House resumed the further consideration of the Amendment which was this day proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for the House in Committee on the Bill to enable the rate-payers of the County of *Lincoln* to Select a more convenient place for the County Town); and which amendment was, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words—"the Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members," inserted instead thereof.

The said Amendment was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then, the main Question being again proposed,

Mr. *Simpson* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Benjamin*, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words—"the Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Street*, Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *White*, the Honorable Mr. *Foley*, and Mr. *Morrison*," with instructions to enquire whether the Town

of *Niagara* is entitled to compensation for erecting a Court House for the use of the County at its own expense, and if so, in what manner to determine the amount of such compensation, and how and when the said amount shall be paid to the said Town of *Niagara*, by the County of *Lincoln*," inserted thereof.

On motion of Mr. *Benjamin*, seconded by Mr. *Bell*, (of *Lanark*),

Ordered, That the 76th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, be now read ;

And the same was read accordingly.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Abbott</i> ,	<i>Cauchon</i> ,	<i>Galt</i> ,	<i>Price</i> ,
<i>Alley</i> ,	<i>Chapais</i> ,	<i>Jones</i> ,	<i>Robinson</i> ,
<i>Baby</i> ,	<i>Dawson</i> ,	<i>Langevin</i> ,	<i>Rose</i> ,
<i>Beaubien</i> ,	<i>DeBoucherville</i> ,	<i>Macbeth</i> ,	<i>Simpson</i> ,
<i>Benjamin</i> ,	<i>De Cazes</i> ,	<i>McCann</i> ,	<i>Street</i> ,
<i>Beaudreau</i> ,	<i>Dufresne, Joseph</i>	<i>Morin, Sol. Gen.</i> ,	<i>Tett</i> ,
<i>Brousseau</i> ,	<i>Dunkin</i> ,	<i>Morrison</i> ,	<i>Walsh, and</i>
<i>Carling</i> ,	<i>Foley</i> ,	<i>Portman</i> ,	<i>White—34.</i>
<i>Cartier, Att. Gen.</i> ,	<i>Fournier</i> ,		

Nays.

Messieurs

<i>Archambault</i> ,	<i>Evanturel</i> ,	<i>Macdonald, J. S.</i> ,	<i>Robitaille</i> ,
<i>Ault</i> ,	<i>Gagnon</i> ,	<i>Mackenzie</i> ,	<i>Ross, John S.</i> ,
<i>Bell, (North Lanark.)</i>	<i>Harcourt</i> ,	<i>McDougall</i> ,	<i>Ryerson</i> ,
<i>Biggar</i> ,	<i>Haultain</i> ,	<i>McGee</i> ,	<i>Rykert</i> ,
<i>Bown</i> ,	<i>Hébert</i> ,	<i>McKellar</i> ,	<i>Rymal</i> ,
<i>Bureau</i> ,	<i>Hooper</i> ,	<i>McLachlin</i> ,	<i>Scatcherd</i> ,
<i>Burwell</i> ,	<i>Howland</i> ,	<i>Mongenais</i> ,	<i>Scott</i> ,
<i>Cameron, Matthew C.</i> ,	<i>Huntington</i> ,	<i>Morris</i> ,	<i>Sicotte</i> ,
<i>Clarke</i> ,	<i>Huot</i> ,	<i>Munro</i> ,	<i>Simard</i> ,
<i>Cockburn</i> ,	<i>Jackson</i> ,	<i>Notman</i> ,	<i>Somerville</i> ,
<i>Connor</i> ,	<i>Jobin</i> ,	<i>Patrick</i> ,	<i>Stirton</i> ,
<i>Cowan</i> ,	<i>Joly</i> ,	<i>Poupore</i> ,	<i>Taschereau</i> ,
<i>Crawford</i> ,	<i>Kierzkowski</i> ,	<i>Powell</i> ,	<i>Wallbridge</i> ,
<i>Dickson</i> ,	<i>Labrèche-Viger</i> ,	<i>Prévost</i> ,	<i>Wilson, and</i>
<i>Drummond</i> ,	<i>Laframboise</i> ,	<i>Rankin</i> ,	<i>Wright.—63.</i>
<i>Dunsford</i> ,	<i>Macdonald, D. A.</i> ,	<i>Rémillard</i> ,	

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main Question being put,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House according resolved itself into the said Committee ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Patrick* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Patrick* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into Committee on the Bill to authorize the Courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas, and Chancery, to admit *Hugh McMahon* to practise therein respectively ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Dunkin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act incorporating "the Sisters of Charity of *Quebec*;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr *De Boucherville* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Charter of the College of *Ste. Anne de la Pocatière*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Evanturel* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Evanturel* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Charter of the Industrial Academy of *St. Laurent*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Chapais* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to charge the Corporation of the City of *Toronto* with the payment of the expense of taking care of, supporting, and maintaining certain prisoners in the Common Gaol of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McKellar* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill further to amend the Act relating to the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway, and for the purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Victoria* Skating Club of *Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to confirm the navigation property and income of the *Grand River* Navigation Company, in the Municipal Corporation of the Town of *Brantford*, and transfer to, and vest in, the said Corporation, all the rights, powers, privileges, and immunities which were conferred upon the said Company by its Charter, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the College of *St. Ignatius, Guelph*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Sisters of *St. Joseph, Guelph*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Sisters of Our Lady of *Loretto*, of the Town of *Guelph*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the County of *Saguenay* into two Municipalities, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the *Lower Canada* Consolidated Municipal Act, and to erect the Village of *Chicoutimi* into a separate Municipality, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railway Company, and to authorize the raising of a new Preferred Stock for certain purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Boys' Industrial School of the Gore of *Toronto*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to separate the Townships of *McNab*, *Bagot*, and *Blythfield*, from the County of *Renfrew*, and annex the same to the County of *Lennox*, for Judicial and Municipal purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Village of *Arnprior*, in the County of *Renfrew*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to separate the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* from the County of *Huron*, and to annex the same to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act to consolidate the Debt of the Town of *Port Hope*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to alter and amend the Act of Incorporation of the Provident Life Assurance Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Town of *Lévis*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to establish and confirm certain Roads in the Township of *Reach*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the the second reading of the Bill to legalize a By-law made and passed by the Town Council of the Corporation of the Town of *Perth*, in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, for raising a certain sum of money therein mentioned, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to vest certain Real Estate of the late *William Campbell* in the hands of Trustees, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to enable the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay*, to lease parts of the *Queen's Square* in the said Town, being read ;

The Bill was according read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to set aside a certain proclamation issued with reference to the County of *Waterloo*, under the Eighty-ninth Chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, being read ;

Ordered, That the said Order be postponed until Wednesday next, and be then the first Order of the Day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to empower *Charles Fortier* to undergo an examination for admission to practice Medicine, Surgery, and Midwifery, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Survey of the 5th, 6th, and 7th Concessions of the Township of *Onslow*, in the County of *Pontiac*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to change the name of *David Allan Poe*, and his family, by adding "thereto the name of *Watt*," being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Société de l'Union St. Roch*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Orphans Home and Widows' Friend Society," of Kingston, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Galt*,
The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 20th May, 1862.

The Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House, informed the House, that he had taken *Moise Fortier*, Esquire, into his custody.

Whereupon, Mr. *Laframboise* acquainted the House that he was desired by Mr. *Fortier* to state, That he was unable to be present at the sitting of this House, yesterday, the 19th instant, because the Grand Trunk Company had lately made an alteration in the time of running their trains between *Montreal* and *Quebec*; and further, that his absence was caused by illness in his family; and Mr. *Fortier* having verified the same upon oath;

Resolved, That the said statement be considered a sufficient excuse.

Ordered, That *Moise Fortier*, Esquire, be discharged out of custody.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the table:—

By the Honorable Mr. *Galt*,—Two Petitions of the Town Council of the Town of *Sherbrooke*.

By Mr. *Mackenzie*,—The Petition of *H. Glass* and others, of the County of *Lambton*; the Petition of *A. Brown* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; the Petition of *A. Donald* and others, of the Township of *Bosanquet*; the Petition of *Alexander McCrae* and others, of the Township of *Sarnia*; and the Petition of *Thomas E. Edger* and others, of the Township of *Plympton*.

By Mr. *O'Halloran*,—The Petition of *J. S. Bringham* and others, of *Philipsburgh* and other places, County of *Iberville*.

By Mr. *Scatcherd*,—The Petition of *B. Lyman* and others, of the Township of *Williams*.

By Mr. *Robitaille*,—The Petition of the Reverend *P. J. Saucier* and others, of *Riviere du Loup*, and others, the *Micmac* Tribe of Indians of *Ristigouche*, County of *Bonaventure*.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of the Reverend *N. Kerouac* and others; and the Petition of *Alexis Milette* and others, both of the Parishes of *St. Guillaume d'Upton* and *St. Bonaventure d'Upton*, County of *Drummond*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—The Petition of *William Ports* and others, of the Township of *Biddulph*; the Petition of *Charles Brown* and others, of the Township of *McGillivray*; and the Petition of the Town Council of *Goderich*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Morin*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Vincent de Paul*, County of *Laval*.

By Mr. *Daoust*,—The Petition of *F. Routier* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Placide*, County of *Two Mountains*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Carling*,—The Petition of *W. V. Hutton* and others, of the Township of *Blanshard*; the Petition of *S. R. Hesson* and others, of the Township of *Ellice*; the Petition of *John Cairnes* and others, of the Township of *South Easthope*; the Petition of *Robert Dunkin* and others, of the Township of *Hibbert*; the Petition of *Peter Hume* and others, of the Township of *Downie*; the Petition of *U. C. Lee* and others, of the Town of *Stratford*; and the Petition of *Robert Armstrong* and others, of the Townships of *Hibbert* and *Michel*.

Mr. *Jobin* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to annex for judicial and electoral purposes to the County of *Joliette*, that part of the Parish of *St. Felix de Valois*, which is situated in the Township of *Brandon*, and for other purposes, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :

Your Committee find among the Bills referred to them, a Bill to provide for the appointment of a Port Warden for the Harbour of *Montreal*, which, in their opinion, is not a Private Bill, not being based on a petition, they therefore beg leave to report it back to your Honorable House, and recommend that it be dealt with as a Public Bill.

Your Committee have considered the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to change the name of *David Allan Poe* and of his family, by adding thereto the name of '*Watt*,'" and have agreed to report the same, without any amendment.

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have prepared certain amendments to each, which they beg to submit for the consideration of your Honorable House, viz :

Bill to incorporate the Association *St. Francois Xavier de Montreal*.

Bill to erect that part of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec*, situate on the north side of the River *St. Charles*, into a separate Municipality.

Bill to authorize the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*, to borrow a certain sum of money for drainage, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Bill to incorporate the First and Second Congregations of *Hinchinbrooke*, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church of *North America*.

Bill to incorporate the Boys' Industrial School of the Gore of *Toronto*.

Mr. *Simpson*, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire as to the expediency of Legislative action or of procedure at law in reference to the Charters granted to the Bank of *Clifton* and the Western Bank of *Canada*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix*, No. 4.)

On motion of Mr. *Hooper*, seconded by Mr. *Bureau*,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery do attend this House, to-morrow, with the Return of the last Election for the County of *Lennox* and *Addington*, together with the Poll Books and all other papers, letters and documents which have been transmitted to him by the Returning Officer for the said County.

Ordered, That the Order of this House of yesterday, referring the Bill to provide for the appointment of a Port Warden for the Harbor of *Montreal*, to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be discharged.

Resolved, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, Mr. *Langevin*, the Honorable Mr. *Alley*, Mr. *Starnes*, and Mr. *McDougall*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned debate upon the Question which was, on Friday, the 2nd instant, proposed, That the Bill (respecting the Militia) be now read the second time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the second time, the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Alley</i> ,	<i>Cockburn</i> ,	<i>Langevin</i> ,	<i>Robitaille</i> ,
<i>Ault</i> ,	<i>Crawford</i> ,	<i>Macdonald</i> , Atty Gen.,	<i>Rose</i> ,
<i>Baby</i> ,	<i>Dawson</i> ,	<i>McCann</i> ,	<i>Ross</i> , J. S.,
<i>Bell</i> (Russell),	<i>De Cazes</i> ,	<i>McLachlin</i> ,	<i>Ryerson</i> ,

<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Morin, Sol. Gen.,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cartier, Atty. Gen.,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>Tassé,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Price,</i>	<i>Tett, and</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Walsh—54.</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>		

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Abbott, ✓</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Dufresne, A.,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Beaubien, ✓</i>	<i>Evanturel,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Ross, J. J.,</i>
<i>Bell (North Lanark),</i>	<i>Foley,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Beaudreau, ✓</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. S.,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Fournier, ✓</i>	<i>MacKenzie,</i>	<i>Sicotte,</i>
<i>Brousseau, ✓</i>	<i>Gagnon, ✓</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Simard, ✓</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gaudet, ✓</i>	<i>McGee,</i>	<i>Starnes, ✓</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Howland,</i>	<i>Mongenais, ✓</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Taschereau, ✓</i>
<i>Daoust, ✓</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Wallbridge, ✓</i>
<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>White,</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Wilson, and</i>
<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Prévost, ✓</i>	<i>Wright—61. ✓</i>
<i>Dostaler, ✓</i>			

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,

The House adjourned at 5 minutes to 4 o'clock P. M.

Wednesday, 21st May, 1862.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had received a telegram from Mr. *J. O'Reilly* at *Montreal*, stating that he and Mr. *M. P. Roblin* (summoned to appear at the Bar of the House, this day, in reference to the last Election for the County of *Lennox and Addington*), could not be in *Quebec* until to-night, in consequence of the trains not connecting.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *Bourassa*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Jean*, County of *St. John's*.

By Mr. *Bell* (of *Russell*),—The Petition of *Alexander Workman* and others, of the City of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Laframboise*,—The Petition of *W. H. A. Davies* and others, of the Township of *Acton*, County of *Bagot*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of *F. H. Prévost* and others, Roman Catholic School Commissioners of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Morris*,—The Petition of the Committee on Sabbath observance of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*.

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Frederic de la Beauce*, County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Rykeert*,—The Petition of *J. F. Foster* and others, of the Township of *Grimmsby*.

By Mr. *White*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. Rogers* and others, of the *Trafalgar* Circuit of the *Canada West* new Connection Methodists.

By Mr. *Harcourt*,—The Petition of *M. F. Haney*, M.D., and others, of the Township of *Humberstone*, County of *Welland*.

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

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Hatley*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Barnston*; and of the Municipality of the Township and Village of *Stanstead*, all of the County of *Stanstead*; severally praying that the Bill to incorporate the *Massawippi Valley* Railroad Company may become law.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Paul*; and of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Thomas*, both of the County of *Joliette*; severally praying that the Bill respecting the Militia may not become law.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Darlington*; praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada*.

Of the *Guelph* Farmers' and Mechanics' Institute; praying for aid.

Of *Henry Chapman*; praying that the Bill further to amend the Act relating to the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway, and for the purposes therein mentioned, may not become law.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Latérrière*, County of *Chicoutimi*; praying aid for a road and a bridge in the said County.

Of the Reverend *F. Cholet* and others, of the Parish of *St. Polycarpe*, County of *Soulanges*; praying aid for bridges in the said County.

Of *Joseph J. de Beauregard*, of the Parish of *St. Paul de Lavaltrie*, County of *Joliette*, and *Narcisse Goulet*, of the Parish of *St. Ligouri*, County of *Montcalm*; praying for amendments to the Seigniorial Act of 1859.

Of *P. McNaughton* and others, of the Township of *Hemmingford*, County of *Huntingdon*; praying that the Bill to divide the Township of *Hemmingford* into two separate Municipalities may not become law.

Of *A. Brassard*, of *Murray Bay*, County of *Charlevoix*; praying that he may be paid his fees as Crier of the Superior Court of the District of *Saguenay*, of which he was defrauded by the late Prothonotary, owing to the Crown not having taken the usual and legal securities required in the filling of such offices.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Darlington*; praying that no Act may be passed providing for the assumption by the Province of the indebtedness of certain Municipalities to the Municipal Loan Fund.

Of *Thomas Galt*, of the City of *Toronto*; praying that the Bill to enable the fusion of certain Railway Companies may become law.

Of *A. Sherwood* and others, of *Brockville* and *Elizabethtown*; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *Duncan Sinclair* and others, of the County of *Renfrew*; praying that the selection of the County Town may be re-considered and referred to the qualified voters of the said County.

Mr. Bell (of *Lanark*) reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Essex*, to which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House relative thereto; and the names of the Committee were read as follow :—

Theodore Robitaille, Esquire; *George Honoré Simard*, Esquire; *Lewis Wallbridge*, Esquire; *Joseph Rymal*, Esquire; Chairman, the Honorable *Oliver Mowat*.

Mr. Bell, (of *Lanark*.) reported, from the General Committee on Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Peterborough*, to

which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House relative thereto; and the names of the Committee were read as follow:—

Aquila Walsh, Esquire; *John Poupore*, Esquire; *David Stirton*, Esquire; *Amos Wright*, Esquire; Chairman, the Honorable *Thomas J. J. Loragner*.

Mr. *Bell*, (of *Lanark*), reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Bellechasse*, to which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House relative thereto; and the names of the Committee were read as follow:—

François Zephirin Tassé, Esquire; *Richard William Scott*, Esquire; *Joseph Paschal Falkner*, Esquire; *Thomas Scatcherd*, Esquire; Chairman, *Skeffington Connor*, Esquire.

Mr. *Bell*, (of *Lanark*), reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*, to which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House relative thereto; and the names of the Committee were read as follow:—

John Simpson, Esquire; *John White*, Esquire; *David Edward Price*, Esquire; *Robert Brown Somerville*, Esquire; Chairman, *Adam Wilson*, Esquire.

On motion of Mr. *Bell*, (of *Lanark*), seconded by Mr. *Bureau*,

Ordered, That in pursuance of the 52nd Section of the Act respecting Parliamentary Controverted Elections, the General Committee of Elections have leave to increase the number of members forming "The Chairmen's Panel," by adding four additional names thereto.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Galt*,

The House adjourned at half-past 3 o'clock, P. M.

Thursday, 22nd May, 1862.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Crawford*,—The Petition of the *Toronto* Harbour Commissioners.

By Mr. *Bown*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Brant*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Colborne*, County of *Huron*.

By Mr. *Robitaille*,—The Petition of the Historical Society of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *John J. Ross*,—The Petition of *H. E. Tourigny* and others, of the Parish of *St. Genevève de Bastican*; and the Petition of *A. Massicotte* and others, of the Parish of *St. Prosper*, both of the County of *Champlain*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of North *Stukely*.

By Mr. *White*,—The Petition of *John William Kerr*, of the Township of *Barton*.

By Mr. *Joseph Dufresne*,—The Petition of *Charles Rivais*, of the Parish of *St. Julienne de Rawdon*, County of *Montcalm*.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of *J. B. Brien dit Dérocher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Leonard*; and the Petition of *H. Béaupré* and others, of the Parish of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*.

By Mr. *Harcourt*,—The Petition of *A. Stewart*, and others, of the Third and Fourth Concessions of the Township of *Crowland*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*,—The Petition of *A. Farewell*, and others, of the Village of *Oshawa*.

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

Of *Alexander McCrae* and others, of the Township of *Sarnia*; of *Thomas E. Edger*

and others, of the Township of *Plympton*; of *A. Donald* and others, of the Township of *Bosanquet*; of *J. C. Lee* and others, of the Town of *Stratford*; of *Peter Hume* and others, of the Township of *Downie*; of *John Cairnes* and others, of the Township of *South Easthope*; of *William Porte* and others, of the Township of *Biddulph*; of *Robert Donkin* and others, of the Township of *Hibbert*; of *A. Brown* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; of *B. Lyman* and others, of the Township of *Williams*; of *Robert Armstrong* and others, of the Townships of *Hibbert* and *Mitchell*; of *S. R. Hesson* and others, of the Township of *Ellice*; of *W. V. Hutton* and others, of the Township of *Blanshard*; of *H. Glass* and others, of the County of *Lambton*; and of *Charles Brown* and others of the Township of *McGillivray*; severally praying that a fair and reasonable payment may be made to Railway Companies for carrying mails, and to make such arrangements as will prevent the stoppage of said roads.

Of the Reverend *P. J. Saucier* and others, of *Rivière du Loup*, and others, the *Micmac Tribe* of Indians of *Ristigouche*, County of *Bonaventure*; praying aid to complete a road in the said County.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Sherbrooke*; praying that no further aid be given to the Grank Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Goderich*; praying that the Harbour of *Goderich* may be declared a Harbor of Refuge, and that steps be taken for the erection and completion of the same, by the Government.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Sherbrooke*; praying for amendments to the present license law.

Of the Corporation of *La Commune de la Seigneurie de la Baie St. Antoine*, commonly called *Baie du Fèvevre*; praying for a grant of money to pay certain debts due by the said Corporation.

Of *J. S. Brigham*, and others, of *Philipsburg* and other places, County of *Iberville*, praying aid for a road in the said County.

Of *Alexis Milette*, and others, of the Parishes of *St. Guillaume d'Upton* and *St. Bonaventure d'Upton*, County of *Drummond*; praying that the Bill respecting the Militia may not become law.

Of the Reverend *N. Kérouac*, and others, of the Parishes of *Guillaume d'Upton* and *St. Bonaventure d'Upton*, County of *Drummond*; praying for amendments to the Representation Act.

Of *F. Routier*, and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Placide*, County of *Two Mountains*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Vincent de Paul*, County of *Laval*; praying that the Bill to incorporate the *Terrebonne Turnpike Road Company*, may not become law.

Mr. *White*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and found the notices sufficient, viz:—Of the *Toronto School of Medicine*; of the *Ramsay Lead Mining and Smelting Company*,—of *Gelston Sanford*, for an Act of Naturalization; and of *Isaac Rogers*, for the same. (The Notices in the last two last mentioned cases being in the *Official Gazette* only.)

On the Petition of *Richard Haselden*, for an Act to amend the Charter of the *Preston and Berlin Railway Company*, and to empower him to extend the said road to *Waterloo*—Your Committee find that the notice makes no mention of the proposed extension, though sufficient for other purposes; they therefore recommend that leave be given to introduce a Bill to grant the amendments prayed for, exclusive of that for extending the road to *Waterloo*.

Mr. *Benjamin*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

The Committee have carefully considered the Documents referred to in the following Motions for Printing, viz.:—

By Mr. *Morris*,—Return from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, of the aggregate number of votes polled in each Electoral Division, and the number of votes on the Voters' Lists, &c., and shewing, in contrast, the number polled at the General Election of 1858.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sidney Smith*,—Return relative to the persons employed in the *Montreal* Post Office.

By the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,—Return relative to the removal of the Post Office from the Village of *Kinkora*, in the County of *Perth*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,—Return relative to a Daily Mail between *Stratford* and *Millbank* in the County of *Perth*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Foley*,—Return relative to the resignation of the Postmaster of *Conestoga*.

By Mr. *Simpson*,—Report of the Select Committee on the Charters of the Bank of *Clifton* and the Bank of Western *Canada*, with the accompanying evidence. The Committee recommend that the above documents be printed.

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be printed :

Return to Address, Return of Volunteer Infantry, Cavalry, Engineers, and Artillery in *Canada*.

Return to Address, papers relating to the erection of Bridges across the *Lochine* Canal.

Return to Address, in relation to Foreign Insurance Companies.

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz. :

Returns (incomplete) of Baptisms, &c., from certain Counties.

Return of Bonds and Securities.

Return, Heirs *Holland*.

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be printed in the *Sessional Papers*, viz :

Accounts, Trinity Houses, *Quebec* and *Montreal*, (condensed.)

Returns from the several Registrars, of their fees, &c., (in Tabular Form.)

Annual Statements Insurance Companies, Banks and Railways.

Return, Distribution Consolidated and Provincial Statutes, 1861.

Annual Statement of the Fee Fund and Judges salaries,—Jesuits Estates,—*Ottawa* College,—*Kingston* Hospital and *Richelieu* Company.

Report Bursar's cash transactions University *Toronto* (condensed, &c., and in the English language only).

On motion of Mr. *Joly*, seconded by Mr. *Rémillard*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the *Drummond* and *Arthabaska* Election Petition, having obtained the consent of all parties, have leave to adjourn until Wednesday the fourth day of June next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to give time to the sitting Member to prepare his defence.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, seconded by Mr. *Dawson*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the *Shefford* Election Petition, have leave to adjourn until Tuesday the twenty-seventh day of May instant, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the convenience of all parties concerned.

On motion of Mr. *Laframbois*, seconded by Mr. *Caron*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the *Montreal* West Election Petition, having obtained the consent of the sitting Member, have leave to adjourn until Tuesday, the twenty-seventh day of May instant, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to enable the Petitioner to produce his answers to the defence of the sitting Member.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :—

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act "incorporating the *Toronto* Cotton Mills Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend

"the Act of 1841, relating to Savings' Banks," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Galt*,

The House adjourned at half-past three o'clock, P.M.

Friday, 23rd May, 1862.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Wallbridge*,—The Petition of *R. C. Wilkins* and others, of the County of *Prince Edward*.

By Mr. *Scatcherd*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Carradoc*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Essex*.

By Mr. *Haultain*,—The Petition of the Reverend *John Strath* and others, of *Ingersoll* and vicinity.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Germain de Grantham*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Carling*,—Three Petitions of the Board of Trade of the City of *London, C. W.*

By the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*,—The Petition of *W. McMillan* and others; and the Petition of *O. Jones* and others, both of the Town of *Brockville*.

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

Of *F. H. Prévost* and others, Roman Catholic School Commissioners of the City of *Montreal*; praying that the Corporation of the said City be compelled, by law, to contribute a larger sum of money to the support of schools.

Of *M. F. Haney*, M.D., and others, of the Township of *Humberstone*, County of *Welland*; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Reverend *J. Rogers* and others, of the *Trafalgar* Circuit, of the *Canada* West New Connexion Methodists; and of the Committee on Sabbath Observance of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*; severally praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *Saint Frédéric de la Beauce*, County of *Beauce*; and of *W. H. A. Davies* and others, of the Township of *Acton*, County of *Bagot*; severally praying for aid to sow their lands.

Of *Alexander Workman* and others, of the City of *Ottawa*; praying for an increased annual grant for the College of *Ottawa*.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Jean*, County of *St. Johns*; praying for the passing of an Act prohibiting all single sleighs upon public roads, the left runner of which does not follow upon the track of the horse drawing the same.

Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and agreed to report the same without amendment:

Bill to erect the Parish of *St. Pierre de Durham*, in the County of *Durham*, into a separate Municipality.

Bill to extend the limits of the Municipality of the east part of the Parish of *St. Antoine Abbé*.

Also, the Bill to legalize the operations of *Patrice Renault Blanchard*, Esquire, Land Surveyor, with reference to the survey, boundary lines, reports and plans executed and prepared by him for the division and settlement of the limits of the lots in the first five Ranges of the Township of *Acton*, in the County of *Bagot*, and District of *St. Hyacinthe*,

with several amendments, which they beg to submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same without amendment, viz :

Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton Powder Company*.

Bill to establish and continue a Survey in the Township of *King*, in the County of *York*.

And the following Bills with certain amendments, which they submit for the consideration of your Honorable House, viz :

Bill to incorporate the *St. George's Benevolent Society of Hamilton*.

Bill to amend "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Acts relating to the Commercial Bank of the Midland District, and to change its corporate name to the 'Commercial Bank of *Canada*.'"

Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate 'The Orphans' Home and Widows' Friend Society,' of *Kingston*."

Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have prepared certain amendments to each, which they beg to submit for the consideration of your Honorable House :

Bill to incorporate the "Société Eclésiastique du Diocèse de *St. Hyacinthe*."

Bill to amend the Act 22 (1858) *Vic.*, chap. 36, intituled, "An Act to divide the Township of *Hemmingford*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into two separate Municipalities."

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act incorporating the Synod of the Diocese of *Ontario*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Alley*,

The House adjourned until Monday next.

Monday, 26th May, 1862.

Pursuant to the 26th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, Mr. Speaker informed the House, that a vacancy had occurred in the General Committee of Elections, in consequence of the Honorable *William Pearce Howland*, a Member of the Committee, having vacated his seat as a Member of the House, by the acceptance of office; and that pursuant to the 43rd Section of the said Act, he adjourned the transaction of the business of the said Committee, until Saturday, the 31st of May instant, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Mr. Speaker also informed the House, that pursuant to the 38th section of chapter seven of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections," he had appointed *Archibald McKellar*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Kent*, a Member of the General Committee of Elections, in the place of the Honorable *William Pearce Howland*, who had ceased to be a Member of the House.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *White*,—The Petition of *P. D. McKenzie* and others, of the Township of *Inverness*, County of *Megantic*, and the Petition of the *Havelock* Division No. 39, Sons of Temperance.

By Mr. *Desaulniers*,—The Petition of *Adolphe Lamy* and others, of the Parish of *St. Sévère*.

By Mr. *Bell*, (of *Russell*),—The Petition of *John McLaren* and others, of the Township of *Ross*, County of *Renfrew*.

By Mr. *Poupore*,—The Petition of the Reverend *W. Tomblin* and others, of the Township of *Westmeath*, County of *Renfrew*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Usborne*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Stephen*.

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Sunnidale*, County of *Simcoe*; and the Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Collingwood*.

By Mr. *Scatcherd*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Village of *Strathroy*.

By Mr. *Smith*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Cavan*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Allegn*,—The Petition of *W. H. Anderson* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

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

Of *H. Beaupré* and others, of the Parish of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*; and of the Parish of *St. Germain de Grantham*; severally praying that the Bill respecting the Militia may not become law.

Of the Historical Society of *Montreal*; praying for aid.

Of *H. E. Tourigny* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Geneviève de Batiscan*; and of *A. Messicotte* and others, of the Parish of *St. Prosper*, both of the County of *ChAMPLAIN*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Brant*; praying that no Bill may be passed respecting Joint Stock Companies for the construction of roads and other works in *Upper Canada*.

Of *A. Stewart* and others, of the 3rd and 4th Concessions of the Township of *Crowland*; praying that a non-resident Surveyor be appointed to investigate the matter of the boundary between said Concessions, and that the expense of such Survey be paid by a tax upon all lands in the said Concessions affected thereby.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *North Stukely*; praying that the Bill to amend the Consolidated Municipal Act for *Lower Canada* may not become law.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of *London, C. W.*; and of *John William Kerr*, of the Township of *Barton*; severally praying that the Bill to enable the Fusion of certain Railway Companies may not become law.

Of the *Toronto Harbour Commissioners*; praying for amendments to the Act 13 and 14 *Vic.*, cap. 80, to provide for the future management of the *Toronto Harbour*.

Of *J. B. Brien dit Dérocher*, and others, of the Parish of *S. Léonard*; praying that the said Parish may be separated from the Municipalities of *Grantham, Wendover and Simpson*, and erected into a separate Municipality.

Of *Charles Rivats*, of the Parish of *Ste. Julienne de Rawdon*, County of *Montcalm*; praying that leave be granted him to take from certain lots of land the necessary timber for the re-construction of buildings which were destroyed by fire last year.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of *London, C. W.*; praying that no Bill may be passed respecting Bankrupts and Bankrupt Estates in *Upper Canada*.

Of *R. C. Wilkins* and others, of the County of *Prince Edward*; praying for the passing of an Act to prohibit the catching of Whitefish in *Lake Ontario*, during the months of June, July, August and September in each year.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Essex*; praying that any measure having for its object to impose the Railway and other indebtedness of the Municipalities upon the Province, may not be entertained.

Of *O. Jones* and others, of the Town of *Brockville*; praying for the passing of a stringent Usury Law.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of *London, C. W.*; praying that the law of 1858, with regard to the rate of interest, may remain in its present satisfactory position.

Of *W. McMillan* and others, of the Town of *Brockville*; praying for the repeal of the 1st and 2nd sections of the Act to amend the Assessment Act.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Carradoc*; praying for the repeal of the 147th section of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, chapter 66, respecting Railways.

Of the Reverend *John Strath* and others, of *Ingersoll* and vicinity; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Essex*; praying for amendments to the law with regard to the assessment of unoccupied unpatented Lands.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Colborne*, County of *Huron*; praying that the Harbour at *Goderich* may be made a Harbour of Refuge.

Of *A. Farewell* and others, of the Village of *Oshawa*; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have prepared certain amendments to each, which they beg to submit for the consideration of your Honorable House:

Bill for facilitating the conveyance by the Trust and Loan Company of *Upper Canada*, of lands in the Province of *Canada*, by and through their Commissioners or Attorneys.

Bill to render valid the Election and proceedings of the Trustees for the erection of a Catholic Church in the Parish of *St. Brigide*.

Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Merchants' Bank.

Bill to incorporate *La Societé de l'Union St. Roch*.

Bill to incorporate the *Montreal Racket Court* Company.

Bill to incorporate the College of *St. Ignatius, Guelph*.

Bill to incorporate the Sisters of *St. Joseph, Guelph*.

Bill to incorporate Our Lady of Loretto, of the Town of *Guelph*.

On the Bill to appropriate the share of the Township of *Augusta*, in the *Upper Canada* Municipalities Fund, to Common School purposes, your Committee have to report the preamble not proved; it being in their opinion inexpedient to legislate upon the subject.

Mr. *Langevin*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following Estimate, prepared by the Accountant, of the probable amount required for the contingent expenses of the Legislative Assembly, for the current year, exclusive of indemnity to Members, or provided by the the Members' Indemnity Clauses of the Consolidated Statutes.

Salaries	\$66,000 00
Extra Service in the Office.....	16,000 00
Sessional Messengers, &c.....	12,500 00
Expenses of Witnesses on Committees, &c.	1,000 00
Printing and Binding	30,000 00
Stationery	14,000 00
Postage and Telegraphs	2,500 00
Newspapers and Advertizing.....	4,500 00
Tradesmen.....	3,000 00
Pensions.....	840 00
Library	4,000 00
Insurance.....	3,000 00
Water, Fuel and Gas	2,000 00
Miscellaneous	3,500 00

Total

\$162,840 00

LESS—Amount as per Address of 28th April, 1862. \$40,000 00

Balance in hand on 31st December, 1861..... 22,871 75

\$86,871 75*

\$95,968 25

* A clerical error of \$4,000 having occurred in this amount, it is rectified in the 7th Report on Contingencies, inserted hereafter.

Leaving to be supplied the sum of ninety-five thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight dollars and twenty-five cents, a Resolution for which is herewith reported.

On motion of Mr. *White*, seconded by Mr. *Stirton*,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the Election of one Member to serve in this present Parliament for the West Riding of the County of *York*, in the room of *William Pearce Howland*, Esquire, who, since his Election as the Representative of the said West Riding of the County of *York*, has accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of Minister of Finance of this Province, by means whereof the seat of the said *William Pearce Howland*, Esquire, hath become vacant.

On motion of the Honorable *John A. Macdonald*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act incorporating the Synod of the Diocese of *Ontario*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Cockburn*, seconded by Mr. *Haultain*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act of 1841, relating to Savings Banks," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Crawford*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto Cotton Mills Company*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Cowan*,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the Election of one Member to serve in this present Parliament for the North Riding of the County of *Oxford*, in the room of *William McDougall*, Esquire, who, since his Election as the Representative of the said North Riding of the County of *Oxford*, hath accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of Commissioner of Crown Lands of this Province, by means whereof the seat of the said *William McDougall*, Esquire, hath become vacant.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, seconded by Mr. *Starnes*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act respecting Public Exhibitions in *Lower Canada*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Wallbridge*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the Election of one Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Town of *Cornwall*, in the room of the Honorable *John Sandfield Macdonald*, who, since his Election as the Representative of the said Town of *Cornwall*, hath accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of Attorney General in and for that part of the Province of *Canada* called *Upper Canada*, by means whereof the seat of the said Honorable *John Sandfield Macdonald* hath become vacant.

On motion of Mr. *Morris*, seconded by Mr. *Dawson*,

Ordered, That the Return from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, prepared from

Records of the Elections to the Legislative Assembly shewing the aggregate number of votes polled for each candidate in each County, Riding, Township, City, Town, Parish, Precinct, or Division in which there has been a contest, with the total number polled in each such Division, and the number of votes on the Voters' Lists of the same respectively; and also, shewing in contrast the number polled at each of the said polling places at the General Election of 1858, and the population in each constituency according to the late census; be printed for the use of the Members of this House, as recommended by the seventh Report of the Joint Committee on Printing.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Bureau*,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the election of one Member to serve in this present Parliament, for the County of *Argenteuil*, in the room of *John Joseph Caldwell Abbott*, Esquire, who, since his election as the Representative of the said County of *Argenteuil*, hath accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of Solicitor General in and for that part of the Province of *Canada*, formerly *Lower Canada*, by means whereof the seat of the said *John Joseph Caldwell Abbott*, Esquire, hath become vacant.

On motion of Mr. *Starnes*, seconded by Mr. *Bureau*,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the election of one Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, in the room of the Honorable *Louis Victor Sicotte*, who since his election as the representative of the said County of *St. Hyacinthe*, hath accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of Attorney General in and for that part of the Province of *Canada*, formerly *Lower Canada*, by means whereof the seat of the Honorable *Louis Victor Sicotte*, hath become vacant.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, seconded by Mr. *Starnes*,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new writ for the election of one Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Quebec*, in the room of *François Evanturel*, Esquire, who, since his election as the representative of the said County of *Quebec*, hath accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of Minister of Agriculture and Statistics of this Province, by means whereof the seat of the said *François Evanturel*, Esquire, hath become vacant.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Hébert*,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the election of one Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Electoral Division of *Montreal West*, in the room of *Thomas D'Arcy McGee*, Esquire, who, since his election as the representative of the said Electoral Division of *Montreal West*, hath accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of President of the Executive Council of this Province, by means whereof the seat of the said *Thomas D'Arcy McGee*, Esquire, hath become vacant.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, seconded by Mr. *Connor*,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new writ for the election of one Member to serve in this present Parliament for the North Riding of the County of *York*, in the room of *Adam Wilson*, Esquire, who, since his election as the representative of the said North Riding of the County of *York*, hath accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of Solicitor General, in and for that part of the Province of *Canada*, formerly *Upper Canada*, by means whereof the seat of the said *Adam Wilson*, Esquire, has become vacant.

On motion of Mr. *Benjamin*, seconded by Mr. *Bell* (of *Lanark*),

Ordered, That the 77th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, be now read.

And the same being read ;

Ordered, That the petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*, be referred back to the General Committee of Elections.

On motion of Mr. *Benjamin*, seconded by Mr. *Bell* (of *Lanark*),

Ordered, That the 77th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, be now read.

And the same being read ;

Ordered, That the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Verchères*, be referred back to the General Committee of Elections.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Third Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature.

Theodore Robitaille, Esquire ; *George Honoré Simard*, Esquire ; *Lewis Wallbridge*, Esquire ; *Joseph Rymal*, Esquire ; Chairman, the Honorable *Oliver Mowat*, being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Essex* ; their names were called over, and being come to the table, they were sworn by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the County of *Essex*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for that County.

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet to-morrow, in Committee Room No. 23, at the hour of ten in the forenoon.

Aquila Walsh, Esquire ; *John Poupore*, Esquire ; *David Stirton*, Esquire ; *Amos Wright*, Esquire ; Chairman, the Honorable *Thomas J. J. Loranger*, being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Peterborough* ; their names were called over ; and being come to the table, they were sworn by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the County of *Peterborough*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for that County.

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet to-morrow, in Committee Room No. 20, at the hour of ten in the forenoon.

François Zephirin Tassé, Esquire ; *Richard William Scott*, Esquire ; *Joseph Paschal Falkner*, Esquire ; *Thomas Scatcherd*, Esquire ; Chairman, *Skeffington Connor*, Esquire ; being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Bellechasse* ; their names were called over ; and *Joseph Paschal Falkner*, Esquire, appeared not.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :—

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to extend to the Counties of *Wentworth* and *Lincoln* the Act for the protection of persons holding lands "on the shore of Lake *Ontario*, in the Counties of *York*, *Peel*, and *Halton*," without any amendment.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to facilitate "the winding up of the affairs of Incorporated Companies," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to extend "to Tram Roads the provisions of the *Upper Canada* Joint Stock Road Companies Act," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Rymal*,
Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act to extend to
 "Tram Roads the provisions of the *Upper Canada Joint Stock Road Companies Act*,"
 be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-
 morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Rymal*, seconded by Mr. *Stirton*,
Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act to facilitate
 "the winding up of the affairs of Incorporated Companies," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on
 Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* moved, seconded by Mr. *Starnes*, and the question
 being proposed, That for the remainder of the present Session this House do meet at eleven
 o'clock, A.M., and adjourn at one o'clock, P.M.; and that another sitting (as if on another
 day) be held on the same day, to commence at four o'clock, P.M.; but that the Sessional
 Orders, relating to the description of business for each of the said days, do apply to both
 sittings.

And a Debate arising thereupon,

And the House having continued to sit until after Twelve of the Clock, on Tuesday
 morning;

Tuesday, 27th May, 1862.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, seconded by Mr. *Powell*,
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow, and be then the first Order
 of the Day.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Starnes*,
 The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 27th May, 1862.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Daoust*,—Two Petitions of the Reverend *T. Chagnon* and others, of the
 Parish of *St. Joseph*, County of *Two Mountains*.

By Mr. *Fournier*,—The Petition of *D. S. Ballantine* and others, of the Parishes of
L'Islet and *St. Cyrille*, County of *L'Islet*.

By Mr. *J. J. Ross*,—The Petition of *T. A. Lafesche* and others, of the Parish of *St.*
Anne de la Pérade, County of *Champlain*.

By Mr. *Poupore*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Bristol*,
 County of *Pontiac*; and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Pontiac*.

By Mr. *Crawford*,—The Petition of the Reverend *H. A. Grasett* and others, Managers
 of the *Toronto Lying-in-Hospital*.

By Mr. *Bown*,—The Petition of the Reverend *John Dunbar* and others, of the Village
 of *Glenmorris* and vicinity.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Chatham*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township
 of *Chinguacousy*, County of *Peel*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Village of
Brampton.

Mr. *Langevin*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the
 House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix; No. 6.*)

Mr. *Morris*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Eleventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to erect the Townships of *Wendover* and *Simpson* into a separate Municipality, and are of opinion that the preamble is not proved, because, under the circumstances as exhibited, legislation is not expedient.

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same without amendment, viz. :—

Bill to incorporate the *Victoria Skating Club*, of *Montreal*.

Bill to separate the Townships of *McNab*, *Bagot*, and *Blythfield*, from the County of *Renfrew*, and annex the same to the County of *Lanark*, for judicial and municipal purposes.

Bill to establish and confirm certain roads in the Township of *Reach*.

Also, the following Bills, with certain amendments, which they beg to submit for the consideration of your Honorable House, viz. :

Bill to extend and define the powers of the City and District Savings Bank of *Montreal*.

Bill to incorporate the Village of *Lanark*, in the County of *Lanark*.

Bill to amend the Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of *Port Hope*.

Bill to alter and amend the Act of Incorporation of the Provident Life Assurance Company.

Bill to legalize a By-law made and passed by the Town Council of the Corporation of the Town of *Perth*, in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, for raising a certain sum of money therein mentioned.

Bill to incorporate the Village of *Arnprior*, in the County of *Renfrew*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills:

Bill to amend the Act relating to the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway, and for other purposes.

Bill to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railway Company, and to authorise the raising of new preferred Stock, for certain purposes.

To each of which they have agreed to several amendments.

Mr. *Dorion* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill for the protection of Settlers in certain cases in *Lower Canada*, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Patrick*, seconded by Mr. *Bell* (of *Lanark*),

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the Election of one Member to serve in this present Parliament for the North Riding of the County of *Waterloo*, in the room of the Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, who, since his Election as Representative of the said North Riding of the County of *Waterloo*, hath accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of Postmaster General of this Province, by means whereof the seat of the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, hath become vacant.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying his Excellency to be pleased to issue his Warrant in favor of *William Burns Lindsay*, Junior, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of Ninety-five thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight dollars and twenty-five cents, on account of the Contingencies of this House, and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to his Excellency the Governor General by Mr. *Langevin*, the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, and Mr. *Desaulniers*.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, dated 7th April, 1862, for Statement of expenses of Seigniorial Commission. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 33.)

Also, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, dated 14th May, instant, "for copies of papers relative to Inquests held by Mr. *E. Boudreau*, Coroner for *Saguenay*." (*Sessional Papers*, No. 32.)

And also, the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, Report of the Superintendent of Education for *Lower Canada* for 1861. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 34.)

Ordered, That the Sixth Report of the Standing Committee on Contingencies, and the Report of the Sub-Committee, together with the accompanying documents, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended as regards a Bill for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bell*, (of *Russell*), have leave to bring in a Bill for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and for other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Mr. *Laframboise*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral Division of *Montreal West*, informed the House, that *Robert Bell*, (of *Russell*), Esquire, one of the Members of the Committee, was not present within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the said Committee, this day.

Ordered, That *Robert Bell*, (of *Russell*), Esquire, do attend in his place in this House, to-morrow.

Mr. *White*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Robert Wilson* and others, for an Act to authorize a re-survey of the 5th, 6th, and 7th Concessions of the Township of *Onslow*, and find that the notice given is sufficient as regards the re-survey of the 6th and 7th Concession Lines; the 5th line not having been mentioned in the notice, they recommend that in the Bill, provision be made for the survey of the 6th and 7th lines only.

On the Petitions of *J. B. Rail*, for authority to build a toll-bridge over the *Grande Rivière* in *Gaspé*; of the Municipalities of the Parishes of *St. George*, *Clarenceville*, and *St. Thomas*, *Missisquoi*, for amendment to the letters patent establishing those Parishes; of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, praying that the title to the Rectoral lands in that Diocese may be vested in them; of *Daniel Brooke*, for admission to practice as an Attorney; of *Charles Magill* and others, for incorporation of the *Hamilton Masonic Hall Association*; of the Town Council of the Town of *Guelph*, for the leasing of a portion of the Market Square of that town; and of *A. A. Adams* and others, for an Act to declare the Model School building at *Barnston Corner* mortgaged to *A. A. Adams*, for a debt due him; your Committee find that no notice has been given; and on the Petition of the Rector and Church Wardens of *St. John's Church*, *Bowmanville*, no local notice.

This is also the case with the Petition of the *Welland Railway Company*, but in this case the matter is one affecting the Company alone, and necessary for their interests; your Committee therefore beg to recommend a suspension of the 51st Rule in this case.

The attention of your Committee has been drawn to the very great increase of late years in the amount charged by various newspapers for publishing the advertisement concerning the notice required to be given, by the Rules of your Honorable House, by parties applying for Private or Local Bills; and they have given directions to ensure its publication in the different papers in uniform style, and as far as possible at a uniform rate.

Ordered, That Mr. *Pope* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act, chap. 15, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Superior "Education and Common Schools."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended as regards the Petition of the *Welland Railway Company*.

François Zephirin Tassé, Esquire; *Richard William Scott*, Esquire; *Joseph Paschal Falkner*, Esquire; *Thomas Scatcherd*, Esquire; Chairman, *Skeffington Connor*, Esquire; being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Bellechasse*; their names were called over; and being come to the table, they were sworn by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the County of *Bellechasse*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for that County.

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet to-morrow, in Committee Room No. 21, at the hour of ten in the forenoon.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned debate upon the question which was yesterday proposed, That for the remainder of the present Session this House do meet at eleven o'clock A. M., and adjourn at one o'clock P. M., and that another sitting (as if on another day) be held on the same day, to commence at four o'clock P. M.; but that the Sessional Orders relating to the description of business for each of the said days do apply to both sittings.

And the question being again proposed,

The House resumed the said adjourned debate.

And the question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act respecting the Will "of *Nathan Gage*, late of the Town of *Brantford*, Esquire," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Bown*, seconded by Mr. *M. C. Cameron*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act respecting "the Will of *Nathan Gage*, late of the Town of *Brantford*, Esquire," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Cartier* moved, seconded by the Honorable *J. A. Macdonald*, and the question being put, That this House do now adjourn.

The House divided. *Yeas*, 46; *Nays*, 39.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, 28th May, 1862.

11 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Speaker reported to the House, that in pursuance of the 140th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, he had, in the matter of the Petition of *Edouard René Demers*, Esquire, of the Parish of *St. George de Henryville*, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *Alexander Dufresne*, Esquire, to represent the County of *Iberville*, taxed the costs and expenses incurred by the Sitting Member, in opposing the said Petition, at Seventy-seven Dollars, to be paid by the said Petitioner to the said Sitting Member.

Mr. Speaker also reported to the House, that he had received the following Letter in the matter of the Petition of *Flavien Renault Blanchard*, of the Township of *Ely*, in the County of *Shefford*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Shefford*:—

Quebec, 27th May, 1862.

To the Honorable the Speaker, Commons of *Canada*.

SIR,—It is agreed between the parties that the Contestation of the said Election shall be discontinued from this date without costs.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

T. K. RAMSAY,

Agent for the Petitioner.

I have had communication of the above, and concur therein.

L. S. HUNTINGTON,

Sitting Member.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr *McKellar*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Chatham*.

By Mr. *Sylvain*,—The Petition of *Alexis Caron*, and others, of the Township of *McNider*, County of *Rimouski*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of the *Montreal Young Mens' Christian Association*.

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

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Cavan*; praying that the Bill to amend "An Act respecting Separate Schools in Upper *Canada*, in so far as the same relates to "Roman Catholic Separate Schools," may not become law.

Of *W. H. Anderson*, and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for the passing of such measures as may be necessary for a just and equitable settlement of the affairs of the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

Of the Municipality of the Village of *Strathroy*; praying for the repeal of the 147th Section, Chapter 66, of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting Railways.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Stephen*; praying that no Act may be passed to annex the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* to the County of *Middlesex*, but that a new County be formed out of the southern Townships of *Huron*.

Of *John McLaren*, and others, of the Township of *Ross*, County of *Renfrew*; praying for the passing of an Act, revoking the selection of *Pembroke* as the County Town of the said County, and that a more central place be chosen in lieu thereof.

Of *P. D. McKenzie*, and others, of the Township of *Inverness*, County of *Megantic*,—and of the *Havelock* Division No. 39, Sons of Temperance; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Usborne*; praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada*.

Of *Adolphe Lamy*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Sévère*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Sunnidale*, County of *Simcoe*; praying for a grant of 10,000,000 acres of land from the *Canadian* Government; and also that the Home Government may be petitioned to grant other 10,000,000 acres to be selected out of the Hudson Bay Territory, to induce capitalists to advance money for the construction of the *Georgian Bay Canal*.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Collingwood*; praying for the repeal of the Act 24 *Victoria*, Chapter 38, to amend the Assessment Act, and to compel non-residents to pay arrears of taxes, and for other purposes.

Of the Reverend *W. Tomblin*, and others, of the Township of *Westmeath*, County of *Renfrew*; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Mr. *Morris*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Twelfth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill for the relief of certain persons, alleged subscribers to the Stock Books under the original Act incorporating the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Railway Company, and find the preamble not proved, inasmuch as it would interfere with pending obligations and vested rights.

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have prepared amendments to each, which they beg to submit for the consideration of your Honorable House:—

Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Town of *Lévis*.

Bill to incorporate the Academie *Bonin*.

Bill to enable *Moise Martin Mitivier* to undergo an examination for admission to practice medicine, surgery, and midwifery.

Mr. *Buchanan*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire and report upon the best method of relieving the distress of certain Municipalities arising from debts contracted in the construction of Railways, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix, No. 5.*)

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House, and the 94th Rule suspended as regards the same.

Mr. *Wallbridge*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library of Parliament, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

The Librarians having represented to the Committee that a number of books belonging to the Library are in the hands of Members and ex-Members of the Legislature, who, after repeated applications, have neglected to return the same, the serious attention of the Committee has been directed to this matter, and they have agreed to the following Resolutions, the strict enforcement of which, it is hoped, will be the means of inducing the gentlemen in whose hands the property of the Library has been detained, to restore the books without further delay.

1. The Librarians were instructed to make immediate application to all Members and ex-Members of the Legislature, requiring them, in the name of the Library Committee, to return to the Library, without delay, all books in their possession belonging to the same, and which were borrowed by them at any time previous to the present Session.

2. The Librarians have been instructed to address circulars, within a fortnight of the commencement of each and every Session of Parliament, to all Members and ex-Members, of the Legislature, and others, who may have in their possession Books belonging to the Library of Parliament, requiring them to return without delay to the Library, all such Books, and acquainting them that they have been directed by the Library Committee to report to the Two Houses, a list of all such Books so applied for and not returned, at the day appointed for the Meeting of the Legislature.

The Committee have received a report from Mr. *Coventry*, detailing the progress he has made during the past year, in his Collection of documents concerning the early history of *Upper Canada*. A large portion of the Papers already collected have been forwarded to the Library, and will be arranged and bound for reference. The engagement with Mr. *Coventry* has been renewed for the ensuing year.

Ordered, That Mr. *Burwell* have leave to bring in a Bill to separate the Township of *Delaware* from the West Riding of the County of *Middlesex*, and annex the same to the East Riding thereof, for all purposes whatsoever.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*,

Ordered, That all Notices of Questions to be put to Members of the Administration be left out of the Notice Paper.

Mr. *Laframboise* rose in his place, and informed the House that he was desired by Mr. *Bell* (of *Russell*) to state that on Tuesday last, the twenty-seventh instant, he was required to attend the sitting of the Railway Committee, and being there absorbed in business, he missed the sitting of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral Division of *Montreal West*, at the hour appointed; and that when he went to attend the sitting of the said Election Committee, he found that he was some very few minutes too late;

And Mr. *Bell* having verified the same upon oath;

Resolved, That the said statement be considered a sufficient excuse.

The Orders of the House of the 8th and 14th instant, for the attendance of *Marshall Perry Roblin*, Esquire, Returning Officer at the late Election for the County of *Lennox* and *Addington*, to answer for his Return to the Writ of Election for the said County; of *Edmund Hooper*, Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Camden*; *Florence McEgan*, Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Newburg*, at the said Election; *William Wholan*, of the Village of *Centreville*, in the Township of *Camden East*; *James O'Reilly*, of the City of *Kingston*, *Benjamin C. Davy*, of *Napanee*; *Henry Finkle*, *John D. Ham* and *Douglas Hooper*, of *Newburg*, Esquires, to give evidence on the Return to the Writ of Election for the said County, being read;

The Sergeant-at-Arms reported, That *Marshall Perry Roblin*, Esquire, Returning Officer at the late election for the County of *Lennox* and *Addington*; *Edmund Hooper*, Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Camden*; *Florence McEgan*, Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Newburg* at the said election; *William Wholan*, *James O'Reilly*, *Benjamin C. Davy*, *Henry Finkle*, *John D. Ham*, and *Douglas Hooper*, Esquires, were in attendance, in obedience to the orders of the House.

On motion of Mr. *Patrick*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*,

Ordered, That the further consideration of the said Orders be postponed for the present Session.

Ordered, That the said several parties be discharged from further attendance at the Bar of this House.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill to amend an Act respecting Lessors and Lessees, being read;

Mr. *Langevin* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being One of the clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, until four o'clock this day, without a Question first put.

4 o'clock, P. M.

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

Of the Municipality of the Village of *Brampton*; and of the Municipality of the Township of *Chinguacousy*, County of *Peel*; severally praying that no Act may be passed to

repeal all special Acts, having reference to the separation of the County of *Peel* from the County of *York*.

Of the Reverend *John Dunbar* and others, of the Village of *Glenmorris* and vicinity; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Reverend *T. Chagnon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph*, County of *Two Mountains*; praying for the passing of a stringent Usury Law.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Chatham*; praying for amendments to the 20th clause of the Seigniorial Amendment Act of 1859.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Bristol*, County of *Pontiac*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish the side lines already run in the said Township, and to provide for the future drawing of such lines, parallel with the boundary line of the Township of *Clarendon*.

Of *D. S. Ballantyne* and others, of the Parishes of *L'Islet* and *St. Cyrille*, County of *L'Islet*; praying for aid to complete the *Arago* Road.

Of the Reverend *H. A. Grasett* and others, Managers of the *Toronto Lying-in-Hospital*; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of "The *Toronto Lying-in-Hospital*."

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Pontiac*; praying for amendments to the Judicature Act.

Of the Reverend *T. Chagnon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph*, County of *Two Mountains*; praying that no further aid be given to the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada*.

Of *F. A. Lafleche* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Anne de la Pérade*, County of *Champlain*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Mr. *Dorion* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to annex the Township of *Aston* and part of the Township of *Wendover*, to the County of *Nicolet*, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned debate upon the question which was this day proposed, That the Bill to amend the Act respecting Lessors and Lessees, be now read the third time.

The House resumed the said adjourned debate;

And the question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, legalizing and providing for the delivery of certain Registers of Marriages, Baptisms, and Burials, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend Chapter 20 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Registers of Marriages, Births and Burials," was, according to order, read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Laframboise*, seconded by Mr. *Langevin*, the following amendments were made to the Bill: Clause 5, line 7, after "Rivers" insert, "and the Right Reverend *Joseph Larocque*, Roman Catholic Bishop of *St. Hyacinthe*, and his successors, or the person administering the Roman Catholic Diocese of *St. Hyacinthe*, or any Priest serving the Roman Catholic Cathedral in the City of *St. Hyacinthe*." Clause 5, line 8, leave out "the said Cathedral," and insert "their said respective Cathedrals." Clause 5, add the following words at the end thereof, "And all Registers of Marriages, Baptisms, and Burials celebrated in the Roman Catholic Cathedral of the City of *St. Hyacinthe* since it has legally existed, are hereby declared to have been legally made, and to be, to all

intents and purposes, legal Registers of the Marriages, Baptisms, and Burials celebrated in the City of *St. Hyacinthe*, and in the Parish of *St. Hyacinthe the Confessor*."

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to enable the Rate payers of the County of *Lincoln* to select a more convenient place for the County Town, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Street*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, Clause IV was left out, and the following Clause inserted instead thereof :

IV. But before the Governor shall issue his Proclamation giving effect to the said By-law, it shall be referred to arbitrators to be selected and chosen as is provided in section three hundred and fifty-eight of chapter fifty-four of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, (which said section for the purposes of the Act shall be taken as a portion thereof so far as the same is applicable to this Act), to ascertain and decide whether the Corporation of the Town of *Niagara* is entitled to claim any and what compensation from the Corporation of the County of *Lincoln*, for or by reason of the erection of the buildings at present used for County purposes, and in the event of said arbitrators awarding that compensation should be paid to the Town of *Niagara*, the amount so awarded shall be paid or secured to the said Corporation of the Town of *Niagara*, before the issuing of the said Proclamation.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to authorize the Courts of *Queen's Bench*, Common Pleas, and Chancery, to admit *Hugh McMahon* to practise therein respectively, was according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act to authorize the Courts of *Queen's Bench*, Common Pleas, and Chancery, for *Upper Canada*, to admit *Hugh McMahon* to practice as an Attorney and Solicitor therein respectively."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of Charity of *Quebec*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Charter of the College of *St. Anne de la Pocatière*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, the following amendment was made to the Bill :—

Clause 1, line 10, leave out "*Thomas Blais*," and insert "*Walston Blais*."

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the College of *St. Anne de la Pocatière*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Charter of the Industrial Academy of *St. Laurent* was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act to amend the Act incorporating L'Academie Industrielle de *St. Laurent*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to charge the Corporation of the City of *Toronto* with the payment of the expenses of taking care of, supporting and maintaining certain prisoners in the Common Gaol of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled "An Act to detach from the Municipality of *St. Lambert* a portion of that part of it which is situate in the *Barony* of *Longueuil*, and to annex the same to the Municipality of the Parish of *Longueuil*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, at *Martintown*, to sell a certain lot of land," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *D. A. Macdonald*, seconded by Mr. *Morris*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, at *Martintown*, to sell a certain lot of land," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

On motion of Mr. *DeBoucherville*, seconded by Mr. *Laframboise*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act to detach from the Municipality of *St. Lambert*, a portion of that part of it which is situate in the *Barony* of *Longueuil*, and to annex the same to the Municipality of the Parish of *Longueuil*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Pilots for and below the Harbour of *Quebec*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Taschereau* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Taschereau* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Friday next.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to confirm the action of the Corporations of *Arthur* and *Luther*, under the Act to enable County Councils to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases to sow their land, and for other purposes; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mackenzie* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Friday next.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act to confirm certain side roads in the Township of *Scarborough*, and to provide for defining other road allowances and lines in the said Township; the Bill to legalize certain investments of Clergy Reserve moneys by the Corporation of the Township of *Lobo*; the Bill

to establish certain side lines in the Township of *Kenyon*, County of *Glengarry*; the Bill relative to the mortgaging of certain property belonging to the Church of *England* at *Brantford*; and the Bill to consolidate part of the debt owing by the Municipality of the County of *Hastings*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Joseph Dufresne* reported, That the Committee had gone through each of the said Bills, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bills be severally read the third time, on Friday next.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act further to amend the Charter of the Bank of *Upper Canada*;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Macbeth* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Friday next.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Ship Labourers' Benevolent Society of *Quebec*; the Bill to incorporate the *St. Lawrence* Assurance Company; the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act to change the name of *David Allan Poe* and of his family, by adding thereto the name 'of *Watt*;' the Bill to erect that part of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec*, situate on the north side of the river *St. Charles*, into a separate Municipality; the Bill to incorporate the 1st and 2nd Congregations of *Hinchinbrooke*, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church of *North America*; the Bill to incorporate the Boys' Industrial School of the Gore of *Toronto*; the Bill to incorporate the Association de *St. François Xavier de Montréal*; the Bill to authorize the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of *Montréal*, to borrow a certain sum of money for drainage and other purposes therein mentioned; the Bill to amend "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the Commercial Bank of the Midland District, and to change its corporate name to 'The Commercial Bank of *Canada*;' the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Orphans' Home and Widows' Friend Society of *Kingston*;" and the Bill to incorporate the Société Ecclésiastique du Diocèse de *St. Hyacinthe*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Joseph Dufresne* reported, that the Committee had severally gone through the Bill to incorporate the Ship Labourers' Benevolent Society of *Quebec*; the Bill to incorporate the *St. Lawrence* Assurance Company; the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to change the name of *David Allan Poe* and of his family, by adding thereto the name of 'Watt';" the Bill to erect that part of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec*, situate on the North side of the River *St. Charles*, into a separate Municipality; the Bill to incorporate the Association de *St. François Xavier de Montréal*; the Bill to authorize the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of *Montréal* to borrow a certain sum of money for drainage and other purposes therein mentioned; the Bill to amend "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the Commercial Bank of the Midland District, and to change its corporate name to 'The Commercial Bank of *Canada*;' and the Bill to incorporate the Société Ecclésiastique du Diocèse de *St. Hyacinthe*; and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bills be severally read the third time, on Friday next.

Mr. *Joseph Dufresne* also reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill from Legislative Council, intituled "An Act to incorporate the 'Orphans' Home and Widows' Friend Society' of *Kingston*," and had made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Joseph Dufresne* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read as followeth:—

Page 1, line 8,—Leave out from "consideration," to "which."

Page 1, line 9,—Leave out "have," and insert "has."

Page 1, line 17—Leave out "*Harriet Cartwright*."

Page 1, line 18;—Leave out "*Annie*," and insert "*Anne*;" and leave out "*Margaret*."

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Page 1, line 21,—After "*Davidson*," insert "*Elizabeth Ross*;" and after "and," where it occurs the second time, insert "*Margaret Machar*," *Harriet Cartwright*, *Elizabeth George*.

Page 1, line 26,—Leave out "*Elizabeth Ross*."

Page 1, line 30,—Leave out from "Constitution" to "of."

Page 1, line 36,—Leave out from "the" to "value," in line 37.

Page 1, line 43,—Leave out from "Constitution" to "already," in line 44.

Page 1, line 48,—Leave out from "Constitution" to the end of the line.

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be read the third time, on Friday next.

Mr. Joseph Dufresne also reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill to incorporate the First and Second Congregations of *Hinchinbrooke*, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church of North America, and had made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Joseph Dufresne reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Friday next.

Mr. Joseph Dufresne also reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill to incorporate the Boys' Industrial School of the Gore of *Toronto*, and had made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Joseph Dufresne reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Friday next.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Bill to erect the Parish of *St. Pierre de Durham*, in the County of *Drummond*, into a separate Municipality, being read;

Mr. Dorion moved, seconded by *Mr. Bourassa*, and the question being proposed, That *Mr. Speaker* do now leave the Chair.

Mr. Dunkin moved, in amendment, seconded by *Mr. Pope*, that all the words after "That," to the end of the question, be left out; and the words "this House will, on this day three months, resolve itself into the said Committee," inserted instead thereof.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Alleyn,</i>	<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>MacKenzie,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>	<i>Ross, John S.</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell)</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Cameron, John H.</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Street, and</i>
<i>Cameron, Matthew C.</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Walsh.—34.</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>		

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark)</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rybert,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>

<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Le Boutillier,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Tassé,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>White, and</i>
<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>	<i>Wright.—62.</i>
<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>		

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main Question being put,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Laframboise* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Laframboise* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Friday next.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Bill to extend the limits of the Municipality of the East part of the Parish of *St. Antoine Abbé*, being read;

Mr. *Tassé* moved, seconded by Mr. *Daoust*,

And the question being put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair,

Mr. *Somerville* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Pope*, That all the words after "that," to the end of the question, be left out, and the words "This House will, on this day six months, resolve itself into the said Committee," inserted instead thereof.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Alley,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Ross, J. S.</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>McClann,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark),</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Cameron, John H.,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Cameron, Matthew C.,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Clark,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>	<i>Walsh,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>White, and</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>	<i>Wright.—50.</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Macdonald, John A.,</i>		

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>

<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Taschereau, and</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Tassé—46.</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then, the main Question, so amended, being put,

Resolved, That this House will, on this day six months, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to legalize the operations of *Patrice Renault Blanchard*, Surveyor, with reference to the survey, boundary lines, reports and plans executed and prepared by him for the division and settlement of the limits of the lots in the first five ranges of the Township of *Acton*, in the County of *Bagot*, and District of *St. Hyacinthe*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Huot* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton Powder Company*; the Bill to establish and continue a Survey in the Township of *King*, in the County of *York*; the Bill to incorporate the *St. George's Benevolent Society of Hamilton*; the Bill to amend the Act 22 (1858) *Vic.*, chap. 36, intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Hemmingford*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into two separate Municipalities"; the Bill for facilitating the conveyance, by the Trust and Loan Company of *Upper Canada*, of lands in the Province of *Canada*, by and through their Commissioners or Attorneys; the Bill to render valid the election and proceedings of the Trustees for the erection of a Catholic Church in the Parish of *St. Brigid*; the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Merchants Bank; the Bill to incorporate the *Société de l'Union St. Roch*; the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal Racket Court Company*; the Bill to incorporate the College of *St. Ignatius, Guelph*; the Bill to incorporate the Sisters of *St. Joseph, Guelph*; the Bill to incorporate the Sisters of Our Lady of Loretto of the Town of *Guelph*; the Bill to incorporate the *Victoria Skating Club of Montreal*; the Bill to separate the Townships of *McNab, Bagot*, and *Blythfield* from the County of *Renfrew*, and annex the same to the County of *Lanark*, for Judicial and Municipal purposes; the Bill to establish and confirm certain Roads in the Township of *Reach*; the Bill to define and extend the powers of the City and District Savings Bank of *Montreal*; the Bill to incorporate the Village of *Lanark*, in the County of *Lanark*; and the Bill to amend the Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of *Port Hope*;—and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Starnes* reported, that the Committee had severally gone through the Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton Powder Company*; the Bill to establish and continue a Survey in the Township of *King*, in the County of *York*; the Bill to incorporate the *St. George's Benevolent Society of Hamilton*; the Bill to amend the Act 22 (1858) *Vic.*, chap. 36, intituled, "An Act to divide the Township of *Hemmingford*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into two separate Municipalities;" the Bill for facilitating the conveyance by the Trust and Loan Company of *Upper Canada*, of lands in the Province of *Canada*, by and through their Commissioners or Attorneys; the Bill to render valid the election and proceedings of the Trustees for the erection of a Catholic Church in the Parish of *St. Brigid*; the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Merchants' Bank; the Bill to incorporate the *Société de l'Union St. Roch*; the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal Racket Court Company*; the Bill to incorporate the Sisters of Our Lady of Loretto of the Town of *Guelph*; the Bill to incorporate the *Victoria Skating Club of Montreal*; the Bill to separate the Townships of *McNab, Bagot* and *Blythfield* from the County of *Renfrew*, and annex the same to the County of *Lanark*, for judicial and Municipal purposes; the Bill to establish and confirm certain Roads in the Township of *Reach*; the Bill to define and extend the powers of the City and District Savings Bank of *Montreal*; the Bill to incorporate the Village of *Lanark*, in the County of *Lanark*; and the Bill to amend the Act to consolidate the Debt

of the Town of *Port Hope*; and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bills be severally read the third time, on Friday next.

Mr. *Starnes* also reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill to incorporate the College of *St. Ignatius, Guelph*, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Mr. *Scott* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, and the question being proposed, that the Bill be read a third time, on Friday next;

Mr. *Ferguson* moved, in amendment to the question, seconded by Mr. *Anderson*, That the words "on Friday next" be left out, and the words "this day six months" inserted instead thereof;

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

Yeas :

Messieurs

Anderson, *Ferguson*, *Stirton*.—3.

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Alley</i> ,	<i>Cowan</i> ,	<i>Huot</i> ,	<i>Prévost</i> ,
<i>Archambault</i> ,	<i>Crawford</i> ,	<i>Jobin</i> ,	<i>Rankin</i> ,
<i>Ault</i> ,	<i>Dawson</i> ,	<i>Joly</i> ,	<i>Rémillard</i> ,
<i>Baby</i> ,	<i>De Boucherville</i> ,	<i>Kierzkowski</i> ,	<i>Robitaille</i> ,
<i>Beaubien</i> ,	<i>De Cazes</i> ,	<i>Knight</i> ,	<i>Rose</i> ,
<i>Bell</i> , (North Lanark)	<i>Denis</i> ,	<i>Labrèche-Viger</i> ,	<i>Ross, J. S.</i>
<i>Bell</i> , (Russell),	<i>Desaulniers</i> ,	<i>Laframboise</i> ,	<i>Rylkert</i> ,
<i>Beaudreau</i> ,	<i>Dickson</i> ,	<i>Langevin</i> ,	<i>Rymal</i> ,
<i>Biggar</i> ,	<i>Dorion</i> ,	<i>Loranger</i> ,	<i>Scatcherd</i> ,
<i>Bourassa</i> ,	<i>Dostaler</i> ,	<i>Macdonald, J. A.</i> ,	<i>Scott</i> ,
<i>Bown</i> ,	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre</i> ,	<i>Macdonald, D. A.</i> ,	<i>Sherwood</i> ,
<i>Brousseau</i> ,	<i>Dufresne, Joseph</i> ,	<i>McKenzie</i> ,	<i>Simard</i> ,
<i>Bureau</i> ,	<i>Dunkin</i> ,	<i>McKellar</i> ,	<i>Simpson</i> ,
<i>Burwell</i> ,	<i>Dunsford</i> ,	<i>McLachlin</i> ,	<i>Somerville</i> ,
<i>Cameron, J. H.</i> ,	<i>Falkner</i> ,	<i>Mongenais</i> ,	<i>Starnes</i> ,
<i>Cameron, M. C.</i> ,	<i>Fortier</i> ,	<i>Morris</i> ,	<i>Street</i> ,
<i>Carling</i> ,	<i>Fournier</i> ,	<i>Morrison</i> ,	<i>Sylvain</i> ,
<i>Cartier</i> ,	<i>Gagnon</i> ,	<i>Mowat</i> ,	<i>Taschereau</i> ,
<i>Cauchon</i> ,	<i>Galt</i> ,	<i>Munro</i> ,	<i>Tassé</i> ,
<i>Chaprais</i> ,	<i>Gaudet</i> ,	<i>O' Halloran</i> ,	<i>Wallbridge</i> ,
<i>Clarke</i> ,	<i>Harcourt</i> ,	<i>Patrick</i> ,	<i>White</i> , and
<i>Connor</i> ,	<i>Hébert</i> ,	<i>Poupore</i> ,	<i>Wright</i> .—88.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main question being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Friday next.

Mr. *Starnes* also reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill to incorporate the Sisters of *St. Joseph, Guelph*, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Mr. *Scott* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, and the question being proposed, That the Bill be read the third time, on Friday next;

Mr. *Ferguson* moved, in amendment to the question, seconded by Mr. *Anderson*, That the words "on Friday next" be left out, and the words "this day three months" inserted instead thereof.

The House divided: *Yeas*, 3; *Nays*, 45.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main question being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Friday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to alter and amend the Act of incorporation of the Provident Life Assurance Company; the Bill to legalize a By-law made and passed by the Town Council of the Corporation of the Town of *Perth*, in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, for raising a certain sum of money therein mentioned; the Bill to incorporate the Village of *Arnprior*, in the County of *Renfrew*, and for other purposes therein mentioned; the Bill further to amend the Act relating to the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway, and for other purposes therein mentioned; the Bill to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railway Company, and to authorize the raising of new Preferred Stock for certain purposes; the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Town of *Lévis*; the Bill to incorporate the *Academie Bonin*; and the Bill to enable *Moise Martin Mitivier*, to undergo an examination for admission to practice Medicine, Surgery, and Midwifery; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Starnes* reported, that the Committee had severally gone through the Bill to alter and amend the Act of incorporation of the Provident Life Assurance Company; the Bill to legalize a By-law made and passed by the Town Council of the Corporation of the Town of *Perth*, in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, for raising a certain sum of money therein mentioned; the Bill to incorporate the Village of *Arnprior*, in the County of *Renfrew*, and for other purposes therein mentioned; the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Town of *Lévis*; the Bill to incorporate the *Academie Bonin*; and the Bill to enable *Moise Martin Mitivier* to undergo an examination for admission to practice Medicine, Surgery, and Midwifery; and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bills be severally read the third time, on Friday next.

Mr. *Starnes* also reported, that the Committee had severally gone through the Bill further to amend the Act relating to the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway, and for the purposes therein mentioned; and the Bill to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railway Company, and to authorize the raising of new Preferred Stock; and made amendments to each of the said Bills.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Starnes* severally reported the Bills accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Bills be severally read the third time, on Friday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend an Act in relation to Fire Insurance Companies, not incorporated within the limits of this Province, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Galt*,

Ordered, That the 61st Rule of this House in relation to Private Bills, be suspended for the remainder of the Session.

Mr. *Caron*, from the Committee of the Whole House to consider of certain proposed Resolutions to impose a tonnage duty on Vessels entering the Harbour of *Quebec*, reported several Resolutions, which were read, as followeth:—

1. *Resolved*, That the *Quebec* Harbour Commissioners be authorized to impose a tonnage duty on sea-going vessels discharging ballast or cargo, or loading in the Harbour of *Quebec*, not exceeding five cents per ton.

2. *Resolved*, That the *Quebec* Harbour Commissioners be authorised to impose penalties, not exceeding fifty dollars, on all persons who infringe any By-law respecting the Harbour of *Quebec*.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend an Act to provide for the improvement and management of the Harbour of *Quebec*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. *Alley*, Mr. *Dawson*, Mr. *Starnes*, the Honorable Mr.

Galt, and *Mr. Langevin*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That the Resolutions reported from the Committee of the Whole House this day, to impose a tonnage duty on vessels entering the Harbour of *Quebec*, be referred to the said Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the charter of the *London and Port Stanley Railway Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Richelieu Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the Municipal Council of the Village of *Welland* to grant certificates to increase the number of Licensed Taverns in that Village, being read;

Mr. Street moved, seconded by *Mr. Clarke*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. White moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by *Mr. Ferguson*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day three months" added at the end thereof.

And the Question being put to the amendment, the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main Question being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider of certain proposed Resolutions relating to Harbour Dues to be levied by the *Simcoe and Port Ryerse Tram or Railroad and Harbour Company*; and after some time spent therein, *Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair; and *Mr. Kierzkowski* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Kierzkowski reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read, as follow:—

Resolved, That the *Simcoe and Port Ryerse Tram or Railroad and Harbour Company*, to levy the undermentioned Harbor duties at the Port of *Port Ryerse*:

Pot and Pearl ashes per barrel, nine pence; Pork, Whiskey, Salt Beef and Lard per barrel, sixpence; Flour per barrel, four pence; Merchandize per barrel bulk, sixpence; Lard and Butter per keg, one penny half-penny; Merchandize per ton, seven shillings and sixpence; *West India* staves per thousand, two shillings and sixpence; Shingles per thousand, sixpence; Shingle bolts per cord, five shillings; Pipe staves per thousand, twelve shillings and sixpence; Deals per hundred pieces, five shillings; Wheat and other grains per sixty pounds, one penny; Lumber per thousand feet, board measure, one shilling and threepence; Boats under five tons, free; Boats and vessels under twelve tons, one shilling and threepence; Boats and vessels above twelve tons, and not over fifty, two shillings and sixpence; Vessels over fifty tons, five shillings.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Simcoe and Port Ryerse Tram Road Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Ordered, That the resolutions relating to Harbor dues to be levied by the *Simcoe and*

Port Ryerse Tram or Railroad and Harbor Company, reported this day, be referred to the said Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to unite the Counties of *York* and *Peel*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Acts incorporating and relating to the City of *Quebec*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Toronto* Female Industrial School, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill further to amend the Charter of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to explain the Act to provide for the separation of the City of *Toronto* from the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*, for certain judicial purposes, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, for the Diocese of *Toronto*, in *Upper Canada*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and for other purposes, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Jobin*,
The House adjourned until Friday next.

Friday, 30th May, 1862.

11 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, Municipal Returns, (in part,) *Upper Canada*, for 1861. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 20.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *Le Boutillier*,—The Petition of *J. B. Basque*, and others, *Micmac* Indians, of *Gaspé* Basin.

By Mr. *Joly*,—The Petition of the Reverend *E. Faucher*, and others, of the County of *Lotbinière*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Alleyne*,—The Petition of *Charles E. Levey*, of *Quebec*, Merchant.

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

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Chatham*; praying that an Armory may be built on the Military Reserve in the said Town.

Of *Alexis Caron*, and others, of the Township of *McNider*, County of *Rimouski*; praying for an extension of time for the payment of their lands.

Of the *Montreal* Young Mens' Christian Association; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Mr. *Benjamin* from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Resolved,—That the Resolutions of 1851, relating to the Printing of Bills for the third reading, be rescinded.

Mr. *Scott* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend "An Act respecting Separate Schools in Upper Canada," in so far as the same relates to Roman Catholic Separate Schools, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Mr. *Langevin*, from the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the allegations of the Petitions of *Joseph Auld*, and others, Bondholders of the *Quebec* Turnpike Trust, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix No. 8.*)

The Honorable *John A. Macdonald*, from the Standing Committee on Expiring Laws, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have carefully examined the List of Expiring Laws, as prepared by the Law Clerk, and a Bill has been drafted in conformity thereto, which the Chairman of Your Committee has been instructed to present to Your Honorable House.

Ordered, That the Honorable *John A. Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill to continue, for a limited time, the several Acts therein mentioned, and for other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, this day.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,

Ordered, That the Report of the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the allegations of the Petition of *Joseph Auld* and others, Bondholders of the *Quebec* Turnpike Trust, be printed for the use of the Members of this House, and that the 94th Rule be suspended as regards the same.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, seconded by Mr. *Clarke*,

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the Bill (to amend "An Act respecting Separate Schools in Upper Canada," in so far as the same relates to Roman Catholic Separate Schools," as amended, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Eighth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature.

Mr. *Morris*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Thirteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to authorize the Municipal Council of the Village of *Welland* to grant certificates to increase the number of Licensed Taverns in that Village, and find the preamble not proved; no sufficient reason having been shewn to them for exceptional legislation in this case.

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to certain amendments to each, which they beg to submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House, viz :

Bill to enable the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay* to lease part of the *Queen's Square* in the said Town.

Bill to explain the Act to provide for the separation of the City of *Toronto* from the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*, for certain judicial purposes.

Bill to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned, relating to the separation of the County of *Peel* from the County of *York*, and for other purposes.

Bill to incorporate the *Toronto* Female Industrial School.

Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of *St. Joseph* for the Diocese of *Toronto*, in *Upper Canada*.

They have also examined the Bill to amend the Charter of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*, and have agreed to report the same, without amendment.

A Bill to repeal the Act 23 *Vic.*, chap. 50; and to amend an Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, so far as relates to Recorders Courts, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and the title be, "An Act to repeal the Act 23 *Victoria*, chapter 50, and to amend an Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, so far as relates to Recorders' Courts."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to extend the provisions of chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada* with respect to the Bureau of Agriculture, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read the second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to extend the provisions of chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, with respect to the Bureau of Agriculture."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill, to extend the provisions of chapter 77 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada* in matters of appeal, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Order of the Day for the second Reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act further to amend the *Lower Canada* Consolidated Municipal Act," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to alter the name of office of the Inspectors and Superintendents of Police for the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Loranger* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Pilots for and below the Harbor of *Quebec*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Alley*, the following amendment was made to the Bill:—

After clause 6, insert the following clause: Clause VII.—The Trinity House of *Quebec* shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the *Quebec* Harbor Commissioners, over such portions of the Harbor of *Quebec* as are, or may be, set apart for the discharge of ballast, and is hereby authorized to enforce all penalties respecting the same, until such concurrent jurisdiction shall cease, by order of the Governor in Council.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for this day.

A Bill to confirm the action of the Corporations of *Arthur* and *Luther*, under the Act to enable County Councils to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases to sow their land, and for other purposes, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved That the Bill do pass; and the title be, "An Act to confirm the action of the Corporation of the late United Townships of *Arthur* and *Luther*, under the Act to enable County Councils to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases to sow their land, and for other other purposes."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Act to confirm certain side roads in the Township of *Scarborough*, and to provide for defining other road allowances and lines in the said Township, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and the title be, "An Act to amend the Act to confirm certain side roads in the Township of *Scarborough*, and to provide for the defining of other road allowances and lines in the said Township."

A Bill to establish certain side lines in the Township of *Kenyon*, County of *Glengarry*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to establish the side lines in the Township of *Kenyon*, County of *Glengarry*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill relative to the mortgaging of certain property belonging to the Church of *England* at *Brantford*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to authorize the mortgaging of certain property, belonging to the Church of *England*, in the Town of *Brantford*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to consolidate part of the debt owing by the Municipality of the County of *Hastings*, was according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act further to amend the Charter of the Bank of *Upper Canada*," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

A Bill to incorporate the Ship Labourers' Benevolent Society of *Quebec* was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec* Ship Labourers' Benevolent Society."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *St. Lawrence* Assurance Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to incorporate the *St. Lawrence* Marine Insurance Company of *Quebec*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to change the name of *David Allan Poe*, and of his family, by adding thereto the name of '*Watt*,'" was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

A Bill to erect that part of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec*, situated on the north side of the River *St. Charles*, into a separate Municipality, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the 1st and 2nd Congregations of *Hinchinbrooke*, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church of *North America*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to incorporate the First and Second Congregations of *Hinchinbrooke*, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church of *North America*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the Boys' Industrial School of the *Gore* of *Toronto*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to legalize certain investments of Clergy Reserve moneys by the Corporation of the Township of *Lobo*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to legalize the investment of certain Clergy Reserve moneys by the Corporation of the Township of *Lobo*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *Association de Francois Xavier de Montréal*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and the Title be "An Act to incorporate the 'Association St. François Xavier de Montréal.'"

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to authorize the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*, to borrow certain sums of money for drainage and other purposes therein mentioned, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and the Title be "An Act to authorize the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*, to borrow certain sums of money for "drainage and other purposes therein mentioned."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, and to change its corporate name to 'The Commercial Bank of *Canada*,'" was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate 'The Orphans' Home and Widows' Friend Society' of *Kingston*," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the Société Ecclésiastique du Diocèse de *St. Hyacinthe*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill to erect the Parish of *St. Pierre de Durham*, in the County of *Drummond*, into a separate Municipality, being read;

Mr. *Dorion* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bourassa*, and the Question being proposed, that the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Dunkin* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Somerville*, that the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day three months" be added at the end thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided:—*Yeas*, 28; *Nays*, 54.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main Question being put; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas:

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>DeBoucherville,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Bell (North Lanark),</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Ross, John J.,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>

Bureau,	Drummond,	Langevin,	Scott,
Burwell,	Dufresne, Alexandre,	Loranger,	Simard,
Caron,	Falkner,	McLachlin,	Starnes,
Cartier,	Fortier,	Mongenais,	Sylvain,
Cauchon,	Fournier,	Munro,	Taschereau,
Chapais,	Gagnon,	Notman,	Tassé, and
Connor,	Gaudet,	Patrick,	Wright.—59.
Cowan,	Harcourt,	Prévost,	

Nays :

Messieurs

Alleyne,	Crawford,	Macdonald, John A.,	Portman,
Anderson,	Dufresne, Joseph,	Macdonald, D. A.,	Powell,
Ault,	Dunkin,	Mackenzie,	Robinson,
Biggar,	Ferguson,	Morris,	Ross, John S.,
Cameron, John H.,	Galt,	Morton,	Somerville,
Cameron, Matthew C.,	Hooper,	O'Halloran,	Street, and
Carling,	Jackson,	Pope,	Tett.—30.
Clarke,	Macbeth,		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to legalize the operations of *Patrice Renault Blanchard*, Esquire, Surveyor, with reference to the Survey, Boundary Lines, Reports, and Plans, executed and prepared by him for the division and settlement of the limits of the lots in the first five Ranges of the Township of *Acton*, in the County of *Bagot*, and District of *St. Hyacinthe*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and the title be, "An Act to authorise the Municipal Council of the Township of *Acton*, to open Roads according to the operations of *Patrice Renault Blanchard*, Esquire, Land Surveyor, with reference to the Survey, Boundary Lines, and Reports, and Plans, executed and prepared by him, for the division and settlement of the limits of the lots in the first five Ranges of the said Township of *Acton*, in the County of *Bagot*, and District of *St. Hyacinthe*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton Powder Company*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *St. George's Benevolent Society of Hamilton*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Act 22 (1858) *Vic.*, chap. 36, intituled, "An Act to divide the Township of *Hemmingford*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into two separate Municipalities," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and the title be, "An Act to divide the Township of *Hemmingford*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into two separate Municipalities."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill for facilitating the conveyance by the Trust and Loan Company of *Upper Canada*, of lands in the Province of *Canada*, by and through their Commissioners or Attorneys, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to render valid the Election and Proceedings of the Trustees for the erection of a Catholic Church in the Parish of *Ste. Brigide*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Merchants' Bank was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and the title be, "An Act to amend the Charter of "the Merchants' Bank."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *Société de l'Union St. Roch* was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to incorporate La Société "de l'Union St. Roch."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *Montreal Racket Court Company*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the College of *St. Ignatius, Guelph*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill to incorporate the Sisters of *St. Joseph, Guelph*, being read;

Mr. *Scott* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *White* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Ferguson*, that all the words after "now," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, to amend the same by limiting the period of holding real estate received by bequest, to a period not exceeding five years, instead of ten years; and "that no bequest be valid in favor of the Corporation, except the same be made at least "six months previous to the death of the testator," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow;

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Ross, J. S.</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark.)</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Cameron, J. H.</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>White, and</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>	<i>Wright.—28.</i>

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Alleyn,</i>	<i>DeBoucherville,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>DeCazes,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph.</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Ross, J. J.</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. A.</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Morin,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Taschereau, and</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Wallbridge.—67.</i>
<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill to incorporate the Sisters of Our Lady of Loretto, of the Town of *Guelph*, being read ;

Mr. *Scott* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time ;

Mr. *White* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Hooper*, That all the words after " now" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words " re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, to amend the same, by providing that no bequest be valid in favor of the said Corporation, except the same be devised at least six months previous to the death of the Testator," inserted instead thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon,

And it being One of the clock in the afternoon the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, until four o'clock this day, without a Question first put.

4 o'clock, P. M.

Archibald McKellar, Esquire, one other Member appointed by Mr. Speaker to serve on the General Committee of Elections, and not objected to by the House, took the following Oath :—

" I do swear that I will truly and faithfully perform the duties belonging to a Member

of the General Committee of Elections, without fear or favor, to the best of my judgment and ability. So help me God."

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act relating to Mortgages in *Upper Canada*," without any amendment.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital to issue Debentures in redemption of those already issued," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Crawford*, seconded by Mr. *Street*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital to issue Debentures in redemption of those already issued," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *O'Halloran*,—The Petition of the *Hungerford* Division, No. 54, Sons of Temperance; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Western part of the Parish of *Notre Dame des Anges de Stanbridge*, County of *Missisquoi*.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of *Pierre Bergeron* and others, of the Townships of *Horton*, *Aston* and *Wendover*.

By Mr. *Buchanan*,—The Petition of *William Robinson* and others, of the Town of *Galt*, Manufacturers and others.

Mr. *Benjamin*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

The Committee recommend that the following Reports be printed for the use of Members:

Report of the Superintendent of Education for *Upper Canada*, 4,000 copies in English and 750 copies in French.

Report of the Superintendent of Education for *Lower Canada*, 4,000 copies in French and 750 copies in English.

The Committee also recommend that 500 copies of the pamphlet intituled, "*Descriptive Catalogue of a Collection of the Economic Minerals of Canada*, and of its *Crystalline Rocks*," be subscribed for at 25 cents each, for the use of Members.

Mr. *Morris*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Fourteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to authorize *Paul Girard* to construct a Toll-bridge over the River *Etchemin*, and are of opinion that the preamble is not proved, inasmuch as the privileges sought are partly within the limits of an existing charter.

Under the circumstances of the case, your Committee beg to recommend that the fee and charges on the Bill be refunded.

The Honorable Mr. *Allegn* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend an Act to provide for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General:—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 28th

April, 1862, for copies of papers relating to construction of *Malbaie Court House* and *Gaol*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 35.)

Also, the Honorable Mr. *Loranger* laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General:—Report of the Superintendent of Fisheries for *Lower Canada*, for the year 1861. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 11.)

Also, Report of *William Gibbard*, Esquire, Overseer of Fisheries, in charge of Lakes *Huron* and *Superior*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 11.)

Also, Annual Report of the Superintendent of Fisheries for *Upper Canada*, for the year 1861. (*Sessional Papers* No. 11.)

Also, Annual Report of *Pierre Fortin*, Esquire, Magistrate, commanding the expedition for the protection of the Fisheries in the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, for the season of 1861. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 11.)

On motion of Mr. *Blanchet*, seconded by Mr. *Rémillard*,
Ordered, That the Fee and Charges paid on the Bill to authorize *Paul Girard* to construct a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemin*, be refunded.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Bureau*,
Resolved, That for the remainder of the Session, the House do sit from one till four o'clock, P.M., every Saturday; and that items relating to the third readings of Bills generally, and second readings, and Committees of the Whole on Private Bills, be taken up during such sittings.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* have leave to bring in a Bill to continue the business of the present Session of Parliament, notwithstanding the Prorogation of Parliament.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jackson* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Chapter 40 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, in relation to the imposition of fines on Emigrant Runners.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Ninth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire as to the expediency of Legislative Action, or of Procedure at Law, in reference to the Charters granted to the Bank of *Clifton*, and the Western Bank of *Canada*.

On motion of Mr. *Alexandre Dufresne*, seconded by Mr. *Labrèche-Viger*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,

1st, A full and detailed statement of the number of licenses granted by *Didace Tassé*, Esquire, Revenue Inspector for the District of *Iberville*, since his appointment to that office; giving the names and residences of the persons to whom such licenses were granted, and the amounts paid therefor.

2nd. A full and detailed statement of all prosecutions instituted by the said Inspector in that capacity, since his appointment; the names of persons so prosecuted, their residences, and the amount of the fines paid by them.

3rd. A full and detailed statement of all inquests held by the said *Didace Tassé* in his capacity of Coroner for the District of *Iberville*, since his appointment to that office; the names of the witnesses produced at such inquests, and their residences; the amount paid to such witnesses, together with the names of the medical men called in at such inquest, and the fees paid to them.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, Mr. *Laframboise*, and Mr. *Starnes*.

On motion of Mr. *Mongenais*, seconded by Mr. *McCann*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a statement of the sums which have been paid to the Seignioress of *Rigaud* or her agents, on account of the *lods et ventes* of the Seigniorship of *Rigaud*, from 1855 to the present time; also a further statement of the sums paid to the Seignioress of *Rigaud* or her agents, with the dates of the payment of the said sums and the names of the person or persons who received them, on account of the commutation for the redemption of the *lods et ventes* on farms in the *St. Thomas* Concession, in the Parish of *Rigaud*, and the *Ste. Marie* and *Ste. Julie* Concessions, in the Parish of *Ste. Martha*, from 1855 to the present time.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, Mr. *Laframboise* and Mr. *Starnes*.

On motion of Mr. *Laframboise*, seconded by Mr. *Archambault*,

Ordered, That the Committee appointed to decide upon the merits of the Petition, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral Division of *Montreal West*, having notified *Grabiel Lenoir dit Rolland*, the Petitioner, to proceed to the adduction of his evidence on Tuesday the third day of June next; and the said Committee having no business to transact previous to that day, be permitted to adjourn until Tuesday the said third day of June next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider of a certain proposed Resolution on the subject of the Court of Error and Appeal; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bureau* reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bureau* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read as followeth:—

Resolved, That any retired Judge of the Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, heretofore or hereafter appointed the Presiding Judge as aforesaid, who shall hold a patent for an annuity of two-thirds of the salary annexed to the office from which he had retired, shall be entitled, in addition to the same, to receive yearly from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, a sum equal to one-third of the amount of his salary at the time of his retirement, which additional sum shall be paid in the same manner and at the same time as such annuity.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Resolution be committed to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill respecting the Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Portman* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Honorable Mr. *Portman* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned, and for other purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read a third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to extend the provisions of chapter 77 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in matters of

Appeal; and after some time spent therein, Mr Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Langevin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Langevin* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the amendment which was, this day, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Bill to incorporate the Sisters of our Lady of *Loretto*, of the Town of *Guelph*, be now read the third time; and which amendment was, That all the words after "Bill" be left out, and the words "be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, to amend the same, by providing that no request be valid in favor of the said Corporation, except the same be devised at least six months previous to the death of the Testator," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark,)</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Bowen,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Cameron, J. H.</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Walsh,</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>	<i>White, and</i>
<i>Cochburn,</i>	<i>Macdonald, Donald A.</i>	<i>Ross, John S.,</i>	<i>Wright.—39.</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>McKenzie,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>	

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>DeBoucherville,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>DeCazes,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell)</i>	<i>Desautniers,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>
<i>Baudreau,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Doastler,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Ross, John J.,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>LeBoutillier,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Macdonald, John A.,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Mc Cann,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Tassé, and</i>
<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>	<i>Tett.—63.</i>
<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Powpore,</i>	

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main Question being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Our Lady of *Loretto* of the Town of *Guelph*, in the Roman Catholic Diocese of "*Hamilton*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the Victoria Skating Club of *Montreal*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill to establish and continue a survey in the Township of *King*, in the County of *York*, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bureau*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to separate the Townships of *McNab*, *Bagot* and *Blythfield*, from the County of *Renfrew*, and annex the same to the County of *Lanark*, for Judicial and Municipal purposes, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to establish and confirm certain Roads in the Township of *Reach*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to define and extend the powers of the City and District Savings Bank of *Montreal*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to extend and define the powers of the City and District Savings' Bank of *Montreal*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the Village of *Lanark*, in the County of *Lanark*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Act to consolidate the Debt of the Town of *Port Hope*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Smith*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, the following proviso was added to the second clause of the Bill, "Provided, however, that the rights of Her Majesty or of this Province in respect to any claim or lien created by any existing Statute altered or amended by this Act, shall in no wise be affected by any provision in this Act contained."

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to alter and amend the Act to consolidate the Debt of *Port Hope*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to alter and amend the Act of Incorporation of the Provident Life Assurance Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to legalize a By-law made and passed by the Town Council of the Corporation of the Town of *Perth*, in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, for raising a certain sum of money therein mentioned, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Morris*, seconded by Mr. *M. C. Cameron*, the following additional proviso was added to the first clause of the Bill, "Provided also, that the rights of Her Majesty or of this Province in respect to any claim or lien created by any existing Statute, altered or amended by this Act, shall in no wise be affected by any provision in this Act contained."

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the Village of *Arnprior*, in the County of *Renfrew*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill further to amend the Act relating to the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Bell*, (of *Lanark*,) seconded by Mr. *Patrick*, the Bill was amended by adding the following clause after clause 12 :—

13. "Provided always, that the rights of Her Majesty, or of this Province, in respect to any claim or lien created by any existing Statute, altered or amended by this Act, shall in no wise be affected by any provision in this Act contained."

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Town of *Lévis*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *Academic Bonin*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to incorporate the *Academic Saint Scholastique*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to enable *Moise Martin Mitivier* to undergo an examination for admission to practice Medicine, Surgery and Midwifery, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to annex the Township of *Aston*, and part of the Township of *Wendover*, to the County of *Nicolet*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to annex

for judicial and electoral purposes to the County of *Joliette*, that part of the Parish of *St. Felix de Valois* which is situated in the Township of *Brandon*, and for other purposes; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bureau* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to enable the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay* to lease parts of the *Queen's Square* in said Town; the Bill to explain the Act to provide for the separation of the City of *Toronto* from the United Counties of *York* and *Peel* for certain judicial purposes; the Bill to re-unite the Counties of *York* and *Peel*, and for other purposes therein mentioned; the Bill to incorporate the *Toronto* Female Industrial School; the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of *St. Joseph* for the Diocese of *Toronto* in *Upper Canada*; and the Bill further to amend the Charter of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Starnes* reported that the Committee had severally gone through the Bill to enable the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay*, to lease parts of the *Queen's Square* in said Town; the Bill to explain the Act to provide for the separation of the City of *Toronto* from the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*, for certain judicial purposes; the Bill to re-unite the Counties of *York* and *Peel*, and for other purposes therein mentioned; the Bill to incorporate the *Toronto* Female Industrial School; and the Bill further to amend the Charter of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bills be severally read the third time, to-morrow.

Mr. *Starnes* also reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of *St. Joseph* for the Diocese of *Toronto*, in *Upper Canada*, and had made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Starnes* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Charter of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company, and to authorize the Corporation of the Town of *Niagara* to sell and convey their interest in the said Railroad, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the amendment which was, on Monday, the 12th day of May, instant, proposed to be made to the question, That the Bill to enable the fusion of certain Railway Companies be now read the second time, and which amendment was, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Lower Canada* Trust and Loan Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *New Edinburgh* and *Waterloo* Steam Ferry Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Lake and River Underwriters' Association, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the running of certain side-lines in the Township of *Fitzroy* from post to post, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the " Union " *St. Pierre de Montreal*," being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Will of *Nathan Gage*, late of the Town of *Brantford*, Esquire, being read ;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Roman Catholic Academy of *St. Paul's of Aglmer*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Drummondville* Mining Company of *Canada*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the North West Transportation, Navigation and Railway Company, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Act 22 *Vic*, chap. 119, and to make further provisions relating to the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph lines.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, " An Act respecting the will of *Nathan Gage*, late of the Town of *Brantford*, Esquire," being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, " An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto* Cotton Mills Company," being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to separate the Township of *Delaware* from the West Riding of the County of *Middlesex*, and to annex the same to the East Riding thereof for all purposes whatsoever, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council

intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland* at *Martintown*, to sell a certain lot of land," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council intituled, "An Act to detach from the Municipality of *St. Lambert* a portion of that part of it which is situate in the Barony of *Longueuil*, and to annex the same to the Municipality of the Parish of *Longueuil*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend chap. 75 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, concerning the division of *Lower Canada* into Counties, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred and sixty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Governor General's Secretary's Office, for the year 1862.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand six hundred and eighty-six dollars and seventy-six cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Provincial Secretary's Office, for the year 1862.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand nine hundred and forty-seven dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Provincial Registrar's Office, for the year 1862.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Receiver General's Office, for the year 1862.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand two hundred and ninety-six dollars and sixty-six cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Finance Minister's Department, for the year 1862.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand five hundred and twenty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Finance Minister's Department, Customs Branch, for the year 1862.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand seven hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Finance Minister's Department, Audit Branch, for the year 1862.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand seven hundred and sixty-eight dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Executive Council Office, for the year 1862.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand three hundred and twenty dollars and sixty-six cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Department of Public Works, for the year 1862.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand five hundred and thirty-six dollars and sixty-seven cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Bureau of Agriculture, for the year 1862.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-six thousand eight hundred and thirty dollars and forty-five cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Post Office Department, for the year 1862.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-three thousand and ninety-six dollars and ninety-four cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Crown Land Department, for the year 1862.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Office of the Attorney and Solicitor General East, for the year 1862.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Office of the Attorney and Solicitor General West, for the year 1862.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for contingencies of the Public Departments, for the year 1862.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet contingent expenses of the Administration of Justice in *Lower Canada*, not otherwise provided for, for the year 1862.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for salaries, Court of Chancery, for the year 1862.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand two hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for salaries, Court of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas, for the year 1862.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and fourteen dollars and one cent be granted to Her Majesty, to make good the balance of retiring allowance to Sir J. B. Robinson, acting as presiding Judge of the Court of Appeals, for the year 1862.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Circuit allowances of Judges Court of Chancery, for the year 1862.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Criminal Prosecutions, for the year 1862.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet Contingent Expenses of the Administration of Justice in *Upper Canada*, not otherwise provided for, for the year 1862.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, the amount required to meet the expenses of the River Police, Montreal, during the present year; ten thousand seven hundred dollars of which to be borne by the Harbour Commissioners; three thousand seven hundred dollars, balance required, for the year 1862.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the Provincial Penitentiary, for the year 1862.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, towards the erection of Penitentiary, Reformatory and Prison Buildings now in progress, for the year 1862.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the Criminal Lunatic Asylum, for the year 1862.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the completion of the *Rockwood* Buildings, for the year 1862.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the *Rockwood* Asylum, for the year 1862.

29. *Resolved*. That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the Inspection of Prisons and Asylums, for the year 1862.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the Reformatory Prison at *Penetanguishene*, for the year 1862.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Buildings to be erected at *Penetanguishene*, for the year 1862.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the Reformatory Prison at *St. Vincent*, for the year 1862.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray part of the salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Clerk of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Assistant Clerk and French Translator of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Law Clerk of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Chaplain and Librarian of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray part of the salary of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Head Messenger of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Door-keeper of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of three Messengers of the Legislative Council, for the Session, at one hundred and eighty dollars each, for the year 1862.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray part of the salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Clerk Assistant of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Law Clerk and English Translator of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray part of the salary of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Contingent Expenses of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-one thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for expense of Printing and Binding the Laws, for the year 1862.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Expense of Distributing the Laws, for the year 1862.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for a Grant to the Parliamentary Library, for the year 1862.
56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for an additional sum for Common Schools, *Upper and Lower Canada*, (six thousand dollars of which out of the *Lower Canada* share to be applied to Normal Schools), for the year 1862.
57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to Superior Education Income Fund, *Lower Canada*, for the year 1862.
58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to Superior Education Income Fund, *Upper Canada*, distributed as follows: Victoria College, *Cobourg*, Five thousand dollars; Queen's College, *Kingston*, Five thousand dollars; Regiopolis College, *Kingston*, Three thousand dollars; St. Michael's College, *Toronto*, Two thousand dollars; Bytown College, *Ottawa*, One thousand four hundred dollars; Grammar School Fund, *Upper Canada*, Three thousand two hundred dollars; L'Assomption College, *Sandwich*, Four hundred dollars, for the year 1862.
59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Medical Faculty, McGill College, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Medical Faculty, *Victoria College Cobourg*, for the year 1862.
61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One Thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the School of Medicine, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the School of Medicine, *Kingston*, for the year 1862.
63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the School of Medicine, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Canadian Institute, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Natural History Society, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One Thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Historical Society, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Canadian Institute, *Ottawa*, for the year 1862.
68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Athencum, *Ottawa*, for the year 1862.
69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Observatory, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Observatory, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Observatory, *Kingston*, for the year 1862.
72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Observatory, *Isle Jésus*, for the year 1862.
73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Toronto* Hospital, for the year 1862.
74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Toronto* Hospital for County patients, for the year 1862.
75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Toronto* House of Industry, for the year 1862.
76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Protestant Orphan's Home and Female Aid Society, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Magdalen Asylum, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Lying-in Hospital, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Public Nursery for children of the poor, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the House of Providence, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty as an Aid to the Marine and Emigrant Hospital, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indigent Sick, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to *l'Hospice de la Maternité*, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the managers of the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Finlay* Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Male Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. Bridget's* Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Ladies' Protestant Home, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Canada Military Asylum for Widows and Orphans, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indigent Sick, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Corporation of the General Hospital, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. Patrick's* Hospital, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Sœurs de la Providence*, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the General Hospital des *Sœurs de la Charité*, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Bonaventure* Street Asylum, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. Mary's* Asylum for Blind and Destitute Children, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. Patrick's* Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the House of Refuge, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the University Lying-in Hospital, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Lying-in Hospital under care of les Sœurs de la Miséricorde, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Montreal, Sault au Récollet*, for the year 1862.
107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Ladies' Benevolent Society for Widows and Orphans, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Charitable Association of the Ladies of the Roman Catholic Asylum, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Magdalen Asylum (Ladies of le Bon Pasteur), *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Eye and Ear Institution, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Montreal* Dispensary, for the year 1862.
112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Montreal* Home and School of Industry, for the year 1862.
113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Kingston* General Hospital, for the year 1862.
114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indigent Sick, *Kingston*, for the year 1862.
115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Hotel-Dieu Hospital, *Kingston*, for the year 1862.
116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Orphan Asylum, *Kingston*, for the year 1862.
117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Hamilton* Hospital, for the year 1862.
118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Orphan Asylum, *Hamilton*, for the year 1862.
119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Roman Catholic Asylum, *Hamilton*, for the year 1862.
120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indigent Sick, *Three Rivers*, for the year 1862.
121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *London* Hospital, for the year 1862.
122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Protestant Hospital, *Ottawa*, for the year 1862.
123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Roman Catholic Hospital, *Ottawa*, for the year 1862.
124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. Hyacinthe* Hospital, for the year 1862.
125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Provincial Lunatic Asylum, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Orillia* Asylum,—for maintenance, &c., eleven thousand dollars; warming apparatus, four thousand five hundred dollars,—for the year 1862.
127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Malden* Asylum,—for maintenance, &c., twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars; repairs and building, five thousand five hundred dollars,—for the year 1862.

128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. John's* Asylum,—maintenance, &c.,—for the year 1862.
129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Beauport* Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the expenses of the Geological Survey of the Province, for the year 1862.
131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Boards of Arts and Manufactures, *Upper and Lower Canada*, at two thousand dollars each, for the year 1862.
132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid towards the cultivation of Flax, for the year 1862.
133. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Boards of Agriculture, *Upper and Lower Canada*, at four thousand dollars each, for the year 1862.
134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid towards the Emigration Expenses, for the year 1862.
135. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Samuel Waller*, as late Clerk of Committees to the Legislative Council, *Lower Canada*, for the year 1862.
136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *John Bright*, as late Messenger to the Legislative Council, *Lower Canada*, for the year 1862.
137. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-two dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Louis Gagné*, as late Messenger to the Legislative Assembly, *Lower Canada*, for the year 1862.
138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *G. B. Faribault*, as late Clerk Assistant, Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.
139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of Mrs. Widow *Antrobus*, for the year 1862.
140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of Mrs. Widow *McCormick*, for the year 1862.
141. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Pierre Bouchard*, for wounds received in the Public Service, for the year 1862.
142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Jacques Brien*, for wounds received in the Public Service, for the year 1862.
143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for new Indian Annuities, for the year 1862.
144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indians in *Lower Canada*, in addition to the Parliamentary Grant under Act 14 and 15 *Vic.*, cap. 106, for the year 1862.
145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Colonization Roads in *Upper Canada*, for the year 1862.
146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Colonization Roads in *Lower Canada*, for the year 1862.
147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay for Tug Service between *Montreal* and *Kingston*, for the year 1862.
148. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of two Keepers of Depots for provisions at *Anticosti*, for the relief of shipwrecked persons, at two hundred dollars each, for the year 1862.
149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty Dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the year's salary of the Harbor Master at *Gaspé*, for the year 1862.
150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the year's salary of the Harbor Master at *Amherst*, for the year 1862.

151. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the allowance to *Pierre Brochu*, for residing at Lake *Metapediac*, on the *Kempt* Road, to assist travellers thereon, for the year 1862.

152. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the allowance to *Marcel Brochu* for residing at *Petit Lac*, to assist travellers thereon, for the year 1862.

153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the allowance to *Jonathan Noble*, for residing at *La Fourche*, to assist travellers thereon, for the year 1862.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the allowance to *Thomas Evans*, for residing at *Assametquagan*, to assist travellers thereon, for the year 1862.

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay proportion of the expenses of keeping up Light-houses on Isles of *St. Paul* and *Scatterie*, in the Gulf, for the year 1862.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay expenses of Fisheries in *Lower Canada*, for the year 1862.

157. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay expenses of Fisheries in *Upper Canada*, for the year 1862.

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for subscription to, and advertising in the *Official Gazette*, for the year 1862.

159. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for miscellaneous Printing, for the year 1862.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet miscellaneous petty expenses of the Public Service, for the year 1862.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay expenses of Commissioners appointed to enquire into matters connected with the Public Service, under Act. 9 *Vic.*, cap. 38, for the year 1862.

162. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses of the Representation of *Canada* at the *London* Exhibition, for the year 1862.

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and ninety thousand five hundred and ten dollars and twenty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty, to make good the expenditure incurred during the year 1861, as detailed in Statement No. 60, part 2, of the Public Accounts, laid before the Legislature, for the year 1862.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Benjamin* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Monday next.

Mr. *Benjamin* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Starnes*, the House adjourned until to-morrow at one o'clock, P. M.

Saturday, 31st May, 1862.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of *J. Cameron* and others, of the Town of *Collingwood*, and Township of *Nottawasaga* and *Sunnidale*, County of *Simcoe*.

By Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of *F. X. Beaudette* and others, of the Village of *Victoriaville* and vicinity, County of *Arthabaska*.

By Mr. *Mackenzie*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Essex*.

By Mr. Knight,—The Petition of *E. Hale* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*, and vicinity.

By Mr. Dunkin,—The Petition of *Theodore Hart*, of the City of *Montreal*.

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

Of *J. B. Basque* and others, *Micmac* Indians of *Gaspé Basin*; praying that they may be allowed to catch Salmon with spears, and that the Government may grant them free titles to their lands, and for other purposes.

Of the Reverend *E. Faucher* and others, of the County of *Lotbinière*; praying for the establishment of a Daily Mail between *Pointe Lévis* and *St. Gregoire*, opposite *Three Rivers*.

Of *Charles E. Levy*, of *Quebec*, Merchant; praying that no Bill may be passed which would affect the Bondholders of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Railroad Company.

Mr. Benjamin reported, from the General Committee of Elections, That, pursuant to the directory provisions of the Statute respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, a meeting of the General Committee of Elections was appointed for this day, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, for choosing Committees to try Election Petitions.

That all the Members of the said Committee were duly notified of such meeting.

That at the hour appointed, Messieurs *Benjamin*, *Chapais*, and *Desaulniers*, three of the members, were in attendance, and so remained for the space of one hour, being the expiration of the time fixed for choosing all the Committees this day.

That Messieurs *Bell*, (of *Lanark*), *Bureau*, and *McKellar*, the remaining members of the Committee, absented themselves, thereby preventing any proceedings being had.

That at the expiration of the said time, it was ordered, That the choosing of the Committees appointed for this day be adjourned till Monday next, at the hour of nine of the clock in the forenoon.

Mr. Morris, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Fifteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same, without amendment, viz :

Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, “ An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto Cotton Mills Company*.”

Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, “ An Act respecting the Will of *Nathan Gage*, late of the Town of *Brantford*, Esquire.”

Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, “ An Act to enable the Trustees of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, at *Martintown*, to sell a certain lot of land.”

Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, “ An Act to detach from the Municipality of *St. Lambert* a portion of that part of it which is situate in the Barony of *Longueuil*, and to annex the same to the Municipality of the Parish of *Longueuil*.”

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have prepared certain amendments to each, which they beg to submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House, viz :—

Bill to amend the Acts incorporating and relating to the City of *Quebec*.

Bill to separate the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* from the County of *Huron*, and to annex the same to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex*.

Bill to vest certain real estate of the late *William Campbell*, in the hands of Trustees.

Bill to incorporate the *New Edinburgh* and *Waterloo* Steam Ferry Company.

Bill to confirm the original survey of the 3rd and 4th concessions of the Township of *Crowland*, in the County of *Welland*.

With reference to the last mentioned Bill, your Committee have to report, that by an arrangement between the promoters and opponents of the Bill, who have consented to the alteration, they have changed the preamble and provisions of the Bill so as to provide for a re-survey of the disputed line, under the direction of the Crown Lands Department.

The Bill to amend an Act, intituled, “ An Act to incorporate certain persons under the

“name of the *Richelieu* Company” has been examined by your Committee, and are of opinion that the preamble is not proved, on account of the unusual and excessive powers which it proposes to confer on the Company.

The Bill to separate the Township of *Delaware* from the West Riding of the County of *Middlesex*, and annex the same to the East Riding, is not a Private Bill, as it relates merely to a division established for electoral purposes; and all bills affecting the representation are usually dealt with as Public Bills.

The Bill to amend chapter 75 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, concerning the division of *Lower Canada* into Counties, is, in effect, a Bill to detach the Township of *Broughton* from the County of *Megantic*, and to annex it to the County of *Beauce*, and it is therefore a Private Bill; but it was introduced under a public title, as a Public Bill, not having been based on a petition (as required by the 56th Rule,) and has consequently not been reported upon by the Committee on Standing Orders; it is not therefore within the province of your Committee to take action upon it.

The Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee, have considered the Bill to grant further powers to “the London and Port Stanley Railway Company,” and have agreed to report the same, without amendment.

They have also considered the Bill to incorporate “The *Massawippi* Valley Railway Company,” and have agreed to report the same, with several amendments thereto.

Your Committee have further considered the Bill “For the organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and for other purposes,” and have agreed to report the same, with several amendments, as also the proceedings of the Committee in relation thereto. (*Appendix, No. 9.*)

Mr. *Langevin*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee are informed by the Accountant that a clerical error has occurred in their fifth Report, in which the amount asked to be supplied by Resolution of your Honorable House, for the contingencies of the current year, was \$95,968.25 instead of \$99,968.25, being a difference of \$4000.

Your Committee beg leave to report herewith a Resolution to supply such deficiency.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to be pleased to issue his Warrant in favor of *William Burns Lindsay*, Junior, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of four thousand dollars, on account of the Contingencies of this House, and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General by Mr. *Langevin*, the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, and Mr. *Desaulniers*.

On motion of Mr. *Alexandre Dufresne*, seconded by Mr. *Labrèche-Viger*,

Ordered, That the 58th Rule of this House be suspended in reference to the Bill to enable *Moise Martin Mitivier* to undergo an examination for admission to practice medicine, surgery and midwifery.

Ordered, That Mr. *Crawford* have leave to bring in a Bill to enable *Jean Minna Ford*, Administratrix of the estate and effects of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*, to sell or mortgage the real estate which belonged to the said *David B. Ogden Ford* in his lifetime, deceased, to pay the debts due by said estate, and for other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Loranger* have leave to bring in a Bill to enable

Her Majesty's Imperial Government to construct lines of telegraph in this Province for Military purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morris* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the *Ramsay Lead Mining and Smelting Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Powell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *John H. Cameron*,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the election of one Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Perth*, in the room of the Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley*, who, since his election as Representative of the said County of *Perth*, hath accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of Postmaster General of this Province, by means whereof the seat of the said Honorable *Michael Hamilton Foley* hath become vacant.

On motion of Mr. *Benjamin*, seconded by Mr. *Anderson*,

Ordered, That so much of the second and third of the Resolutions on the subject of printing Bills, adopted by both Houses in the Fourth Session of the Third Parliament, as requires that the copies of the Statutes promulgated by the Queen's Printer, and those delivered to the Registrar of the Province, to be preserved as records, be impressions from the same form from which the Bills which are offered for the Royal assent are printed, be rescinded.

Ordered, That it be an instruction to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, to report the evidence which guided them in declaring the Preamble not proved to the "Bill for the relief of certain persons alleged subscribers to the Stock "Books under the original Act incorporating the *Peterborough and Port Hope Railway Company*."

A Bill to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal and Champlain Railway Company*, and to authorize the raising of a new Preferred Stock for certain purposes, was, according to order, read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, seconded by Mr. *Bureau*, the following amendments were made to the Bill:—

Leave out clause 10 to clause 13, both inclusive, and also leave out Schedules A and B.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill respecting the Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned, and for other purposes, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to extend the provisions of chapter 77 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in matters of Appeal, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to amend chapters seventy-seven, forty, and forty-five of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in matters of "Appeal; and chapter eighty-three of the same Consolidated Statutes, in matters of Procedure, in the Superior and Circuit Courts."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to annex for judicial and electoral purposes, to the County of *Joliette*, that part of the parish of *St. Felix de Valois*, which is situated in the Township of *Brandon*, and for other purposes, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to alter the boundaries of "the Counties of *L'Assomption*, *Joliette*, *Berthier* and *Montcalm*, for electoral and other "purposes."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to enable the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay* to lease parts of the *Queen's Square* in the said Town, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to empower the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay*, in the County of *Victoria*, to lease a portion of the "Town plot called *Queen's Square*, in the said Town."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to explain the Act to provide for the separation of the City of *Toronto* from the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*, for certain judicial purposes, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill to re-unite the Counties of *York* and *Peel*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron* moved, seconded by Mr. *Morris*, and the question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. *White* moved, in amendment to the question, seconded by Mr. *Cowan*, that the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day three months" added at the end thereof. And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

Yeas:

Messieurs

<i>Bell</i> , (North Lanark),	<i>Cowan</i> ,	<i>Jobin</i> ,	<i>O'Halloran</i> ,
<i>Biggar</i> ,	<i>Dickson</i> ,	<i>Mackenzie</i> ,	<i>Patrick</i> ,
<i>Buchanan</i> ,	<i>Haultain</i> ,	<i>McKellar</i> ,	<i>Smith</i> , and
<i>Carling</i> ,	<i>Hooper</i> ,	<i>Munro</i> ,	<i>White</i> —16.

Nays:

Messieurs

<i>Alley</i> ,	<i>Cockburn</i> ,	<i>Jackson</i> ,	<i>Poupore</i> ,
<i>Anderson</i> ,	<i>Crawford</i> ,	<i>Joly</i> ,	<i>Powell</i> ,
<i>Archambault</i> ,	<i>DeBoucherville</i> ,	<i>Jones</i> ,	<i>Robitaille</i> ,
<i>Ault</i> ,	<i>Denis</i> ,	<i>Kierzkowski</i> ,	<i>Rose</i> ,
<i>Baby</i> ,	<i>Desaulniers</i> ,	<i>Knight</i> ,	<i>Ross</i> , John J.
<i>Beaubien</i> ,	<i>Dorion</i> ,	<i>Labrèche-Viger</i> ,	<i>Ross</i> , John S.,
<i>Bell</i> , (Russell),	<i>Dostaler</i> ,	<i>Laframboise</i> ,	<i>Rykert</i> ,
<i>Benjamin</i> ,	<i>Dufresne</i> , Alexandre,	<i>Langevin</i> ,	<i>Rymal</i> ,

<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Le Boutillier,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Macdonald, John A.,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Cameron, John H.,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Morin,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Tassé,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Wallbridge, and</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Wright—78.</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>		

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main question being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned, relating to the separation of the County of *Peel* from the County of "York," and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Essex*, informed the House, that the Committee have, upon the application of the Petitioner and the sitting Member, granted Commissions for the taking of evidence as to the qualifications of the parties and matters relating thereto, and by the consent of the Petitioner and the sitting Member, they have appointed the Honorable *William B. Wells*, one of the Judges of the County Court for *Upper Canada*, to be the Commissioner to examine witnesses touching the allegations above mentioned.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the County of *Essex* Election Petition have leave to adjourn, until such time as the Speaker of this House shall, by his Warrant, to be issued in the manner provided by the "Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections," direct the said Committee to re-assemble and take the proceedings of the said Commissioner into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, Report of the Chief Superintendent of Schools for *Upper Canada*, on the State of the Normal, Model, Grammar and Common Schools, for the year 1861. (*Sessional Papers No. 34.*)

A Bill to incorporate the *Toronto* Female Industrial School was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of *St. Joseph* for the Diocese of *Toronto*, in *Upper Canada*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of *St. Joseph* for the Roman Catholic Diocese of *Toronto*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill further to amend the charter of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend an Act to provide for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Allyn* moved, seconded by Mr. *Langevin*, and the question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair; Mr. *Dawson* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *McCann*, that all the words after "That" to the end of the question be left out, and the words "The said Bill be referred back to the Select Committee; and that it be an instruction to the said Committee to take evidence and report the same to this House," inserted instead thereof.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided: *Yeas*, 41; *Nays*, 51.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair; Mr. *Dawson* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *McCann*, that all the words after "That" to the end of the question, be left out, and the words "This House will, on this day six months, resolve itself into the said Committee," inserted instead thereof.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Ault</i> ,	<i>Dawson</i> ,	<i>Mackenzie</i> ,	<i>Rose</i> ,
<i>Bill</i> , (North Lanark)	<i>Desaulniers</i> ,	<i>McCann</i> ,	<i>Ryerson</i> ,
<i>Bell</i> , (Russell)	<i>Dickson</i> ,	<i>McKellar</i> ,	<i>Rymal</i> ,
<i>Biggar</i>	<i>Dunsford</i> ,	<i>McLachlin</i> ,	<i>Scott</i> ,
<i>Blanchet</i> ,	<i>Ferguson</i> ,	<i>Morris</i> ,	<i>Somerville</i> ,
<i>Bown</i> ,	<i>Harcourt</i> ,	<i>Morton</i> ,	<i>Stirton</i> ,
<i>Cameron</i> , John H.	<i>Huultain</i> ,	<i>Mowat</i> ,	<i>Wallbridge</i> ,
<i>Cameron</i> , Matthew C.	<i>Hooper</i> ,	<i>Munro</i> ,	<i>Walsh</i> ,
<i>Clark</i> ,	<i>Jackson</i> ,	<i>Patrick</i> ,	<i>White</i> , and
<i>Connor</i> ,	<i>Jones</i> ,	<i>Pope</i>	<i>Wright</i> .—43.
<i>Crawford</i> ,	<i>Macdonald</i> , Donald A.	<i>Poupore</i> ,	

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Allyn</i> ,	<i>Cockburn</i> ,	<i>Galt</i> ,	<i>Morin</i> ,
<i>Anderson</i> ,	<i>Cowan</i> ,	<i>Gaudet</i> ,	<i>O'Leatoran</i> ,
<i>Archambault</i> ,	<i>Daoust</i> ,	<i>Hébert</i> ,	<i>Rémillard</i> ,
<i>Baby</i> ,	<i>DeBoucherville</i> ,	<i>Huntington</i> ,	<i>Robitaille</i> ,
<i>Beaubien</i> ,	<i>Denis</i> ,	<i>Huot</i> ,	<i>Ross</i> , John J.
<i>Beaudreau</i> ,	<i>Dorion</i> ,	<i>Joly</i> ,	<i>Rykert</i> ,
<i>Bourassa</i> ,	<i>Dostaler</i> ,	<i>Labrèche-Viger</i> ,	<i>Scatcherd</i> .
<i>Brousseau</i> ,	<i>Dufresne</i> , Alexandre,	<i>Laframboise</i> ,	<i>Sherwood</i> ,
<i>Bureau</i> ,	<i>Dufresne</i> , Joseph,	<i>Langevin</i> ,	<i>Simard</i> ,
<i>Burwell</i> ,	<i>Dunkin</i> ,	<i>Le Boutillier</i> ,	<i>Sturnes</i> ,
<i>Carling</i> ,	<i>Falkner</i> ,	<i>Loranger</i> ,	<i>Sylvain</i> ,
<i>Caron</i> ,	<i>Fortier</i> ,	<i>Macdonald</i> , John A.	<i>Taschereau</i> , and
<i>Cartier</i> ,	<i>Fournier</i> ,	<i>Mongenais</i> ,	<i>Tassé</i> .—54.
<i>Chapais</i> ,	<i>Gagnon</i> ,		

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main question being put,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Baby* reported, That the Com-

mittee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, seconded by Mr. *Starnes*, the 3rd clause was amended by adding the following proviso at the end thereof:—

“Provided always, that if any such vessel shall not discharge or take on board the whole of her cargo in the Port of *Quebec*, the tonnage duty shall be levied only proportionately to the ratio which the proportion of cargo so discharged or taken on board bears to the entire quantity of cargo on board such vessel.”

Mr. *Dawson* moved, seconded by Mr. *McCunn*, and the question being put, That the Bill be further amended by inserting the following clause: “That the tonnage duty shall be charged only on ships deriving benefit from the Harbor Improvements.”

The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Auld,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.</i>	<i>Powell,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark,)</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Ross, John J.</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell,)</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McCunn,</i>	<i>Ross, John S.</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Scaticherd,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Cameron, John H.</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Cameron, Matthew C.</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Walbridge,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>White, and</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Wright.—44.</i>

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Alleyn,</i>	<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Chopais,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Macdonald, John A.</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Tassé, and</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Walsh.—50.</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>		

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Dawson* moved, seconded by Mr. *McLachlin*, and the question being put, That the Bill be further amended by inserting the following clause: “The tonnage duty proposed by the third clause shall only be imposed by order of the Governor General in Council.”

The House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, “An Act to amend the Act to provide for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*.”

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Laframboise*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor

General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before this House the whole or part of any correspondence which may have taken place since the month of November last, between Her Majesty's Imperial Government and the Government of Canada, respecting the necessity of completing the opening of the road between the *St. Lawrence* and *New Brunswick*, by way of the *Matapedia*, as a military road urgently required.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, Mr. *Laframboise* and Mr. *Starnes*.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital to issue Debentures in redemption of those already issued," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the third Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to incorporate the *Simcoe* and *Port Ryerse* Tram Road Company, and have agreed to several amendments, as well as to incorporate the Resolution adopted by your Honorable House, specifying the levying of certain fees by the said Company, into the sixteenth clause.

The Honorable Mr. *Rose*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Shefford*, reported that the Petitioner having offered no evidence in support of the allegations contained in his Petition, and having withdrawn and abandoned his case, they had adopted the following Resolutions as their final decision:—

1. *Resolved*, That the Sitting Member, *Lucius Seth Huntington*, Esquire, was duly elected as Member for the County of *Shefford* at the last Election, and is entitled to his seat as such Member.

2. *Resolved*, That inasmuch as the withdrawal of the Petition has taken place with the consent of the Sitting Member, and as he has not moved, but on the contrary desisted from moving, that the said Petition be declared frivolous and vexatious.

3. *Resolved*, That neither the Petition, nor the opposition to the same, is frivolous or vexatious.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Starnes*, The House adjourned until Monday next, at Eleven of the Clock in the forenoon.

Monday, 2nd June, 1862.

Eleven o' Clock, A. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Starnes*,—The Petition of the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Cockburn*,—The Petition of *F. S. Clench* and others, of the Town of *Cobourg*, County of *Northumberland*; and the Petition of *M. McNellie* and others, of the Township of *Hamilton*.

By Mr. *J. J. Ross*,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. O. Desilets* and others, of the Parish of *St. Narcisse*, County of *Champlain*.

By Mr. *Knight*,—The Petition of *Joseph Smith* and others, of *Waterville*, County of *Compton*, and vicinity.

By Mr. *Ferguson*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *West Guilfimbury*.

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

Of the *Hungerford* Division, No. 54, Sons of Temperance ; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Municipality of the Western part of the Parish of *Notre Dame des Anges de Stanbridge*, County of *Missisquoi* ; praying to be exempted from the operation of certain provisions of the Municipal Act of *Lower Canada*.

Of *Pierre Bergeron* and others, of the Townships of *Horton*, *Ashton* and *Wendover* ; praying for the passing of an Act to declare all Parishes civilly erected, to be separate local Municipalities.

Of *William Robinson* and others, of the Town of *Valt*, Manufacturers and others ; praying that the tariff upon manufactured articles may remain unaltered.

Of *C. Cameron* and others, of the Town of *Collingwood*, and Townships of *Nottawasaga* and *Sunnidale*, County of *Simcoe* ; praying for amendments to the Fishery Act of *Upper Canada*.

Of *E. Hale* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke* and vicinity ; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to construct a Railway connecting the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada* with the *Connecticut* and *Passumpsic* Railroad at some point near *Stanstead*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Essex* ; praying aid to construct a Harbor of Refuge at *Two Creeks*, in the Township of *Romney*, County of *Kent*.

Of *F. X. Beaudette* and others, of the Village of *Victoriaville* and vicinity, County of *Arthabaska* ; praying aid for a Road.

Of *Theodore Hart*, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying that no Bill may be passed which would affect the Bondholders of the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railway Company.

The Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the sixteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital to issue Debentures in redemption of those already issued," and have agreed to an amendment, which they beg to submit for the consideration of your Honorable House.

They have also considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same without amendment :—

Bill to incorporate the *Société de l'Union St. Pierre de Montréal*.

Bill to incorporate the Roman Catholic Academy of *St. Paul's*, of *Aylmer*.

Mr. *White* from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find the Notices sufficient.

Of *Louis Marcelle* and others, praying that a portion of the Municipality of *St. Lambert* may be attached to the Municipality of the Parish of *Longueuil* ; and of the Honorable *Louis Renaud* and others, for incorporation of the *Beauharnois* Navigation Company.

On the Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Elgin*, for an Act to legalize their action in relation to sales and assessments on lands, for which no patents have been issued, no notice has been given.

Your Committee have had under their consideration, the practice in the Imperial Parliament, with reference to the proof of Notices on Petitions before the Standing Orders Committee.

For some years past the duty of examining the Notices given, and comparing them with the Petitions, has devolved, in the House of Commons, upon an official called the "Examiner for Standing Orders," who inquires into the facts in each case, (so far as regards the notice,) and reports the same for the information of the Committee on Standing Orders :—In 1854 the Lords agreed to adopt the same plan, and appointed the same gentleman as their examiner, who thus reports to the two Committees simultaneously ; by this arrangement but one proof of the Notice is required, and a great saving of time and trouble to the parties is consequently effected, with this additional advantage, that the

evidence offered to both Committees is precisely the same, and in cases where any defect is found in the Notice, the decision of each Committee is obtained before the introduction of the Bill.

Your Committee think that an arrangement of this kind might be introduced in this Province with great advantage: for the present, however, it may be advisable to limit to the Lower House. During the present Session they have practically carried out the plan of authorising the chief Clerk of the Private Bill Office to make an examination into the Notices, and upon his report of the facts in each case they have based their decision, and they have had every reason to be satisfied with the working of the system; they would therefore recommend that, as a step towards the adoption of the system of the Imperial Parliament in this respect, the chief Clerk of the Private Bill Office be nominated the "Examiner for Standing Orders" for the Legislative Assembly, to report on the Notices on Petitions for Private Bills, to the Committee on Standing Orders, in the manner acted upon during the present Session; and that he be allowed such a remuneration for this service, from the commencement of the present Session, as the Speaker of Your Honorable House may determine.

On motion of Mr. *Jobin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Morin*,

Ordered, That it be an instruction to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, to report the evidence which has induced them to declare, that the Preamble of the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu* Company, was not proved.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to extend the provisions of chapters 36 and 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, with respect to the registration of titles to and the removal of incumbrances upon real estate in *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto Cotton Mills Company*," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Street* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of this House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act respecting the Will of *Nathan Gage*, late of the "Town of *Brantford*, Esquire," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bown* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of this House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the Congregation of the "Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connexion with the Church of *Scotland*, at *Murrintown*, to sell a certain lot of land;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Wallbridge* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of this House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to detach from the Municipality of *St. Lambert* "a portion of that part of it which is situate in the Barony of *Longueuil*, and to annex the "same to the Municipality of the Parish of *Longueuil*;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bureau* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of this House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Acts incorporating and relating to the City of *Quebec*; And after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Dunkin* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Mr. *Dunkin* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of this House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to vest certain real estate of the late *William Campbell* in the hands of Trustees; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bell* (of *Russell*) reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of this House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *New Edinburgh* and *Waterloo* Steam Ferry Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Smith* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of this House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to confirm the original survey of the 3rd and 4th Concessions of the Township of *Crowland*, in the County of *Welland*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Morris* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Morris* reported the Bill accordingly and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of this House.

The House according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the charter of the *London* and *Port Stanley* Railway Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. *Crawford* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, that the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of this House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Massawippi Valley* Railroad Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bourassa* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bourassa* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of this House.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee on the Bill to separate the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* from the County of *Huron*, and to annex the same to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex*, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Portman* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Carling*,

And the question being proposed, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Mr. *Dickson* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Cowan*, That all the words after "That," to the end of the question be left out, and the words "this House will, on this day three months, resolve itself into the said Committee," inserted instead thereof.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Ross, J. J.,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dufresne, A.,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark),</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>White, and</i>
<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>	<i>Wright—45.</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>			

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Alleyn,</i>	<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Bell (Russell),</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Le Boutillier,</i>	<i>Ross, John S.,</i>
<i>Bon,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. A.,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Buchanan,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Mc Cann,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cameron, J. H.,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Morin,</i>	<i>Tassé, and</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Walsh—59.</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair.

The House, accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Crawford*, reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Minister of Agriculture, for 1861. (*Sessional Papers, No. 32.*)

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the Militia.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the next sitting of this House.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to remove doubts as to the legality of certain instruments therein mentioned, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act incorporating the Synod of the Diocese of *Ontario*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to enable *Jean Minna Ford*, Administratrix of the estate and effects of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*, to sell or mortgage the real estate which belonged to the said *David B. Ogden Ford* in his lifetime, deceased, to pay the debts due by said estate, and for other purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the *Ramsay Lead Mining and Smelting Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

And it being One of the Clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, until Four of the Clock this day, without a question first put.

Four o' Clock, P. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Beaudreau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *N. Hardy* and others, of *St. Rochs de Richelieu*.

By Mr. *Ferguson*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *West Gwillimbury*.

By Mr. *Bourassa*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Bernard de Lacolle*.

The Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Seventeenth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the instructions of Your Honorable House to report the evidence on which the Committee based their decision, that the preamble of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu Company*," is not proved, and beg to report that they came to this decision because the powers with regard to the acquisition of the real estate of others, as contained in clauses 3 to 30 inclusive, were excessive and unusual, and such as have not hitherto been conferred on any steamboat company; and no evidence was adduced in support of the said clauses.

Your Committee have considered the Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the *Ramsay Lead Mining and Smelting Company*, and have agreed to report the same without amendment.

And the following Bills, with several amendments, which they submit for the consideration of your Honorable House.

Bill to incorporate the *Terrebonne Turnpike Road Company*.

Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act incorporating the Synod of "the Diocese of *Ontario*."

On motion of Mr. *Jobin*, seconded by Mr. *O'Halloran*,

Ordered, That it be an instruction to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, to amend the Bill to amend an Act, intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu Company*," by leaving out all that part of the Bill which relates to the acquisition of real estate under the provisions of the clauses referred to in the report of the Committee, and to report the said Bill as amended.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Act of incorporation of the *Preston and Berlin Railway Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to extend the provisions of chapters 36 and 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, with respect to the Registration of Titles to and the removal of incumbrances upon real estate in *Lower Canada*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Langevin* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Langevin* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Drummond* presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General:—

Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 31st May, 1862; for papers relative to the *Matapedia Road*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 36.)

Ordered, That the Despatch of the 28th December, 1861, relative to the *Matapedia Road*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House, and that the Rules of the House be suspended as regards the same.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto Cotton Mills Company*," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act respecting the Will of *Nathan Gage*, late of the Town of *Brantford*, Esquire," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of "the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, at *Martintown*, to sell a certain lot of land," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to detach from the Municipality of *St. Lambert*, a portion of that part of it which is situate in the Barony of *Longueuil*, and to annex the same to the Municipality of the Parish of *Longueuil*," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

A Bill to amend the Acts incorporating and relating to the City of *Quebec*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to separate the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* from the County of *Huron*, and to annex the same to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to vest certain real estate of the late *William Campbell*, in the hands of Trustees, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *New Edinburgh* and *Waterloo* Steam Ferry Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to confirm the original survey of the 3rd and 4th Concessions of the Township of *Crowland*, in the County of *Welland*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act respecting the Survey of the Third and Fourth Concessions of the Township of *Crowland*, in the County of *Welland*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the charter of the *London* and *Port Stanley* Railway Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Macbeth*, seconded by Mr. *Morton*, the following amendments were made to the Bill :

In the Preamble, line 4, leave out "Lake" and insert "Lakes;" and after "*Erie*" insert "and *Ontario*." Clause 1, line 6, leave out "Lake" and insert "Lakes;" and after "*Erie*" insert "and *Ontario*."

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to grant further powers to the *London* and *Port Stanley* Railway Company."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *Massawippi Valley* Railroad Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to incorporate the *Massawippi Valley* Railway Company."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital, to issue Debentures in redemption of those already issued; the Bill to incorporate the "*Union St. Pierre, de Montreal*;" the Bill to incorporate the Roman Catholic Academy of *St. Paul's of Aylmer*; the Bill to incorporate the *Simcoe* and *Port Ryerse* Tram Road Company; and the Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the *Ramsay* Lead Mining and Smelting Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bureau* reported, that the Committee had severally gone through the Bill to incorporate the "*Union St. Pierre de Montreal*;" the Bill to incorporate the "*Roman Catholic Academy of St. Paul's of Aylmer*;" and the Bill to amend "An Act to incorporate the *Ramsay* Lead Mining and Smelting Company;" and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bills be severally read the third time, to-morrow.

Mr. *Bureau* also reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill to incorporate the *Simcoe and Port Ryerse* Tram Road Company, and had made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bureau* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

Mr. *Bureau* also reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital to issue Debentures in redemption of those already issued," and had made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bureau* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read as follows :—
Page 1, line 18, after "of" insert "not more than."

The said amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Drummond* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth :—

MONCK,

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Assembly, the Supplementary Estimates of the sums required for the service of the Province, during the year ending 31st December, 1862 ; and in conformity with the provisions of the 57th Section of the Union Act, he recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 4.)

Quebec, May 30th, 1862.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Bill for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and for other purposes, being read ;
Mr. *Bell* (of *Russell*,) moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Portman*, and the question being put, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair ;

The House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Alleyn,</i>	<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Le Boutillier,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark,)</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell,)</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. A.,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Buchanan,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Cameron, John H.,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Cameron, Matthew C.,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Walsh, and</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>	<i>White—64.</i>

Nays.

Messieurs

<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Ross, J. J.,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, A.</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Ross, J. S.,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Mc Cann,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Tassé, and</i>
<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>Tett.—45.</i>
<i>DeBoucherville,</i>			

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Benjamin* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency the Governor General, together with the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1862, accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment.

Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal the Act twenty-third *Victoria*, chapter fifty, and to amend an Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, so far as relates to "Recorders' Courts."

Bill intituled, "An Act to alter the name of office of the Inspectors and Superintendents of Police for the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec*."

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Limitation of Actions and Suits in *Upper Canada*" with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act respecting Lessors and Lessees," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Orphans' Home and Widows' Friend Society of *Kingston*," without any amendment.

And then he withdrew.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*,

The House adjourned until Eleven of the Clock, A.M., to-morrow.

Tuesday, 3rd June, 1862.

Eleven o' Clock, A.M.

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

Of the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*; praying for amendment to the Bill for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and also to the Bill to enable the fusion of certain Railway Companies.

Of *F. S. Clench* and others, of the Town of *Cobourg*, County of *Northumberland*; and of *M. McNeillie* and others, of the Township of *Hamilton*; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Reverend *L. O. Desilets* and others, of the Parish of *St. Narcisse*, County of *Champlain*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *West Gwillimbury*; praying that the Bill to amend an Act respecting Separate Schools in *Upper Canada*, in so far as the same relates to Roman Catholic Separate Schools, may not become Law.

Of *Joseph Smith* and others, of *Waterville*, County of *Compton*, and vicinity; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to construct a Railway connecting the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada* with the *Connecticut* and *Passumpsic* Railroad, at some point near *Stanstead*.

The Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Eighteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the instructions of your Honorable House, "to report the evidence on which the Committee based their decision that the Preamble of the "Bill for the relief of certain persons, alleged subscribers to the Stock Books under the "original Act incorporating the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Railway Company;" and they have to report, that it appeared on verbal testimony before the Committee, that actions had been brought in the Courts of Record against the said Stockholders in the said Company, by creditors of the Company, that judgments had in some instances been obtained, and that the matters were still in litigation.

In obedience to the instructions of your Honorable House, your Committee report the Bill to amend an Act, intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under "the name of the *Richelieu Company*," which they have amended by striking out the clauses relating to the acquisition of the real estate of others, which were referred to in their former report as being of an unusual nature.

Your Committee beg leave to call the attention of Your Honorable House to a practice occasionally adopted with regard to Harbour or Bridge Bills, or other bills involving the imposition of tolls, of originating the Schedule of Tolls in a Committee of the Whole. It appears to them that this practice is detrimental to the well-working of the Private Bill system, as the Committee of the Whole, in deciding upon the rates of toll to be adopted, are entirely without any evidence to guide their decision; they would therefore recommend that in future this exceptional practice be discontinued, and that the rates be in all cases determined by the Standing Committee on the Bill.

Your Committee would also call attention to the fee on Private Bills which is the same in all cases, whether the bill be of small or great importance; and they would respectfully suggest, that upon all Bills authorizing the raising or expending a sum of money exceeding two hundred thousand dollars the rate be increased, so that if the amount exceed two hundred thousand dollars, and be under four hundred thousand dollars, the fee of sixty dollars be doubled; between four hundred thousand dollars and six hundred thousand dollars, that it be tripled; and so on in proportion.

Mr. *Laframboise*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition of *Gabriel Lenoir dit Rolland*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral Division of *Montreal West*, presented to the House the final Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

1. Resolved, That *Thomas D'Arcy McGee*, Esquire, was duly elected and returned Member for *Montreal West*.

2. Resolved, That the Petition of the said *Gabriel Lenoir dit Rolland* is not frivolous and vexatious.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Verchères*, to which

they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House, relative thereto; and the names of the Committee were read, as followeth:—*Alexandre Dufresne*, Esquire; *Louis Labrèche-Viger*, Esquire; the Honorable *Louis S. Morin*; *Jean Baptiste Mongenais*, Esquire; Chairman, *Hector Louis Langevin*, Esquire.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, to which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House, relative thereto; and the names of the Committee were read as followeth:—*William Patrick*, Esquire; *Joseph Hilarion Jobin*, Esquire; *James Morton*, Esquire; *Henry Wellesley McCann*, Esquire; Chairman, the Honorable *George Sherwood*.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the South Riding of the County of *Leeds*, to which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House, relative thereto; and the names of the Committee were read, as followeth:—*Noel Hébert*, Esquire; *Alexander Morris*, Esquire; *Daniel McLachlin*, Esquire; the Honorable *Alexander Tilloch Galt*; Chairman, the Honorable *Lewis Thomas Drummond*.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*, to which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House, relative thereto; and the names of the Committee were read, as followeth:—*Henry Munro*, Esquire; *William Notman*, Esquire; *Charles François Fournier*, Esquire; *Albert Knight*, Esquire; Chairman, *Matthew Crooks Cameron*, Esquire.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the West Riding of the County of *Elgin*, to which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House, relative thereto; and the names of the Committee were read, as followeth:—*Alexander Mackenzie*, Esquire; *Michael Harcourt*, Esquire; *Francis Jones*, Esquire; *George Jackson*, Esquire; Chairman, *John Crawford*, Esquire.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act respecting Lessors and "Lessees," and the same were read, as followeth:—

Page 1, line 8, Leave out from "intituled" to "in" in line 9.

Page 1, line 9, Leave out "and" and insert "for."

Page 1, line 10, Leave out from "for" to "and" where it occurs the first time in line 11.

And the said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee of Supply, being read,

The Honorable Mr. *Drummond* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Mr. *Simard* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Chapais*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "in 1857 this House voted the sum of \$900,000 for the construction of the Public Buildings at *Ottawa*; that "it now appears from official documents that that sum has been expended, and that more-over a sum of \$188,344 has been disbursed for the same purpose; that the contracts "for the erection of the said Buildings only amount to the sum of \$688,595; that it is "nevertheless established that the said Buildings are comparatively little advanced; "that being acquainted with these facts, this House is of opinion, it ought to de-

“clare that it is not expedient to appropriate a further sum of money for the continuation of the said works, until a careful enquiry into all matters connected with the erection of the Public Buildings at *Ottawa* shall have been made, to show how the sums already voted have been expended, and what amount would be necessary to complete the said Buildings, and a report thereon to this House shall have been made,” inserted instead thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon, and it being One of the Clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, until four o'clock this day, without a question first put.

Four o' Clock, P. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Walsh*,—the Petition of *Joseph Sawyer* and others, Indians of the Townships of *Tuscarora* and *Oneida*, Counties of *Brant* and *Haldimand*.

By Mr. *Clarke*,—the Petition of *A. D. Ferrier* and others, of the Incorporated Village of *Fergus* and vicinity.

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

Of the Reverend *N. Hardy* and others, of *St. Roch de Richelieu*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *West Gwillimbury*; praying that the Bill to amend an Act respecting Separate Schools in *Upper Canada*, in so far as the same relates to Roman Catholic Separate Schools, may not become law.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Bernard de Lacolle*; praying that the said Parish may be separated from the County of *St. John's*, and annexed to the County of *Napierville*.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendments:—

Bill, intituled, “An Act to consolidate part of the debt owing by the Municipality of “the County of *Hastings*.”

Bill, intituled, “An Act to erect that part of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec*, “situate on the north side of the River *St. Charles*, into a separate Municipality.”

Bill, intituled, “An Act to incorporate the Société Ecclésiastique du Diocèse de *St. Hyacinthe*.”

Bill, intituled, “An Act to render valid the election and proceedings of the Trustees “for the erection of a Catholic Church, in the parish of *Ste. Brigide*.”

Bill, intituled, “An Act to amend an Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating “to the Commercial Bank of *Canada*.”

Bill, intituled, “An Act legalizing and providing for the delivery of certain Registers “of Marriages, Baptisms, and Burials.”

Bill, intituled, “An Act to amend the Act incorporating *L'Académie Industrielle* du “*St. Laurent*.”

Bill, intituled, “An Act to confirm the action of the Corporation of the late united “Townships of *Arthur* and *Luther*, under the Act to enable County Councils to raise “money for assisting persons in certain cases, to sow their land, and for other purposes.”

Bill, intituled, “An Act to establish the Side Lines in the Township of *Kenyon*, in “the County of *Glengarry*.”

Bill, intituled, “An Act to enable the Ratepayers of the County of *Lincoln*, to “select a more convenient place for the County Town.”

Bill, intituled, “An Act to charge the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*, with the “payment of the expense of taking care of, supporting and maintaining certain Prisoners “in the Common Gaol of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.”

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, “An Act to amend

"the Act incorporating the Sisters of Charity of *Quebec*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the College of *St. Anne de la Pocatière*," with several amendments to the French Version, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to Naturalize *Isaac Rogers*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to Naturalize *Gelson Sanford*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Limitation of Actions and Suits in *Upper Canada*," and the same was read, as followeth:—

Page 1, line 24, leave out from "of" to the end of the Bill, and insert "July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three."

The said amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, seconded by Mr. *Rankin*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to naturalize *Isaac Rogers*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, seconded by Mr. *Rankin*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to naturalize *Gelston Sanford*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of Charity of *Quebec*," and the same was read as followeth:—

Page 1, line 26. Leave out "so" and leave out from "the" to "in" and insert "preamble to this Act."

The said amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, dated 8th April, 1862, for a statement of the new Offices created since 1861, in the Public Offices. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 37). And also,

Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 30th May, 1862, for a statement of the sums paid to the Seignioress of *Rigaud* on account of *lods et ventes*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 38). And also,

Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, dated the 5th ultimo, for a statement in detail of the manner, the time and the place or places at which

the sum of \$20,000, which will be found among the items of supply for 1857, as having been voted for expenditure towards pier and harbor works for shelter on Lake *Erie* for that year, has been expended—the authority under which such expenditure was made—the nature of the work performed, and whether such work was executed under contract or otherwise—the person or persons to whom the money was paid, and under whose superintendence the disbursements were made—together with copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works or any of the other departments of the Government, and any other person or persons who may have interested himself or themselves about the expenditure of the said sum of \$20,000. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 36.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the French Version of the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act "incorporating the College of *St. Anne de la Pocatière*," and the same were read as followeth :
Page 2, line 2, Leave out from "quelque" to "contrat."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk to carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Tenth Report of the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

The Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Nineteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to amend the survey of the 5th, 6th and 7th Concessions of the Township of *Onslow* in the County of *Pontiac*. They find that this Survey has been in dispute for many years past, and as they have not had sufficient evidence before them to satisfy them as to the most effectual mode of settling the question, it appears to them inexpedient, at this late period of the Session, to proceed with the Bill.

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to several amendments to each, which they beg to submit for the consideration of your Honorable House :—

Bill to enable *Jean Minna Ford*, administratrix of the estate and effects of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*, to sell or mortgage the real estate which belonged to the said *David B. Ogden Ford* in his lifetime, deceased, to pay the debts due by said estate, and for other purposes.

Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of certain Turnpike Roads in *Isle Jésus*.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of "the *Toronto* General Hospital to issue Debentures in redemption of those already issued," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the Union *St. Pierre de Montréal*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to incorporate the Société "de l'Union *St. Pierre de Montréal*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the Roman Catholic Academy of *St. Paul's*, of *Aylmer*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Ramsay* Lead Mining and Smelting Company was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *Simcoe* and *Port Ryerse* Tram Road Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and the title be, "An Act to authorize the construction of a Tram or Railroad from the Town of *Simcoe* to the Village of *Port Ryerse*, in the County of *Norfolk*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to extend the provisions of chapters 36 and 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, with respect to the Registration of Titles to, and the removal of incumbrances upon, real estate in *Lower Canada*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and the title be, "An Act to extend and amend the provisions of chapters thirty-six and thirty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, with respect to the Registration of Titles to, and the removal of incumbrances upon, real estate in *Lower Canada*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate upon the amendment, which was this day proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, (for the House in Committee of Supply); and which amendment was, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question be left out, and the words, "in 1857 this House voted the sum of \$900,000 for the construction of the Public Buildings at *Ottawa*; that it now appears from official documents that that sum has been expended, and that more over a sum of \$188,344 has been disbursed for the same purpose; that the contracts for the erection of the said Buildings only amount to the sum of \$688,595; that it is nevertheless established that the said Buildings are comparatively little advanced; that being acquainted with these facts, the House is of opinion that it ought to declare that it is not expedient to appropriate a further sum of money for the continuation of the said works, until a careful inquiry into all matters connected with the erection of the Public Buildings at *Ottawa* shall have been made, to show how the sums already voted have been expended, and what amount would be necessary to complete the said Buildings, and report thereon to this House shall have been made," inserted instead thereof.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas :

Messieurs

Anderson,
Beaubien,
Beaudreau,
Blanchet,
Brousseau,

Chapais,
De Boucherville,
De Cazes,
Desaulniers,
Dufresne, J.

Ferguson,
Fournier,
Gaudet,
Joly,

Langevin,
Ross, J. J.
Simard, and
Sylvain.—18

Nays :

Messieurs

Alleyn,
Archambault,

Daoust,
Dawson,

Knight,
Labrèche-Viger,

Prévost,
Rankin,

<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>LeBoutillier,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark)</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell)</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. A.</i>	<i>Ross, J. S.,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre.</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Scutcherd,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Mc Cann,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Buchanan,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Cameron, J. H.</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Huntington,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Tassé,</i>
<i>Clark,</i>	<i>Haot,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>	<i>Walsh,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>White, and</i>
<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>	<i>Wright.—96.</i>

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for continuation of Contract for deepening *Welland Canal* to *Lake Erie* level, for the year 1862.

2. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for construction of Spare Gates on the *St. Lawrence Canals*, for the year 1862.

3. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirty-four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for completion of rock cut at *Lachine Canal*, for the year 1862.

4. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Spare Gates and deepening entrance at *Grenville* on the *Carillon* and *Grenville Canal*, for the year 1862.

5. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand Dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for repairs of Dam at *Hog's Back, Rideau Canal*, for the year 1862.

6. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand Dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for extending improvements for Works on *Ottawa* and *Petawawa*, for the year 1862.

7. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Sixty-three thousand, four hundred and twenty-one dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for completing *Eastern Canada* and *New Brunswick Road* by the *Matapedia*, for public purposes and military defence, forty-nine thousand one hundred dollars; for the *Temiscouata Road*, six thousand three hundred and twenty-one dollars; and for *Matane* and *Cape Chatte* and *Gaspé Roads*, eight thousand dollars, for the year 1862.

8. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Surveys of Roads, Harbours and Navigations, for the year 1862.

9. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Provincial Steamers employed in the protection of the Fisheries,—the service of the Light-houses, Buoys and Beacons under the *Trinity House, Quebec*, and the *Postal Service* to the Lower Ports, for the year 1862.

10. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Rents and Repairs of Public Buildings, for the year 1862.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand Dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for re-building *Spencer Wood*, for the year 1862.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred thousand Dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the Public Buildings at *Ottawa*, for the year 1862.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the purchase of property for a Reformatory Prison at *St. Vincent*, as per contract, 21st December, 1861, Eighteen thousand dollars, and interest thereon, One thousand dollars, for the year 1862.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty for the additional grant towards Common Schools, for the year 1862.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the Militia, for the year 1862.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Benjamin* reported, that the Committee had come to several Resolutions,

Ordered, That the Report be received, to-morrow.

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

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act for the management of the *Toronto Harbour*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, as to the issue of Shop and "Tavern Licenses in cities," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company*, and to provide for a reduction of its Capital Stock," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Morris*, seconded by Mr. *Dawson*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company*, and to provide "for a reduction of its Capital Stock," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Crawford*, seconded by Mr. *Street*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, as to the issue of Shop and Tavern Licenses in Cities," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Crawford*, seconded by Mr. *Street*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act for the management of the *Toronto Harbour*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Mr. *Powell* moved, seconded by Mr. *Rankin*, and the question being put, That this House do now adjourn, the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Benjamin* reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as followeth:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred and sixty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Governor General's Secretary's Office, for the year 1862

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand six hundred and eighty-six dollars and seventy-six cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Provincial Secretary's Office, for the year 1862.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand nine hundred and forty-seven dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Provincial Registrar's Office, for the year 1862.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Receiver General's Office, for the year 1862.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand two hundred and ninety-six dollars and sixty-six cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Finance Minister's Department, for the year 1862.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand five hundred and twenty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Finance Minister's Department, Customs Branch, for the year 1862.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand seven hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Finance Minister's Department, Audit Branch, for the year 1862.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand seven hundred and sixty-eight dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Executive Council Office, for the year 1862.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand three hundred and twenty dollars and sixty-six cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Department of Public Works, for the year 1862.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand five hundred and thirty-six dollars and sixty-seven cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Bureau of Agriculture, for the year 1862.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-six thousand eight hundred and thirty dollars and forty-five cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Post Office Department, for the year 1862.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-three thousand and ninety-six dollars and ninety-four cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Crown Land Department, for the year 1862.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Office of the Attorney and Solicitor General East, for the year 1862.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Office of the Attorney and Solicitor General West, for the year 1862.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for contingencies of the Public Departments, for the year 1862.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet contingent expenses of the Administration of Justice in *Lower Canada*, not otherwise provided for, for the year 1862.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for salaries, Court of Chancery, for the year 1862.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand two hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for salaries, Court of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas, for the year 1862.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and fourteen dollars and one cent be granted to Her Majesty, to make good the balance of retiring allowance to Sir J. B. Robinson, acting as presiding Judge of the Court of Appeals, for the year 1862.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Circuit allowances of Judges Court of Chancery, for the year 1862.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Criminal Prosecutions, for the year 1862.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet Contingent Expenses of the Administration of Justice in *Upper Canada*, not otherwise provided for, for the year 1862.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, the amount required to meet the expenses of the River Police, Montreal, during the present year; ten thousand seven hundred dollars of which to be borne by the Harbour Commissioners; three thousand seven hundred dollars, balance required, for the year 1862.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the Provincial Penitentiary, for the year 1862.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, towards the erection of Penitentiary, Reformatory and Prison Buildings now in progress, for the year 1862.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the Criminal Lunatic Asylum, for the year 1862.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the completion of the *Rockwood* Buildings, for the year 1862.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the *Rockwood* Asylum, for the year 1862.

29. *Resolved*. That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the Inspection of Prisons and Asylums, for the year 1862.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the Reformatory Prison at *Penetanguishene*, for the year 1862.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Buildings to be erected at *Penetanguishene*, for the year 1862.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the Reformatory Prison at *St. Vincent*, for the year 1862.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray part of the salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Clerk of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Assistant Clerk and French Translator of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Law Clerk of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Chaplain and Librarian of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray part of the salary of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Head Messenger of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Door-keeper of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred and forty dollars be granted

to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of three Messengers of the Legislative Council, for the Session, at one hundred and eighty dollars each, for the year 1862.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Council, for the year 1862.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray part of the salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Clerk Assistant of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Law Clerk and English Translator of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray part of the salary of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Contingent Expenses of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-one thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for expense of Printing and Binding the Laws, for the year 1862.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Expense of Distributing the Laws, for the year 1862.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for a Grant to the Parliamentary Library, for the year 1862.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for an additional sum for Common Schools, *Upper and Lower Canada*, (six thousand dollars of which out of the *Lower Canada* share to be applied to Normal Schools), for the year 1862.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to Superior Education Income Fund, *Lower Canada*, for the year 1862.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to Superior Education Income Fund, *Upper Canada*, distributed as follows: Victoria College, *Cobourg*, Five thousand dollars; Queen's College, *Kingston*, Five thousand dollars; Regiopolis College, *Kingston*, Three thousand dollars; St. Michael's College, *Toronto*, Two thousand dollars; Bytown College, *Ottawa*, One thousand four hundred dollars; Grammar School Fund, *Upper Canada*, Three thousand two hundred dollars; L'Assomption College, *Sandwich*, Four hundred dollars, for the year 1862.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Medical Faculty, McGill College, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Medical Faculty, Victoria College *Cobourg*, for the year 1862.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One Thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the School of Medicine, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the School of Medicine, *Kingston*, for the year 1862.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the School of Medicine, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Canadian Institute, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Natural History Society, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One Thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Historical Society, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Canadian Institute, *Ottawa*, for the year 1862.
68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Atheneum, *Ottawa*, for the year 1862.
69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Observatory, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Observatory, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Observatory, *Kingston*, for the year 1862.
72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Observatory, *Isle Jésus*, for the year 1862.
73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Toronto* Hospital, for the year 1862.
74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Toronto* Hospital for County patients, for the year 1862.
75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Toronto* House of Industry, for the year 1862.
76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Protestant Orphan's Home and Female Aid Society, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Magdalen Asylum, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Lying-in Hospital, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Public Nursery for children of the poor, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the House of Providence, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.
83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty as an Aid to the Marine and Emigrant Hospital, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indigent Sick, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to *l'Hospice de la Maternité*, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the managers of the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Finlay* Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Male Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. Bridget's* Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Ladies' Protestant Home, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Canada Military Asylum for Widows and Orphans, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.
94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indigent Sick, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Corporation of the General Hospital, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. Patrick's* Hospital, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Sœurs de la Providence, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the General Hospital des Sœurs de la Charité, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Bonaventure* Street Asylum, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. Mary's* Asylum for Blind and Destitute Children, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. Patrick's* Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the House of Refuge, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the University Lying-in Hospital, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Lying-in Hospital under care of les Sœurs de la Miséricorde, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Montreal, Saull au Récollet*, for the year 1862.
107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Ladies' Benevolent Society for Widows and Orphans, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Charitable Association of the Ladies of the Roman Catholic Asylum, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Magdalen Asylum (Ladies of le Bon Pasteur), *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Eye and Ear Institution, *Montreal*, for the year 1862.
111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Montreal* Dispensary, for the year 1862.
112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Montreal* Home and School of Industry, for the year 1862.

113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Kingston* General Hospital, for the year 1862.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indigent Sick, *Kingston*, for the year 1862.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Hotel-Dieu Hospital, *Kingston*, for the year 1862.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Orphan Asylum, *Kingston*, for the year 1862.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Hamilton* Hospital, for the year 1862.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Orphan Asylum, *Hamilton*, for the year 1862.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Roman Catholic Asylum, *Hamilton*, for the year 1862.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indigent Sick, *Three Rivers*, for the year 1862.

121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *London* Hospital, for the year 1862.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Protestant Hospital, *Ottawa*, for the year 1862.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Roman Catholic Hospital, *Ottawa*, for the year 1862.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. Hyacinthe* Hospital, for the year 1862.

125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Provincial Lunatic Asylum, *Toronto*, for the year 1862.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Orillia* Asylum,—for maintenance, &c., eleven thousand dollars; warming apparatus, four thousand five hundred dollars,—for the year 1862.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Malden* Asylum,—for maintenance, &c., twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars; repairs and building, five thousand five hundred dollars,—for the year 1862.

128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. John's* Asylum,—maintenance, &c.,—for the year 1862.

129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Beauport* Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year 1862.

130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the expenses of the Geological Survey of the Province, for the year 1862.

131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Boards of Arts and Manufactures, *Upper and Lower Canada*, at two thousand dollars each, for the year 1862.

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid towards the cultivation of Flax, for the year 1862.

133. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Boards of Agriculture, *Upper and Lower Canada*, at four thousand dollars each, for the year 1862.

134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid towards the Emigration Expenses, for the year 1862.

135. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Samuel Waller*, as late Clerk of Committees to the Legislative Council, *Lower Canada*, for the year 1862.

136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *John Bright*, as late Messenger to the Legislative Council, *Lower Canada*, for the year 1862.

137. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-two dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Louis Gagné*, as late Messenger to the Legislative Assembly, *Lower Canada*, for the year 1862.

138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *G. B. Faribault*, as late Clerk Assistant, Legislative Assembly, for the year 1862.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of Mrs. Widow *Antrobus*, for the year 1862.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of Mrs. Widow *McCormick*, for the year 1862.

141. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Pierre Bouchard*, for wounds received in the Public Service, for the year 1862.

142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Jacques Brien*, for wounds received in the Public Service, for the year 1862.

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for new Indian Annuities, for the year 1862.

144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indians in *Lower Canada*, in addition to the Parliamentary Grant under Act 14 and 15 *Vic.*, cap. 106, for the year 1862.

145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Colonization Roads in *Upper Canada*, for the year 1862.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Colonization Roads in *Lower Canada*, for the year 1862.

147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay for Tug Service between *Montreal* and *Kingston*, for the year 1862.

148. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of two Keepers of Depots for provisions at *Anticosti*, for the relief of shipwrecked persons, at two hundred dollars each, for the year 1862.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty Dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the year's salary of the Harbor Master at *Gaspé*, for the year 1862.

150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the year's salary of the Harbor Master at *Amherst*, for the year 1862.

151. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the allowance to *Pierre Brochu*, for residing at Lake *Metapediac*, on the *Kempt* Road, to assist travellers thereon, for the year 1862.

152. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the allowance to *Marcel Brochu* for residing at *Petit Lac*, to assist travellers thereon, for the year 1862.

153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the allowance to *Jonathan Noble*, for residing at *La Fourche*, to assist travellers thereon, for the year 1862.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the allowance to *Thomas Evans*, for residing at *Assametquagan*, to assist travellers thereon, for the year 1862.

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay proportion of the expenses of keeping up Lighthouses on Isles of *St. Paul* and *Scatterie*, in the Gulf, for the year 1862.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay expenses of Fisheries in *Lower Canada*, for the year 1862.

157. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay expenses of Fisheries in *Upper Canada*, for the year 1862.

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for subscription to, and advertising in the *Official Gazette*, for the year 1862.

159. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for miscellaneous Printing, for the year 1862.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet miscellaneous petty expenses of the Public Service, for the year 1862.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay expenses of Commissioners appointed to enquire into matters connected with the Public Service, under Act. 9 *Vic.*, cap. 38, for the year 1862.

162. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses of the Representation of *Canada* at the *London* Exhibition, for the year 1862.

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and ninety thousand five hundred and ten dollars and twenty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty, to make good the expenditure incurred during the year 1861, as detailed in Statement No. 60, part 2, of the Public Accounts, laid before the Legislature, for the year 1862.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of Ways and Means, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bureau* reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

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

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting Pilotage Fees on Colonial Vessels trading to *Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Powell*,
The House adjourned until Eleven of the Clock, A. M., to-morrow.

Wednesday, 4th June, 1862.

11 o'Clock, A. M.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House Statement of the *Liverpool* and *London* Fire and Life Assurance Company, in compliance with the 11 Section of the Act 23 *Vic.*, on the 30th June, 1861. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 9.)

Mr. *Benjamin*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

CONFERENCE CHAMBER,

4th June, 1862.

The Accounts for the past year have been examined and found correct, as shewn by report of the Sub-Committee, hereto annexed; and the Committee desire to express their confidence in the manner in which their Clerk, Mr. *Henry Hartney*, continues to fulfill his duties.

Your Committee have already laid before the House the Report of their Clerk, also annexed, by which it is shewn that the total amount paid for Printing, Printing Paper, Lithographing, and Binding, for the two Houses, for the year 1861, amounted to \$21,493 19. Your Committee would also draw attention to the fact mentioned in the said Report "that the experience of another year has proved the present system to be a good one, easy of management, and with the like economy as shown by the Accounts."

Your Committee have also directed their attention to the question of the Public Printing, under the Queen's Patent, and have arrived at the conclusion that public interest and policy demand a change in the present system. Nor do they believe the publication of the Official *Gazette* is included amongst the privileges of the Patent held by the Queen's Printers in this Province, and they see no reason why the system at present in

use in England, should not be followed in *Canada*. In *England* the *Official Gazette* is published by the Government, and the returns for the year 1861 show the gross receipts to have been £17,978 sterling. The paper and printing cost £4,617 stg., the management £1,981 stg., leaving a profit of £11,380 stg., which was paid into the Public Treasury. The whole of this department is managed by one Chief, three Clerks, an Index Compiler, and a Warehouseman. Your Committee can see no reason why a similar course should not be adopted in *Canada*, and they feel sure similar results would follow. Your Committee would further remark, that in addition to the management of the *Gazette*, the same office should also be charged with procuring the Stationery for the Public Departments, as well as that required for the use of Parliament;—each Deputy Head of each Department should send in an annual estimate of the probable quantity, and the different qualities of the various articles required in each department respectively. That the practice of advancing money on account should cease, but that all accounts of the kind should be presented and liquidated quarterly.

With regard to the printing for the Departments, your Committee are of opinion, it is utterly impossible to keep a correct check under the present system, if that can be called a system, which does not enable the officers who have charge of it to do justice either to themselves or the public. Your Committee has no desire to enter minutely into transactions, but they would remark that for the last five years, the average yearly amount paid to the Queen's Printer, including a small supply of stationery, has exceeded \$100,000; certainly a much larger amount, in the opinion of your Committee, than the country should be called upon to disburse, for the expense of maintaining a patent yielding no particular advantages to the Public Service. For, as well as regards dispatch, neatness, and confidential publications, Your Committee are of opinion that the Contractors for the Legislative Printing, or any other large establishment, are at least on a par with that of the Queen's Printers; had the work been performed by the Contractors for the Parliamentary Printing, which has been executed by the Queen's Printer, it would have been done at a reduction of at least fifty per cent, without at all detracting from the efficiency of the service. In the opinion of Your Committee, the exact value of every quire of every blank in use in the Departments should be ascertained, and the amount the Government should pay for them, per quire, should also be determined upon. Then the work could be given to any tradesman, in any part of the Province, who would perform it at the stipulated prices. In this manner the present method of computing and making out accounts by measurement and quantities would be avoided, for the number of quires being ascertained, the charge would be checked with facility, and even the uninitiated could detect the errors which cannot be done under the present system, except by the most experienced hands. Your Committee do not think it necessary to enter into further details, but they trust that either the method they suggest, or one equally efficient, will be taken up by the Government, and that at an early day next Session, a measure will be introduced for the better regulation of the Public Printing in every branch and department, and that care will be taken to connect therewith the supply of Stationery and Books, as well for the Departments as for the use of Parliament; feeling assured if a proper system is inaugurated and carried out, that at least \$150,000 annually may be saved in the public expenditure.

All which is respectfully submitted.

G. BENJAMIN,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON THE PRINTING ACCOUNTS.

CONFERENCE CHAMBER,

3rd June, 1862.

To the Joint Committee on Printing:

GENTLEMEN,—The Printing Accounts for the past year have been examined and found correct. The manner in which those Accounts are kept is simple and quite satisfactory, and in accordance with that strict regard to your orders, which Mr. Hartney has exhibited, ever since he has fulfilled the duties of the important trust committed to him.

The Account presented by your Printers for \$71,21 being for extra work, should be paid. The Binder has presented an account for loss sustained by reason of delay during the

first year of his contract. At the close of last year, when but few Members could be got to attend the meetings of the Committee, several were of opinion that he should receive 400 dollars in liquidation of his claim; considering the very low rates of his contract, it is recommended that he receive the above sum, and that the Clerk be authorized to give him a certificate for the same.

All which is respectfully submitted,

G. BENJAMIN, Chairman.
B. SEYMOUR,
W. PATRICK,
J. SIMPSON.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CLERK OF THE PRINTING COMMITTEE.

CONFERENCE CHAMBER,
Wednesday, 30th April, 1862.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee on Printing:—

GENTLEMEN,—Having in my report last session, set forth fully the changes that had been effected in the system of Printing by the appointment of the Joint Committee, and the practical results of the carrying out of the Rules and Regulations, as adopted by them, of the perfect control they ensured, the avoidance of waste, and the consequent economy; I, this session, have merely to add that the experience of another year has proved the present system to be a good one, easy of management, and with the like economy, as shewn by the Accounts I now hand in to the Committee.

Accompanying the Printing Accounts is a complete file of every document printed, each showing on its endorse an exact statement in detail of its cost, &c. The Vouchers are numbered, those of the Honorable the Legislative Council from 1 to 271, and those of the Legislative Assembly, from 1 to 810, inclusive.

The Printing Contract has been fairly carried out during the past year, and the Printing Paper has been properly furnished as required.

The Bound Volumes of the Journals and Sessional Papers were not delivered in the time specified in the contract for the Binding, and it may be necessary for the Committee to consider of some means to insure the said contract, in that particular, being more faithfully carried out.

The Accounts now submitted, show the total cost for Printing, Printing Paper, Lithographing and Binding, for the two Houses, for the year 1861, to be \$21,493 19.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY HARTNEY,
Clerk, Joint Committee on Printing.

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of Members of this House.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to naturalize *Gelson Sanford*," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same without any amendment.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend chapter 105 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Petty Trespasses in *Upper Canada*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read the second time, and ordered to be read the third time, this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Terrebonne Turnpike Road Company*; the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act incorporating the Synod of the Diocese of *Ontario*"; the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Richelieu Company*; the Bill to enable *Jean Minna Ford*, Administratrix of the estate and effects of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*, to sell or mortgage the real estate which belonged to the said *David B. Ogden Ford* in his lifetime,

deceased, to pay the debts due by said estate, and for other purposes; and the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of certain Turnpike Roads in *Isle Jésus*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bureau* reported, That the Committee had severally gone through the Bill to incorporate the *Terrebonne* Turnpike Road Company; the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Richeheu* Company; and the Bill to enable *Jean Minna Ford*, Administratrix of the estate and effects of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*, to sell or mortgage the real estate which belonged to the said *David B. Ogden Ford*, in his lifetime, deceased, to pay the debts due by the said estate, and for other purposes; and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bills be severally read the third time, this day.

And Mr. *Bureau* also reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act incorporating the Synod of the Diocese of *Ontario*," and had made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bureau* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, as followeth:—

Clause 1, line 10, after "Province" insert "and."

Clause 3, line 6, after "thereto" insert "shall."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be read a third time, this day.

And Mr. *Bureau* also reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of certain Turnpike Roads in the *Isle Jésus*, and had made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bureau* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time, this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act respecting Public Exhibitions in *Lower Canada*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act for the management of the *Toronto Harbour*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend chapter 20 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, An Act respecting Registers "of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials," with several amendments, to which they desire the "concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend chapter twenty of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, 'An Act respecting Registers of Marriages, Baptisms, and Burials,'" and the same were read as followeth:—

Page 1, line 22, after "situate," insert "provided there be, or otherwise, as soon "as there shall be, in the building in which the said Circuit Court is held, a fire

"proof vault for the deposit of such Registers, approved by such person as may be appointed for that purpose, from time to time, by the Commissioner of Public Works."

Page 1, line 27, leave out from "by" to "chapter," and insert "the said Act."

Page 1, line 29, leave out "County Courts," and insert "Circuit Courts."

Page 1, line 30, after "Counties," insert "who shall be entitled to the same fees in respect thereof."

Page 2, line 6, leave out "of," where it occurs the first time, and insert "in."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, as to the issue of Shop and Tavern Licenses in Cities," being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company*, and to provide for a reduction of its Capital Stock," being read :

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole House, on the Bill for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and for other purposes, being read :

Mr. *Bell*, of (*Russell*) moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Galt*, and the question being proposed, that the Report be now received ;

Mr. *Dunkin* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Bureau*, that all the words after "the," to the end of the question, be left out, and the words "Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the same by adding to the 19th clause thereof the following proviso, viz: Provided always that the further postponement of the claim and lien of the Province, which is hereby in effect granted, shall be contingent upon the continued maintenance and due working of their Road by the Company ; so that, in case of failure by the Company to maintain and duly work the same, the said claim and lien, save only as to whatever past interest may therefore have been foregone in terms of the Act 20th *Victoria*, chapter 11, as hereby amended, shall forthwith revive," inserted instead thereof.

And it being One of the Clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, until Four of the Clock this day, without a question first put.

4 o' Clock, P. M.

Alexandre Dufresne, Esquire ; *Louis Labreche-Viger*, Esquire ; the Honorable *Louis S. Morin* ; *Jean Baptiste Mongenais*, Esquire ; Chairman, *Hector Louis Langevin*, Esquire ; being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Verchères* ; their names were called over, and being come to the table, they were sworn by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the County of *Verchères* be referred to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for that County.

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet this day, at six o'clock P. M., in Committee Room No. 19.

Henry Munro, Esquire ; *William Notman*, Esquire ; *Charles François Fournier*

Esquire; *Albert Knight*, Esquire; Chairman, *Matthew Crooks Cameron*, Esquire, being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland*; their names were called over, and being come to the table, they were sworn by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland* be referred to the Select Committee, appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding that County.

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet to-morrow, in the Committee Room No 15, at the hour of ten in the forenoon.

Alexander MacKenzie, Esquire; *Michael Harcourt*, Esquire; *Francis Jones*, Esquire; *George Jackson*, Esquire; Chairman, *John Crawford*, Esquire, being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the West Riding of the County of *Elgin*; their names being called over, and being come to the table, they were sworn by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the West Riding of the County of *Elgin*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the West Riding of that County.

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet to-morrow, in Committee Room No. 17, at the hour of ten in the forenoon.

Noel Hébert, Esquire; *Alexander Morris*, Esquire; *Daniel McLachlin*, Esquire; the Honorable *Alexander Tilloch Galt*; Chairman, the Honorable *Lewis Thomas Drummond*, being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the South Riding of the County of *Leeds*; their names were called over, and being come to the table, they were sworn by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the South Riding of the County of *Leeds*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for that County.

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet, this day, in Committee Room No. 20, at the hour of Six, P. M.

William Patrick, Esquire; *Joseph Hilarion Jobin*, Esquire; *James Morton*, Esquire; *Henry Wellesly McCann*, Esquire; Chairman, the Honorable *George Sherwood*, being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*; their names were called over, and *James Morton* appeared not.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By the Honorable Mr. *Portman*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Biddulph*.

By Mr. *Falkner*,—Two Petitions of *François Beaudry* and others, of the Parish of *Pointe aux Trembles*; and the Petition of *Stanislas Larin* and others, of *Côte St. Michel*, in the Parish of *Sault au Recollet*, all of the County of *Hochelaga*.

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

Of *Joseph Sawyer* and others, Indians of the Township of *Tuscarora* and *Oneida*, Counties of *Brant* and *Haldimand*; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *A. D. Ferrier* and others, of the incorporated Village of *Fergus* and vicinity; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, seconded by Mr. *Kierzkowski*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor

General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Despatches from the Colonial Secretary relating to Supplies of Arms for the use of the Volunteer and Militia Forces in the Colonies.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, and Mr. *Kierzkowski*.

The Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Twentieth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Canadian* Inland Steam Company, and to "provide for a reduction of its Capital Stock ;" and have agreed to report the same, without amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Drummond* presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, dated the 5th ultimo, for copies of all Memorials and Petitions, Departmental and other Orders, and Documents, and Reports, on the subject of the erection of Bridges across the *Rideau* Canal, at various places between the Narrows and *Jones' Falls*, inclusive, on the line of the said Canal. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 31.)

A Bill to incorporate the *Terrebonne* Turnpike Road Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act incorporating the Synod of "the Diocese of *Ontario*," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

Ordered, that the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Richelieu* Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to amend an Act, intituled, "an Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu* Company."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to enable *Jean Minna Ford*, Administratrix of the estate and effects of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*, to sell or mortgage the real estate which belonged to the said *David B. Ogden Ford* in his lifetime, deceased, to pay the debts due by said estate, and for other purposes, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and the title be, "An Act for the relief of the Representatives of the estate of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*."

Ordered, That the Clerk to carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of certain Turnpike Roads in the *Isle Jésus*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Morin*, seconded by Mr. *Daoust*, the following amendments were made to the Bill :—

Clause 47, line 21, after "service," insert "and all carriages carrying Her Majesty's Mails."

After clause 52, insert the following :—

Clause 53.—“ Provided always, that the two roads hereinbefore mentioned shall be “ constructed simultaneously, within a period of five years from the first day of July next.”

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly dated the 5th ultimo, for a list of the Postmasters who have been dismissed or removed from their offices respectively since the last General Election, with the reasons in each case for such dismissal or removal, together with all correspondence in possession of the Post Office Department on the subject. (*Sessional Papers, No. 1.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Drummond* presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, of this day, for copies of all Despatches from the Colonial Secretary, relating to supplies of Arms for the use of the Volunteer and Militia Forces in the Colonies. (*Sessional Papers, No. 17.*)

A Bill to amend chapter 105 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled, “ An Act respecting Petty Tresspasses in *Upper Canada*,” was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, “ An Act to amend chapter one hundred and five of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled, an Act “ respecting Petty Tresspasses in *Upper Canada*.”

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. *Benjamin*, seconded by Mr. *Bell*, (of *Lanark*.)

Ordered, That the 75th section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections be now read ; and the same being read,

Ordered, That *James Morton*, Esquire Member for the County of *Frontenac*, having been appointed to serve as one of the Members to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, and not having attended in his place within one hour after four of the clock this day, being the day appointed for the swearing of said Committee, be taken into the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, “ An Act to incorporate the “ *St. Lawrence Marine Insurance Company of Quebec*,” with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled “ An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Our Lady of Loretto, of the Town of *Guelph* ;” with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, “ An Act to incorporate the Association *St. François Xavier de Montréal*, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Galt*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any Order in Council that may have passed on the subject of providing arms for the defence of the Province ; and also, copies of all despatches that may have passed in relation to the same ; and upon the subject of the Report of the Militia Commission.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by the Honorable Mr. Drummond, the Honorable Mr. Loranger and Mr. Kierzkowski.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Our Lady of Loretto, of the Town of *Guelph*;" and the same were read as followeth:—

Page 1, line 23,—After "only," insert "not exceeding in annual value the sum of five thousand dollars."

Page 1, line 27,—After "estate," insert "not exceeding in value the sum of five thousand dollars."

Page 1, line 29,—Leave out "ten," and insert "seven"

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the "Association *St. François Xavier de Montréal*," and the same was read, as followeth:—

Page 1, line 20, after "Corporation," insert, "but not exceeding in annual value at any time the sum of five thousand dollars."

The said Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *St. Lawrence Marine Insurance Company of Quebec*," and the same were read, as followeth:—

Page 1, Line 16. Leave out from "the" to "Marine" and insert "*Quebec*."

Page 5, Line 47. After "Company" insert Clause A.

CLAUSE A.—"The Company shall furnish the Minister of Finance with an annual statement of its assets and liabilities, and shall at all times afford any further information as to the state of the affairs of the Company which may be required by the Legislature or the Government."

In the title of the Bill:—

Page 1, Line 1. Leave out from "the" to "Marine," and insert "*Quebec*."

Page 1, Line 2. Leave out "of *Quebec*."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered Bill "To amend the Charter of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company, and to authorize the Corporation of the Town of *Niagara* to sell and convey their interest in the said Railroad;" and Bill "To repeal the Act 23rd *Vic.*, chap. 119, and to make further provisions relating to the *Coboury* and *Peterborough* Railway Company;" to each of which they have agreed to several amendments.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act for the management of the *Toronto* Harbour," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bell* (of *Russell*), reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The House resumed the further consideration of the Amendment, which was, this day, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Report (of the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and for other purposes,) be now received; and which amendment was, that all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend the same by adding to the 19th Clause thereof, the following proviso, viz. :—Provided always, that the further postponement of the claim and lien of the Province, which is hereby in effect granted, shall be contingent upon the continued maintenance and due working of their Road by the Company; so that, in case of failure by the Company to maintain and duly work the same, the said claim and lien, save only as to whatever past interest may theretofore have been foregone in terms of the Act 20th *Vic.*, chapter eleven, as hereby amended, shall forthwith revive," inserted instead thereof.

Mr. *O'Halloran* moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. *Alexandre Dufresne*, that all the words after "instruction," to the end thereof, be left out, and the words "to leave out all the words after "Company," in the third line of the "38th clause," inserted instead thereof.

Mr. Speaker, in accordance with Chapter 4 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, called upon Mr. *Benjamin*, Member for the North Riding of the County of *Hastings*, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

Mr. *Benjamin* accordingly took the Chair of the House.
And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the said proposed amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows:—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Prévoist,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Ross, J. J.,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Ross, J. S.</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Scatcher d,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Mc Cann,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Somerville,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Tassé, and</i>
<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>White—58.</i>
<i>Demis,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>		

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Alley,</i>	<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>LeBoutillier,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark)</i>	<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell),</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. A.,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Buchanan,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cameron, J. H.,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>

Cameron, M. C.,
Carling,
Cartier,
Cauchon,

Haultain,
Jackson,
Knight,

Morton,
Mowat,
Patrick,

Wallbridge,
Walsh, and
Wright.—45.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the original question as amended, the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then, the main Question so amended, being put ;

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That it be an instruction to the said Committee to leave out all the words after the word "Company," in the 3rd line of the 38th clause of the said Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Bureau* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bureau* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

And the question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the original amendments to the said Bill.

Mr. *Dunkin* moved, in amendment to the question, seconded by Mr. *Rankin*, That all the words after "That," to the end of the question, be left out, and the words "the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction so to amend the same as to provide that the Bill shall not take effect unless accepted by two-thirds in number and amount of the shareholders of the Company, and by three-fourths in number and amount of the four several classes of bondholders therein mentioned, at a meeting or at meetings of such Shareholders and Bondholders, respectively, to be held in *London*, in *England*, after sufficient public notice duly setting forth the object of such meeting or meetings," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment, the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

Yeas :

Messieurs

Anderson,	Denis,	Haultain,	Poupore,
Archambault,	Desaulniers,	Hébert,	Powell,
Ault,	Dickson,	Hooper,	Prévost,
Beaubien,	Dostaler,	Huot,	Rankin,
Beaudreau,	Dufresne, Alexandre,	Jobin,	Rémillard,
Biggar,	Dufresne, Joseph,	Joly,	Ross, J. J.
Brousseau,	Dunkin,	Jones,	Ross, J. S.
Burwell,	Dunsford,	Kierzkowski,	Rymal,
Caron,	Falkner,	Labrèche-Viger,	Scatcherd,
Chapais,	Ferguson,	Langevin,	Simard,
Cowan,	Fortier,	Mc Cann,	Somerville,
Davoust,	Fournier,	Mongonais,	Stirton,
Dawson,	Gagnon,	Morris,	Sylvain,
De Boucherville,	Gaudet,	Munro,	Tassé, and
De Cazes,	Harcourt,	O'Halloran,	White.—60.

Nays :

Messieurs

Alleyn,	Cartier,	Le Boutillier,	Patrick,
Baby,	Cauchon,	Loranger,	Pope,
Bell, (North Lanark,)	Cockburn,	Macbeth,	Robitaille,
Bell, (Russell,)	Connor,	Macdonald, John A.,	Rose,

<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Buchanan,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Cameron, J. H.</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Wallbridge, and</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Walsh.—45.</i>
<i>Carling,</i>			

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bureau* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made a further amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bureau* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

And the House having continued to sit until after Twelve of the Clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 5th June, 1862.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the original amendments to the said Bill.

Mr. *Rankin* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Powell*, That the words, "this day six months," be added at the end thereof.

And the Question being put that these words be there added; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Powell,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Ross, J. J.,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Fallner,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Ross, J. S.,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Sylvain, and</i>
<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Tassé—42.</i>
<i>DeBoucherville,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>		

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Alleyn,</i>	<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Robiuaile,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>LeBoutillier,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark,)</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Rymal,</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell,)</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. A.</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Buchanan,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Stirton,</i>
<i>Cameron, J. H.,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Walsh,</i>

*Cauchon,
Chapais,
Cockburn,*

*Harcourt,
Haultain,
Jackson,*

*Morton,
Mowat,
Patrick,*

*White, and
Wright.—63.*

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, that this House doth concur with the Committee in the original amendment to the said Bill,

Mr. *Dawson* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Simard*, That all the words after "that," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the Bill" be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to leave out "the following words in the 15th clause, "from the passing of this Act," and insert instead thereof the words, "from and after the acceptance of this Act by the Share and Bond holders, as provided by the 39th clause," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, accordingly, resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bureau* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Then, the main Question being put,

Resolved, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the original amendments to the said Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*,

The House adjourned.

Thursday, 5th June, 1862.

11 o'Clock, A. M.,

The Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House, informed the House that he had taken *James Morton*, Esquire, into his custody.

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* acquainted the House that he was desired by Mr. *Morton* to state, that being temporarily indisposed, he did not arrive at the House until a few minutes after the time fixed for swearing of the Committee appointed to try the contested Election for the East Riding of *Durham*; and the same having been verified upon oath, by Mr. *Morton*.

Ordered, That *James Morton*, Esquire, be discharged out of custody.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills without any amendment:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act to incorporate the Pilots for and below "the Harbour of *Quebec*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *St. George's* Benevolent Society of "*Hamilton*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Boys' Industrial School of the Gore of "*Toronto*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to legalize the investment of certain Clergy Reserve moneys "by the Corporation of the Township of *Lobo*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton* Powder Company."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the mortgaging of certain property belonging to "the Church of *England* in the Town of *Brantford*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Municipal Council of the Township of *Acton* to open roads according to the operations of *Patrice Renault Blanchard*, Esquire, Land Surveyor, with reference to the survey, boundary lines, reports and plans executed and prepared by him for the division and settlement of the limits of the lots in the first five ranges of the said Township of *Acton*, in the County of *Bagot*, and District of *St. Hyacinthe*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Charter of the Merchants' Bank."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to establish and confirm certain Roads in the Township of *Reach*."

Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec* Ship Labourers' Benevolent Society."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Victoria* Skating Club of *Montreal*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to explain the Act to provide for the separation of the City of *Toronto* from the United Counties of *York* and *Peel* for certain Judicial purposes."

Bill, intituled, "An Act for facilitating the Conveyance by the Trust and Loan Company of *Upper Canada*, of lands in the Province of *Canada*, by and through their Commissioners or Attorneys."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*, to borrow certain sums of money for drainage and other purposes therein mentioned."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Academie de Sainte Scholastique*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to divide the Township of *Hemmingford*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into two separate Municipalities."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Racket Club."

And also, The Legislative Council have agreed to the amendment made by this House to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital to issue Debentures in redemption of those already issued," without any amendment.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the College of *St. Ignatius, Guelph*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate *La Société de l'Union St. Roch*," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, seconded by Mr. *Kierzkowski*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the South Riding of the County of *Leeds* Election Petition have leave to adjourn until Wednesday next, for the convenience of all parties concerned.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made, by the Legislative Council, to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the College of *St. Ignatius, Guelph*," and the same were read, as followeth:—

Page 1, line 13, after "*Hamilton*," insert "for the time being, and."

Page 1, line 15, leave out from "successors" to "shall," in line 17, and insert "in their several and respective chairs or offices in the said College"

Page 1, line 25, after "Province," insert "so as the annual value of the same does not exceed five thousand dollars."

Page 1, line 28, after "therein" insert "so as the same does not exceed the like annual value of five thousand dollars."

Page 1, line 29, leave out "ten" and insert "seven."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Scott*,

Ordered, That for the remainder of the Session, when Mr. Speaker leaves the Chair

at six o'clock, P. M., this House do stand adjourned until the hour of half-past seven; and that the sitting from half-past seven be considered as a third and distinct sitting for all purposes of legislation.

On motion of Mr. *M. C. Cameron*, seconded by Mr. *Knight*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland* Election Petition, have leave to adjourn until to-morrow week, to be then called together by the order of the Speaker, the Petitioner being absent and not prepared to proceed with his Petition, and the sitting Member consenting to such adjournment.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Anderson*,—The Petition of the *Howard* Division, No. 1, Sons of Temperance.

By Mr. *Street*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Louth*, County of *Lincoln*.

By Mr. *White*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Nassagaweya*, County of *Halton*.

By the Honorable *John A. Macdonald*,—The Petition of *W. Bowen* and others.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate la Société de l'Union *St. Roch*," and the same was read as followeth:—

Page 1, line 21.—After "Corporation," insert "but not exceeding in annual value at any time the sum of five thousand dollars."

The said amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Archambault*, seconded by Mr. *Alexandre Dufresne*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of the accusations made by several of the inhabitants of the Parish of *l'Assomption*, against *Joseph Guilbault*, late Deputy Postmaster of that place, and of all documents relating thereto; and also a copy of the Report of *Edwin King*, Esquire, of the Post Office Department, on the subject of the said accusations.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, and Mr. *Kierzkowski*.

On motion of Mr. *Dawson*, seconded by Mr. *Morris*,

Ordered, That the Report of *A. J. Russell*, Esquire, of *Ottawa*, on Colonization Roads, be annexed to the appendices of the Report of the Crown Lands for the past year, and printed therewith.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to enable Her Majesty's Imperial Government to construct Lines of Telegraph in this Province, for Military purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read the third time, this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chap. 40, of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, in relation to the imposition of fines on Emigrant runners, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read the third time, this day.

Mr. *Connor*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue election and return for the County of *Bellechasse*,

presented to the House the final Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

1st. *Resolved*, That *Edouard Rémillard*, Esquire, the Sitting Member, was duly elected to represent the County of *Bellechasse*, at the last election for that County.

2nd. *Resolved*, That the Petition in this case is not frivolous and vexatious.

3rd. *Resolved*, That the defence of the sitting Member is not frivolous and vexatious.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Canadian* "Inland Steam Navigation Company, and to provide for a reduction of its capital stock;" the Bill to amend the Charter of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company, and to authorize the Corporation of the Town of *Niagara* to sell and convey their interest in the said Railroad; and the Bill to repeal the Act 22 *Victoria*, chap. 119, and to make further provisions relating to the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Patrick* reported, that the Committee had severally gone through the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Canadian* Inland Steam Navigation Company, and to provide for a reduction of its capital stock;" and the Bill to amend the charter of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company, and to authorize the Corporation of the Town of *Niagara* to sell and convey their interest in the said Railroad; and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bills be severally read the third time, this day.

Mr. *Patrick* also reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill to repeal the Act 22 *Victoria*, chap. 119, and to make further provisions relating to the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company, and had made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Patrick* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, this day.

The Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered Bill to incorporate the "North West Transportation, Navigation and Railway Company," to which they have agreed to several amendments.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee of Ways and Means, being read; The Honorable Mr. *Drummond* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, and the question being proposed, that this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

At One of the Clock in the afternoon the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, until Four of the Clock this day, without a question first put.

4 o'Clock, P. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *Price*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hébertville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*,—The Petition of *James Durand*, Registrar, County of *Frontenac*.

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

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Biddulph*; praying for the passing of an Act to separate the said Township from the County of *Huron*, and annex the same to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex*.

Of *François Beaudry*, and others, of the Parish of *Pointe aux Trembles*, County of *Hochelaga*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of *François Beaudry*, and others, of the Parish of *Pointe aux Trembles*, County of *Hochelaga*; and of *Stanislas Larin*, and others, of *Côte St. Michel*, in the Parish of *Sault au Recollet*, County of *Hochelaga*; severally praying that the legal rate of Interest may be fixed at six per cent. per annum.

William Patrick, Esquire; *Joseph Hilarion Jobin*, Esquire; *James Morton*, Esquire; *Henry Wellesley McCann*, Esquire; Chairman, the Honorable *George Sherwood*, being the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*; their names were called over, and being come to the table, they were sworn by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, be referred to the Select Committee, appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of that County.

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet this day, in Committee Room No. 16, at the hour of 6 P. M.

Mr. Langevin reported from the Select Committee, appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Verchères*, that the Committee having granted to the Petitioner delay, until the twentieth of June instant, to afford him an opportunity of replying to the defence of the sitting Member, with the consent of the latter, are desirous of adjourning until that day.

Ordered, That the said Committee have leave to adjourn until Friday, the twentieth of June instant, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

The Honorable *Mr. Loranger*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Peterborough*, presented to the House the Final Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

1st. Resolved, That *Frederick W. Haultain*, Esquire, was duly elected as Member for the County of *Peterborough*, at the last Election.

2nd. Resolved, That the Petition of *Wilson S. Conger* and others, is not frivolous or vexatious.

3rd. Resolved, That the defence of the sitting Member is not frivolous or vexatious.

Extract from Minutes of the Proceedings of the *Peterborough* Controverted Elections Committee.

Question.—*Mr. Cameron* proposed to ask the witness if he had compared the lists of 1860 with 1861; if so, whether he finds names on the list of 1860 not on the list of 1861; how many of such names there are, and who they are?

Objected to.

The sitting Member objected to the question; upon which parties were heard. The Committee Room was cleared; the Members of the Committee deliberated, and ruled the Question to be inadmissible on the following division.

Yeas.

Hon. *T. J. J. Loranger*,
Aquila Walsh.

Nays.

Amos Wright,
John Poupore,
David Stirton.

A Bill, to amend the Act respecting the Provincial Duty on Tavern Licences, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable *Mr. Loranger*, seconded by the Honorable *Mr. Drummond*, the following amendments were made to the Bill:—

Clause 2, line 2. After "*Lower Canada*," leave out "except the City of *St. Hyacinthe*."

Clause 2, line 11. After "license," insert "or in Cities in *Upper Canada*, a certificate of the Board of Commissioners of Police."

Clause 2, line 12. After "Municipality," insert "or regulations of Police Commissioners of Cities in *Upper Canada*."

Clause 2, line 15. After "certificate," leave out "and in the City of *St. Hyacinthe*" on payment of the Provincial duty, and on the production of the like certificate as is "required by law in any other place in *Lower Canada*."

Clause 3, line 1. After "payable," leave out "to the Municipality."

Clause 3, line 15. After "*Upper Canada*," leave out "or conferred by any act on" the Municipal Council of the City of *St. Hyacinthe*," and insert "or of Police Commissioners in Cities in *Upper Canada*."

Clause 6, line 3. After "authority," insert "or Police Commissioners of Cities in *Upper Canada*."

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company*, and to provide for a reduction "of its capital stock," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

A Bill to repeal the Act 22 *Victoria*, chap. 119, and to make further provisions relating to the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Street*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, the following amendments were made to the Bill:—

Clause 7, leave out all the words after "Company," in line 4, to the word "into," in line 9. Line 10, after the word "Court," insert the following words: "In the first place, "towards unpaid Rights of Way and Depot and Station Grounds, in full, and thereafter by "pro rata distribution to the respective Bondholders and Creditors, in accordance with the "amounts and priorities established by the award, and, upon petition by the claimants, "verified by affidavits."

On motion of Mr. *Cockburn*, seconded by Mr. *Street*, the following amendments were made to the Bill:—

Clause 8, line 1.—After the word "paid," insert the following words: "into the "Court of Chancery." Leave out clause XII., and insert the following instead thereof:—

"The Company when so re-organized may enter into contracts for filling in *Rice* "Lake Bridge, for putting the Railway and Bridges into an efficient state of repair, and for "the purchase of rolling stock; and they may issue debentures and negotiate the same, or "pay them to the contractors or others employed. Such debentures shall not be for a less "sum than two hundred dollars respectively, and to be payable at such time or times, and "on such terms as the directors shall see fit. The whole amount to be issued shall not "exceed four hundred thousand dollars at any one time, and security may be given by "mortgage or otherwise over the Railway and rolling stock to secure such debentures, and "the company may from time to time make a lease or leases of the said Railway and of the "rolling stock."

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to make further provisions "relating to the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to enable Her Majesty's Imperial Government to construct lines of Telegraph in this Province for Military purposes, was, according to Order, read the third time.

A Bill to amend chap. 40 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, in relation to the imposition of fines on Emigrant Runners, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Emigrants and Quarantine."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Assembly, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the North-west Transportation, Navigation and Railway Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Starnes* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, as to the issue of Shop and Tavern Licenses in cities" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Starnes* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Starnes* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read as followeth:—

Page 1, line 18. After "grant," insert "certificates for."

Page 1, line 21. After "grant," insert "certificates for."

Page 1, line 41. After "no," insert "certificates for a."

Page 1, line 45. After "grant," insert "certificates for."

Page 2, line 2. After "twenty," insert "certificates for."

Page 2, line 25. Leave out from "and" where it occurs the first time, to "what" in line 28.

Page 2, line 31. Leave out from "to" to "Inspectors," in line 32.

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendments.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the First and Second Congregations of *Hinchinbrooke*, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church of North America.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to erect the Parish of *St. Pierre de Durham*, in the County of *Drummond*, into a separate Municipality."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to confirm certain side roads in the Township of *Scarborough*, and to provide for the defining of other road allowances, and lines in the said Township."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the provisions of chapter thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, with respect to the Bureau of Agriculture."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to empower the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay*, in the County of *Victoria*, to lease a portion of the Town plot called "Queen's Square" in the said Town."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned, and for other purposes."

And also, the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, "An Act incorporating the Synod of the Diocese of *Ontario*," without any amendment.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable *Moise Martin Mitivier* to undergo an examination for admission to practice medicine, "surgery, and midwifery," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And Also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Female Industrial School," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House ;

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable *Moise Martin Mitivier* to undergo "an examination for admission to practice medicine, surgery, and midwifery," and the same was read as followeth :

Page 1, line 10, leave out from "*America*" to "therefore."

The said amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Female Industrial School," and the same were read, as followeth :

Page 1, line 25, After "Province," iusert "so as the same does not exceed the annual value of Five Thousand Dollars."

Page 1, line 28, After "bequest," insert "so as the same does not exceed the like annual value of Five Thousand Dollars."

Page 1, line 29, Leave out "ten," and insert "seven."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to vest certain Real Estate of the late *William Campbell*, in "the hands of Trustees."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Arnprior*, in the County of *Renfrew*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Bill, intituled, "An Act respecting the survey of the third and fourth concessions "of the Township of *Crowland*, in the County of *Welland*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Lanark*, in the County of "*Lanark*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Town of *Lévis*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to annex the Township of *Aston* and part of the Township of "*Wendover* to the County of *Nicolet*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned relating to "the separation of the County of *Peel* from the County of *York* and for other purposes."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Massawippi Valley* Railway Company."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *New Edinburgh* and *Waterloo* Steam Ferry "Company."

Bill, intituled, "An Act further to amend the Charter of the Natural History Society "of *Montreal*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to grant further powers to the *London* and *Port Stanley* "Railway Company."

Bill, intituled, "An Act respecting the Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating and relating to the City of "Quebec."

On motion of Mr. *Crawford*, seconded by Mr. *Harcourt*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the West Riding of the County of *Elgin* Election Petition have leave to adjourn, until Friday next, at ten of the clock, in the forenoon, for the convenience of all parties concerned.

The House resumed the further consideration of the question which was, this day proposed, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and means.

And the question being put,

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And it being Six of the Clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, until half-past Seven of the clock this day, without a question first put.

Half-past Seven o' O'clock, P. M.

Mr. *Joly*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the United Counties of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, presented to the House the final Report of the said Committee, which was read, as follows:—

Your Committee having met this afternoon at 7½ o'clock, pursuant to adjournment, and the agent of the Petitioner having moved to withdraw his Petition, without costs, which motion was consented to by the Counsel for the sitting Member, it was therefore unanimously,

1st. *Resolved*, That *Jean Baptiste Eric Dorion*, Esquire, the sitting Member for the United Counties of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, was duly returned for the said United Counties.

2nd. *Resolved*, That neither the Petition nor the opposition to the same, is frivolous and vexatious, inasmuch as the withdrawal of the Petition has taken place with the consent of the Counsel for the sitting Member.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1st. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that in addition to the *ad valorem* Duties of Customs levied upon the following articles, under authority of chapter seventeen of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, (22 *Vict.* (1859) chaps. 2 and 16), the specific duties hereinafter mentioned to be levied on the said articles respectively, viz:

	Proposed Rate of Duty
Coffee, Green, Ground or Roasted	3 cts. per lb.
Molasses.....	5 cts. per gal.
Sugar, raw.....	2 cts. per lb.
Do. refined.....	3 cts. per lb.
Confectionary	3 cts. per lb.

That the duty on Tea, as now imposed by the sliding scale of the present Tariff, be repealed, and that in lieu thereof, the following specific and *ad valorem* duties be levied and collected on the said article, viz:—

Tea (Specific duty) 4 cts per lb.
 " (*ad valorem* duty) ... 15 per cent.

2. *Resolved*, That so much of schedule A of the said Act, as imposes a specific duty of 18 cents per gallon on Whiskey be repealed, and that in lieu of the duty so repealed, the following duty be imposed, levied, and collected, viz :—

GOODS PAYING SPECIFIC DUTIES.

Whiskey of any strength not exceeding the strength of proof by *Sykes'* hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength or less quantity than a gallon, for every gallon, Twenty-five cents per gallon.

3. *Resolved*, That a duty of ten cents per gallon be imposed upon Kerosine, Coal, and Petroleum Oil, distilled or refined.

That to the exemption from duty of customs mentioned in the existing Tariff, the following be added to the list of

FREE GOODS, VIZ :—

Scrap Brass ;

Drain tiles, for agricultural purposes ;

Silver or plated ware, Glassware, Chinaware, Table Linen and Cigars, imported specially by and for the use of any Regimental Mess of Officers of Her Majesty's Army, serving in *Canada*, under such regulations as may be determined by order in Council.

And inasmuch as doubts have arisen as to the scope of the following exemption in the existing Tariff, viz :—

"All importations for the use of Her Majesty's Army and Navy, serving in *Canada*, or for the public uses of the Province,"—it is declared that such importations are free only when the duty, otherwise payable thereon, would be paid or borne by the Treasury of the United Kingdom or of the Province.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to increase the duty on Spirits and Beer distilled and brewed in this Province, and on Licenses to Distillers, Rectifiers and Brewers.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the additional duty on Spirits distilled or made in this Province, be nine cents per wine gallon, of the strength of proof, and so in proportion for a greater or less strength than the strength of proof by *Sykes'* hydrometer.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the additional duty on Beer be two cents per wine gallon.

7. *Resolved*, The said additional duty shall take effect on and after such day as the Governor in Council shall by proclamation direct.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the additional duty on Licenses to Distillers and Rectifiers by any process other than by filtration, be one hundred and sixty dollars, making the total duty two hundred dollars ;

On Licenses to Distillers and Rectifiers by filtration only, sixty dollars, making the total duty one hundred dollars ;

On Licenses to Rectifiers by filtration, not being Distillers, sixty dollars, making the total duty one hundred dollars ;

On Licenses to Brewers, fifty dollars, making the total duty sixty dollars ;

The said additional duties to be payable on the next renewal of existing Licenses, or upon the taking out of any new License.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

And Mr. *Benjamin* reported that the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, this day.

Mr. *Benjamin*, from the Committee of Supply, reported several Resolutions which were read, as followeth :—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for continuation of Contract for deepening *Welland Canal* to *Lake Erie* level, for the year 1862.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for construction of Spare Gates on the *St. Lawrence Canals*, for the year 1862.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for completion of rock cut at *Lachine Canal*, for the year 1862.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Spare Gates and deepening entrance at *Grenville* on the *Carillon* and *Grenville Canal*, for the year 1862.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand Dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for repairs of Dam at *Hog's Back, Rideau Canal*, for the year 1862.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand Dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for extending improvements for Works on *Ottawa* and *Petawawa*, for the year 1862.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-three thousand, four hundred and twenty-one dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for completing *Eastern Canada* and *New Brunswick Road* by the *Matapedia*, for public purposes and military defence, forty-nine thousand one hundred dollars; for the *Temiscouata Road*, six thousand three hundred and twenty-one dollars; and for *Matane* and *Cape Chatte* and *Gaspé Roads*, eight thousand dollars, for the year 1862.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Surveys of Roads, Harbours and Navigations, for the year 1862.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Provincial Steamers employed in the protection of the Fisheries,—the service of the Light-houses, Buoys and Beacons under the *Trinity House, Quebec*, and the Postal Service to the Lower Ports, for the year 1862.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Rents and Repairs of Public Buildings, for the year 1862.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand Dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for re-building *Spencer Wood*, for the year 1862.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred thousand Dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the Public Buildings at *Ottawa*, for the year 1862.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the purchase of property for a Reformatory Prison at *St. Vincent*, as per contract, 21st December, 1861, Eighteen thousand dollars, and interest thereon, One thousand dollars, for the year 1862.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty for the additional grant towards Common Schools, for the year 1862.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the Militia, for the year 1862.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Drummond* have leave to bring in a Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government, and other purposes, for the year 1862, and for making good certain sums expended for the Public Service in the year 1861.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills without any amendment:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to separate the Townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* from the County of *Huron*, and to annex the same to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the construction of a Tram or Railroad from the Town of *Simcoe* to the Village of *Port Ryerse*, in the County of *Norfolk*."

And also, The Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, as to the issue of Shop and Tavern Licenses in Cities," without any amendment.

And also, The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to legalize a By-Law made and passed by the Town Council of the Corporation of the Town of *Perth*, in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, for raising a certain sum of money, therein mentioned," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act to incorporate the *Ramsay* Lead Mining and Smelting Company," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Soci t  de l'Union St. Pierre de Montr al*," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to define and extend the powers of the City and District Savings' Bank of *Montreal*," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, for the Roman Catholic Diocese of *Toronto*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Academy of *St. Paul's*, of *Aylmer*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of *Port Hope*," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Sisters of *St. Joseph, Guelph*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act further to amend the Act relating to the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway and for other purposes therein mentioned," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railroad Company, and to authorize the raising of new preferred stock for certain purposes," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration, the amendments made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act, to incorporate the *Ramsay* Lead Mining and Smelting Company," and the same were read, as followeth:—

Page 1, line 36, Leave out from "first" to "and," in line 37.

Page 1, line 37, After "lines" insert "and of the words fifty thousand pounds, currency," in the tenth and eleventh lines, and leave out "eight" and insert "eighth."

Page 1, line 38, After "pounds" insert "sterling," and in lieu of the word "twenty," in the fifth line of the said section of the said Act, the word "twelve."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railway Company, and to authorize the raising of new preferred stock, for certain purposes," and the same were read as followeth:—

Page 2, line 19, Leave out from "the" to "shall" in line 21, and insert "said *Canajohawaga* Trust Bonds."

Page 2, line 34, After "declared," insert "shall be."

Page 4, line 30, After "Act" insert Clause A.

Clause A. "The one hundred and ninth and one hundred and tenth sections of

the sixty-sixth chapter of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Railways" shall hereafter apply to the said Company, and any further enactments which the Legislature of this Province may hereafter make, for the carriage of the mail, or Her Majesty's Forces, and other persons and articles referred to in the said one hundred and ninth section, or the tolls therefor, or in any way respecting the use of any Electric Telegraph, or other service to be rendered to the Government, shall not be deemed an infringement of the privileges conferred, or intended to be conferred, by the said Acts of incorporation, or any of them, or by this Act."

In the Preamble of the Bill:—

Page 1, line 24, Leave from "givon" to "therefor," in line 27.

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, for the Roman Catholic Diocese of *Toronto*;" and the same were read, as followeth:—

Page 1, line 24. Leave out "eight," and insert "five."

Page 1, line 26. After "bequest," insert "so as the same does not exceed the like annual value of five thousand dollars."

Page 1, line 27. Leave out "ten" and insert "seven."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration, the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of *Port Hope*," and the same was read, as followeth:—

Page 1, line 13, Leave out from "years" to "this," in line 27.

The said amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to legalize a By-law made and passed by the Town Council of the Cooperation of the Town of *Perth*, in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, for raising a certain sum of money therein mentioned;" and the same were read as followeth:—

Page 1, line 27, Leave out from "had," where it occurs the first time, to "under."

Page 1, line 37, After "contained," insert "and provided further that this Act shall not have any force or effect unless, nor until the assent to its provisions of at least two-thirds in number of the ratepayers of the said Town, whose assessments shall, together, amount to more than one-half of the whole sum assessed in by the then last revised Assessment Roll of the said Town, shall have been first signified by them in writing over their own signatures, before witnesses, to the Mayor of the said Town, by him certified, under his hand and the seal of the said Town, to the Governor, and by His Excellency made public by a Proclamation in the *Canada Gazette*."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill, intituled, "An Act further to amend the Act relating to the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway, and for the purposes therein mentioned;" and the same was read as followeth:—

Page 4, line 37, after "contained," insert "and provided also, that, unless the new

“Company is formed, and the said transfer of the Railway is completed within three years from the passing of this Act, all the clauses of this Act relating to such new Company shall have no force or effect.”

The said amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Dunkin*, seconded by Mr. *Street*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence and documents having reference to the re-building of Spencer Wood.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, by the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, and Mr. *Kierzkowski*.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting the Militia, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

A Bill to amend the charter of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company, and to authorize the Corporation of the Town of *Niagara* to sell and convey their interest in the said Railroad, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Mr. *Street* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, and the question being put, that the Bill be amended by inserting between the words “equity” and “conveyed,” in the first clause, the words “between the Village of *Chippawa* and the said Town of “*Niagara*, according to the original survey of *Ira Spaulding*, Esquire.”

The House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Street* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, and the question being put, that the Bill be amended by adding the following words after the first clause:—

“Nothing herein contained shall confer upon the Corporation of the Town of *Niagara*, or on the said purchaser or purchasers, any other or greater right, title, or property in the wharves and works at *Niagara* than is now held by the said Corporation of the Town of *Niagara*, or by the said *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company; or confer or permit any rights on any portions of the Great Western Railway, nor shall affect any unpaid claims against the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company in respect of rights of way, whether for temporary or permanent occupations, which said last mentioned claims shall be a charge upon the said rights and property hereby authorized to be sold.”

The House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, “An Act to enable the Town of *Niagara* to dispose of its interests in the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad, and for other purposes.”

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, “An Act to incorporate the Société de l’Union St. *Pierre de Montréal*,” and the same was read, as followeth:—

Page 1, line 25. After “purposes,” insert “so as such property does not exceed in value the the annual sum of Five Thousand Dollars.”

The said amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That, towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty, the sum of \$3,230,936 38 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province.

2. *Resolved*, That, to enable the Consolidated Revenue Fund to meet the charges placed upon it by the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Governor in Council be authorized to raise, on the credit of the said Consolidated Fund, a sum not exceeding three millions of dollars, by the sale of Provincial Stock, or the issue of Provincial Debentures, or both, the proceeds of which shall form part of the said Fund.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Benjamin* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received, to-morrow.

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

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and for other purposes, being read ;

Mr. *Bell*, (of *Russell*), moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time ;

Mr. *Rankin* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Ferguson*, that all the words after "now," to the end of the question, be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the same, by adding the following words at the end of the first clause : 'Provided always, that no postal or other contract or agreement shall be entered into between the Provincial Government and the Company, which shall be binding for a period of more than three years from the date thereof; and that no payment shall be made on account of such contract or agreement, till the service has been performed for which such payment has become due.'"

And the House having continued to sit until after Twelve of the Clock, on Friday morning ;

Friday, 6th June, 1862.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Anderson</i> ,	<i>DeBoucherville</i> ,	<i>Gagnon</i> ,	<i>O'Halloran</i> ,
<i>Archambault</i> ,	<i>DeCazes</i> ,	<i>Gaudet</i> ,	<i>Poupore</i> ,
<i>Beaudreau</i> ,	<i>Denis</i> ,	<i>Hébert</i> ,	<i>Prévost</i> ,
<i>Biggar</i> ,	<i>Desaulniers</i> ,	<i>Jones</i> ,	<i>Rankin</i> ,
<i>Bourassa</i> ,	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre</i> ,	<i>Labrèche-Viger</i> ,	<i>Ross, J. J.</i> ,
<i>Brousseau</i> ,	<i>Dufresne, Joseph</i> ,	<i>Langevin</i> ,	<i>Scatcherd</i> , and
<i>Bureau</i> ,	<i>Falkner</i> ,	<i>Mongenais</i> ,	<i>Tassé</i> .—30.
<i>Burwell</i> ,	<i>Ferguson</i> ,		

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Alleyn</i> ,	<i>Connor</i> ,	<i>Knight</i> ,	<i>Robinson</i> ,
<i>Ault</i> ,	<i>Cowan</i> ,	<i>Macbeth</i> ,	<i>Robitaille</i> ,
<i>Baby</i> ,	<i>Crawford</i> ,	<i>Macdonald, D. A.</i> ,	<i>Rose</i> ,
<i>Bell (North Lanark)</i> ,	<i>Dawson</i> ,	<i>Mackenzie</i> ,	<i>Ross, J. S.</i> ,
<i>Bell, (Russell)</i>	<i>Dickson</i> ,	<i>McKellar</i> ,	<i>Scott</i> ,
<i>Benjamin</i> ,	<i>Dorion</i> ,	<i>Morris</i> ,	<i>Sherwood</i> ,
<i>Blanchet</i> ,	<i>Drummond</i> ,	<i>Morrison</i> ,	<i>Smith</i> ,
<i>Buchanan</i> ,	<i>Dunsford</i> ,	<i>Morton</i> ,	<i>Starnes</i> ,
<i>Cameron, J. H.</i> ,	<i>Fournier</i> ,	<i>Mowat</i> ,	<i>Street</i> ,

Cameron, M. C.,
Carling,
Cartier,
Cauchon,
Chapais,
Cockburn,

Galt,
Houltain,
Huot,
Jackson,
Jobin,
Joly,

Munro,
Patrick,
Pope,
Portman,
Rémillard,

Taschereau,
Wallbridge,
Walsh,
White, and
Wright.—58.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main Question being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Mr. Bell, (of Russell,) moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Cartier, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be amended by inserting, in the 23rd line of the first clause, the words, "or holders of Notarial Mortgages registered in Lower Canada."

Mr. Dunkin moved, seconded by Mr. Powell, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn ;

The House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Wallbridge moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Loranger, and the Question being put, that the Bill be amended by inserting the following clause after clause 38 :—

Clause 39.—"This Act shall not take effect unless accepted by a majority consisting of two-thirds in number and amount of the bond and shareholders of the Company, present in person or by proxy at a meeting of such bond and shareholders, to be held on or before the 1st September, 1862, in London, England, after such notice, in England and Canada, as by the existing rules of the Company, would be sufficient for the calling of a meeting of the Company, the objects of such meeting being especially set forth in such notice ; and at such meeting bondholders may be represented by proxies, in the form and according to the rules now in force respecting shareholders, and the certificate in writing of the Chairman of such meeting, shall be taken as *prima facie* proof of its acceptance by such bond and shareholders, such certificate to be filed in the office of the Provincial Secretary of Canada, and certified copies by said Secretary shall be taken and considered in all Courts of Law and Equity in this Province, as sufficient *prima facie* evidence of the contents thereof."

The House divided: and the names being called, for they were taken down as follow :—

Yeas :

Messieurs

Alley,
Archambault,
Baby,
Bell (North Lanark),
Bell (Russell),
Benjamin,
Blanchet,
Bourassa,
Buchanan,
Bureau,
Cameron, J. H.,
Cameron, M. C.,
Carling,
Cartier,
Cauchon,

Cockburn,
Connor,
Cowan,
Crawford,
Désaulniers,
Dickson,
Dorton,
Drummond,
Dufresne, Alexandre,
Dufresne, Joseph,
Dunsford,
Falkner,
Fournier,
Galt,
Huot,

Jackson,
Jobin,
Joly,
Knight,
Labreche-Viger,
Loranger,
Macbeth,
Macdonald, D. A.,
Mackenzie,
McKellar,
Morrison,
Morton,
Mowatt,
Munro,
Pope,

Portman,
Robinson,
Robitaille,
Ross, J. J.,
Scatcherd,
Scott,
Starnes,
Street,
Taschereau,
Tassé,
Wallbridge,
Walsh,
White, and
Wright,—59.

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Ault,</i>	<i>DeBoucherville,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>DeCazes,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Rankin, and</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Ross, J. S.—19.</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

On motion of Mr. *Bell*, (of *Russell*,) seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, the Bill was further amended as followeth :—

Clause 1, line 7.—After “Company,” insert, “or holders of Notarial Mortgages, registered in *Lower Canada*.”

Clause 22, line 6.—After “interest,” insert, “of Notarial Mortgages, registered in *Lower Canada*.”

Mr. *Bell*, (of *Russell*,) moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, and the question being proposed, that the Bill do now pass ;

Mr. *Rankin* moved, in amendment to the question, seconded by Mr. *Denis*, that the word “now” be left out, and the words “this day six months” added at the end thereof.

The House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Boudreau,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Ross, J. J.,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Ross, J. S., and</i>
<i>DeBoucherville,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>	<i>Tassé.—22.</i>
<i>DeCazes,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>		

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Alleyn,</i>	<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Portman,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark,)</i>	<i>Cranford,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell,)</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Scott,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Buchanan,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Taschereau,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>White, and</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Morton,</i>	<i>Wright.—49.</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>			

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main question being put,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*,

The House adjourned.

Friday, 6th June, 1862.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, monthly statement of La Banque du Peuple, up to 31st May, 1862. (*Sessional Papers, No. 9.*)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that the Clerk of this House had received, from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the following certificate :—

PROVINCE OF CANADA.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-sixth day of May last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Sheriff of the City of *Montreal*, (*A. M. Delisle*, Esquire), Returning Officer, *ex officio*, for the Electoral Division of *Montreal West*, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral Division in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *Thomas D'Arcy McGee*, who, since his election as the Representative of the said Electoral Division, had accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit, the office of President of the Executive Council of this Province, the Honorable *Thomas D'Arcy McGee* has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return of the said Writ of Election, dated the fifth day of June, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, }
Quebec, 6th June, 1862. }

R. L. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

To WILLIAM BURNS LINDSAY, Esquire,
Clerk, Legislative Assembly,
Quebec.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act to provide for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act to provide for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*," and the same was read as followeth :—

Page 1, line 31.—After "Vessel," insert "But no such By-law shall be valid until it shall receive the sanction of His Excellency the Governor General in Council, in the manner pointed out by the fifth sub-section of the fourth clause of the Act recited in the first clause of this Act."

The said amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

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

Of the *Howard* Division, No. 1, Sons of Temperance, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Louth*, County of *Lincoln*; praying to be relieved from the operation of section 342, sub-section 8 of chapter 54 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, under which they are required to keep in repair the *Queenston* and *Grimsby* Road.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Nassagaweya*, County of *Halton*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize the investment by them of their portion of the Clergy Reserve Fund, in Mortgages on Real Estate, for the benefit of Schools within their Municipality.

Of *W. Bowen* and others; praying for a grant of money, for the purpose of surveying and building a Canal between the head waters of the Bay of *Quinte* and Lake *Ontario*.

The Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the South Riding of the County of *Leeds*, informed the House that *Daniel McLachlin*, Esquire, a member of the Committee, was not present within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the said Committee this day.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, seconded by Mr. *Kierzkowski*,
Ordered, That *Daniel McLachlin*, Esquire, do attend in his place, in this House, to-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, seconded by Mr. *Patrick*,
Ordered, That the Select Committee on the East Riding of the County of *Durham* Election Petition, have leave to adjourn until Friday next, the 13th day of June, instant, at 10 o'clock, A. M., for the convenience of all parties concerned.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Academy of *St. Paul's*, of *Aylmer*," and the same were read, as followeth:—

Page 1, line 24, after "Academy," insert "not exceeding the annual value of five thousand dollars."

Page 1, line 26, after "aforesaid," insert "so as the same does not exceed the like annual value of five thousand dollars."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, of *Guelph*," and the same were read, as followeth:—

Page 1, line 24, after "Province," insert "not exceeding the annual value of five thousand dollars."

Page 1, line 26, after "therein," insert "so as the same does not exceed the like annual value of five thousand dollars."

Page 2, line 15, leave out from "Corporation" to "The," in line 25.

Page 1, line 28, leave out "ten," and insert "seven."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to define and extend the powers of the City and District Savings Bank of *Montreal*," and the same was read, as followeth:—

Page 8, line 31. After "investigation," insert "and in case of any mis-statement of the financial position of such Bank is made, in any such annual statement, the Directors thereof, for the time being, concurring in such report or statement, shall be personally liable to the depositors in such Bank, for the amount of their deposits therein, and provided always that nothing in this Act shall exempt the said City and District Savings Bank of *Montreal* from the operation of any general law, which may at any time hereafter be enacted for the better regulation and management of Savings Banks in this Province."

The said amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

Resolved, That the Bill to enable Her Majesty's Imperial Government to construct lines of Telegraph in this Province for Military purposes, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Bureau*, from the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the Colonization of the Wild Lands in *Lower Canada*, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix No. 1.*)

Ordered, That fifteen hundred copies in French and five hundred copies in English of the said Report, together with all letters and documents thereunto appended, be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the Members of this House.

Mr. *Benjamin*, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported several Resolutions which were read as followeth:—

1. *Resolved*.—That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty, the sum of \$3,230,936 38 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province.

2. *Resolved*.—That to enable the Consolidated Revenue Fund to meet the charges placed upon it by the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Governor in Council be authorized to raise, on the credit of the said Consolidated Fund, a sum not exceeding three millions of dollars, by the sale of Provincial Stock, or the issue of Provincial Debentures, or both, the proceeds of which shall form part of the said Fund.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that in addition to the *ad valorem* Duties of Customs levied upon the following articles, under authority of chapter seventeen of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, (22 *Vict.* 1859, chaps. 2 and 16), the specific duties hereinafter mentioned be levied on the said articles respectively, viz :

Coffee, Green, Ground or Roasted.....	3 cts. per lb.
Molasses.....	5 cts. per gal.
Sugar, raw.....	2 cts. per lb.
Do. refined.....	3 cts. per lb.
Confectionary.....	3 cts. per lb.

That the duty on Tea, as now imposed by the sliding scale of the present *Tariff*, be repealed, and that in lieu thereof, the following specific and *ad valorem* duties be levied and collected on the said article, viz :—

Tea (Specific duty), 4 cts per lb.; (*ad valorem duty*), 15 per cent.

4. *Resolved*, That so much of schedule A of the said Act, as imposes a specific duty of 18 cents per gallon on Whiskey be repealed, and that in lieu of the duty so repealed, the following duty be imposed, levied, and collected, viz :—

GOODS PAYING SPECIFIC DUTIES.

Whiskey of any strength not exceeding the strength of proof by *Sykes'* hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength or less quantity than a gallon, for every gallon, Twenty-five cents per gallon.

5. *Resolved*, That a duty of ten cents per gallon be imposed upon Kerosine, Coal, and Petroleum Oil, distilled or refined.

That to the exemption from duty of customs mentioned in the existing *Tariff*, the following be added to the list of

FREE GOODS, VIZ :—

Scrap Brass ;

Drain tiles, for agricultural purposes ;

Silver or plated ware, Glassware, Chinaware, Table Linen and Cigars, imported specially by and for the use of any Regimental Mess of Officers of Her Majesty's Army, serving in *Canada*, under such regulations as may be determined by order in Council.

And inasmuch as doubts have arisen as to the scope of the following exemption in the existing *Tariff*, viz :—“ All importations for the use of Her Majesty's Army and Navy, serving in *Canada*, or for the public uses of the Province,”—it is declared that such importations are free only when the duty, otherwise payable thereon, would be paid or borne by the Treasury of the United Kingdom or of the Province.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to increase the duty on Spirits and Beer distilled and brewed in this Province, and on Licenses to Distillers, Rectifiers and Brewers.

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the additional duty on Spirits distilled or made in this Province, be nine cents per wine gallon, of the strength of proof, and so in proportion for a greater or less strength than the strength of proof by *Sykes'* hydrometer.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the additional duty on Beer be two cents per wine gallon.

9. *Resolved*, The said additional duty shall take effect on and after such day as the Governor in Council shall by proclamation direct.

10. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the additional duty on Licenses to Distillers and Rectifiers by any process other than by filtration, be one hundred and sixty dollars, making the total duty two hundred dollars;

On Licenses to Distillers and Rectifiers by filtration only, sixty dollars, making the total duty one hundred dollars;

On Licenses to Rectifiers by filtration, not being Distillers, sixty dollars, making the total duty one hundred dollars;

On Licenses to Brewers, fifty dollars, making the total duty sixty dollars;

The said additional duties to be payable on the next renewal of existing Licenses, or upon the taking out of any new License.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time.

The First to the Sixth of the said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Sixth Resolution, being read a second time, as followeth:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to increase the Duty on Spirits and Beer distilled and brewed in this Province, and on Licenses to Distillers, Rectifiers and Brewers.

And the question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The Honorable Mr. *Galt* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, That all the words after "That," to the end of the question, be left out, and the words, "the said duties of excise shall come into force upon the passing of this Act," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas:

Messieurs

<i>Alleyn,</i>	<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Ross, J. J.,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Knight,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. A.</i>	<i>Sylvain, and</i>
<i>Cameron, J. H.,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Walsh.—31.</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morin,</i>	

Nays:

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>DeBoucherville,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>
<i>Bell (North Lanark,)</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>

<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>McKenzie,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>McCann,</i>	<i>Wallbridge, and</i>
<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Wright.—56.</i>

So it passed in the Negative.

And the question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The Honorable Mr. *Cauchon* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, "That all the words after "that" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the Report of the Committee be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amending the same, by inserting the words 'three cents' for the words 'five cents,' in the second item of the first Resolution," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Alley,</i>	<i>Buchanan,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. A.,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cameron, J. H.,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Morin,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Ross, J. J.,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Sherwood, and</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Simard.—32.</i>

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark,)</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Labreche-Viger,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>	<i>Wallbridge,</i>
<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>White, and</i>
<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>	<i>Wright.—53.</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>			

So it passed in the Negative,

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The Honorable Mr. *Cauchon* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, That all the words after "that" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the Report of the Committee be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amending the same, by inserting the words 'two cents,' for the words "three cents," in the fourth item of the first Resolution," inserted instead thereof.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Morin.—7.</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Galt,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. A. and</i>	

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>DeBoucherville,</i>	<i>Hébert,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>DeCazes,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>O'Halloran,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark,)</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Ross, J. J.,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Buchanan,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Cameron, J. H.,</i>	<i>Falkner,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Mc Cann,</i>	<i>Street,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sylvain,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Walbridge,</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>White, and</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Harcourt,</i>	<i>Morrison,</i>	<i>Wright,—77.</i>
<i>Crawford,</i>			

So it passed in the Negative.

And the question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution ;

Mr. *Joseph Dufresne* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Prévost*, That all the words after "That," to the end of the question, be left out, and the words "the Report of the "Committee be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the purpose of "amending the same, by leaving out the specific duties of four cents per pound on tea," inserted instead thereof.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being for, they were taken down as follow :—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>
<i>Beaudreau,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Joseph</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Ross, J., and</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Mongenais,</i>	<i>Simard,—17.</i>

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Alley,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>DeBoucherville,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark,)</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Ross, John S.,</i>
<i>Biggar,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. A.,</i>	<i>Ryerson,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Macdonald, D. A.,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>

Bureau,
Burwell,
Cameron, J. H.,
Cameron, M. C.,
Carling,
Cartier,
Cockburn,
Connor,
Cowen,

Fallner,
Fortier,
Gagnon,
Galt,
Harcourt,
Haultain,
Hébert,
Huot,
Jackson,

Mackenzie,
McCann,
McKellar,
Morris,
Morrison,
Mowat,
Munro,
O'Halloran,
Patrick,

Simpson,
Smith,
Starnes,
Sylvain,
Wallbridge,
Walsh,
White, and
Wright,—67.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then, the main question being put,

Resolved, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution.

And the remaining Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Drummond* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting Duties of Customs, and the collection thereof.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Drummond* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting Duties of Excise on Distillers and Brewers, and Spirits and Beer made by them, and to increase the said duties.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government, and other purposes, for the year 1862, and for making good certain sums expended for the Public Service, in the year 1861, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and ordered to be read the third time, this day.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 30th ultimo, for divers statements of the Revenue Inspector of the District of *Iberville*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 30.)

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Bill respecting the Militia, being read;

Mr. *Haultain* moved, seconded by Mr. *Rankin*, and the question being proposed,

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair.

And it being One of the Clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, until Four of the Clock this day, without a question first put.

4 o'Clock, P.M.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Return from the Registrar of the County of *Leeds*, of the fees and emoluments received during the year ending the 31st December, 1861, in compliance with the 76th sec., chap 89, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 7.)

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By the Honorable Mr. *Carling*,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Huron* and others, of the City of *London*.

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

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hébertville*; praying aid for a road.

Of *James Durand*, Registrar, County of *Frontenac*; praying for compensation for losses sustained in consequence of the separation of the City of *Kingston* from the County of *Frontenac*.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 4th instant, for copies of Despatches relative to the supply of Arms for the use of the Volunteer or Militia Forces in the Province. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 17.)

Ordered, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Mowat*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Twenty-first Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee are desirous, before closing their labors for the Session, of submitting to your Honorable House the expediency of making certain slight alterations in the Rules relative to Private Bills, which, while involving little or no change in the practice, will have the effect of laying down and defining the same more distinctly, and of providing, moreover, for the protection of parties whose interests may be affected by Private Bill Legislation. The proposed alterations will also have the effect of more closely assimilating the practice of the two Houses. They are as follow:—

RULE 51.—Expunge the words, “the following notice be published,” and insert, in lieu thereof, the words, “a notice clearly and distinctly specifying the nature and object of the application, to be published as follows.”

RULE 53.—After “complied with,” insert the following, “and in every case where notice shall prove to have been insufficient, either as regards the petition as a whole, or any matter therein which ought to have been specially referred to in the notice, the Committee shall recommend to the House the course to be taken in consequence of such insufficiency of notice.”

RULE 51.—After the words “Private Bill,” insert the words “originating in this House.” After the word “Lobby,” insert the words “nor in the case of any such Bill originating in the Legislative Council, until after twenty-four hours like notice.”

RULE 69.—Expunge the word “technical,” and insert the words “verbal or unimportant,” in lieu thereof.

Insert a new Rule after Rule 68, as follows:—

“No important amendment shall be proposed to any Private Bill in Committee of the whole House, or at the third reading of the Bill, unless one day’s notice of the same shall have been given.”

Your Committee would also recommend that, as the Private Bill Rules (if amended in accordance with the foregoing suggestions) will be identical with those of the Legislative Council, it is desirable that they should have the same numbers, to effect which, it will merely be necessary to transpose the 73rd and 74th Rules (relative to Parliamentary Agents) and insert them before the Rules relating to Private Bills, which will have the effect of bringing the latter under the same numbers as those of the Legislative Council relative to Private Bills.

Your Committee report herewith the whole of the Rules embodying the proposed amendments:—

RULES RELATIVE TO PRIVATE BILLS.

49. Every Parliamentary Agent conducting proceedings before the Legislative Assembly shall be personally responsible to The House and to The Speaker for the observance of the Rules, Orders, and practice of Parliament, and Rules prescribed by The Speaker,

and also for the payment of all fees and charges; and he shall not practise as Parliamentary Agent until he shall have received the express sanction and authority of The Speaker.

50. Any Agent who shall wilfully act in violation of the Rules and practice of Parliament, or any Rule to be prescribed by the Speaker, or who shall wilfully misconduct himself in prosecuting any proceedings before Parliament, shall be liable to an absolute or temporary prohibition to practise as a Parliamentary Agent, at the pleasure of The Speaker; provided that upon the application of such Agent, The Speaker shall state in writing the ground for such prohibition.

51. No Petition for any Private Bill is received by The House after the first three weeks of each Session; nor may any Private Bill be presented to The House after the first four weeks of each Session; nor may any Report of any Standing or Select Committee upon a Private Bill be received after the first six weeks of each Session.

52. The Clerk of The House shall, during each Recess of Parliament, publish weekly in the *Official Gazette*, the following Rules, respecting Notices of intended applications for Private Bills; and in other newspapers (English and French) the substance thereof; and shall also, immediately after the issue of the Proclamation convening Parliament for the despatch of business, publish in the *Official Gazette* and in other Provincial newspapers as aforesaid, until the opening of Parliament, the day on which the time limited for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire, pursuant to the foregoing Rule; and the Clerk shall also announce, by notice affixed in the Committee Rooms and Lobbies of the House, by the first day of every Session, the times limited for receiving Petitions for Private Bills, and Private Bills, and Reports thereon.

53. All applications for Private Bills, whether for the erection of a Bridge, the making of a Railroad, Turnpike Road, or Telegraph Line; the construction or improvement of a Harbor, Canal, Lock, Dam, or Slide, or other like work; the granting of a right of Ferry; the construction of works for supplying Gas or Water; the incorporation of any particular Profession or Trade, or of any Banking or other Joint Stock Company; the incorporation of a City, Town, Village or other Municipality; the levying of any local assessment; the division of any County, for purposes other than that of Representation in Parliament, or of any Township; the removal of the Site of a County Town, or of any Local Offices; the regulation of any Common; the re-survey of any Township, Line, or Concession, or otherwise for granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties, or relate to any particular class of the community; or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former Act,—shall require a Notice, clearly and distinctly specifying the nature and object of the application, to be published as follows, viz:—

In *Upper Canada*—A Notice inserted in the *Official Gazette*, and in one newspaper published in the County, or Union of Counties, affected, or if there be no paper published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest County in which a newspaper is published.

In *Lower Canada*—A notice inserted in the *Official Gazette*, in the English and French languages, and in one newspaper in the English, and one newspaper in the French language, in the District affected, or in both languages if there be but one paper; or if there be no paper published therein, then (in both languages) in the official *Gazettee*, and in a paper published in an adjoining District.

Such Notices shall be continued in each case for a period of at least two months, during the interval of time between the close of the next preceding Session and the consideration of the Petition.

54. Before any Petition praying for leave to bring in a Private Bill for the erection of a Toll Bridge, is presented to The House, the person or persons intending to petition for such Bill, shall, upon giving the Notice prescribed by the preceding Rule, also, at the same time, and in the same manner, give notice of the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of rafts and vessels, and mentioning also whether they intend to erect a draw-bridge or not, and the dimensions of the same.

55. Petitions for Private Bills, when received by The House, are to be taken into consideration (without special reference) by the Committee on Standing Orders; which is

to report in each case, whether the Rules with regard to Notice have been complied with ; and in every case where the Notice shall prove to have been insufficient, either as regards the Petition as a whole, or any matter therein which ought to have been specially referred to in the Notice, the Committee is to recommend to The House the course to be taken in consequence of such insufficiency of Notice.

56. All Private Bills from the Legislative Council (not being based on a Petition which has already been so reported on by the Committee) shall be first taken into consideration and reported on by the said Committee in like manner, after the First Reading of such Bills.

57. No Motion for the suspension of the Rules upon any Petition for a Private Bill is entertained, unless the same has been reported upon by the Committee on Standing Orders.

58. All Private Bills are introduced on Petition, and presented to The House upon a motion for leave, after such Petition has been favorably reported on by the Committee on Standing Orders.

59. When any Bill for confirming Letters Patent is presented to The House, a true copy of such Letters Patent must be attached to it.

60. The expenses and costs attending on Private Bills giving any exclusive privilege, or for any object of profit, or private, corporate, or individual advantage ; or for amending, extending, or enlarging any former Acts, in such manner as to confer additional powers, ought not to fall on the public ; accordingly the parties seeking to obtain any such Bill, shall be required to pay into the Private Bill Office the sum of sixty dollars, immediately after the Second Reading thereof : and all such Bills shall be prepared in the English and French languages, by the parties applying for the same, and printed by the Contractor for printing the Bills of The House, and 350 copies thereof in English shall be deposited in the Private Bill Office, with 200 copies in French also, of such Bills as relate to *Lower Canada*, before the Second Reading ; and no such Bill shall be read a Third time until a Certificate from the Queen's Printer shall have been filed with The Clerk, that the cost of printing 500 copies of the Act in English and 250 in French, for the Government, has been paid to him.

The Fee payable on the Second Reading of any Private Bill, is paid only in the House in which such Bill originates, but the cost of printing the same is paid in each House.

61. Every Private Bill, when read a Second time, is referred to The Committee on Private Bills, if any such shall have been appointed, or to some other Standing Committee of the same character ; and all Petitions before The House for or against the Bill are considered as referred to such Committee.

62. No Committee on any Private Bill originating in this House, of which Notice is required to be given, is to consider the same until after a week's notice of the Sitting of such Committee has been first affixed in the Lobby ; nor, in the case of any such Bill originating in the Legislative Council, until after twenty-four hours' like notice.

63. A copy of the Bill, containing the Amendments proposed to be submitted to the Standing Committee, is deposited in the Private Bill Office, one clear day before the meeting of the Committee thereupon.

64. All persons whose interests or property may be affected by any Private Bill, shall, when required so to do, appear before the Standing Committee touching their consent, or may send such consent in writing, proof of which may be demanded by such Committee. And in every case, the Committee upon any Bill for incorporating a Company, may require proof that the persons whose names appear in the Bill as composing the Company, are of full age, and in a position to effect the objects contemplated, and have consented to be incorporated.

65. All questions before Committees on Private Bills are decided by a majority of voices, including the voice of the Chairman ; and whenever the voices are equal, the Chairman has a second or casting vote.

66. It is the duty of the Select Committee to which any Private Bill may be referred by The House, to call the attention of The House specially to any provision inserted in such Bill that does not appear to have been contemplated in the Notice for the same, as reported upon by the Committee on Standing Orders.

67. The Committee to which a Private Bill may have been referred, report "the

same" to The House, in every case; and when any material alteration, has taken place in the Preamble of the Bill, such alteration, together with the reasons for the same, are to be stated in the Report.

68. When the Committee on any Private Bill report to The House that the Preamble of such Bill has not been proved to their satisfaction, they must also state the grounds upon which they have arrived at such a decision; and no Bill so reported on shall be placed upon the Orders of the Day, unless by special order of The House.

69. The Chairman of the Committee shall sign, with his name at length, a printed copy of the Bill, on which the amendments are fairly written, and shall also sign with the initials of his name, the several Amendments made and Clauses added in Committee; and another copy of the Bill, with the Amendments written thereon, shall be prepared by the Clerk of the Committee, and filed in the Private Bill Office, or attached to the Report.

70. No important Amendment may be proposed to any Private Bill, in a Committee of the Whole House, or at the third reading of the Bill, unless one day's Notice of the same shall have been given.

71. When any Private Bill is returned from the Legislative Council with amendments, the same not being merely verbal or unimportant, such amendments are, previous to the Second Reading, referred to the Standing Committee to which such Bill was originally referred.

72. Except in cases of urgent and pressing necessity, no motion may be made to dispense with any Standing Order relative to Private Bills, without due notice thereof.

73. A Book, to be called the "Private Bill Register," shall be kept in a room to be called "The Private Bill Office," in which Book shall be entered, by the Clerk appointed for the business of that Office, the name, description and place of residence, of the parties applying for the Bill, or of their agent, and all the proceedings thereon, from the Petition to the passing of the Bill; such entry to specify briefly each proceeding in The House, or in any Committee to which the Bill or Petition may be referred, and the day on which the Committee is appointed to sit. Such Book to be open to public inspection daily, during Office hours.

74. The Clerk of the Private Bill Office shall prepare, daily, lists of all Private Bills, and Petitions for such Bills upon which any Committee is appointed to sit, specifying the time of meeting, and the room where the Committee shall sit; and the same shall be hung up in the Lobby.

Resolved, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Report.

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* reported, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, that they had, on motion of the Honorable *J. H. Cameron*, as Counsel for the Petitioner, and with the consent of the sitting Member,

Ordered, That the lists of votes objected to be delivered to the Chairman within twenty-four hours after the next meeting of Parliament.

The Honorable Mr. *Loranger* presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 4th instant, for copies of any Order in Council that may have been passed on the subject of providing Arms for the defence of the Province,—and also, for copies of all Despatches that may have passed in relation to the same,—and also, upon the subject of the Report of the Militia Commission. (*Sessional Papers, No. 17.*)

Ordered, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *White*,

Ordered, That the Fee of Fifteen Pounds paid on the Bill for the relief of certain persons, alleged subscribers to the Stock Books under the original Act incorporating the *Peterborough and Port Hope Railway Company*, be refunded.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mowat*,

Ordered, That the Fee of Fifteen Pounds paid on the Bill to alter and amend the Act of incorporation of the Provident Life Assurance Company, be refunded.

On motion of Mr. Scott, seconded by Mr. Poupore,

Ordered, That the Fee of Fifteen Pounds paid on the Bill to authorize the Courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas and Chancery for *Upper Canada*, to admit *Hugh McMahon* to practice as an Attorney and Solicitor therein respectively, be refunded.

A Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government and other purposes, for the year 1862, and for making good certain sums expended for the Public Service in the year 1861, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting Duties of Excise on Distillers and Brewers, and Spirits and Beer made by them, and to increase the said Duties, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

The House resumed the further consideration of the Question, which was this day proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, (for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend an Act respecting the Militia.)

And the Question being put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair,

The House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And it being Six of the Clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, until Half-past Seven of the Clock this day, without a question first put.

Half-past Seven o'Clock, P. M.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend chapters seventy-seven, forty and forty-five, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada* in matters of appeal, and chapter eighty-three of the same Consolidated Statutes in matters of procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend chapter one hundred and five of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled, 'An Act respecting Petty Trespasses in *Upper Canada*.'"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend and amend the provisions of chapters thirty-six and thirty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, with respect to the Registration of Titles to, and the removal of incumbrances upon, real estate in *Lower Canada*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act for the relief of the representatives of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act, intituled, 'An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu Company*.'"

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Terrebonne Turnpike Road Company*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of certain Turnpike Roads in *Isle Jésus*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Provincial Duty on Tavern Licenses," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of certain Turnpike Roads in *Isle Jésus*," and the same were read, as followeth:—

Page 11, line 27. After "mile" insert, "and for every vehicle belonging to any resident in the said Parish of *Ste. Rose*, when employed going to the North of the said County for wood, or returning loaded therewith, one half of the above rates respectively."

Page 12, line 9. After "roads" insert "and provided also, that no toll shall be exacted from any person passing on the said roads, within the limits of the parish where he resides."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Provincial duty on Tavern Licenses," and the same were read, as followeth:—

Page 1, line 32. Leave out from "regulations" to "in" where it occurs the second time, and insert, "made by such Board of Commissioners of Police."

Page 1, line ult. Leave out from "*Canada*" to "shall," in page 2, line 1.

Page 2, line 20. Leave out from "authority" to "or," in line 21.

Page 2, line ult. After "repealed," insert Clause A.

Clause A. "Any officer or person who issues a license, or a certificate for a license, contrary to the provisions of this Act, or of any other Act or Law in force in this Province, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall pay a fine of not less than forty, nor more than one hundred dollars, or may be imprisoned for a period not exceeding thirty days, or both, at the discretion of the Court."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Terrebonne* Turnpike Road Company," and the same were read, as followeth:—

Page 2, line 1. After "farms," insert "along the lines or concession lines thereof."

Page 2, line 3. Leave out from "Ecores" to "In" in line 5.

Page 2, line 14. After "*St. François*," insert "to the *Viau* Bridge."

Page 12, line 32. After "mile," insert "and for every vehicle belonging to any resident in the Parish of *St. Vincent de Paul*, when employed going to the North of the said County for wood, or returning loaded therewith, one half of the above rates respectively."

Page 18, line 24. After "indicted," insert "before any Court of General Quarter Sessions."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendments:—
Bill, intituled, "An Act for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and for other purposes."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to make further provisions relating to the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Emigrants and Quarantine."

And also, The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable the Town of *Niagara* to dispose of its interests in the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad, and "for other purposes, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable the Town of *Niagara* to dispose of its interests in the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad, and for other purposes," and the same "was read as followeth:—

Page 1, line 25. After "priorities," insert "Clause A."

Clause A. "Nothing herein contained shall confer upon the Corporation of the Town of *Niagara*, or on the said purchaser or purchasers, any other or greater right, title or property, in the wharfs and works at *Niagara*, than is now held by the said Corporation of the Town of *Niagara*, or by the said *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company, or confer and permit any rights on any portions of the Great Western Railway, nor shall affect any unpaid claims against the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company, in respect of rights of way, whether for temporary or permanent occupation, which said last mentioned claims shall be a charge upon the said rights and property hereby authorized to be sold."

The said amendments, being read a second time,

And the Question being put, that this House doth agree with the Legislative Council in the said amendment.

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Simpson*, the Honorable *John A. Macdonald*, and Mr. *Cockburn*, be appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered at a Conference with the Legislative Council, for disagreeing to the said amendment.

Mr. *Simpson*, from the Select Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered to the Legislative Council, at a Conference for disagreeing to the amendment made by their Honors to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable the Town of *Niagara* to dispose of its interests in the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad, and for other purposes," reported, that the Committee had drawn up Reasons accordingly, which were read, as followeth:—

1st. Because the Bill, as it passed the Legislative Assembly, merely conferred power on the mortgagees to sell their equities.

2nd. Because the amendment of the Legislative Council gives precedence to judgment and other creditors of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company, for debts created after the mortgages were executed, and thus without reasonable cause diminishes the value of the mortgages.

The Honorable *Thomas D'Arcy McGee*, Member for the Electoral Division of *Montreal West*, having previously taken the oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

Mr. *Simpson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Matthew O. Cameron*, and the Question being proposed, that this House doth concur in the Report of the Select Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered to the Legislative Council, at a Conference, for disagreeing to the amendment made by their Honors, to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable the Town of *Niagara* to dispose of its interests in the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad, and for other purposes."

Mr. *Street* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable *John A. Macdonald*, that all the words after "concur" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "in the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable the Town of *Niagara* to dispose of its interests in the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad, and for other purposes," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

Yeas :

Messieurs

<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark,)</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexander,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Fallner,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Cameron, J. H.</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Mc Gee,</i>	<i>Street, and</i>
<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>White.—31.</i>
<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	

Nays :

Messieurs

<i>Baby,</i>	<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. A.,</i>
<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>
<i>Bell, (Russell,)</i>	<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Ross, J. J.,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>De Cazes,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.,</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Simpson, and</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Le Boutillier,</i>	<i>Sylvain.—29.</i>
<i>Caron,</i>			

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then, the main Question, so amended, being put,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable the Town of *Niagara* to dispose of its "interests in the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad, and for other purposes."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Drummond* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, and the Question being put, That the Bill to amend the Act respecting Duties of Excise on Distillers and Brewers, and Spirits and Beer made by them, and to increase the said Duties, do pass,

The House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting the Militia ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Starnes* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Starnes* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Desaulniers*, seconded by Mr. *Chapais*, the Bill was amended by adding the following clause after clause III. :—

Clause IV.—The thirty-second section of the said Act is hereby repealed, and the following substituted for it :—"All Arms lent by the Imperial Government to the Province, "and all accoutrements furnished by the Province, and distributed to the officers and men "of the Active and Volunteer Militia, shall be accounted for by those who have received "them ; and in those localities where there are no public armories, the Commander-in-"Chief may prescribe such precautionary measures as he deems expedient for the safe

"keeping, in good order, of such arms and accoutrements, and for the delivery thereof to such officer as may be appointed to receive them, whenever the Commander-in-Chief for any purpose directs such re-delivery."

Mr. *Desaulniers* moved, seconded by Mr. *Caron*, and the question being put, that the Bill be further amended by leaving out the 4th Clause.

The House divided; and it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Desaulniers* moved, seconded by Mr. *Beaubien*, and the question being put, that the Bill be further amended by adding the following proviso at the end of the 8th clause:

Provided always, that nothing in this clause contained shall be interpreted as binding, and shall not bind the Province to pay and provide rations for the Active Militia in the case of war between Great Britain and any foreign power, but only as allowing the advances required for the said purposes to be made out of the Provincial Exchequers, until such time as arrangements for such payment shall have been made between the Imperial and Provincial Governments.

The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas:

Messieurs

<i>Beaubien,</i>	<i>Daoust,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Ross, J. J.,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>DeCazes,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Simard, and</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Desaulniers,</i>	<i>Prévost,</i>	<i>Sylvain—13.</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>			

Nays:

Messieurs

<i>Alley,</i>	<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>DeBoucherville,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark),</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Bourassa,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>
<i>Burwell,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Le Boutillier,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Cameron, J. H.,</i>	<i>Dunsford,</i>	<i>Loranger,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Cameron, M. C.,</i>	<i>Fallner,</i>	<i>Macbeth,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Carling,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Macdonald, J. A.,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>MacKenzie,</i>	<i>Street, and</i>
<i>Cauchon,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>McGee,</i>	<i>White.—60.</i>

So it passed in the Negative.

And the question being put, That the Bill do pass;

The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

Yeas:

Messieurs

<i>Alley,</i>	<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Gagnon,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Connor,</i>	<i>Haultain,</i>	<i>Mowat,</i>
<i>Ault,</i>	<i>Dawson,</i>	<i>Huot,</i>	<i>Notman,</i>
<i>Baby,</i>	<i>DeBoucherville,</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>
<i>Bell, (North Lanark),</i>	<i>Denis,</i>	<i>Joly,</i>	<i>Poupore,</i>
<i>Benjamin,</i>	<i>Dorion,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Rankin,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Kierzkowski,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Brousseau,</i>	<i>Drummond,</i>	<i>Labrèche-Viger,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Dufresne, Alexandre,</i>	<i>Laframboise,</i>	<i>Scatcherd,</i>

Burwell,
Cameron, J. H.,
Cameron, M. C.,
Carling,
Cartier,
Cauchon,

Dunkin,
Dunsford,
Falkner,
Ferguson,
Fortier,
Fournier,

Le Boutillier,
Loranger,
Macbeth,
Macdonald, J. A.,
Mackenzie,
McGee,

Sherwood,
Simpson,
Smith,
Starnes,
Street, and
White.—60.

Nays :

Messieurs

Beaubien,
Brousseau,
Caron,
Chapais,

Daoust,
DeCazes,
Desaulniers,

Gaudet,
Langevin,
Prévost,

Ross, J. J.,
Simard, and
Sylvain.—13.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Loranger, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Drummond,

Ordered, That there shall be two sittings of this House to-morrow, one from eleven o'clock, A. M., till one o'clock P. M., and the other from four o'clock, P. M.; both such sittings to be for general business.

Mr. Simpson, from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix No. 7.*)

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the said Report, together with the evidence appended thereto, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Loranger, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Drummond,

The House adjourned until to-morrow, at Eleven o'Clock, A. M.

Saturday, 7th June, 1862.

Eleven o'Clock, A. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table :—

By Mr. Fortier,—the Petition of the Reverend J. B. Chartré and others, of the Parish of *St. David*, County of *Yamaska*.

By Mr. Rémillard,—the Petition of *P. Kemneur* and others, of *St. Roch de Richelieu*, and other Parishes.

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

Of *E. Jones* and others; praying that no Act may be passed to legalize various sales for Taxes, which have heretofore been made in several Counties of this Province.

Of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Huron* and others, of the City of *London*, *C. W.*; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Lord's day.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, the following letter :—

Quebec, 6th June, 1862.

To the Honorable *Joseph Edouard Turcotte*,
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that it is my intention to resign, and I do hereby

resign my seat as Member of the Legislative Assembly of Canada, for the County of Hochelaga.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

J. P. FALKNER.

*Moise Fortier,
A. Dufresne.*

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *McGee*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the Election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament, for the County of *Hochelaga*, in the room of *Joseph Paschal Falkner*, Esquire, who has this day resigned his seat.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the provisions of an Act respecting lands and real property held or required by the Imperial Government for the military defence of this Province, to the construction of lines of Telegraph connected with such defence."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the North-west Navigation and Railway Company."

And then he withdrew.

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

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Quebec, June 7th, 1862.

SIR,—I am commanded by the Governor General to inform you, that it is His Excellency's intention to proceed to the Legislative Council Chamber, on Monday next, at one o'clock, for the purpose of proroguing the Session of the Legislature.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

DENIS GODLEY,
Governor's Secretary.

The Honorable

The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Laframboise*, Ordered, That when this House doth adjourn this day, at its second sitting, it do stand adjourned until one o'clock, P.M., on Monday next.

On motion of the Honorable *John A. Macdonald*, seconded by Mr. *Laframboise*, Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of the Report of the last Commission issued with respect to the University at *Toronto*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Ordered, That when the Return to the said Address shall have been received, it be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

And it being One of the Clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, until Four of the Clock this day, without a question first put.

4 o' Clock, P. M.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:—
Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Duties of Excise on Distillers and Brewers, and Spirits and Beer made by them, and to increase the said duties."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Duties of Customs, and the collection thereof."

Bill, intituled, "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government, and for other purposes, for the year 1862, and for making good certain sums expended for the Public Service in the year 1861."

Bill, intituled, "An Act respecting the Militia."

And then he withdrew.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Huot*,—The Petition of *Edouard Picard* and others, of the Parish of *l'Ange Gardien*, County of *Montmorency*.

Ordered, That the said Petition be now received and read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying aid for a Road.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Loranger*, seconded by Mr. *Starnes*, The House adjourned until One of the Clock on Monday next.

Monday, 9th June, 1862:

1 o' Clock, P. M.

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

Of the Reverend *J. B. Chartré* and others, of the Parish of *St. David*, County of *Yamaska*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a Landed Credit Bank.

Of *P. Kemneur* and others, of *St. Roch du Richelieu* and other parishes; praying to be indemnified for losses sustained in consequence of the falling in of their lands, occasioned by the erection of a dam on the River *Richelieu*.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor General, by *René Kimber*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:—

MR. SPEAKER,

I am commanded by His Excellency the Governor General, to acquaint this Honorable House, that it is the pleasure of His Excellency, that the Members thereof do forthwith attend him in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Excellency, when His Excellency was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Public and Private Bills:—

An Act to alter the name of office of the Inspectors and Superintendents of Police for the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec*.

An Act to repeal the Act twenty-third *Victoria*, Chapter fifty, and to amend *An Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of Upper Canada*, so far as relates to Recorders' Courts.

An Act to establish the side lines in the Township of *Kenyon*, in the County of *Glengarry*.

An Act to amend *An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the Commercial Bank of the Midland District*, and to change its corporate name to the "Commercial Bank of Canada."

An Act to amend the Act incorporating *l'Académie Industrielle de St. Laurent*!

An Act legalizing and providing for the delivery of certain Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials.

An Act to consolidate part of the debt owing by the Municipality of the County of *Hastings*.

An Act to render valid the election and proceedings of the Trustees for the erection of a Catholic Church in the Parish of *Ste. Brigide*.

An Act to charge the Corporation of the City of *Toronto* with the payment of the expense of taking care of, supporting and maintaining, certain prisoners in the Common Gaol of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.

An Act to erect that part of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec*, situate on the North side of the River *St. Charles*, into a separate Municipality.

An Act to incorporate the *Société Ecclésiastique du Diocèse de St. Hyacinthe*.

An Act to enable the Rate-payers of the County of *Lincoln* to select a more convenient place for the County Town.

An Act to confirm the action of the Corporation of the late United Townships of *Arthur* and *Luther*, under the Act to enable County Councils to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases to sow their land, and for other purposes.

An Act to amend An Act respecting Lessors and Lessees.

An Act to naturalize *Isaac Rogers*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of Charity of *Quebec*.

An Act to extend to the Counties of *Wentworth* and *Lincoln*, the Act for the protection of persons holding lands on the shore of Lake *Ontario*, in the Counties of *York*, *Peel* and *Halton*.

An Act relating to Mortgages in *Upper Canada*.

An Act further to amend the Charter of the Bank of *Upper Canada*

An Act to change the name of *David Allan Poe* and of his family, by adding thereto the name of "*Watt*."

An Act further to amend the *Lower Canada* Consolidated Municipal Act.

An Act to incorporate "The Orphans' Home and Widows' Friend Society," of *Kingston*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto* Cotton Mills Company.

An Act respecting the Will of *Nathan Gage*, late of the Town of *Brantford*, Esquire.

An Act to detach from the Municipality of *St. Lambert's*, a portion of that part of it which is situate in the Barony of *Longueuil*, and to annex the same to the Municipality of the Parish of *Longueuil*.

An Act to enable the Trustees of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, at *Martintown*, to sell a certain lot of land.

An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital to issue debentures in redemption of those already issued.

An Act incorporating the Synod of the Diocese of *Ontario*.

An Act to amend the law relating to the limitation of actions and suits in *Upper Canada*.

An Act respecting Public Exhibitions in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to incorporate the *Quebec* Ship Labourers' Benevolent Society.

An Act to incorporate the *Victoria* Skating Club of *Montreal*.

An Act for facilitating the conveyance, by the Trust and Loan Company of *Upper Canada*, of Lands in the Province of *Canada*, by and through their Commissioners or Attorneys.

An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned, and for other purposes.

An Act to explain the Act to provide for the separation of the City of *Toronto* from the United Counties of *York* and *Peel* for certain judicial purposes.

An Act to authorize the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*, to borrow certain sums of money for drainage, and other purposes therein mentioned.

An Act to incorporate the *Académie de Sainte Scholastique*.

An Act to divide the Township of *Hemmingford*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into two separate Municipalities.

An Act to incorporate the *Montreal Racket Club*.

An Act to incorporate the First and Second Congregations of *Hinchinbrooke*, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church of *North America*.

An Act to amend the Act to confirm certain side roads in the Township of *Scarborough*, and to provide for the defining of other road allowances and lines in the said Township.

An Act to erect the Parish of *St. Pierre de Durham*, in the County of *Drummond*, into a separate Municipality.

An Act to extend the provisions of chapter thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, with respect to the Bureau of Agriculture.

An Act to empower the Town Council of the Town of *Lindsay*, in the County of *Victoria*, to lease a portion of the Town plot called "*Queen's Square*," in the said Town.

An Act to incorporate the College of *Saint Ignatius, Guelph*.

An Act to incorporate the *Société de l'Union St. Roch*.

An Act to establish and confirm certain Roads in the Township of *Reach*.

An Act to amend the Charter of the Merchants' Bank.

An Act to authorize the Municipal Council of the township of *Acton*, to open roads according to the operations of *Patrice Renault Blanchard*, Esquire, Land Surveyor, with reference to the survey, boundary lines, reports and plans executed and prepared by him for the division and settlement of the limits of the lots in the first five ranges of the said Township of *Acton*, in the County of *Bagot*, and District of *St. Hyacinthe*.

An Act to incorporate the "*Association St. François-Xavier de Montréal*."

An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Our Lady of *Loretto*, of the Town of *Guelph*, in the Roman Catholic Diocese of *Hamilton*.

An Act to incorporate the *Quebec Marine Insurance Company of Quebec*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the College of *St. Anne de la Pocatière*.

An Act to amend chapter twenty of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, An Act respecting Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials.

An Act to naturalize *Gelston Sanford*.

An Act to amend the Act for the management of the *Toronto Harbour*.

An Act to incorporate the *St. Georges' Benevolent Society of Hamilton*.

An Act to amend an Act to incorporate the Pilots for and below the harbour of *Quebec*.

An Act to authorize the mortgaging of certain property belonging to the Church of *England*, in the Town of *Brantford*.

An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton Powder Company*.

An Act to legalize the investment of certain Clergy Reserve moneys by the Corporation of the Township of *Lobo*.

An Act to incorporate the Boys' Industrial School of the *Gore* of *Toronto*.

An Act to annex the township of *Aston*, and part of the township of *Wendover*, to the County of *Nicolet*.

An Act to authorize the construction of a Tram or Railroad from the town of *Simcoe*, to the village of *Port Ryerse*, in the County of *Norfolk*.

An Act to enable *Moise Martin Mitivier* to undergo an examination for admission to practice Medicine, Surgery and Midwifery.

An Act to incorporate the *Toronto Female Industrial School*.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, as to the issue of Shop and Tavern Licences in Cities.

An Act to vest certain Real Estate of the late *William Campbell* in the hands of Trustees.

An Act to incorporate the Village of *Arnprior*, in the County of *Renfrew*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An Act respecting the Survey of the third and fourth Concessions of the township of *Crowland*, in the County of *Welland*.

An Act to incorporate the Village of *Lanark*, in the County of *Lanark*.

- An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Town of *Lévis*.
- An Act to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned, relating to the separation of the County of *Peel* from the County of *York*, and for other purposes.
- An Act to incorporate the "*Massawippi Valley Railway Company*."
- An Act further to amend the Charter of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*.
- An Act to grant further powers to the *London* and *Port Stanley* Railway Company.
- An Act respecting the Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*.
- An Act to amend the Acts incorporating and relating to the City of *Quebec*.
- An Act to separate the townships of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray* from the County of *Huron*, and to annex the same to the East Riding of the County of *Middlesex*.
- An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company*, and to provide for a reduction of its Capital Stock.
- An Act to incorporate the *Société de l'Union St. Pierre de Montréal*.
- An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Academy of *St. Paul's*, of *Aylmer*.
- An Act to incorporate the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, of *Guelph*.
- An Act to extend and define the powers of the City and District Savings Bank of *Montreal*.
- An Act further to amend the Act relating to the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway Company, and for the purposes therein mentioned.
- An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of *St. Joseph* for the Roman Catholic Diocese of *Toronto*.
- An Act to amend an Act to incorporate the *Ramsay* Lead Mining and Smelting Company.
- An Act to legalize a By-Law made and passed by the Town Council of the Corporation of the Town of *Perth*, in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, for raising a certain sum of money therein mentioned.
- An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railroad Company, and to authorize the raising of new preferred Stock, for certain purposes.
- An Act to alter and amend the Act to consolidate the Debt of *Port Hope*.
- An Act to amend the Act to provide for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*.
- An Act to amend Chapters seventy-seven, forty and forty-five of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in matters of Appeal, and Chapter eighty-three of the same Consolidated Statutes, in matter of Procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts.
- An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and five of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Petty Trespasses in *Upper Canada*."
- An Act to amend an Act, intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu* Company."
- An Act for the relief of the representatives of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*.
- An Act to extend and amend the provisions of Chapters thirty-six and thirty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, with respect to the Registration of Titles to, and the removal of incumbrances upon, real estate in *Lower Canada*.
- An Act to amend the Act respecting Emigrants and Quarantine.
- An Act to make further provisions relating to the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company.
- An Act for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and for other purposes.
- An Act to incorporate the *North-West* Navigation and Railway Company.
- An Act to extend the provisions of an Act respecting lands and real property held or required by the Imperial Government for the Military defence of this Province, to the construction of lines of Telegraph connected with such defence.
- An Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of certain Turnpike Roads in *Isle Jésus*.
- An Act to incorporate the *Terrebonne* Turnpike Road Company.
- An Act to enable the Town of *Niagara* to dispose of its interests in the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad, and for other purposes.
- An Act to amend the Act respecting the Provincial Duty on Tavern Licenses.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Militia.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Duties of Customs and the Collection thereof.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Duties of Excise on Distillers and Brewers, and Spirits and Beer made by them, and to increase the said Duties.

The Title of the following Bill was then read :—

An Act to incorporate the *New Edinburgh* and *Waterloo* Steam Ferry Company.

To which it was His Excellency the Governor General's pleasure to say that he reserved the Bill for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon.

Then, the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly addressed His Excellency the Governor General, as followeth :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of *Canada*, approach Your Excellency with our Bill of Supply for the service of the current year.

In pursuance of Your Excellency's recommendation, our careful consideration has been given to the condition of the Militia Force of the Province. The amendments we have made to the existing laws respecting it will, we trust, have the effect of strengthening your Excellency's hands in its administration, thereby increasing the efficiency of the service, and promoting and stimulating the patriotic ardor of our Volunteer Forces.

Amendments have been made to the Laws respecting the Confirmation and Registration of Titles to Real Estate in *Lower Canada*, which, we trust, will assist the operation of a system so fraught with importance to the landed and monetary interests of the Province.

We have also given our attention to some measures of a nature to improve the administration of Justice, and to various measures tending to develop the resources of the Country, and I venture to hope that our labors and deliberations may prove productive of beneficial results to the progress and improvement of *Canada*.

It is now my duty humbly to present to Your Excellency, in the name and on the behalf of the Legislative Assembly, a Bill appropriating the sums voted for the service of the year, to which I respectfully solicit Your Excellency's assent.

The Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly then presented the following Money Bill :—

"An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government and for other purposes, for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, and for making good certain sums expended for the Public Service in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one."

To this Bill the Royal Assent was signified in the following words :

In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill.

After which, His Excellency was pleased to make the following Speech to both Houses :—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

I have much pleasure in releasing you from further attendance on your Legislative duties.

Circumstances have prevented this Session from being as fertile in Acts relating to public affairs as others which have preceded it, but you have discharged a large amount of private business, and I trust the discussions which have taken place will have cleared the ground for the future settlement of matters of more public interest.

I rejoice to think that in making an increased provision for the maintenance of a Volunteer Force, you have expressed your assent to the principle, that the defence of their institutions, their homes and their altars, against foreign attacks, is a duty incumbent on the inhabitants of *Canada*.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

I thank you, in the name of Her Most Gracious Majesty, for the provisions you have made for the Public Service of the year.

Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen :

In terminating, for the present, the labours consequent on your Legislative functions, I would ask you, on returning to your homes, to apply yourselves to the discharge of those social duties, on the due performance of which the welfare of society so mainly depends, and for the execution of which the confidence of your fellow citizens gives you such great facilities.

Then, the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Council said:—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and
Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

It is His Excellency the Governor General's will and pleasure, that this Provincial Parliament be prorogued until Saturday, the nineteenth day of July next, to be then here holden ; and this Provincial Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Saturday, the nineteenth day of July next.

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REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE

ON THE

COLONIZATION OF WILD LANDS

IN LOWER CANADA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
QUEBEC, 5th June, 1862.

The Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the COLONIZATION OF OUR WILD LANDS IN LOWER CANADA has the honor to present the following Report:—

Your Committee has dispatched a circular to different parts of the country, addressed to a large number of persons who are in a position to furnish valuable information on the subject of Colonization.

Your Committee have also obtained from Messrs. Russell, Collins and Partridge, of the Department of Crown Lands, information with regard to the system followed in the sale of lands, in the granting of timber licenses, and the construction of Colonization Roads.

After having given full attention to these communications, your Committee have arrived at the opinion, that one of the most important measures to be taken for the rapid settlement of our wild lands, and to prevent emigration to the United States, is the opening up of Colonization Roads, to be thus divided: Main or Arterial Roads, and Roads leading from the old to new settlements.

Your Committee would recommend,—

1st. That the settler, upon payment of the first instalment due on the price of his lot, should have the exclusive privilege of cutting timber upon that lot.

2nd. That Colonization Roads should be constructed in those Townships that already possess an important nucleus of population, but which are not connected with the older settlements.

3rd. That no sale of Crown Lands in blocks or tracts to individuals or companies should be effected, as such sale interferes materially with the progress of Colonization.

4th. That the Government should publish a pamphlet on the subject of wild lands, to be styled "*The Settler's Guide*," containing maps, and indicating the quality of the soil and timber, the price of lots, the means of communication by roads, and the number of families settled in each locality; and that this publication should be issued as early as possible, in a form applicable to each section or tract of country.

5th. That two leading or Main Roads should be constructed; one from the River Ottawa to Lake St. John, the other from the County of Compton to the County of Bellechasse, there to join the Taché Road; and that branch roads be also opened up connecting these main roads with the older settlements on the north shore of the St. Lawrence, in order to attract settlers.

6th. That the Government should take into consideration the utility of opening up a main road from the village of Danville to the frontier of the United States, crossing the counties of Richmond, Wolfe and Compton.

7th. That a special grant should be made each year to defray the cost of constructing main roads, and that this should be done without diminishing the annual grant of \$20,000 now voted for the ordinary Colonization Roads—" *Chemins de sortie.* "

8th. That the Government should take into consideration the expediency of completing, as soon as possible, the Kenogami Road in the county of Chicoutimi, from Portage des Roches, in a northerly direction to the head of Lake St. John.

9th. That the works on the St. Maurice Road, leading to the townships of Polette and Turcotte, and the Etchemin Road on the south shore of the St. Lawrence, should be continued with activity.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

J. O. BUREAU, Chairman.

NOEL HEBERT,
J. O. BEAUBIEN,
J. C. CHAPAIS,
T. J. J. LORANGER,
H. L. LANGEVIN,
L. L. L. DESAULNIERS,
C. DECAZES,
J. DUFRESNE,
G. SYLVAIN,

A. KNIGHT,
J. J. ROSS,
F. BOURASSA,
W. MCD. DAWSON,
D. E. PRICE,
M. LAFRAMBOISE,
M. FORTIER,
C. B. DEBOUCHERVILLE,
A. GAGNON.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
Tuesday, 29th April, 1862.

IN COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF REFERENCE, No. 12.

PRESENT:

Mr. BUREAU, Chairman.

Mr. DUNKIN,
Mr. ABBOTT,
Mr. LAFRAMBOISE,
Mr. CHAPAIS,
Mr. LANGEVIN,
Mr. DESAULNIERS,
Mr. HÉBERT,
Mr. KNIGHT,
Mr. J. J. ROSS,

Mr. HUNTINGTON,
Mr. JOS. DUFRESNE,
Mr. SYLVAIN,
Mr. GAGNON,
Mr. BOURASSA,
Mr. DAWSON,
Mr. EVANTUREL,
Hon. Mr. LORANGER,
Mr. DE BOUCHERVILLE.

The Order of Reference was read.

Mr. Bureau is called to the Chair:

Resolved, On motion of Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Dunkin,

That the President, Mr. Desaulniers, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Langevin, Mr. Dunkin, Mr. Chapais, Mr. Sylvain, Mr. Huntington, and Honorable Mr. Loranger do form a Sub-Committee to prepare a series of questions to be submitted to the several persons who are likely to impart the most reliable information on the subject of "Colonization of the Wild Lands of Lower Canada."

Resolved, That this be an instruction to the President to apply to the House for a reduction of the Quorum of the Committee to seven.

Resolved, That permission be asked of the House to report the proceedings of the Committee from time to time.

The General Committee then adjourned on the call of the President;

And the Sub-Committee having continued its deliberations for some time, adjourned to half-past ten A.M., on Thursday next.

1st May, 1862.

SUB-COMMITTEE.

PRESENT :

Mr. DESAULNIERS,
Mr. LANGEVIN,
Mr. DUNKIN,
Mr. CHAPAIS,

Mr. SYLVAIN,
Mr. DAWSON,
Mr. HUNTINGTON.

The Sub-Committee agrees upon a series of questions, and a Circular ; to be submitted to the General Committee.

5th May, 1862.

IN GENERAL COMMITTEE.

PRESENT :

Mr. DESAULNIERS,
Mr. HÉBERT,
Mr. BOURASSA,
Mr. LAFRAMBOISE,
Mr. CHAPAIS,
Mr. DAWSON,
Mr. J. J. ROSS,

Mr. GAGNON,
Mr. DE BOUCHERVILLE,
Mr. DE CAZES,
Mr. SYLVAIN,
Mr. JOS. DUFRESNE,
Mr. HUNTINGDON,
Hon. Mr. LORANGER.

In the absence of Mr. Bureau, Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Desaulniers is called to the Chair, to act as Chairman *pro tem*.

Mr. Chapais on the part of the sub-Committee, submits to the General Committee, the following report with a Circular and a series of questions annexed, for adoption by the said General Committee.

5th May, 1862.

The Sub-Committee selected by the Committee appointed to take into consideration the Colonization of Wild Lands in Lower Canada, have prepared a series of questions and a circular, which, if approved by the General Committee, should be addressed to those persons whom the General Committee may consider capable of imparting the most reliable information on the subject which is under its consideration.

The Sub-Committee respectfully submits for the consideration of your Committee, the Questions and Circular hereunto annexed.

(Signed,)

J. C. CHAPAIS.

(CIRCULAR.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
Quebec, 5th May, 1862.

SIR, "The Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the Colonization of our Wild Lands in Lower Canada," have directed me to transmit to you the enclosed series of questions, and to request you to reply to them at the earliest possible period, that is to say, between the present date and the twenty-fifth instant.

You will please sign your answers, mentioning your profession or station, and your residence, and direct them to J. P. Leprohon, Esquire, Clerk of the Committee on Colonization, Legislative Assembly, Quebec.

The Committee expect that the importance of the subject which they are considering, to the country, will be a powerful inducement to you to grant your assistance on this occasion.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. P. LEPROHON,

Clerk of Committee.

SERIES OF QUESTIONS.

1. What are the Townships in your County in which there are wild lands?
2. Have these Townships been surveyed, and how much disposable land do they contain?
3. Of this disposable land, how much belongs :
 - 1st. To the Government?
 - 2nd. To known individuals?
 - 3rd. To unknown individuals?
 - 4th. To known non-resident individuals?
 - 5th. To Corporations or Societies?
4. What price is asked for land as classed in question No. 3? Is it too high?
5. Of what quality are the soil and wood on this disposable land?
6. Are there any lakes or rivers, and mention them?
7. What are the colonization roads which are already opened or completed, or are to be opened in these Townships?
8. What is the extent of these roads, and what results have they produced?
9. Are there any free grants made or disposable, and how many?
10. What are the means of communication, new and old, by which these lands may be most easily reached?
11. Does colonization progress rapidly there, and if not, why not? Please give details on this subject?
12. Is the system of making colonization roads a good one, and what suggestions have you to make on the subject?
13. Is not the opening of great colonization roads with short ones opening into them at regular distances, of the greatest importance to the advancement of colonization?
14. Are you acquainted with any other means of encouraging the settlement of wild lands, and what are they?
15. Is not the sale of large extents of land to a single individual unfavorable to the progress of the country?
16. Is the present grant of \$50,000, in favor of colonization, sufficient?
17. Is there, in your County, any territory not divided into Townships, adapted for agricultural purposes, and what is the extent of it?
18. Could Townships be opened there; where and how many?
19. Are there in your neighborhood, persons who are desirous of settling on wild lands, and how many?
20. Are there in your County any auxiliary societies, or is it proposed to form any, for giving assistance to poor settlers beginning their labors?
21. Are you or are you not in favor of colonization societies, and state your reasons?
22. Is there anything in the regulations respecting the sale of lands and timber, which interferes with the settlement of the land; if so, what is it?
23. Has there been in your neighborhood any emigration to the United States or elsewhere from Lower Canada; to what extent and for what reasons?
24. If there be any emigration, what are the means to be adopted to put an end to it?
25. Have any of these Canadian emigrants returned, and how many?

The following questions were proposed and adopted by the Committee, to be by it added to the questions above detailed:—

To be added to Question No. 4.

“If the prices vary, will you say what is the result of low prices as regards the formation of settlement?”

Substitute the following for Question No. 15:

“Is it not admitted that the monopoly by large proprietors, of a considerable area of land in the Townships, for the purposes of speculation, has proved an obstacle to the settlement of these lands; and what are, in your opinion, the measures which should be adopted for the destruction of this obstacle?”

To be added to Question No. 21:

“Are you aware of a movement having taken place in the District of Montreal with

the view of forming a Society of Colonization for Lower Canada. State when this Society was formed, what has been its progress, and the result of the movement?"

Resolved, That Messrs. De Cazes, Hébert and Langevin do confer with the Department of Crown Lands with a view of ascertaining the intentions of the Department with regard to the cutting of Timber on the lands of private proprietors; also on the subject of a sale of land, which it is said will take place in July or August next, and to report to the General Committee.

The Committee then adjourned *sine die*.

10th May, 1862.

PRESENT :

Mr. BUREAU, Chairman,	
Hon. Mr. LORANGER,	Hon. Mr. SICOTTE,
Mr. HEBERT,	Mr. GAGNON,
Mr. DESAULNIERS,	Mr. LANGEVIN,
Mr. CHAPAIS,	Mr. SYLVAIN,
Mr. FORTIER,	Mr. PRICE,
Mr. KNIGHT,	Mr. HUNTINGTON.
Mr. DE CAZES,	

After deliberating some time, the Committee adjourned to Thursday next.

15th May, 1862.

PRESENT :

Mr. BUREAU, Chairman,	
Hon. Mr. LORANGER,	Mr. DE CAZES,
Mr. GAGNON,	Mr. EVANTUREL,
Mr. BEAUBIEN,	Mr. DUNKIN,
Mr. DESAULNIERS,	Mr. LAFRAMBOISE,
Mr. FORTIER,	Mr. SYLVAIN,
Mr. ABBOTT,	Mr. CHAPAIS,
Mr. HEBERT,	Mr. LANGEVIN,
Mr. DE BOUCHERVILLE,	Mr. ROSS,
Mr. BOURASSA,	Mr. PRICE.

Mr. Partridge, Superintendent of Woods and Forests, appeared as a witness before the Committee. The Committee handed him a series of questions in writing, requesting him to transmit replies on Monday, 19th instant.

Ordered, That Mr. Collins be summoned as a witness before the Committee. Having deliberated for some time, the Committee adjourned to Monday next.

27th May, 1862.

PRESENT :

Mr. BUREAU, Chairman,	
Mr. BEAUBIEN,	Mr. DE CAZES,
Mr. DE BOUCHERVILLE,	Mr. CHAPAIS,
Mr. HUNTINGTON,	Mr. DESAULNIERS,
Mr. LANGEVIN,	Mr. SYLVAIN,
Mr. DUFRESNE,	Mr. DAWSON.
Mr. HEBERT,	

Resolved, On motion of Mr. Huntington, seconded by Mr. Langevin, That the President, Mr. Hébert, Mr. De Cazes, Mr. Desaulniers, Mr. Chapais, and Mr. Dawson, do form a Sub-Committee to take into consideration the replies to the questions which have been addressed by the Committee to the different persons in each County.

The Committee adjourned on the call of the President.

5th June, 1862.

PRESENT :

Mr. BUREAU, Chairman,

Mr. GAGNON,
 Mr. DESAULNIERS,
 Mr. DE BOUCHERVILLE,
 Mr. DE CAZES,
 Mr. CHAPAIS,
 Mr. DAWSON,

Mr. BEAUBIEN,
 Mr. HEBERT,
 Mr. BOURASSA,
 Mr. SYLVAIN,
 Mr. LANGEVIN,
 Mr. DUNKIN.

The Sub-Committee having presented a project of Report, which was adopted by the General Committee : It was

Resolved, That the President do present to the House the Report which has been adopted, with all the letters and documents which form part of the said Report.

Ordered, That the President do ask of the House for the printing of the said Report, and of all papers and documents relating thereto, to the number of 1500 copies in French, and 500 copies in English, for the use of Members of the House.

(Signed,)

J. P. LEPROLON,
 1st Asst. Clerk of Committees.

DEPARTMENT OF CROWN LANDS,
 Quebec, 14th July, 1860.

SIR,—This Department having reason to believe that, notwithstanding the different notices calling upon squatters on the public lands to take advantage of their preemption rights, and to purchase the lands occupied by them before the 1st September last, many of them have neglected to conform to such notice, or to purchase the lands; you are hereby instructed to cause rent for the time the lands have been occupied, whether by the purchaser or his predecessors, to be paid on all lands which may hereafter be sold within the limits of your agency, after public notice has been given, or the lands otherwise placed at your disposal. The amount of rent will be \$5, annually, for every 200 acres, during the first seven years of occupation; after which, the rent will be \$10, per annum, and in the same proportion for smaller lots. The rent is to be added to the purchase money, and the whole must be paid by instalments in the ordinary manner.

You will take the best means in your power to ascertain the period of occupation for which rent must be paid.

I have the honor to be, &c.,

(Signed,)

A. RUSSELL.

CROWN TIMBER OFFICE,
 Ottawa, 27th March, 1862.

SIR,—I should have had the honor, at an earlier date, of reporting on the progress of last seasons works on the Colonization Roads in the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac, entrusted to my charge, had it not been that the unavoidably late commencement of some of the works carried them far into the winter; and that unexpected difficulties in compilation, and other causes beyond my control delayed the preparation of such a map of the country north of the Ottawa, as seemed necessary to shew in a satisfactory manner the Roads forming the subject of report and the surveyed Townships they are designed to lead to, or through which they pass.

The works to be reported upon are of two classes; the works performed under the appropriation of \$10,000 for the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac for the year 1861, and those done in expenditure of the remaining appropriations of former years.

The works under the appropriations for the year 1861 consist of—

1st. The making of ten miles of the Gatineau and Coulonge road in the township of Low.

2nd. The improvement of the Thorne road, and the making of three miles in continuation of it, leading to the Gatineau and Coulonge road, in the township of Leslie.

3rd. The building and repair of bridges on the Gatineau and Desert Road.

The works under remaining appropriations of former years are—

1st. The opening of the Onslow and Masham road.

2nd. The improvement of the front road in the lower part of Pontiac.

3rd. The opening of the Eardly and Masham road.

4th. Works on the front road in the upper part of the County of Pontiac.

The Gatineau and Coulonge road was originally projected, and traced in the field by Messrs. Bouchette and Ayley, from the Puagan Falls on the river Gatineau, about thirty-six miles above its mouth, to the settlements on the Ottawa at the mouth of the river Coulonge, a distance of forty-nine miles; passing successively through the central part of the township of Low, the front of Cawood, generally along the line between Leslie and Thorne, along the rear of Litchfield and through the south-east corner of Mansfield.

The ten miles of it contracted for, and very nearly completed, extend from the main road on the Gatineau into the last range of the township of Low. It is the most important part of the whole line, not only because it passes through the best land upon it, but also because it gives access to the road line traced northward from the river Pêche in Masham, along the rear ranges of the townships of Low and Aylwin, to the river Pickanock in the township of Wright, which passes through the greatest extent of land generally admitting of settlement that there is in the lower part of the valley of the Gatineau.

The intersection of these two roads therefore forms a point from which settlement roads could most advantageously be opened extending northward, southward and westward, as will be further explained in proposing the works most immediately serviceable for the ensuing season. The greater usefulness in this manner of the first part of the Gatineau and Coulonge road became a reason for making it in a more thorough manner than might be necessary in the case of a less important road.

The part of this road contracted for and nearly completed is done according to the accompanying specification which I prepared, after many years experience, as the best for obtaining a good road economically, as regards labor and expense, where the means available did not admit of a first class earth road being constructed. It is opened 24 feet in width, the roots and stones thoroughly grubbed out of ten feet in breadth of the centre, (practically much wider in all the dimensions), and crowned to the width of sixteen feet with a sufficient rise in the centre; with culverts, ditches and discharging drains, where necessary. The causeways are laid sixteen feet wide, hewn or covered with earth. The bridges are built in the most substantial manner with covering eighteen feet in breadth.

Tenders were received for the work on the 26th day of August, after extensive public advertisements, and it was let to the party making the lowest tender, at the following rates, viz. : causewaying \$3; bridging, from three to seven feet high, \$10 per rod; bridges over seven feet high, one-seventh additional to the foregoing for every additional foot in height; ditching three feet wide by two deep where required, apart from the ordinary water tables, 60 cents per rod; and for all other work taken together, that is, for grubbing, crowning and draining, including side cuttings (not measuring in the bridges and causeways,) \$1 per rod; extra excavation, 20 cents for earth and \$1.10 for rock, per cubic yard.

Of the ten miles contracted for, two and a quarter miles remain to be crowned, with the necessary culverts and a little causewaying; it is all grubbed out except sixteen rods; and there is one bridge 104 feet in length by 12 in greatest height, not yet built, but now in progress.

There are 58½ rods of bridging done, varying from four to fourteen feet in height, including one bridge of 210 feet long by 13½ feet high, another of 117 feet by 10½ feet high, one of 81 feet by 9½ high, and 348 feet in length of substantial wharving in the bed of Stag Creek, solidly filled, and from eight to 10 feet in height. Of causewaying there are 172 rods, and 135 rods of extra ditching; and although there is very little stony or rocky ground, there are many extensive side hill cuttings from three to five feet in depth.

My accounts to 31st December last, exhibit payments to W. A. Richardson, the contractor, for work performed on this road, amounting to \$3,776.08. The further payment to be made for the completing of work under contract (part of which has since been paid) will amount to about \$900 more, to which should be added \$100 for half a mile of work not yet contracted for, desirable to be done. The final cost will be rather low for the value of the work performed.

Considering the generally rugged character of the Gatineau country, it is remarkable that this portion of the Gatineau and Coulouge road, extending nearly to eleven miles from the Gatineau passes through a tract of country nearly altogether arable, and very free from rocks or stones, the soil of the first part of it being generally a clay loam of the richest kind, and the latter part warm and fertile, though in parts rather light and sandy; and connected with it on each side there are several irregular blocks of land very favorable for the formation of settlements which will open into this piece of road.

The next eleven and a-half miles of the road line passes through land of an inferior quality, one-half of it only on an average on the line being fit for settlement, but at a mile and a half south of the line, three-quarters of it may be said to be so. For the next four miles, to the centre line of Thorne, it is of the same inferior description, on the line about one half fit for settlement—north of it about one quarter, and southward from it three quarters may probably be so.

The next eight miles, that is to three and a half miles along the rear of Litchfield, is through land well suited for settlement on both sides, which extends to three miles northward of the rear of Litchfield, much of it is now occupied. This is the best tract on the west portion of the line.

Then after becoming inferior for three and a half miles, it winds through the mountain range, where scarcely half of the land is fit for settlement; and the remaining six miles to the end of the line, near the mouth of the Coulouge, is generally on a light barren sand.

The other parts being inferior, it was considered desirable in the first instance to open up only the eight miles in rear of Thorne and Litchfield, most suitable for settlement (which has already made some progress there), and to connect it with the old settlement of the township of Clarendon, by improving that part of the road from Clarendon Centre to Otter Lake, which leads northward through the township of Thorne. By doing so, and then turning northward from the east part of the rear of Litchfield, up between the rivers Coulouge and Pickanock, where several lumber explorers had reported that there was much apparently good hardwood land, it was thought that a great highway could be projected, having the very important advantage of being alike an advantageous road for settlement to an indefinitely large extent, and a very useful inlet for the lumberers on the rivers Coulouge and Pickanock, whose expenditure for farm produce and team hire would do much to encourage and sustain settlement. More recent information, however, tending to shew that the soil of the seemingly favorable hardwood land, in that direction was too shallow to admit of the formation of prosperous settlements, rendered the prospect of forming an advantageous extensive settlement road in that direction too doubtful to warrant the commencement of it on the scale originally intended.

The idea of opening the eight miles of the Gatineau and Coulouge road in rear of Thorne and Litchfield, on the same scale as the ten miles of the east end of it, was therefore abandoned for the present, as it would apparently lead to nothing of importance; and the operations of the past season, there, were limited to the works on the road through Thorne and the making of part of it.

The improvement of the Thorne road, including the making of three miles of it on a new site, was required to give proper access to the lands on the west end of the Gatineau and Coulouge road, and to the settlements that will gradually be formed on tracts adjoining it to the northward and eastward. This road is the natural inlet to these tracts, giving access to them from the steamboat landing on the Ottawa and the village of Clarendon Centre, where the Crown Land Agent's office and the nearest stores for the supply of the country are. It affords a good passage through the first range of the Laurentian Hills, which skirt the Ottawa settlements, and are here met at the rear of Clarendon; and it is the line of communication with the lumbering establishments of Messrs. Gilmour & Co., on the Pickanock, which together with their roads, have been the chief cause of the extension of settlement in this direction.

The road through Thorne is about nine miles in length, from the front to the rear of the township. The first five miles pass through the range of hills above mentioned. On this part, the work done consisted in the improvement of long, steep and dangerously rocky ascents, requiring in parts excavation, and building up with stone, the removal of rocks, ditching, &c., together with 224 feet of most substantial bridging, in three places; with side cuttings and levelling of banks, and 300 feet of hewn causewaying. Of the remaining

four miles, three miles and three chains of new road were opened, with a width of sixteen to twenty feet; twelve feet wide in the centre of it, well levelled, after being thoroughly grubbed and ploughed. There are considerable cuttings at ascents and side hills, a very substantial bridge sixty feet in length, and 210 feet of hewn causewaying.

The total expenditure made on the road in Thorne, otherwise called the Otter Lake road, is \$1,047.10.

Much of the work was of an irregular nature that could not be suitably let by contract and required experienced skill. It was done by a party of well selected men under the charge of Mr. James McLaren of Portage du Fort, who had formerly executed some very difficult work for me on the Bytown and Pembroke road, with unusual skill and economy, as he has also done in the present instance.

Finding many causeways to be made, and bad rocky hills that would have been very expensive, on the upper part of the old track, I spent two days in exploring and locating the three miles of new road above mentioned instead of it. The site of the new road is as remarkably good as the other is bad, passes through good land for settlement, which the other does not, and shortens the distance one mile for eastward, and two miles for westward travel, on the Gatineau and Coulonge road line, which it intersects at the rear of Thorne. It also there connects with several lumber and settlement roads, which, as the country there becomes generally level with a light dry soil, are remarkably good though opened at little cost.

Within a radius of six miles of the end of this new road, there is much good land for settlement though some of it is stony, but unless the existence of some considerable extent of land fit for settlement be definitely ascertained beyond that, nothing of importance can be done here; and the completion of the road a few miles westward, on a small scale, seems to be the utmost that could be desired till further conclusive information be obtained.

The building and repair of bridges on the Gatineau and Desert road, is the third division of works on which a small expenditure on account of the appropriation of 1861 has been made.

In the beginning of November last, I made a rapid but careful reconnoissance of the road up the Gatineau as far as the river Desert, as formerly proposed, taking the necessary notes as to the state of the road, soil, surface and obstacles, to enable me to make an approximate estimate of the cost of completing on a moderate scale that very important road, alike for the settlement of the country and the business of it.

As the expenditure of a small sum of the appropriation for 1861, for necessary objects on the Desert road had been proposed, and as some of the bridges were in a dangerous state, or required to be built to prevent the obstruction of travel in spring, I let part of the works to be done on my way returning. It consisted of four small jobs, viz.:

The repair, raising six feet and lengthening to 170 feet of the bridge over Lacroix's brook, a little above the Pickanock, let for \$110. The building of a bridge over Lepines brook, 75 feet in length, let for \$50. One of 90 feet on Carisse's brook for \$50; and the building of a bridge and causeway at St. Amour's brook, 344 feet long, for \$111.25, all in the township of Wright.

The payments on account of these works charged in my account current to 31st December last, amount only to \$186, but they have all since been completed and paid for, excepting small reservations made till spring.

Also the bridge over the river Pickanock, which was built with Colonization money, I found on careful examination, required to be raised six feet higher, to prevent its probable destruction by spring floods, and to be lengthened to 236 feet by adding 70 feet to it. This work has since been let for \$320, completed and paid for with a small reservation.

The extension of another bridge, let for \$40, is the last work on the Desert road now in progress.

Earlier in the fall, I visited the Crown Land Agents in the lower part of the County of Ottawa, and collected from them and from the lumberers and others best acquainted with the interior, such information, as added to that derived from Surveyors and their returns of surveys on record in my office, confirmed my previously expressed opinion that the valley of the Petite Nation river was the most favorable site, next to that of the Gatineau, for the opening of a great highway into the interior country north of the Ottawa, as a Colonization road, and that such a road on the east side of the Petite Nation river would pass through

much good land for settlement. Having obtained your sanction, I immediately instructed Mr. Leduc, of St. André Avelin, to survey such a line of road, up through the township of Suffolk, with a view to its further continuance. The result of his survey is highly satisfactory, but no expenditure has yet been made in work upon this line of road. I shall leave further notice of it and of the Gatineau and Desert road to the concluding part of this report, suggesting future operations.

Of the work of last season, under remaining appropriations of former years, the first begun was the opening of the Onslow and Masham road.

This road commences at the Catholic Church on No. 4 of the 8th range of Onslow, and extends to No. 28 of the 12th range of that township, where it joins the Masham road the river Pêche.

It has been opened throughout, from the vicinity of the church, from twelve feet in width to six feet in difficult places, among rocks; the hills are dug and stones removed so as to make it passable for a cart. There are causeways made on it amounting to 286 feet, and a substantial bridge on the outlet of Wolf Lake, 166 feet in length, upwards of ten feet in height, on block work, with hewn covering. The bridge and causeways were made 18 feet in width to suit the dimension of the road when widened by the statute labor of the settlers.

The appropriation for this road was \$900 of which there has been expended \$785, leaving \$115 for further work.

The work was done by a party of men employed by the month under Mr. Benjamin Moore, of Onslow, whose energy and great experience in conducting extensive lumbering operations in the woods, secured the best possible result for the money expended.

The improvement of the front road, in the lower part of Pontiac, was done under the appropriation of \$1,000 for that road from the County line between Ottawa and Pontiac to Portage du Fort.

On careful examination and inquiry, I found that expenditure on improvement was most required on parts of the road in Clarendon, where it is rough and miry, and especially in the township of Onslow, below the river Quio, where there was an extent of about four miles of extremely bad road, one half of it being over rough rocky ledges, and the other very miry and unmade, requiring much work in ditching, &c. This piece of road had long been the chief obstruction to communication by land between the county of Pontiac and the city of Ottawa. The building of several bridges on the front road, in the lower part of the township of Onslow was also very much required.

Elsewhere, especially in the township of Bristol, I found the road good and presenting no obstruction to travel, and therefore not meriting any expenditure on it from the appropriation, while the other parts mentioned so much more required it. My examination took place at a time when country roads are in their worst possible condition.

With the exception of the improvement of a dangerous spot, on a bare rock, on the road in Clarendon, the doing of any work upon it in that township was deferred, not only because it was so late in the season but also because an apparently desirable change of a part of the road was proposed, which required examination.

The expenditure of last season was therefore limited to the improvement of the very bad parts of the road in Onslow, and the building of bridges already mentioned.

This work was also done by Mr. Benjamin Moore and his party, and in such a manner as to elicit an official expression of approbation from the Municipal Council.

The work was commenced at the north side of the Quio bridge, on No. 11 of the 3rd range of Onslow, and consisted in the making of bad spots by crowning and draining, the moving of rocks, cutting of side hills, the making of nearly a mile in all of ditches, with many culverts. On one hill nearly 300 tons of stone were removed, and part used for breast work. Only 136 feet of causeway were made, but on the lower part of the road, seven bridges were built, amounting to 464 feet in length, some of them eleven feet in height, and all constructed most substantially.

The total expenditure charged in my account to 31st December last, on account of the works on this road of the \$1,000 appropriated is \$735, leaving a balance unexpended of \$265 for works to be done in Clarendon. (See Synopsis herewith.)

Parties in Clarendon acquainted with the ground informed me that for about seven miles, between No. 8 and No. 24 of the second range of that township, where there is a

great bend in the front road, and some bad ground to be passed, the bend could be cut off, saving upwards of a mile of distance, and a much better site found by carrying the road nearly straight between the above points, passing in, or along the rear of the 1st range, chiefly through a dry, nearly bare sandy red pine brûlé—and the change of the line here is strongly recommended by some of the leading settlers, as it would give a constantly dry road that would require almost no repair instead of the present line, whose clay ground will always become exceedingly cut up, in wet weather in the fall. The parties recommending the alteration say, with justice, that though it would not benefit them, as they do not reside on the proposed line, it would be a great advantage to the general travel, especially of people from the Upper Canada side of the Ottawa, who would cross on the bridge now building at Portage du Fort and avail themselves of the road on the north side of the Ottawa, which, by cutting off the great bend of the river is about ten miles shorter than the road on the south side to Ottawa city; which is all unquestionably true.

Not having time to do so myself, I employed two competent persons to go over the proposed line, who found it to be as stated. \$500 in addition to the balance remaining of the appropriation would open this line and give a better and shorter road than the present one and a road that would be sound and useful in the wet weather late in the fall, when most required, when the other would be scarcely passable. It is extremely difficult to see why it should be made with colonization road funds, but an additional appropriation for it would be at least as justifiable in that respect as the one already made.

If by strict definition a colonization road be one necessary to give access through, or to, public lands fit for settlement, not already otherwise accessible, the front road in the upper part of Pontiac is much more strictly one, as it extends beyond existing continuous steamboat communication, and facilitates access to the vacant lands north of it, above Portage du Fort.

The remains of appropriations of former years for the front road in the upper part of the County of Pontiac, under which works were performed last season, were \$650 for the part from Black River in Waltham to the Coulonge in Mansfield, and \$250 for the Calumet and Deep River Road, to be spent on the uncompleted part in the upper part of Chichester.

As it was not till I received an official communication of the 22nd October, that I was informed of the amounts actually at my disposal, or the works to which they were applicable, remaining of former appropriations and that in some cases, after that, remote localities had to be visited, and the work to be done ascertained, and agreements made on the spot for carrying them on, including the collection of men, and the purchase and forwarding of tools and provisions, it will be evident that some of the works were necessarily only commenced, when such operations generally are being closed and reported upon.

Under such circumstances, I trust that it will not be considered extraordinary that my works were not all completed.

As the work to be done under the last mentioned appropriations, consisted chiefly in the building of several bridges, the want of which constituted the chief obstacles on the road between the Coulong and Black River, it could be proceeded with, though late in the season. I instructed Mr. Alexander Proudfoot of Mansfield, who was strongly recommended to me by Mr. Bryson and Mr. Poupore, M. P. P., on account of his ability and character, to employ a party of suitable men by the day and proceed with the building of the bridges and to make the best arrangement he could for the opening of the piece of road required in the township of Chichester.

He suspended proceeding with the latter at the instance of the Municipal Council of Chichester, who were anxious to submit a change in the line of road to my decision.

Mr. Proudfoot was interrupted by severe illness and by unfavorable weather for the getting out of the timber for bridge work in progress; his works will be completed during the incoming season.

He has, however, built three substantial bridges of hewn timber; one of 30 and two of 56 feet in length, of 9, 7 and 12 feet in height respectively, with another of 180 feet in length in course of construction; when he ceased working, besides making at Smith's gully a heavy side cutting of 600 feet in length, with log-side wall; all in the township of Mansfield.

The expenditure charged in my account to 31st December last, on account of works under Mr. Proudfoot's charge, amounts to \$535, leaving a balance then unexpended of \$865. to be applied to them next season. (See Synopsis herewith.)

When at Mansfield making arrangements for getting these works done, I made a sectional measurement of the bridge site on the river Coulonge on this road, so as to enable me to make an estimate for a bridge there, as the want of one renders this river, which is four hundred feet wide and nearly six feet deep in the channel, a great obstruction to travel and the extension of settlement. I beg further to refer to it in the concluding suggestions as to further works.

The opening of the Eardley and Masham road is the last work remaining to be mentioned of those under appropriations of former years.

This road extends from the settlements on the Ottawa in the township of Eardley, to those on the river Pêche in Masham, passing through the notch in the Eardley mountains with very gradual ascent, behind the steamboat landing of Rocky Point. It is the shortest and most favorable route into the settlement on the upper part of the Pêche, and forms part of the northerly road line traced by Messrs. Bouchette and Aylen, to the river Pickanock.

From where the opening of it commenced in Eardley, to the river Pêche, it is a little over six and a half miles in length. The work on it was done by Mr. Mongins (who owns a saw mill on it,) as overseer, with a party of men hired by the day. It consisted in opening out, through woods, of about three and a quarter miles of it, and elsewhere widening an old lumber road that in places coincided with it, to the width of 16 or 20 feet as required, and the partial building of a bridge on it over McGee's Creek, which is to be 83 feet in length of cord and 14 feet in height; but which was not finished owing to the formation of ice on the steep banks at it, rendering it dangerous and too difficult to be continued late in winter.

The appropriation for this road was only \$400, of which there has been expended and charged in my account to 31st December last \$373, including \$1.50 on account of the Clarendon and Thorne road, (see following synopsis), leaving \$27 further available.

With a small addition to it from the appropriation of 1861, this sum will be sufficient to pay for the completion of the unfinished bridge on McGee's Creek.

Besides the expenditure on account of the foregoing works, a payment is charged in my account to 31st December last of former year's appropriation, of \$251.50 to William Hodgins overseer on the Clarendon and Thorne road. This was not for work performed under my direction, it was in liquidation of his claim for the amount of two pay lists, for work done on that road, referred to me for settlement, and for which there remained of former appropriation, the sum of \$250, the difference of \$1.50 being transferred to the account of the Eardley and Masham road as above mentioned.

It will be observed by my accounts that with the exception of the ten miles let by contract in the east end of the Gatineau and Coulonge road, the works were performed by overseers, with parties hired by the month or day.

This was done because it was preferable for various reasons, the irregular nature of the work not admitting of its being let properly by contract, the lateness in the season not affording time for the delay of doing so, or the work being such as required the judgment of a competent overseer experienced in it. The wages of the men with provisions and transport, gives an average of 84½ cents per day's work, which is low on the Ottawa.

Synopsis of expenditure charged by A. J. Russell in his accounts rendered to 31st December, 1861, on account of the appropriation of \$10,000 for Colonization Roads in the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac, for 1861.

Payment to W. A. Richardson on account of contract on Gatineau and Coulonge road.....	\$3,776.08
Do. on account of works on Otter Lake road in Thorne.....	1,047.10
Do. on account of bridges on Gatineau and Desert road.....	186.00
Do. for advertising road works by order of Department in Quebec	102.02
Do. to P. Aylen, Esq., for occasionally inspecting and measuring works	102.00
Contingencies and travelling charges, including expenses of reconnaissance of road to River Desert.....	162.34

Remuneration to A. J. Russell for superintendence of the above and of other works, under remaining appropriations of former years.....	400.00
	<u>\$5,776.54</u>
Total received by A. J. Russell on account of the above.....	\$6,000.00
Do. expended as above.....	5,776.54
	<u>\$ 223.46</u>

Synopsis of expenditure of old appropriations for roads in the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac, autumn 1861, by A. J. Russell.

Onslow and Masham Road.

Amount.....	\$ 900.00
Expenditure, three pay lists.....	\$443.92
Proportion of remainder of B. Moore's account.....	327.08
Proportion of contingencies.....	14.00
	<u>\$ 785.00</u>
Balance unexpended 1st January, 1862.....	\$ 115.00

Onslow and Clarendon Front Road.

Amount.....	\$1,000.00
Expenditure, B. Moore, two pay lists.....	\$394.96
Proportion of remainder of B. Moore's account.....	290.81
A. Wilson's account.....	35.65
Proportion of contingencies.....	13.58
	<u>\$ 735.00</u>
Balance unexpended, 1st January, 1862.....	\$ 265.00
Off this balance—paid John Gordon, in January, 1862, for assisting in exploring last fall, not in account, \$5.20.....	\$ 259.80

Pontiac Front Road.

Amount for Mansfield.....	\$ 650.00
Do. for Calumet and Deep River.....	250.00
	<u>\$ 900.00</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Amount of S. Proudfoot's account.....	\$513.33
Cost of transport of supplies paid by A. J. Russell.....	8.80
Proportion of contingencies.....	12.37
	<u>535.00</u>
Balance unexpended on 1st January, 1862.....	\$ 365.00

Eardley and Masham Road.

Amount.....	\$ 400.00
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EXPENDITURE.

Amount of F. Morgan's account.....	\$366.60
Proportion of contingencies	4.90
	<u>\$371.50</u>
Unexpended in payment to Hodgins for Clarendon and Thorne Road per pay list.....	1.50
	<u>\$ 373.00</u>
Balance unexpended on 1st January, 1862.....	\$ 27.00

Clarendon and Thorne Road.

Amount	\$ 250.00
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EXPENDITURE.

Paid Wm. Hodgins amount of pay list.....	251.50
Over expended and charged to Eardley and Masham road.....	1.50

RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURE.

Onslow and Masham road	785.00
Onslow and Clarendon Front do.....	735.00
Pontiac Front do.....	585.00
Eardley and Masham do.....	371.50
Clarendon and Thorne do.....	251.50
Total.....	<u>\$2,678.00</u>

RECAPITULATION OF BALANCES ON HAND, 1ST JANUARY, 1862.

Onslow and Masham Road.....	\$ 115.00
Onslow and Clarendon Front do.....	265.00
Pontiac Front do.....	365.00
Eardley and Masham do	27.00
Total as per account current	<u>\$ 772.00</u>

Expended in January, 1862, on account of Onslow and Clarendon road, paid John Gordon \$5.20.

PROPOSED WORKS.

From information heretofore acquired, and recent careful investigation, I would respectfully recommend the following as the most suitable further works for the advancement of Colonization in the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac.

1st. The opening of the north road surveyed by Messrs. Bouchette and Ayley, on and near the line between the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac, northward and southward, from the point where it intersects the west end of the ten miles of the Gatineau and Coulonge road now nearly completed.

The bridge built over the Stag Creek, where they intersect, serves for both of these roads. This north road line is laid off into lots, and by Mr. Ayley's report from seven-eighths to four-fifths of them are fit for settlement, on the 13½ miles from Stag Creek northward to the Pickanock, which, including sinuosities may be upwards of 16 miles of road. It passes

along the front of the township of Stanhope, now called Alleyn, recently sub-divided into lots by Provincial Land Surveyor Holmes, who reports it to contain much good land, especially south of the Pickanock, which agrees with what was previously known as to that part. From Mr. Holmes' statements, and Provincial Surveyor O'Hanly's report of exploration of that and other townships, it would appear that by turning westward, this road line could be continued at least twelve miles further inland, generally fit for settlement, southward of Stag Creek the land on this line, as far as the 8th range of Masham, is all suitable for settlement, which with sinuosities may be fifteen miles of road line.

This would give upward of thirty miles of settlement road in the most favorable country the valley of the Gatineau affords, besides its probable extension at the north end, and the continuation westward of the Gatineau and Coulouge road, all branching from the part of the latter made last season. As this extent is all, as yet, unoccupied, I consider it the most advantageous and most readily available field for the formation of settlement in the territory under my charge. As timber agent, I would therefore propose the opening of this road as the first object to be provided for, and that I should devote to the making of it the remainder of the appropriation of last season, with as much of the appropriation for the ensuing season as may be available for it.

To make this road as good as the best class of colonization roads in Upper Canada, would require an outlay of about \$500 a mile; some of them cost nearly \$700 a mile, partly from defective original specifications and partly, in some cases, from their having required going over from not having been completely made at first. The accompanying specification affords a better road, for the cost, than any other that can be made. It concentrates the labor on the making of a sound, though narrow road bed, where the wheels run. Without that, additional earth is useless, either in a rugged or dry sandy country; and even in clay soil a greater breadth of muddy surface is a poor substitute for crowning and drainage. The clearing of a greater width of road than is going to be used as such is simply wasting the money—that should be applied to making a sound, dry and even carriage way—in clearing land at the sides, to save the settlers the trouble, or to grow up again in bushes. If a road be made by merely cutting the roots and stumps close off by the surface of the ground, in the roadway—instead of thoroughly grubbing out the roots, stumps and stones from nine feet, at least, in width of the centre—the remains of the stumps will always be protruding afterwards, rendering the road bad and dangerous for rapid travelling, or should the road be subsequently re-made, they must be then grubbed out at more cost than if the trees were standing. In the same manner, if narrow causeways be made of small pieces of wood when a road is first opened, besides the risk of their being dragged into confusion by the drawing of heavy loads over them, and the impossibility of teams passing each other on them, they remain as nuisances when the road is afterwards properly made, or are thrown aside as useless, and replaced at further cost.

For these reasons, therefore, it is desirable, to avoid future loss of labor, that in opening roads, nine or ten feet of the centre should be thoroughly grubbed, and a sound road bed made of it, and the causeways and bridges be made wide enough for two vehicles to pass on them, especially on first class settlement roads leading to large areas for settlement, and likely to be much used.

Where it might be advisable to adopt an inferior description of road to that provided for in the annexed specification, to meet the requirements of economy, or for the opening of branch roads of less importance, the crowning and grading, in forming the road as mentioned in the specification, might, with the greater part of the side hill cuttings, as to width, be left to be done by the settlers, and the grubbed part of nine feet in the centre be merely solidly levelled so as to be made solidly passable for a loaded wagon. This is the least work that can be done without future loss, and it would afford a rough but passable road, with many bad spots in it, but it would be as good as the roads are, in many existing settlements. There would be labor to add, but none thrown away on it. Such work might be designated as affording a second class road.

A third class road might be opened in an inferior manner, the width of the road and causeways to be fourteen feet, at most; no grubbing done; the stumps to be cut close to the surface, and a passable track for a lightly loaded wagon made throughout.

In this case the causeways and bridges would be the only part of the work that would be of value in future making of the road, as, till the stumps and roots become completely rotten, the grubbing and grading would all have to be done as if in standing woods.

The cost of making roads of either of these descriptions depends altogether on the nature of the ground and timber where they pass, and the prices of provisions and labor in the locality. As pine trees (whose stumps are expensive to grub) are so frequent in the Ottawa country, and so very much of the land is stony, rocky and uneven, and as the great market occasioned by the lumber trade sustains the highest prices for produce and labor known in the Province, the cost of making any kind of road should be very much greater here than is usual elsewhere.

In ground of the usual ruggedness, a road of the first class mentioned, made according to the accompanying specification, would cost, as stated, \$500 a mile, causeways and bridges included.

The second class described would cost \$380.

The third class, or ungrubbed passage for a wagon, would cost \$300 a mile.

The bridges and causeways in the two last would be nearly equal in quality to those on the first, and be serviceable when the roads were completed and enlarged to the usual width.

Having made this long digression, as it seemed to be necessary in explanation of proposed future work, I beg to revert to the north road, from the Township of Masham to the Pickanock, which intersects the end of the part of the Gatineau and Coulonge road made this season. As presenting the best site for immediate settlement on the Gatineau, it is the first in importance to be opened as a colonization road. But it will be sufficient to open it on the scale of the second class road mentioned, at a cost of about \$380 a mile, leaving the completion of it to the scale of the first class mentioned, to be afterwards performed, as it may, without any loss of work, should its future extension or importance as a settlement road render it desirable.

In connection with this, the opening of the Gatineau and Coulonge road westward, from the part made this season, might be continued, on the above scale, to the termination of the road made this season, as already mentioned, in Thorne, a distance of fifteen miles, and thence twelve miles further. But as the land on the first fifteen miles is not so suitable for settlement as on the north road (though more than half of it will eventually be occupied), and as the westerly twelve miles of road line, though passing through good land already partly settled, has not been definitely ascertained to lead to any considerable extent of good land beyond it, neither of them (though well worth opening, and meriting an appropriation, should there be funds disposable) are so important or so immediately desirable to be opened as the north road already mentioned, or the others that I shall next specify.

Though secondary, as a great inlet for settlement, to the main road up the Gatineau, to which I shall again revert, a road up the valley of the River Petite Nation is the next that merits attention from its immediate utility and probable great importance from the extent of good land it will open for settlement.

This road line commences at the existing road in the township of Ripon, on the east side of the river Petite Nation. Thirteen and a half miles of it were marked out last fall, by Mr. Leduc, under my direction, as before mentioned, leading up through the township of Suffolk to its north outline. I would propose continuing thirty or thirty-five miles further northward, to Lake Monaming, a tributary of the River Rouge, where, from definite information and documents of survey in my possession, it would traverse a large tract of arable land, of a superior quality for settlement.

On the part surveyed by Mr. Leduc, he says he found "the land, though uneven generally, yet nevertheless very advantageous for settlement, the soil rich and suitable for cultivation and the production of all kinds of crops; the wood-maple, beech, hemlock, basswood, and fir of a tall growth, with very little pine;" and in an exploratory excursion northward, from the end of the road line he traced, he found the soil to continue arable and fit for settlement. For thirty-five miles on this line my information is from surveys performed at the near and the far end of it; of the middle part, the reports of lumber hunters who have traversed it, are very favorable, describing the land as resembling that of Suffolk.

As this presents us with the site of a general highway of forty or fifty miles in length, from which lines of settlement may be opened along concessions branching from it, right and left, as in Suffolk, with the lumbering works on the Petite Nation and the river

Rouge offering a considerable market for farm produce, and being the nearest and one of the largest favorable tracts on the Ottawa, it offers an important field for colonization, especially for the surplus population of the adjoining seigniories and parishes.

I would suggest that this should be opened as a first class colonization road, as described in the accompanying specification. As labor is rather cheaper in that locality than in some others on the Ottawa, the cost might be somewhat under \$500 a mile, all charges included, especially as dry loam is the prevalent soil in parts.

To open the thirteen and a half miles laid out would, at the above rate, cost \$6,750. By reducing the work to levelling solidly on very dry, sandy ground, \$6,000 might be sufficient.

The third work I would suggest, as most urgently meriting attention, is the road from the rear of the township of Hull to Priest's Creek and the township of Bowman on the Rivière aux Lièvres.

This line of road touches the north-west angle of Templeton, and continues nearly along the line between Wakefield and Portland to Bowman. A small appropriation of colonization road money was very advantageously expended upon it last season, by Wm. Hamilton, Esq., of Cantly, in commencing to open it at the lower end. It should be continued at least sixteen miles further. It passes through a large tract of good land, lying partly in Wakefield, Portland and Denholm, now being settled, giving the most direct access to it from the City of Ottawa. It would open up most advantageously the land fit for settlement between the Gatineau and the Rivière aux Lièvres, and on the west bank of that river, which does not, on this part of its course, extend beyond the township of Bowman. The township of Bigelow, above it, being inferior and further up the high range between these rivers, comes close to the latter, in a form too rugged for settlement.

This road is essential for access to the Norwegian and German settlement now forming in Bowman. If the encouragement of such immigrants is desirable, it would seem especially so that a road of some kind should be afforded the first settlers of that class in this part of the Province, who, from their ignorance of the English and French languages, suffer much greater inconvenience in commencing than other settlers.

As this road cannot be carried very far with advantage, an expenditure upon it of \$300 a mile, may probably be considered sufficient, which would render an appropriation of \$4,800 for it desirable. But as the sum of \$500 advanced for provisions for the destitute Norwegian and German settlers in Bowman, and for which I hold their notes, payable in labor, if so required, is chargeable to the road, but possibly may not all be recoverable, it would seem desirable that the appropriation should not be less than \$5,000.

The Rivière aux Lièvres affords a water communication from above the falls at Buckingham village to the township of Bowman, but in ascending there are several portages, besides rapids, where it is necessary to tow or pole up. A road up the valley of the Rivière aux Lièvre is very desirable, alike for the purpose of settlement and for the traffic of the lumber trade. The road on either side is passable for a cart but a few miles above the village of Buckingham. I am not able to give an opinion how such a road should be carried. Where the Rivière aux Lièvre traverses the ridge of the Laurentides, at and near the High Falls, there is much rough land, and unfavorable country above that, which would require much examination to enable one to judge.

Much of the township of Villeneuve is bad land and mountainous. The township of Wells, above it, is better, with much good flat land extending up the Rivière des Sources.

From where the Kiamaca joins the aux Lièvres, that is, about eighty-five miles directly northward from its mouth, the country, as elsewhere on the north side of the Ottawa, and at that distance from it, changes from high rugged hills to a much lower undulating surface, and is much more arable. The good lands on the upper course of the aux Lièvres will most probably be settled in connection with the Gatineau.

The lower part of the valley of the aux Lièvres, excepting near its mouth, seems much less suitable for settlement than the country east of it, drained by the Lower Blanche and the Petite Nation, which is altogether on a lower level.

I would suggest that a line of colonization road should be surveyed and opened, diverging from the road from the steamboat landing at the village of Thurso to the river Ste. Seque, and passing up through the township of Derry East, on the east side of the Blanche,

where it would intersect much good land, and northward through the township of Lathbury, which is reported to be favorable for settlement.

I am not in possession of sufficient information to enable me to say how far this line of road might with advantage be carried. But the land to be opened for settlement by this line being so near the Ottawa, and connecting with so accessible a part of it, so near its mouth and to the port of Montreal, would seem to render the survey of such a road line, after careful exploration, and the opening of it for settlement, very desirable.

It is equally desirable that a line of colonization road should be explored and opened from the west end of lake Blanche in rear of Lochaber northward, nearly along the line between the townships of Derry East and Derry West, where there are vacant, good lands, superior in quality to those already settled to the southwest. This line may be carried along the east or west side of the west branch of the Blanche, as further examinations might dictate, and thence up along the line between Villeneuve and Lathbury, or thereabouts, into the rear of the township of Wells, where the land is well suited for settlement. This road would give access to the valley of the Rivière des Sourds, where there are extensive flats of arable land, reported to be good, down which a branch road might probably be carried with advantage to the Rivière aux Lièvres.

The townships of Derry are described as containing a good deal of good land, hilly but not stony, and of a deep fertile soil. Beyond the 4th range of Derry West no lands were taken up last fall, nor in Derry East except where a few squatters were settling up the Blanche.

These two last mentioned roads would give access to the nearest vacant lands in the county of Ottawa, suitable for settlement.

The settlements generally forming on the Rivière aux Lièvre, and the large amount of revenue that government has realized from the extensive lumbering operations that have for years been carried on in connection with milling establishments at the thriving village of Buckingham on that river, are strong reasons for opening a road up its valley, but as the country on the banks of the river, to a considerable extent, presents difficulties requiring careful examination, I am not in possession of the information necessary to enable me to give any opinion of value as to where such a road should be located.

I have made these suggestions and observations as presenting subjects for further consideration with a view to the development of the lower part of the county of Ottawa.

Turning to a more remote part of the Ottawa country, I would in the fourth place recommend as meriting an appropriation of colonization funds for the opening of a road up the west side of the river Coulonge, to give access to a tract of good land in the west part of the township of Pontefract, and between it and Black River, and the building of a bridge over the river Coulonge.

The township of Pontefract was surveyed lately by Mr. J. Robertson, of Fitzroy. He is a very reliable and thoroughly practical judge of the quality of land; what he calls good land is unquestionably so. He condemns as unsuitable for settlement that part of the township lying east of the river Coulonge, even where it is very fine looking hardwood land, it is in general too shallow in soil for proper cultivation or certainty of crop in dry seasons, though the demand for farm produce will doubtless soon lead settlers to occupy the better part of it.

The west side of the township, however, contains much good land fit for settlement for about eleven ranges in depth, which also extends westward towards Black River.

The small proportion of good land in this part of the Ottawa country, compared with the great extent suitable only for lumbering, renders this tract of much value for settlement. It is near the Ottawa, and being on the way to the extensive lumbering regions on the Coulonge and Black River, the settlers will be in the most advantageous position for obtaining good prices for their produce, and the road, so far as it may be opened, will present the double advantage of being useful to the lumberers working up these rivers, as well as to the settlers.

I would suggest that this road should be opened from the front Pontiac road in Mansfield back four miles through that township to Pontefract, and thence about twelve miles further to and along its west outline, the site to be more definitely determined on survey of the line—in all say sixteen miles, at \$300 a mile, making it a road of the third class, as regards scale of work, would require an outlay of \$4,800.

The Coulonge is the first unbridged river in the main front road on the north side of the Ottawa, above the city, and being a large one, it is the first serious obstacle to communication and to the progress of settlement.

The river Coulonge enters the Ottawa about a hundred miles above the city, and as the country at that distance is but partially settled and only on the front, the main road here is virtually a colonization road essential to the further progress of settlement, and the building of a bridge over the river Coulonge is much required, not only for the upward travel on the Ottawa in connection with lumber trade and the eastern settlements, but also for the extension of settlement in the townships on the main river, as well as on the tracts in the rear like that just mentioned.

As already mentioned, I took the necessary sectional measurement of the river to enable me to make a plan and estimate of the proposed bridge. The river is there four hundred feet wide and about six feet deep in the channel, with a strong current and high steep banks and therefore quite unfordable. The bridge requires to be five hundred and ten feet in length, and twenty four feet in height from the bottom of the channel. It should have six water ways, of sixty feet wide, or five of seventy-two feet, with queen-post tresses in the latter case, or king-post tresses in the former; the cost would be equal in either case. To give security, as the bottom is of shifting sand, the piers should be well sunk with projecting foundation pieces, to give breadth of bearing, and they should be sent down with a good bed of fascines under them, which will prevent the eddy behind the piers and the plunge of the swell in front during freshets, from undermining their foundations.

Including \$100 for the making of the road approaching the site at the east end, the appropriation should be \$3,232; with the \$4,800 estimated for the Pontefract road, the total for these works would be \$8,032.

A bridge is also much required on Black River; at thirteen miles by the road above the Coulonge. Black River is the last large river on the Pontiac road which terminates twenty miles beyond it, at the foot of Deep River, where precipitous mountains come to the shore, rendering the continuing of the road along it impracticable; it will have to be carried through the valleys behind.

Though the extent of land fit for settlement in this direction is comparatively small, it would be a mistake to suppose that the public domain is too unimportant or unprofitable to justify such considerable expenditures on account of it. The land that is good is unusually profitable to the cultivator, and much of the remainder now yields and will continue to yield a larger revenue to the Crown than the sale of the lands would represent, by the produce of its forests, which afford profitable employment to thousands on the spot, and in the commerce it creates.

The making and improvement of the main road up the Gatineau is the next subject I would suggest as meriting attention; not as being of less importance than the preceding works mentioned, but because its claims to consideration apart from its character as a colonization road are such as to merit a special parliamentary grant.

Apart from being the inlet to the lands suitable for settlement on the banks of the Gatineau and in the valleys of its many tributaries, it is now the main road of a numerous though rather thinly scattered population who can hardly be expected, unassisted, to make and maintain a road of ninety miles in length, passing frequently over very rugged unoccupied ground, and which is much used by the traffic of a branch of trade that yields a large profit to Government.

Besides the price of lands sold, Government must have already received upwards of half a million dollars as revenue for lumber cut on the Gatineau. Lumbering was carried on upon it to a large extent upwards of thirty years ago, and during the last nine years alone, I collected in ground rents and duties on saw logs cut on it, \$221,909, and far from being exhausted, the annual revenue has been gradually increasing from \$18,454 in 1853, to \$33,264 in 1861.

It would not seem unreasonable were the inhabitants of that section of country to ask one year's revenue, in thirty, of the public domain, to assist them in giving access to it for the purposes of trade and the extension of settlement in it.

The Gatineau road naturally presents itself in two principal divisions. The lower part, from the village of Hull, opposite the city of Ottawa, up the west bank of the Gatineau to Brooks's, at the Puagan Falls, in the township of Low, is thirty-five and a half miles

in length. For this distance, the road passes generally over rich clay soil, the alluvial flats of the river, with rocky ground on the spurs of the hills, which occasionally come close to the river, sometimes in precipitous rocky bluffs, hemming the road in to the narrowest practicable space along their base.

A stage runs regularly from the Ottawa to the Puagan. The land in that distance is all taken up and occupied, and the road in dry weather is a good country road, and much labor has been spent on parts of it by the inhabitants, but in continuous wet weather it becomes exceedingly cut up, with the deepest possible ruts, owing to the richness of the soil and the great traffic upon it. In many places it needs ditching and culverts, and there are some dangerous old bridges upon it, and bad rocky hills that are serious obstacles, requiring much expenditure to improve them.

A company was, I believe, formed for the macadamising of twenty-four and a half miles of this road, and a survey of the line and estimate of the cost of making it a macadamised road were made by George H. Perry, Esquire, Civil Engineer, but nothing further has since been done to my knowledge.

In a country like that north of the Ottawa, where the land fit for settlement is much exceeded in quantity by that which is unfit for cultivation, and is so frequently to be found in blocks too small and scattered to admit of the formation of extensive lines of settlement or to warrant the opening of colonization roads to them in detail; the improvement of main roads such as this which are absolutely necessary, to give access to the interior lands generally, is a very certain and advantageous way of forwarding the settlement of such parts of the public lands as are fit for it; especially in such cases as this, where the road is the highway of an extensive lumber trade, which creates a highly profitable market for the settlers and causes settlement to extend and prosper where it otherwise would not yet be in existence.

This would seem to afford an argument in favor of granting assistance to the Gatineau macadamised road company, should they proceed with their design, as it would, no doubt, most powerfully forward the settlement of the Gatineau country. Uncertainty as to how much of the road they may improve, renders it difficult to estimate definitely any sum for this portion of the road, between the probable end of their works and the Puagan, where improvement is certainly required, and be provided for in a general estimate for this road, in case of a grant being obtained for it. An expenditure of at least \$4,000 would probably be desirable on this section, besides anything the company may be able to do.

The upper part of the Gatineau road, from the Puagan to the river Desert, is that on which expenditure in completing and improving it is most urgently required, not only to give access to several townships containing together much land suitable for settlement, but also for the benefit of the existing settlements and the important trade of the country. The distance is stated to be fifty-five miles. Much of it is merely a lumber track or winter road, parts of it have been worked upon by the settlers, as well as the lumberers. Some colonization funds have been spent on other parts of it. The worst part of it, owing to natural difficulty, is the first twelve miles above the Puagan. It is with much difficulty and some danger that an unloaded buck board can be drawn through from the Puagan to the Indian Mission Settlement at the river Desert, in the township of Maniwaki.

The first twelve miles, from the Puagan to the river Kazabazaa, embraces much of the most expensive ground to make a road upon that can be found. It has been opened from twelve to twenty feet wide. With some dry, even ground it presents steep clay hills, much very rocky ground, varied with long deep miry places, where the remains of numerous pine stumps that have merely been cut close by the ground, will be more expensive to take out than if the trees were left standing. The opening of the road in this imperfect manner and the making of some good causeways, a little side cutting, and some bridges was all that the limited funds hitherto available admitted of being done on such parts of the whole line as were worked on, and excepting partly in clearings, the grubbing and making the road, including ditching, grading and crowning, excavation and culverts, and the building and re-building of many bridges, has all to be done.

A new bridge is required on the Kazabazaa, 263 feet in length of work, and four feet higher than the present imperfect old one.

The next thirteen miles to the river Pickanock, in the township of Wright, passes over much more favorable ground; the cost per mile of making it a good road will be not much more than half the rate of the preceding portion.

The following nine miles from the Pickanock to Mr. Leamy's farm, at the upper outline of Wright, would cost still less on an average per mile, were it not for two considerable bridges required, for which I have taken the necessary measurements. Beyond this no work whatever has been done with colonization monies.

The next six miles reaching to the middle of the township of Bouchette, owing to there being much unfavorable rocky ground, with two considerable bridges to be built, will be about twice as expensive to make as the last.

The remaining fifteen miles to the river Desert, though at present merely a narrow winter road, will be much less expensive in making than the preceding, being generally very favorable ground, but is all in woods till about a mile from the river Desert.

To make a fair turnpike road of the whole of this upper fifty-five miles in the manner described in the annexed specification but one-third wider, would, on account of the extremely unfavorable character of parts of it, probably cost about \$35,772. But by careful management in concentrating the labor on the bad and impassable parts of it, and making the last fifteen miles in the smallest scale to be useful, the whole might be made fairly passable for loaded wagons for about \$19,448.

This sum represents the smallest scale of work that Government could have performed without disadvantage or considerable loss of labor; and it would be necessary that it should be incurred if the settlement of the Indian township of Maniwaki, and the surveyed townships opposite and above it on the east side, containing much good land, be considered desirable. Much of the line is uninhabited, especially the exceedingly rocky and rugged parts of it, and they will necessarily remain so. The upper part of Bouchette is unoccupied, so also is Maniwaki, excepting at the Desert, and it will long continue so, unless steps be taken for its survey and sale, which is very much to be desired.

It is to be regretted that Maniwaki, probably the best township for settlement on the Gatineau, should, where good land is so scarce, remain not only unoccupied, but a barrier to the progress of settlement in that direction.

From the river Desert upwards, the Gatineau road should be continued for colonization purposes, on the east side of the river up through the townships of Kensington, Aumont and Sicotte to Lake Baskatong in the township of that name; above the river Desert the west side of the Gatineau becomes less favorable for settlement than the east side. Above lake Baskatong, crystalline limestone is said to prevail up the river Baskatooshin.

The river Gatineau drains an area of about ten thousand square miles, and is probably about four hundred miles in length. In general, one quarter of the land in the known parts of the valley of the Gatineau may be estimated as fit for settlement, in the present acceptance of the expression, though more of it may eventually be occupied.

To describe the lands fit for settlement, I would quote the words of Peter Aylen, Esquire. His opinion is based on twenty-eight years personal acquaintance with the Gatineau country, which, in connection with his lumbering operations, he explored more extensively than any other person. He says the lands fit for settlement "are generally of an unusually rich and durable soil, and though stony in places consists of deep loam on the tables that form the hill tops, and clayey flats in the valleys, often covered with deep black earth, and admitting of drainage where requiring it, poor sandy soil being of rare occurrence."

As one of the causes of fertility, I would mention that I found crystalline limestone the most commonly prevailing rock along the Gatineau for upwards of sixty miles below the river Desert. There are farms on the Gatineau presenting upwards of two hundred acres of the richest alluvial fields in front, and in rear hills of crystalline limestone, valuable alike for building and as a manure for the soil, and covered with valuable wood, pine for building and hardwood for fuel. In the finest parts of Canada those advantages are seldom found together.

But the greater part of the Gatineau country, as is the case on the north side of the Ottawa, generally consists of rugged, unarable hilly land with occasional sandy plains, the good lands occurring in veins, irregular tracts, and isolated spots.

It is of the utmost importance, therefore, in the projection of settlement roads, that the extent and position of those favorable tracts, and the best means of connecting them, if not already definitely ascertained, should be carefully determined by cursory exploration

and the road lines adapted accordingly, as any other system of projection otherwise based, will be sure to end in utter failure.

As the rugged and inferior lands are generally covered with a good growth of valuable timber, in the manufacture of which, much farm produce is consumed, creating a market on the spot, and high prices, it is evident that the value of the remaining quarter for settlement and cultivation is thereby very much increased. By careful selection, the extensive forest regions, unfit for cultivation, might be left untouched, while continuous lines of settlement might be formed on the intervening veins and tracts suitable for cultivation, and settlers be placed where they would derive the greatest benefit from the lumber trade, and at the same time the poor and unarable regions of the Ottawa be preserved for ever in their character as the greatest lumber forests in the world.

Grain, potatoes and other vegetables are successfully cultivated on large lumbering farms at thirty and forty miles north of the river Desert. In the settlement on the latter, fall wheat is cultivated with success.

Though but remotely connected with the subject of this report, it is worthy of remark that it has been well ascertained that behind the high country of the Laurentides, that is, at from about a hundred varying to two hundred miles north of the Ottawa, the country becomes lower, and that in this great depression, which is about a hundred miles in breadth, and of an unascertained length from east to west, containing the upper three hundred and fifty miles of the Ottawa's course, there is much land suitable for cultivation, said by those who have visited it to be less hilly and stony than the new townships on the Madawaska and Gatineau. Stratified limestone is found in it at the head of lake Temiscaming and at Grand Lake, a hundred miles further east. As these two points, and much more of this northern valley are a degree south of the latitude of lake St. John on the Saguenay, which is known to have a better climate than Quebec, it is quite probable that they may possess in some degree the same advantage; and as thousands of settlers are living successfully in Upper Saugenay, it would be absurd to suppose that the same will not ultimately be the case on the great waters and much more extensive field of the Upper Ottawa, facilitated as it will be by the great reaches of inland navigation.

The river Desert, or more properly the settlement at its mouth, is about three miles north of the latitude of Three Rivers, and the south shore of lake Baskatong is about four miles south of the latitude of Quebec.

I would now beg leave to recapitulate the works I have submitted for consideration in the order in which they seem immediately desirable to be proceeded with, and the appropriations that would be requisite for them, or the portions of them proposed. In doing so, I would respectfully explain that I submit a relative view of a system of works that would seem desirable for the most advantageous opening up of the localities most suitable for settlement, and of the probable expense of performing them at rates of cost considerably under that devoted to similar colonization works in Upper Canada, and which might occupy several years in execution, without presuming to indicate how much or how little of the Colonization funds should be at present devoted to them, were they even approved of and adopted; my sole object being to place at your disposal the result of the best information I have been able to accumulate, aided by my past experience in superintending such works.

Recapitulation of Proposed Works.

1st.	For the making of the North Road from the Pêche to the Pickanock, 31 miles, at \$380, less remains of appropriation of 1861.....	\$ 8,780
2nd.	For do. of 13½ miles of Suffolk Road.....	6,000
3rd.	For do. of 16 miles of Hull & Bowman do.....	5,000
4th.	For do. of 16 miles of Pontefract road and Bridge over River Coulonge	4,800 3,232
5th.	For do. of the main road up the Gatineau to the River Desert, 55 miles from the Puagan upwards.....	19,448

(Were a special Parliamentary Grant obtainable for the Gatineau roads, the amount should not be less than \$35,772 for the part from the Puagan upwards, \$4,000 for the part below, and \$4,800 for a bridge over the Gatineau, which is much required about six miles above the mouth of it.)

Further Works proposed to be afterwards prosecuted.

The West Road in Derry or the East Road or do. or both.

The continuation of the Suffolk Road to Lake Monoming.

The building of a Bridge over Black River in Waltham.

The continuation of the Gatineau Road towards Lake Baskatong.

But prior to that the continuation of the Gatineau and Coulonge Road.

For the position of the roads and works referred to in this report, I beg to refer to the accompanying map of the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac. In it the representation of proposed roads not yet surveyed, it is only intended to indicate the locality and direction of them, leaving their position to be better determined by exploration and survey.

There is great danger of avaricious people, who own land elsewhere, taking up lands on Colonization roads as soon as it is known that they are to be opened, to the obstruction of settlers who really want the lots. To prevent this abuse the conditions of actual settlement should be promptly and rigidly enforced to the letter, and confiscation take place without a single day's delay, just in the same manner as has been punctually done for many years with lumberers' licences in this agency, when they failed to comply with the conditions required of them, though they might have made many payments on their licenses previously, and might lose thousands of dollars by the confiscation.

It would certainly be quite as easy and at least as just to enforce confiscation on the pretended settlers.

For a simple and self-acting system that would completely remove the obstruction to settlement caused by parties taking up lands for the speculative purpose of wringing high prices out of actual settlers afterwards, I beg to refer you to my report on the St. Maurice Territory, transmitted in March, 1859, containing practical suggestions as to the sale and settlement of the waste lands of the Province, and the better adjustment of the rights of settlers and lumberers, exhibiting a system whereby lands could be sold to actual settlers at a merely nominal price without any loss of revenue therefrom to the Crown.

I have the honor to be, respectfully,

Sir,

Your very obedient servant,

A. J. RUSSELL.

SPECIFICATION

Of the manner in which the Colonization Road from the Puagan Falls, Gatineau, to the River Coulonge, is to be made.

1. It is to be made on the site of it traced in the field, excepting where otherwise pointed out by the Superintendent, or person in charge. It is to be cleared to the width of 24 feet.

2. It is to be formed to the width of 16 feet; all roots, stumps, and stones are to be grubbed out 10 feet in width in the centre, which is to be solidly levelled up, and in dry ground evenly crowned with hard earth to the height of * inches in the centre, above the sides of the road. All roots, stumps, vegetable matter, stones, and timber, and other rubbish to be thrown 4 feet back from the edge of the (16 feet) road. All stumps in the sides of the road, that is 3 feet on each side of the grubbing, to be cut down even with the surface of the road when made. No crowning to be done till all the grubbing has been performed and inspected.

3. In moist or loamy ground, as pointed out by the Superintendent or person in charge, the centre of the road is to be crowned to the height of 18 inches above the sides, which are to be formed into continuous water-tables, so as to take off all the water. They may be crooked outside of the 16 feet to avoid stumps or other obstacles. Or where required by the person in charge, a ditch 3 feet wide and 2 feet deep, is to be sunk along the upper

* Note.—Economy is effected by making the crowning only six inches on very dry ground (which merely provides ground levelling) when the nature of the ground and other circumstances admit of such being marked and provided for in contracting, or where work is done by a skilful overseer and a select party which, in difficult ground, is the best way of obtaining the best result from limited funds.

side, outside of the 16 feet, in addition to the crowning mentioned in the second clause; the earth from the ditch to be used in evenly crowning the centre, excepting where it is black earth or vegetable matter, which is not to be used in crowning.

4. Culverts, with sufficient discharge drains, are to be made in all hollows where water may at any time pass, or where pointed out by the Superintendent; the water-ways to be at least 15 inches wide, and 10 inches high, in the clear under—greater if required. They are to be made of cedar if it can be had, otherwise of black ash or pine flatted; to be not less than 5 inches thick, the pieces to be 16 feet in length. The covering to be supported by four cross pieces dovetailed into, and securely pinned to the side pieces. The top of the covering to be lower than the road, and well secured by pieces pinned across the ends.

5. Such small bridges as may be required, are to be built of the same description of timber as the culverts throughout; the covering to be of the same dimensions, resting on four stringers, 1 foot in least diameter, supported by, and securely pinned to substantial side-logs, of a height sufficient to give free passage for the water at highest flood; or on abutments of round logs of the same description of timber, laid in tiers of four each way, 10 inches in least diameter, slightly notched upon each other, and securely pinned at the corners. Larger bridges to be built in the same manner and of the same dimensions and descriptions of timber excepting that the stringers for water-ways of 20 feet are to be not less 9 inches broad by 14 deep or round cedar peeled not less than 13 inches thick may be used—with handrails 4 feet high; the posts and caps of which are to be 6 inches square with braces 4 inches square and 3 feet long securely shouldered in and spiked to the posts and projecting pieces of the flooring every 10 feet. The flooring to be of 4 inches thick pine planks, or hewn cedar 5 inches thick, 18 feet in length, the projecting pieces to be 6 inches thick and 23 feet long boxed on the stringers. A binder 8 inches by 4 to be treenailed down on each side to retain the flooring. The posts of the handrails to be tenoned with it as well as the cap above and well spiked. The abutments and piers to be loaded with stone to the depth of 2 feet laid on a flooring of sound round logs 8 inches in least thickness. The approaches to bridges to be raised so as not to be flooded in high water, and all materials to be at all times subject to the inspection and approval of the superintendent or person authorized by him. Chips, logs and rubbish, which might communicate fire, to be removed a rod back all round bridges, and from the ends of causeways, and logging up side hills.

6. The water to be thoroughly drawn away from water-tables or side-ditches, by off-take drains, 3 feet wide and 2 feet deep; or larger, if required to pass the water when greatest.

7. All swamps or boggy places to be causewayed or fascined. Causeways are to be evenly and closely laid, and hewn level on top and solidly bedded on the ground,—the stumps being first cut below the surface, unless where stringers are necessary to give elevations over water. Stringers to be at least one foot thick and four to the width of the road. The pieces to be of sound wood, 16 feet in length, and 8 inches at least in diameter,—of cedar, where it can be had. Nine feet at least, in width, in the centre to be evenly covered, 3 inches in depth, over the highest logs, with earth from the side ditches, which are to be 3 feet wide and 2 feet deep, on one or both sides if required to draw off the water; otherwise, the earth to be obtained elsewhere. Where it may be found more suitable, (or be specially required at the time of letting the work,) in swampy ground, the stumps are to be cut even with the surface, 16 feet in width; the centre evenly raised 6 inches,—the whole to be then covered with softwood brush and small trees, the tops towards and over the middle, to the depth of one foot in the centre, when compressed, and 6 inches at the sides. The surface to be closed with 3 inches of swamp earth, with 8 inches of hard earth over 9 feet in width of the centre, diminishing to 4 inches at the sides of the road, which may be made up with any earth obtainable. Causeways and fascining, and the grubbing previous to crowning, not to be covered up till inspected and approved of.

8. On steep sidelong hills the road is to be cut lower on the inside, and to be 12 feet wide; besides a ditch near the cutting, 18 inches wide and a foot deep. The face of all cuttings to have slope back of one foot, for every one in height. The outside to be built up solidly, with stones, or sound timber not less than 10 inches at the small end, with cross-ties every 7 feet. Or the side may be made up with a layer of soft wood brush, laid tops out, for every six inches of earth.

9. In forming the road, the earth is to be worked from the heights into the hollows; and banks and ridges, where more excavation is not specified, are to be cut down 2 feet, if necessary, to equalize the road. In deeper cuttings, the roadway may be only 12 feet wide. In passing among rocks, or in very rocky ground, a passage of 10 feet in width will be sufficient, the points of the rock to be broken down, and the spaces between them solidly built up with stones, and the whole crowned with hard earth.

10. In descending hills, the water to be turned off every 50 or 150 yards, according to the steepness, and at the head of all cuttings.

11. No earth work done later than 31st October will be accepted or paid for this season.

12. All trees that fall on the road till finally received, to be cleared out, as well as any overhanging or other timber, or trees that may be considered likely to fall into the road.

13. If the work be not commenced within 10 days after the day on which it is let, or should it be abandoned for 10 days, without sufficient reason being assigned to the satisfaction of the superintendent, or should the contractor, or any person employed by him, refuse to comply with the instructions of the superintendent, or person employed by him to oversee the work, the superintendent will be at liberty to annul the contract, or employ men to do the work at the contractor's expense; and should there be less than six men employed for every mile contracted for, the superintendent will be at liberty to make up the number, by employing men at the expense of the contractor, should he see fit.

14. No work to be sub-let without the consent of the superintendent.

15. The work to be completed before the 1st November, 1861; but should more than one half of it remain to be done on the 10th October, 1861, the superintendent may then employ men at the contractor's expense to complete it.

16. Persons abandoning their work will forfeit the work performed.

17. One-third of the price will be paid when one-half of the work is done, and the remainder when it is completed and accepted; but the contractor's securities are to receive the balance due, or any part of it that the superintendent may consider them entitled to, should they be obliged to complete the work, or any part of it.

18. The contractor is to give the best accommodation in his power to the superintendent, or person appointed to oversee the work; such accommodation to be paid for at a reasonable rate.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands will not consider it necessary to accept the lowest tender, nor to let the full extent of work advertised, should he find the rates proposed too high.

LANDS PATENTED to Associates, &c., in the undermentioned Eastern Townships of Lower Canada.

Townships.	Grantees.	Acres.	Date of Patent.
Ascot.....	Gilbert Hyatt and Associates.....	19,000	21 April, 1803.
Do	W. B. Felton.....	5,200	31 May, 1824.
Do	do	4,000	20 November, 1830.
Buckingham	Wm. Fortune, and Ely Hawley and Associates.....	14,000	22 January, 1803.
Arthabaska	Jno. Gregory and Associates.....	10,000	30 September, 1803.
*Bolton.....	Nicholas Austin and do	62,000	19 August, 1797.
Brome	Asa Porter and do	41,000	18 August, 1797.
Barford.....	Isaac W. Clarke and do	26,000	15 April, 1802.
Barnston	Robert Lester and Robert Morrogh and Associates.	22,000	11 April, 1801.
Brompton	Wm. Bernard and Associates	20,000	27 November, 1801.
Bury	Calvin May and do	11,000	15 March, 1803.
Bulstrode.....	Patrick Langan and do	15,000	27 May, 1803.
Chester.....	Simon McTavish and do	11,000	17 July, 1802.

* This grant, to a large extent, is under the management of a Commissioner appointed by Law, and on account of it the Bolton and Magog scrip was issued.

LANDS PATENTED to Associates, &c., in the undermentioned Eastern Townships of Lower Canada.—(Continued.)

Townships.	Grantees.	Acres.	Date of Patent.
Dunham	Thomas Dunn and Associates	40,000	28 March, 1796.
Dudswell	John Bishop and do	11,000	13 May, 1805.
Durham	Thomas Scott and do	21,000	30 August, 1802.
Do	Eleanor Birnie, widow, and Arthur Davidson	10,000	3 April, 1815.
Ely	Amos Lay, junr., and Associates	11,000	13 November, 1802.
Eaton	Josiah Sawyer and do	24,000	4 December, 1808.
Hatley	Henry Cull and E. Hovey and Associates	22,000	25 March, 1803.
Hereford	James Rankin and do	64,000	5 November, 1800.
Halifax	Benjamin Jobert and do	11,000	7 August, 1802.
Inverness	Wm. McGillivray and do	11,000	9 August, 1802.
Ireland	Jos. Frobisher and do	11,000	20 August, 1802.
Leeds	Isaac Todd and do	11,000	14 August, 1802.
Melbourne	Henry Caldwell and Jno. Donaldson and Associates	25,000	3 April, 1805.
Newport (W)	Edwd. Heard and Associates	11,000	4 July, 1801.
Orford	Luke Knowlton and do	13,000	5 May, 1801.
Stanbridge	Hugh Finlay and do	47,000	1 September, 1801.
Shefford	John Savage and do	33,000	10 February, 1801.
Stukely	Samuel Willard and do	22,000	3 November, 1800.
Stanstead	Isaac Ogden and do	26,000	27 September, 1800.
Shipton	Elmer Cushing and do	58,000	4 December, 1801.
Stoke	Jane Cowan, widow of M. Cowan	54,000	13 February, 1802.
Upton	David A. Grant and Associates	22,000	21 May, 1800.
Wickham	Wm. Lindsay and do	22,000	31 August, 1802.

W. F. COLLINS.

Department of Crown Lands,
Western Section, L. C.

QUESTION.—Number of Townships surveyed ready for settlers, in the Eastern Townships, St. Maurice, Saguenay, Ottawa, and elsewhere if any, and Name of Agents of Townships,—describing the routes, and prices of land, quality, soil, wood, &c.

Answer of Mr. Collins, of the Crown Lands Department.

The Townships within my division are as follows:—

EASTERN TOWNSHIPS.

*Godmanchester, Elgin, *Hinchinbrooke and *Hemmingford, in the county of Huntingdon. This agency was closed on the 31st December last. Of the small quantity of land in this county yet to be disposed of, all that is fit for cultivation is probably occupied by squatters.

*Stanbridge, *Dunham, *Sutton, *Potton, *Bolton, *Brome, *Farnham, *Granby, *Shefford, *Stukely, *Milton, Roxton, and Ely. O. J. Kemp, Agent at Frelighsburg. Railroad from Montreal to Waterloo in Shefford, about the centre of the county. Good main roads throughout all the Townships. Not more than 5,000 acres remaining undisposed of.

*Acton, *Grantham, *Wendover, *Simpson, Kingsey, *Upton, *Wickham, Durham. Hon. W. Sheppard, agent at Wendover. Railroad from Quebec and Montreal to the Township of Durham; good country roads traverse most of the Townships. About 40,000 acres are yet to be disposed of, the greater portion of which, fit for cultivation, is probably occupied by squatters.†

NOTE.—The upset price of advertised Crown Lands in the several agencies, are stated in foot notes.
† Upset prices of Advertis'd Crown Lands, \$5. per acre, besides rent for the period of occupation. Clergy lands at special valuations.

Shipton, Brompton, Windsor, Stoke, Oxford, *Ascot, Magog, *Hatley, *Stanstead, *Barnston, Barford, *Hereford, Compton, Clifton, Auckland, *Eaton, Westbury, Bury, Weedon, Lingwick. John Felton, Agent at Sherbrooke. About 60,000 acres disposable, principally in Brompton, Windsor, Melbourne, Auckland, Westbury and Weedon; of the above quantity of land, probably two-thirds are unfit for cultivation.†

Tingwick, Chester, Warwick, Arthabaska, and Horton. Antoine Gagnon, Agent at Arthabaska. About 40,000 acres disposable. Three Townships in this agency are crossed by the Grand Trunk R. R.

Stanford, Blandford, Bulstrode and Maddington. F. X. Pratte, Agent at Stanford.

Aston and augmentation. G. A. Burgeois, Agent at St. Grégoire. In these two agencies there are about 115,000 acres not yet disposed of, including some 20,000 acres in Maddington of poor, wet and swampy land. The Townships of Aston and Bulstrode each embrace a portion of the same description of land, principally covered with Spruce, Balsam and Hemlock. Of the remainder of the land within these agencies, one half might perhaps be considered fit for cultivation. Grand Trunk R. R. to Stanford or Arthabaska. The Three Rivers R. R. also crosses these agencies.‡

*Leeds, *Inverness, *Ireland, Nelson, *Halifax and Somerset. John Hume, Agent, Leeds. There are about 12,000 acres in this agency yet to be disposed of, nearly all of which is refuse land, unfit for cultivation. Grand Trunk R. R. to Somerset. §

OTTAWA DISTRICT.

Gore, *Chatham, *Wentworth and Howard. Thos. Barron, Agent at Lachine. About 40,000 acres disposable, principally in Wentworth and Howard; hilly and rocky land, not a third of which is fit for cultivation. Steamer from Lachine to Carillon.

*Grenville and Harrington. D. McMillan, Agent at Grenville. About 40,000 acres disposable; rough, rocky and mountainous; one-third probably fit for cultivation. Steamer and R. R. to Grenville.

Montcalm, Arundel and De Salaberry. Wm. Thomson FitzAllan, Arundel. The surface of these Townships is also hilly and mountainous, but affords considerable land interspersed between the hills, of good quality. About 70,000 acres disposable, of which probably one-third is fit for cultivation. Steamer and R. R. to Grenville.¶

*Lochabar, Hartwell, Ripon, Ponsonby and Suffolk. G. W. Cameron, Lochabar, agent. About 75,000 acres disposable, probably one-third fit for settlement. Steamer and R. R. to Lochabar.

*Buckingham, *Templeton, Portland, Derry, Villeneuve, Bowman. E. W. Murray, Agent, Buckingham. About 160,000 acres disposable. The four last mentioned Townships afford considerable good land, which might be immediately settled; probably one-third of the whole. Non-residents of the county intending to settle in Portland and Bowman, should find their way to Ottawa city, thence through the Township of Hull, by a new road to the western limit of Portland. Those desirous of settling in the other Townships of the agency, would probably do better to proceed by R. R. and steamer to Buckingham.

*Hull, *Eardly, Masham, Wakefield, Low, Hincks, Aylwin and Denholm. Robert Farley, Agent, Chelsea, Hull. Upwards of 200,000 acres disposable in this agency, not more than one-third of which could be immediately settled. Gatineau Road from Ottawa.

Cameron, Bouchette, Northfield, Kensington, Aumond, Wright, Egan, Sicotte and Basketonge. About 250,000 acres disposable, not more than one-third of which can be made available for settlement for many years to come. Gatineau road from Ottawa.

*Onslow, *Bristol, *Clarendon, Litchfield, Mansfield, Aldfield, Thorne, Cawood, Leslie, Pontefract and Alleyn. G. M. Judgson, Agent, Clarendon. About 220,000 acres disposable, one-third probably fit for agricultural purposes. Steamer and R. R. to Ottawa, thence by stage and steam to Clarendon.

† Preceding remarks as to upset price, &c., apply here, except for Westbury, Stoke and Melbourne, where the Caldwell Estate Lands are advertised at 6s. to 7s. 6d. per acre.

‡ Upset price of advertized Crown Lands 60 cents per acre, except the poor swampy land in Maddington which has been recently reduced to 30 cents. Rent for the period of occupation to be charged in addition.

§ Upset price 40 cents, besides rent for the period occupied.

¶ Upset price of advertized Crown Lands 30 cents, besides rent for the period occupied.

Calumet Island. F. A. Bastien, agent, Calumet. About 15,000 acres disposable, a large portion of which is squatted upon.

Allumettes, Chichester, Sheen, Waltham, Aberdeen and Aberford. About 135,000 acres disposable, not one-third of which is fit for cultivation. Terrence Smith, Agent, Allumettes. †

In the Townships marked thus (*) the lands yet disposable are scattered lots and portions of lots, which have never (the greater portion of them) been advertised for sale, for the reason that they were at an early period located, or under promise of location, on condition of actual settlement, or for Military or Militia services, or under lease. Others have long been reserved to meet pre-emption claims of the B. A. L. Company. The Company's claims are now all closed up. The militia and settlement locations are now, and have been since 1st January, 1855, forfeited by the Act 14 & 15 Victoria, chap. 56. Military locations, however, according to the practice of the Department, may be carried out to patent, on satisfactory proof being furnished as to whom the present representative of the original location is, provided the land is not occupied and improved by any other party or parties. These lots are situated in the old settled Townships, and nearly all that are fit for cultivation are probably squatted upon; the remainder although not fit for cultivation, are generally of greater value, (from the proximity to roads, villages, mills, &c., and for pasture, wood reserves, &c.) than the best land in new Townships, where few or none of the conveniences of old settlements are to be found. Clergy lands in the Townships of Lower Canada, with few exceptions, are sold at special valuations according to position, quality of soil, &c., and the scattered Crown lots in the old Townships, which have never been advertised for sale, are valued in the same way. There are, also, in some of these old Townships, lands which have been advertised since 1843; such of these as are not now squatted upon, may safely be considered as unfit for cultivation.

With reference to the Ottawa district, comprising the counties of Argenteuil, Ottawa and Pontiac, the face of the country is generally rough, rocky, hilly and mountainous, and on an average, not more than one-third of the disposable lands therein, can be considered as available for settlement for many years to come. Townships of the Ottawa District, which offer the greatest inducements to intending settlers to locate lands therein, will probably be found within the agencies of Messrs. Murray, Farley, McBean and Judgson.

As regards timber or wood, almost every description incident to this climate may be found in the Ottawa District: Beech, Maple, Birch, Basswood, Ash, Oak, Elm, Spruce, Hemlock and Pine. Tracts almost exclusively of hardwood are to be found in many places, in others hard and soft wood is pretty equally distributed over the land, whilst groves of pine only cover large portions of that section of the Province, the manufacture of which into square timber and sawed lumber, gives employment to thousands of lumbermen, and at the same time creates a market at the very doors of the back settlers, for all their surplus produce fit for food, for either man or beast, at prices varying from 25 to 30 per cent. above those obtainable in the nearest towns or cities.

QUESTION.—Say what you know about a proposed sale of land by the Crown Land Department, in July or August next.

What charge is made to a squatter on land to be then offered for sale?

If a squatter or a settler in arrears does not pay before the public sale, is the lot sold, and is any provision made about such squatter or settler?

ANSWER.—Proposed sale at Arthabaska and Drummondville.

With reference to the proposed sale, the object is, first to afford squatters and others having claims to public lands, an opportunity of having those claims investigated on the spot, without the expense and delay to them attending investigation in the usual way, by correspondence, &c., either direct or through the Agent; secondly, to investigate and determine the settlers' claims, with the view of relieving the Department of the expense and trouble of maintaining a vexatious and profitless correspondence, growing out of a squatter's claims and disputes, and to relieve intending settlers from annoyances often caused by parties setting up fictitious claims to land, for the purpose of speculation.

† Upset price of advertised Crown Lands, 60 cents per acre, besides rent for period of occupation.

A squatter on any of the public lands, (advertized Crown), will be charged the upset price, besides rent for the period he has been in occupation, as follows:—

100 acres at 60 cents	\$60 00
5 years rent at 12s. 6d. per year for the first term of 7 years	12 50
	\$72 50

Or about 3s. 7d. per annum, or \$14 40 for the first instalment of one-fifth of the purchase money, which must be paid previous to the public sale.

I am not aware of any provision being made for a squatter or settler in arrears, who does not pay before the public sale, nor do I know that the lot would be drawn from sale on that account.

The agency of Mr. Farwell, of Robinson, Township of Bury, comprises the following Townships, viz:—

Winslow, in which settlement has been progressing for several years.	} Upset price 60 cents.
Whitton, about 55,000 acres disposable.	
Marston, " 55,000 " "	
Ditton, " 35,000 acres not yet surveyed.	
Hampden, " 35,000 acres disposable.	
Woburn, " 40,000 acres not yet surveyed.	
Chesham, " 50,000 " "	} Upset price 40 cents.
Spalding " "	
Ditchfield " 60,000 acres disposable—	

These Townships are generally hilly and stony, with much good soil. There are also within their limits some large rocky swamps, useless for culture.

Railroad to Compton or Cookshire, thence by new common roads through Eaton and across a portion of Bury to Hampden, where colonization roads have been made, or partially made, to give settlers access to Hampden, Marston, Ditton, and other Townships near the Province line.

W. F. COLLINS.

June 5th, 1862.

FIRST POINT.

Question put by the Committee generally:—

When a lot, already under license to a lumberer to cut timber on it, is sold by the Government, when does the Lumberer's license cease?

ANSWER.—By the second clause of the General Timber Regulations, all Licenses to cut timber expire on the 30th of April following the date thereof, therefore the Lumberer's license would expire on the 30th of April following the sale of the lot.

SECOND POINT.

Question put by Mr. *De Cases*:

Does a location ticket exempt a lot, not yet paid for in full, from a speculator's right of cutting timber, in virtue of Crown Licenses?

Question put by Mr. *Langevin* relative to the same:

When a license for cutting timber is granted to a Lumber Merchant, does his right extend to those lots for which location tickets have been granted, as well as to those which, during the term of the license, are conceded by location tickets?

Questions put by Mr. *Laframboise*, relative to the same:

Have licenses to cut timber been granted by the Government, upon lots located for several years by settlers who have not fulfilled the conditions of their location ticket?

Examine the location ticket, dated in 1850, annexed to this question, and say whether the lot, or part of the lot therein described, or any other lots for which permits of occupation were issued about the same time, have been reserved in the licenses to cut timber, granted since that date, in cases where the settlers have fulfilled the conditions of settlement, without paying anything on account of purchase price?

In the granting of licenses, in virtue of the last sale in the Eastern Townships, or in

any other issue of licenses since 1850, has permission been granted to cut timber on the lots for which location tickets had been granted, previous to the issue of the said licenses?

ANSWER No. 2.—First, as to the question put by Mr. De Cazes.

No lots sold, or for which licenses of occupation have been issued, would now be licensed to lumberers to cut timber on them; moreover, the Crown Timber Agents are instructed to add, at the end of every license to cut timber, granted in surveyed Townships, the following reserve clause:

1st. As regards new licenses. "Not to include any lots sold or located, by authority of the Commissioner of Crown Lands," previous to such new licenses being granted.

2nd. As regards renewals,—“Not to include, &c., &c.,” previous to the date of such renewals. Should it so happen, however, that a lot is sold by the Crown Land Agent, of which the Crown Timber Agent is not aware, and that lot so sold is included in the license, it would be the duty of the Crown Timber Agent to notify the license-holder of this sale, and to warn him not to cut timber on it.

The 16th and 17th clause of the Act, at present in force, relative to the sale and settlement of Public Lands, (23 Vic., cap. 2), state the effect which Licenses of Occupation, Receipts, Certificates, or Location Tickets, granted by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, or any agent of his, have with reference to parties trespassing on lots, for which such instruments have been issued. They give, to the lawful holder, power to maintain suits in law or equity, against any wrong-doer or trespasser, as effectually as he could do under a patent from the Crown. The 16th clause, however, provides that such License of Occupation, &c., shall have no force against a license to cut timber, existing at the time of the granting thereof. Since the passing of the Act 23rd Vic., cap. 2, assented to 23rd of April, 1860, all licenses of occupation must be issued under the hand and seal of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

The question put by Mr. Langevin, is answered by the preceding. Of course any lots sold or located after the license to the lumberer is granted, are subject to that license until the 30th of April following.

With regard to the question put by Mr. Laframboise. Presuming that the location tickets he alludes to, belong to the class of which he files a copy, the Departmental letters of the 20th of September, 1852, to Mr. Crown Land Agent Starrs; of 6th of March, 1854, of 29th March, 1854, to Mr. Crown Timber Agent Russell; and of 26th June, 1857, to Mr. Crown Timber Agent Nagle, show the orders issued by the Department with regard to lots for which licenses of occupation had issued, under the regulations of 1849. The letter to Mr. Starrs ordered, that in every instance in which no settlement was effected, for agricultural purposes, in the spirit of such license of occupation, the lots should be restored to the Lumberer's licenses, out of which they had been taken.

With regard to S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ Lot 1, in 12th range of the Township of Arthabaska, a location sale, made the 27th June, 1850, to Charles Labreque, as per license of occupation, filed by Mr. Laframboise, it does not appear from the records of the Department, that any license to cut timber was granted for this half lot; certainly no license to cut timber on it was granted, for or after the season of 1857-58.

It is proper here that I should state to the Committee, that by the Departmental order of the 7th of April, 1858, the local timber Agents, (who under the regulations are entrusted with the issuing of licenses), were ordered to refer to the Department all applications for new licenses; and also all applications for renewals of old licenses in surveyed Townships. The then existing licenses in surveyed Townships which were described by lots and ranges, were carefully examined in the Department, and all lots, which up to the time of examination, were sold or located by the authority of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, were struck out and ordered not to be included in the renewals.

By adding to the preceding remarks, that all lots sold or located after a license to cut timber is granted for them, remain subject to such license up to its expiration, namely, the 30th of April following, the questions under the second point will have been answered.

THIRD POINT.

Question put by Mr. Langevin:

ANSWER No. 3.—When a settler purchases a lot, which is already under license to

cut timber, to a lumberer, of course he purchases it subject to such license, which will expire on the 30th of April following, and should the lumberer cut timber on it in the interval, the dues leviable and collected on the timber so cut, belong to the Public Timber Revenue, and no part of them is given to the purchaser in such a case.

FOURTH POINT.

Questions put by Mr. *Langevin* :

Is an account rendered, and in what way, to the settlers, of the value of timber cut upon their land, either by extensive lumber dealers, or by the settlers themselves? Explain the system that is, or that should be adopted by the Government, and by the settlers themselves upon this subject.

ANSWER No. 4.—Under the regulations in force from January, 1849, to 6th of August, 1852, that is under the license of occupation system, (one of which licenses has been filed by Mr. Laframboise), although by the third clause of this license, the locatee was not permitted to cut or sell, nor allow any other person to cut or sell any of the growing wood on the lot located, except for the clearance of the land, for his fuel or for his buildings and fences, yet the 4th clause states, that if the occupant shall faithfully perform the conditions as described in the license, "all the moneys which shall be received by the government, for dues upon wood cut within the limits of the lot located, whether of the occupant or of any other person, shall be carried to the credit of the occupant, and on account of payments which he will have to make, to become the purchaser and proprietor of the said parcel of land."

The quantities of timber cut on the lots for which licenses of occupation had issued, were ascertained by the parties interested, filing with the collector of timber dues, at Bytown, the affidavits of two disinterested persons, cognizant of the facts; stating the quantity and description of timber, and the lot on which it was cut. A return was made to the Department at the end of each year, by the Collector at Bytown, stating the number of the bond and of the clearance given for the raft, in which the timber so cut was included, and for the years 1849, 1850, and 1851, the amount of dues leviable, according to the average size of the description of timber, and at the rates mentioned in the tariff, as per return exhibited herewith. The affidavits alluded to were also forwarded to the Department with the return. From, and including the year 1852, the amount of dues was determined according to the average actual measurement, as ascertained through the office of the Supervisor of Cullers, at Quebec. After the organization of the Woods and Forests' branch, in 1852, the amounts applied in payment of the purchase money of the lots were so applied on certificates granted by the head of that Branch. Very few were granted up to 26th April, 1860.

Under date of 14th of April, 1859, a return was transmitted to the Honorable the Provincial Secretary, with a view to its being laid before the Honorable the Legislative Assembly, shewing the amount of money received by the Government for timber dues, collected from timber cut on lands sold, located or settled, in the Townships of Onslow, Bristol, Clarendon, Litchfield, Mansfield, Waltham, Chichester, Sheen, and the Islands of Calumet and Allumette, in the county of Pontiac, from the year 1848 to the year 1858, both inclusive, specifying the lot, concession and township where such timber was made, the locatee or purchaser of the lot, or lots; when located or purchased, when the timber was cut, and when and by whom the timber dues were paid, &c. This return was made in compliance with an address moved for by Mr. Heath, M. P. P. Advantage was taken of the opportunity afforded in making out this return, to put all the claims which had been made to the department, in a proper shape, so as to facilitate their being finally investigated and disposed of, whenever the Government should so order. Since the month of April, 1860, a clerk has been almost continuously employed in examining the claims of the parties, as set forth in the affidavits and returns. The total number of these claims in Lower Canada is 765, of which 408 still remain to be examined; nearly all of them belong to the counties of Ottawa and Pontiac.

Under the Regulations (in virtue of the Order in Council of 18th December, 1860) now in force, returns of all licenses to cut timber on the lots granted to actual settlers, are made at the end of each month to the Department, by the respective Crown Timber

Agents in the form (No. 19, F.) fyled herewith. For the convenience of settlers, the Crown Land Agents, as well as the Crown Timber Agents, are authorized to grant those licenses, and the former make a return to the latter, at the end of each month, of all licenses granted by them, in the form No. 24, K.

If timber is cut in virtue of those licenses, a sworn return of the timber so cut, is made to the Crown Timber Agent, in the form No. 18, E. When the value of the timber is paid to the Crown Timber Agent, it is returned to the Department in the monthly return, (form No. 20, G.)

When the timber is shipped to Quebec, the value of the timber is ordinarily payable there, and in this case the Crown Timber Agent forwards to the collector of timber dues, at Quebec, a statement, (form No. 21, H), with the clearance granted for the raft, in which such settler's timber is included. This enables the collector to make a separate return, each month, of all amounts—"value of settlers' timber"—collected by him, from timber in rafts arriving at Quebec.

All settlers' licenses granted, and all amounts (value of settlers' timber) collected, are entered in separate books; one set for Upper, and one for Lower Canada. The indexes to these books are kept written up to date, so that at a glance it can be ascertained what lots are under license, and what amounts (value of settlers' timber) have been collected from Timber cut under these licenses.

A certificate, in the form fyled herewith, is granted at the end of each month, under the hand of the Superintendent of Woods and Forests, for all amounts (value of settlers' timber) collected, and returned to the Department. This certificate, after being signed by the Assistant Commissioner, is numbered and entered, and then handed over to the gentleman charged with the applying of moneys received in payment of public lands, in the different sections into which the Province is divided.

FIFTH POINT.

Question put by *M. Chapais* :

Have the proprietors of Saw Mills situated in surveyed Townships, the privilege of obtaining Licenses to cut logs in preference to extensive speculators, or lumber merchants?

ANSWER No. 5.—Licenses to cut timber are now disposed of by sale at public auction, of which sales at least one month's public notice is given. Thus all parties are placed on the same footing, and can purchase according to their means. The Department has, however, uniformly given all legitimate encouragement to the establishment of saw mills, particularly in new sections of country. Saw mills, being permanent local investments, have been considered worthy of special consideration. Apart from the desirableness of putting as much labor as possible into the raw material before being exported, they form centres of settlement around which villages spring up. It has, therefore, been found desirable, when it could be done, to afford to saw-mill owners facilities in obtaining something approaching to a certain supply of the raw material for their mills. They also obtain this material at a much less price than the manufacturers of square and wany timber. It would be difficult, however, to grant special privileges to a few saw-mill owners in surveyed Townships where much settlement exists, inasmuch as there would probably be considerable competition in such cases, and some parties would feel aggrieved at special privileges being granted to a few persons. Putting up the timber berths, at public sale, gives each a fair chance. Where no competition would be likely to arise, and that no discount would result from it, such a thing might be done. The Department has, however, in some cases granted licenses at a price to be based on the average of prices which might be obtained at a future sale, to meet the wants of mills already established. It has been found best to adhere to the general rule of disposing of the berths by public sale. In the case put by *M. Chapais*, the saw-mill owners would certainly have *no right* to obtain licenses in preference to square timber manufacturers.

SIXTH POINT.

Question put by *Mr. Langevin* :

Are timber limits sold by public auction or at private sale? Explain fully the system now in operation, and why it is so; also in what cases the system of private sale has been resorted to; give also the dates of public sales.

ANSWER No. 6.—As already stated in Answer No. 5, licenses to cut timber on vacant public lands are now disposed of by public auction. In some instances licenses are granted without being put to public sale, as mentioned in Answer No. 5. A few months ago, the Island of Longue Pointe, in Lake, was granted on an application. It however had been offered for license at public sale, without a bid having been obtained for it. The timber on it, chiefly cedar, for fences, was much exposed to be stolen by parties on both sides of the Lake; indeed much valuable cedar had been taken off it without anything being paid to the Crown. So when the Department lately received an offer of \$500 bonus, in addition to the ordinary ground rent, it was considered a good offer, and was accepted. The license holder is interested in protecting whatever timber may still be on it, and this protection is given without expense to the Government. So with regard to some vacant lots in the Township of Tewkesbury and County of Quebec, which are of some value only for the small qualities of tamarac remaining on them; the timber was exposed to be stolen year after year, and last winter the Department was very glad to put all these vacant lots under license, even at single ground rent. In such instances and some special cases for supply of saw mills, and where no competition is likely to arise, the Department has deviated from the general rule of public sales.

The conditions of the sales of timber berths are now the same throughout the Province, with the exception of the St. Maurice Territory, where parties obtaining licenses on the St. Maurice and its tributaries are obliged to contribute, annually, at the rate of \$40 for every fifty square miles of area they hold, to the St. Maurice Road Fund. This contribution is to repay back to the Government the sum of \$26,810 60 advanced for the building of the Piles Road, miles in length. No sale has as yet been held in the Saguenay Territory. Last year the local timber agent reported that no sale was required; this year however, it is proposed to have a sale there, either in July or August, as found most suitable.

The time of holding sales in the several territories is determined by the peculiarities of each, and is fixed so as to be most suitable to the convenience of the trade.

SEVENTH POINT.

Question put by Mr. *Laframboise*:

Has the settler, residing on a lot of land, the right of selling the wood which he cuts on that part of the lot which he is engaged in clearing, and can he do what he pleases with this wood?

ANSWER No. 7.—The settler, legally in occupation of a lot of land purchased from or granted by the Government, is now permitted to do what he pleases with the timber cut down in the actual process of clearing his land for crop. See remarks on this head in the Report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands for 1860.

EIGHTH POINT.

Questions put by Mr. *Laframboise*:

How many timber limits are there in the Eastern Townships, and where are they situated?

When did the last sale take place in those Townships, and how long will licenses granted in virtue of that sale, be valid?

ANSWER No. 8.—I have the honor of fying herewith, a return of the last sale of timber berths held in the St. Francis Territory, with the date of such sale, and also showing where such limits are situate. This return shows, also, all the licenses existing in that territory for the season just ended, 1861-62.

As already mentioned, all licenses granted to cut timber on public lands, expire on the 30th of April following the date thereof. The Licentiates can, however, claim renewals of their licenses under the 11th clause of the General Timber Regulations.

I had expected to be able to touch on some general questions in connection with the subject matter before the Committee, but as I have just been notified that my answers are required this afternoon, I hasten to transmit them, regretting that I have not time to put them in French, as I had intended doing on completing my remarks.

(Circular.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
Quebec, 5th May, 1862.

SIR,—“The Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the Colonization of our Wild Lands in Lower Canada,” have directed me to transmit to you the enclosed series of questions, and to request you to reply to them at the earliest possible period, that is to say, between the present date and the twenty-fifth instant.

You will please sign your answers, mentioning your profession or station, and your residence, and direct them to J. P. Leprohon, Esquire, Clerk of the Committee on Colonization, Legislative Assembly, Quebec.

The Committee expect that the importance of the subject which they are considering, to the country, will be a powerful inducement to you to grant your assistance on this occasion.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. P. LEPROHON,
Clerk of Committee.

SERIES OF QUESTIONS.

1. What are the Townships in your County in which there are wild lands?
2. Have these Townships been surveyed, and how much disposable land do they contain?
3. Of this disposable land, how much belongs to
 - 1st. To the Government?
 - 2nd. To known individuals?
 - 3rd. To unknown individuals?
 - 4th. To known non-resident individuals?
 - 5th. To Corporations or Societies?
4. What price is asked for land as classed in question No. 3? Is it too high?
5. If the prices vary, state what effect the lowest prices have had towards promoting colonization?
6. Of what quality are the soil and wood on this disposable land?
7. Are there any lakes or rivers, and mention them?
8. What are the colonization roads which are already opened or completed, or are to be opened in these Townships?
9. What is the extent of these roads, and what results have they produced?
10. Are there any free grants made or disposable, and how many?
11. What are the means of communication, new and old, by which these lands may be most easily reached?
12. Does colonization progress rapidly there, and if not, why not? Please give details on this subject?
13. Is the system of making colonization roads a good one, and what suggestions have you to make on the subject?
14. Is not the opening of great colonization roads with short ones opening into them at regular distances, of the greatest importance to the advancement of colonization?
15. Are you acquainted with any other means of encouraging the settlement of wild lands, and what are they?
16. It is admitted, is it not, that the buying up of considerable tracts of land in the Townships, by large proprietors, for purposes of speculation, has proved an obstacle to the colonization of these lands; what, in your opinion, are the means to be employed to remedy the evil?
17. Is the present grant of \$50,000, in favor of colonization, sufficient?
18. Is there, in your County, any territory not divided into Townships, and adapted for agricultural purposes, and what is the extent of it?
19. Could Townships be opened there; where and how many?
20. Are there in your neighborhood persons who are desirous of settling on wild lands, and how many?

21. Are there in your County any auxiliary societies, or is it proposed to form any, for giving assistance to poor settlers beginning their labors?

22. Are you, or are you not, in favor of colonization societies, and state your reasons?

23. Are you acquainted with the movement which has taken place in the District of Montreal respecting the formation of the Lower Canada Colonization Society; state when it was formed, what progress it has made, and what has been the result of the movement?

24. Is there anything in the regulations respecting the sale of lands and timber, which interferes with the settlement of the land; if so, what is it?

25. Has there been in your neighborhood any emigration to the United States or elsewhere from Lower Canada; to what extent and for what reasons?

26. If there be any emigration, what are the means to be adopted to put an end to it?

27. Have any of these Canadian emigrants returned, and how many?

REPLIES OF ALPHONSE DUBORD, ESQ., CROWN LANDS AGENT, THREE RIVERS.

1. The Townships of Shawenegan, Caxton, Radnor, Mekinak, Polette, and Turcotte; also the Seigniorship of Cap la Madeleine, which belongs to the Jesuits' Estates Domain.

2. These Townships are nearly all surveyed, and contain about 150,000 acres of disposable land.

3. These lands belong to the Government.

4. In all the Townships of my Agency, the price of land is 30 cents per acre. This price is not too high. In the Seigniorship of Cap la Madeleine, lands are sold at from 80 cents to \$1 per acre, in addition to the cost of surveying, and a commission for the ticket of location. This price is much too high.

5. Good accessible lands situated in my Agency, are easily disposed of the moment they are offered for sale. In Cap la Madeleine, on the contrary, scarcely one-fourteenth part of the disposable lands have been sold.

6. The quality of the soil varies throughout these Townships. The land is mountainous and rocky, and in some places sandy, but is generally fit for cultivation. Timber of all kinds is found in abundance and of good quality.

7. The River St. Maurice has no less than a dozen tributary streams, and it is scarcely possible to travel a few miles through this Territory without meeting with several lakes.

8. The "St. Maurice Colonization Road," which leads from St. Flore on the Piles Road to the proposed terminus at Rat River, whence a branch will go to "La Tuque," and one to the "Vermillion," following the south shore of Rat River, was commenced last fall; 4½ miles were given out on contract during last autumn; 3 miles were completed, and the remaining 1½ miles will be finished in a few days. It is to be hoped that the Government will, this year, grant a sufficient sum to continue this Road.

9. The lands adjacent to the 4½ miles of road on the St. Maurice Road, are all either located or asked for.

10. Nothing has as yet been announced on this subject, but it is to be hoped that Free Grants will be made on this road as elsewhere.

11. Apart from the Townships of Shawenegan, Caxton, and Radnor, the only route of communication by which these lands can be reached, is by the St. Maurice on the ice in winter, and by canoe in summer.

12. Settlement has progressed very rapidly during the past few years in this neighborhood. I re-produce a part of my Report addressed last December to the Inspector of Agencies:—

"St. Etienne (Township of St. Maurice) and Shawenegan were opened in 1849, and St. Flore in 1856. The population, according to the last census, is 2054 in St. Etienne, 962 in St. Boniface (Shawenegan), and over 360 in St. Flore, in all 3376.

"Few localities, I will venture to say, have progressed more rapidly, and had it not been for the want of colonization roads, the population would now be double its present figure. If the Government decide upon giving free grants in the St. Maurice territory, there will certainly be next year an unbroken line of settlements from the Piles to the River Matawin. Another year the same thing will take place on that portion of the road towards Rat River, which passing through the Townships of Polette and Turcotte will offer great advantages to settlers, and more particularly to that class which depends upon the

lumber trade for an existence. I may be permitted to remark, that I do not consider a foreign immigration towards this district as at all desirable. It is not the lack of settlers that we feel, but let the same efforts be used and the same facilities offered to our own surplus population of the surrounding parishes, which we contemplate granting to a foreign immigration, and new parishes will spring up in the same manner as the three parishes mentioned above."

13. The St. Maurice Road has been given out on contract at so much per mile. I think this a good plan.

14. Colonization Roads are of so much importance in promoting the settlement of wild lands, that generally speaking, they are indispensable. The only exceptional cases are the Townships of Polette and Turcotte, which are situated in the centre of a market created by the timber-trade, and even in that case, they only offer advantages to a few who are employed in the lumber trade.

15. Next to roads, I consider the construction of a Chapel in some central place, the best plan to draw French Canadian settlement into a new Township. This becomes a nucleus of colonization, which spreads rapidly to the surrounding parts.

16. In my Agency this abuse is rarely met with. Occasionally some few persons with a view of speculation, purchase one or more lots, pay the first instalment, and then wait until the lands have increased in value before disposing of them. I cannot lay too much stress upon this abuse, which would cease to be practised if the Government were to exact the conditions of the location ticket.

17. I am not aware of the requirements of other localities; but as to this section, we could usefully expend about \$17,000 on the St. Maurice Road this year, to extend it to Rat River.

18. There is in this neighborhood an extensive territory not yet surveyed, and fit for cultivation.

19. I believe that it would be advantageous to open immediately to settlement the tract of country which lies between the Township of Caxton and the River Matawin; also that part of the Seigniorship of Cap la Madelaine lying between the Parish of St. Flore, the St. Maurice, and the River Matawin; but the high price of land in the latter locality will, for some time, prevent settlers from establishing themselves. I think also that it would be well to have a Township surveyed at the mouth of the Croche River.

20. A large number of persons—the surplus population of the surrounding parishes—are desirous of settling on the lands in the interior, and as soon as the road is opened, I believe that the lands will be immediately located.

21. No auxiliary societies have yet been formed here, but it is desirable that some should be formed.

22. Colonization Societies are certainly very useful; apart from the assistance they give to the settler, they furnish him with reliable information, and direct him to advantageous localities. The societies of that kind formed in the Saguenay district, prove much in favor of the system.

23. I am not conversant with the proceedings adopted in the formation of the Colonization Society of Montreal, but from what I have heard, I am led to believe that the result up to this date has been very satisfactory.

24. In the regulations at present in force, I see nothing prejudicial to the settlement of the country. The few difficulties which have arisen would, I think, be avoided in future, by strictly insisting upon the fulfilment of the conditions of the location ticket—a course that should most certainly be pursued.

25. I do not believe that there has been any important emigration to the United States or elsewhere, from this neighborhood.

26. The only way to prevent Canadian emigration is, in my opinion, to offer to the youth of this country cultivable lands, and roads to reach them.

27. I know of very few Canadian emigrants who have returned to this locality.

REPLIES OF JEREMIE LAPORTE, ESQ., AGENT OF CROWN LANDS, BRANDON, AND TWELVE OTHER SIGNERS.

1. Brandon, part of Joliette and part of Peterborough.

2. They are surveyed, and contain without including the lots already conceded :

Brandon, say	- - - - -	9000 acres.
Joliette, part of	- - - - -	12500 "
Peterborough, part of	- - - - -	6700 "

3. These lands belong to the Government.

4, 5, & 6. The price is 30 cents per acre. These lands are of very inferior quality, and so little adapted to settlement, that we believe it would be sufficient to require the settler to make the usual improvements. The timber, particularly in Joliette, is stunted spruce, fir, and white birch; in some parts hardwood is found, but rarely. The small quantity of hardwood to be found is in Brandon and Peterborough.

7. Lakes are numerous, but of small extent. The principal rivers are: in Brandon, the Mattambaie and Branche-droite; in Peterborough, the Mastigoche and Branche-gauche, and in Joliette, the Black River and River David.

These lakes and rivers abound with fish.

8. The Colonization Roads already opened are: in Brandon, the St. Catherine or Alfred Road; in Joliette, the continuation of the Brandon road, the Paradis road, and the road from Joliette to Matawin.

9. Length of Roads:

Alfred or St. Catherine,	- - - - -	15 miles, good results.
Brandon,	- - - - -	10 do do
Continuation of Brandon Road	- - - - -	5 do do
Paradis	- - - - -	5 do useful to <i>one settler</i> , and leads to a few sugaries. Open 4 years.

Joliette to Matawin.—Length projected 36 miles, 8 of which are opened. No result, and useless, as it is found to be impracticable. Opening commenced 5 years ago.

10. There are no free grants.

11. From Berthier to St. Norbert, and from that point by the Alfred or St. Catherine Road.

12. Settlement does not progress very rapidly. The causes are given in our replies Nos. 4, 5, and 6.

13. & 14. The system adopted in the construction of colonization roads is good, but the plan suggested in Question 14 would be preferable.

15. Free grants, and furnishing food to needy settlers during one year.

16. This question is admitted. The means of causing this grievance to disappear, would be to enact a law compelling large proprietors to sell at a price fixed by that law, or to fulfil all the obligations and conditions of settlement now imposed upon settlers.

17. The want of colonization roads is so much felt, that we think the amount of annual grant will be found insufficient for some years.

18. There are in the territory several tracts of good land not divided into Townships. One of these tracts at the River Matawin is of sufficient extent to lay out several Townships.

19. It would be proper to open up four or five Townships near the River Matawin, if a colonization road, other than the one now in progress, were opened.

20. Several hundred persons are desirous of settling upon lands near the River Matawin, but cannot now do so, on account of the want of a colonization road. These persons cannot settle upon the roads already opened, owing to the reasons given in replies Nos. 4, 5, and 6.

21. There are no auxiliary societies in existence in this County, and there is no proposition for the formation of any.

22. As the result of the formation of colonization societies, when well organized, has been advantageous, we are in favor of the formation of similar societies in this part of the country.

23. We know nothing whatever of this society.

24. The granting of licenses to cut timber in Townships already surveyed, or in the vicinity of such Townships, is a great obstacle to settlement.

25 & 26. Several families have emigrated from here to the United States, in consequence of the want of a good colonization road leading into the interior of this County.

27. The troubles in the United States have sent back some families, but as they could not settle advantageously for the reasons above given, they have returned to the States taking their friends with them.

REPLIES OF MAURICE BOSSÉ, ESQ., ST. ANNE DE LA POCATIÈRE.

1. The lands suitable for colonization in the County of Kamouraska, are in the Townships of Chapais, Painchaud, Woodbridge, Bungay, Chabot, Pohénégamook and Parke.

2. The Townships are almost all surveyed. All the lots of land are disposable for settlement, with the exception of Woodbridge, where about one hundred lots have been sold.

3. Those in the Township of Ixworth belong almost exclusively to individuals who are known; those in the other Townships to the Government.

4. I cannot reply to this question.

5. Same reply.

6. In Ixworth, as a general rule, the land is of good quality and not rocky, covered with timber of all descriptions; but in the Township of Chapais only the first two ranges are fit for settlement. In their vicinity, towards the south, there is a stony swamp 3 miles in depth. On passing this, we meet with a large tract of available land, particularly towards the north-east, where the Taché Road passes.

7. The whole of this territory is watered by numerous small rivers or streams, among which I may mention as important, the River Ouelle and its branch, also St. Anne and East Lakes, all of which abound with trout and eels.

8. The roads now being opened in the County are, I think, three in number, the Chapais, Mount Carmel, and Pohénégamook Roads. There is also the Taché Road, which when finished, will cross the front of these Townships, on its whole length, parallel to the St. Lawrence. Of the roads above mentioned, there is but the Mount Carmel Road which is opened up as far as the Taché Road; the others have six miles more to reach that main road.

9. All these roads lead six leagues into the forest, except the Mount Carmel Road, which passes the Taché Road, and leads about nine leagues into the interior. The opening of these roads has been of great assistance to sugar-makers and lumber merchants. Several saw mills are in operation and furnish the county with boards, deals and shingles. Colonization is also favored by them, as the Parishes of Mount Carmel and St. Onésime, as well as the settled part of Woodbridge, have sprung into existence since the construction of these roads.

10. All the lots on the Taché Road have been given as Free Grants, and also the lands in the Township of Ixworth.

11. The reply to this question will be found in No. 9.

12. In Ixworth the lots which are not yet cleared have, since they were granted, been purchased by rich farmers of St. Anne's and St. Onésime, who keep these lots as wood lands. The settlers are thus compelled to go beyond those lots in order to obtain lots for location. Therefore, I submit that it would be prudent to complete the Chapais Road without delay; and unless this is done, our young people will have no lands for settlement.

13. The instructions with regard to the construction of roads, are embarrassing in many cases, because the work has to be done too rapidly, and thus in some places roads are opened merely to meet pressing demands, and soon get into bad condition.

14. Certainly.

15. The best plan which can be adopted to increase settlement is now known: it is the system of Free Grants. A striking example of the success of this system is to be found on the Elgin Road in the County of L'Islet. If this system were more generally adopted, similar results would no doubt be obtained. Another suggestion might be, to open up range roads in the interior of the Townships in every district. The settlers who purchase from Government might be employed at the works on the roads. One half of their wages might be retained as a payment on account of the lot. By this system a poor man might buy a lot and settle upon it, and the purchase price would thus be in part paid by his own work on the range road where he desires to settle.

16. It would be proper to exact from speculators in Crown Lands, the clearing of each lot separately, and in the same time that the poor settler is required to do it, in order that settlement may not be paralyzed as it now is.

17. I am not in a position to offer an opinion with regard to the annual grant of

\$50,000, but it seems to me that the Government should rather economize in other directions, and make an effort to facilitate settlement on a larger scale, in order to satisfy the wants of poor young men who are now compelled to emigrate to another country.

18. I do not know of any.

19. To the south of the Taché Road there is some fine lands extending as far as the Province line, but to open these up it would be necessary to continue the branch roads now traced by the surveyors as far as that line. Fine parishes would thus be formed in a few years.

20. A number of persons have lately applied for lands to Stanislas Drapeau, Esq., Agent of Free Grants, who resides at St. Jean Port Joli, and have obtained them. If you have consulted the Reports which that zealous Agent has sent to the Government during the past few months, you will be convinced of the extent of the demand for lots by persons desirous of settling, who come from Kamouraska, St. Anne, and St. Onésime.

21. According to report, several auxiliary societies have been established, in the neighbouring counties. With regard to ours, we are just commencing to give the matter our attention. I learn that the Parish of Kamouraska intends founding one in a short time.

22. I am strongly in favor of encouraging settlement, as I believe it to be the best means of increasing the prosperity of our population.

23. I cannot give a reply to this question.

24. Same reply.

25. During the past few years we have witnessed with pain the emigration of a number of our young people who have gone out as servants to the United States, while others leave for the lumber shanties on the River St. John, and elsewhere.

26. To open roads leading to lands not yet cleared, and to sell those lands at a figure within the reach of the poorer classes.

27. Some Canadian families have returned from abroad, but poorer and more demoralized than when they left.

REPLIES OF A. H. DECAUSSIN, ST. JULIENNE.

1. There are wild lands in every Township of the county of Montcalm, but principally at a distance from the seigniories, viz: in Rawdon, Chertsey, Kilkenny, Wexford, Chilton, Doncaster and Garrick.

2. I believe that these Townships are surveyed. I cannot estimate the exact quantity of disposable land, but I know that there are a great many settlers in Rawdon, Chertsey, and Kilkenny. Wexford also has a great many settlers, although much inferior to the other three. Doncaster has a settlement of about ten families; Chilton and Carrick have no settlements.

3, 4, & 5. The Agent of Crown Lands only can answer these questions.

6. I have heard it said by persons who have explored these Townships, that the quality of the soil on the west side of the Laurentides Mountains is the same as in the seigniories; that is of the very best description. I can give no definite opinion with regard to the timber.

7. There are a great many lakes in these Townships, which abound with fish, but I am unable to furnish their names, extent or situation. There are also a number of fine water-powers.

8. The Government has caused a great deal of work to be done on colonization roads in the Townships of Chertsey and Kilkenny, but these roads are insufficient. It would be important to open up a larger number of such roads, and they should be pushed forward with activity. Funds would also be required to change the direction of some of the old roads.

9. Colonization roads, judiciously constructed, have produced most favorable results, in giving the settlers access to the interior of the forests.

10. I cannot reply to this question.

11. There are three main channels of communication by which these lands can be reached, viz: 1st. From Lanoraie which is reached by steamer, to Industry Village by

railway; from Industry to Rawdon and Chertsey by land; 2nd. From St. Suplice or L'Assomption, which can be also reached by steamer, to St. Julienne, in the second range of the Township of Rawdon, and thence to Kilkenny, and to the north-east part of the Township of Wexford; 3rd. From Terrebonne, which can also be reached by steamer, to New Glasgow, by which the traveller can go to the south-west portion of the Townships of Kilkenny, Wexford and Doncaster.

12. Settlement has progressed but slowly. The want of easy means of communication seems to be the principle obstacle. If a railway were constructed from Quebec to Montreal, which would follow the western slope of the Laurentides Mountains, settlement would progress with rapidity in all the northern Townships. This railroad would also tend to develop the resources of that part of the country, by opening up to manufacturing enterprise the many water-powers which are there to be found.

13. I have no desire to blame the persons who have hitherto been intrusted with the construction of colonization roads through our wild lands, but I am of opinion that such roads should be traced and managed by competent and capable persons.

14. The opening of main colonization roads, with branch roads from place to place, is of vital importance in the interests of settlement. Construct roads, and settlers will not be wanting.

15. In order to encourage the settlement of wild lands, it would be well, in addition to the opening up of roads, to offer premiums to the settlers. These premiums might be in the form of a reduction in the price of their lands, to be given to those who have cleared and prepared the greatest area of land in a given time, in proportion to the pecuniary means of each settler.

16. The monopoly by large proprietors of a considerable tract of land in the Townships for the purpose of speculation, has been a great obstacle in the way of settlement. In Ste. Julienne, which comprises portions of the Townships of Rawdon and Kilkenny, where I reside, some concessions have been thus given out. These lands are now sold in small parcels to the farmers who reside in the seigniories, who keep them as wood lands, where they obtain firewood and building timber. Thus in the parish of Ste. Julienne alone about six thousand acres of land are kept in wood land, and will be so for an indefinite period of time. This state of affairs interferes materially with the execution of the Municipal Law of Lower Canada, of 1860, and with the progress of settlement. There should be some way of forcing the actual proprietors to clear their lands within a certain fixed time, if fit for cultivation. It is very true that the Government must keep certain tracts as public forests, but these could be selected in places unfit for cultivation.

The lots which are sold for arrears of taxes in virtue of the Municipal Act of 1860, ought to be sold to the highest bidder, and the balance over and above taxes and costs, should remain in the hands of the Secretary-Treasurer of the County Council, to be paid to the former occupant, or reimbursed to the aforementioned highest bidder,—if the original proprietors were to claim his lot in the delay afforded by law. If this balance were not to be claimed within the two years, the County Council should then expend the money in the extension or improvement of colonization roads in the County, or in repairing bridges and roads in the local Municipality where the lots sold are situated.

17. The grant of \$50,000 per annum appears to me to be too small for the efficacious promotion of the interests of colonization. It must be borne in mind that the prosperity of the Province mainly depends upon the protection accorded to colonization, or indirectly to agriculture.

18. There are, in rear of the Townships above named, tracts of land not yet surveyed and divided, and I am informed by competent and trustworthy persons, that the land is well adapted to settlement. I cannot state their extent.

19. It would be proper to open up Townships after having first constructed colonization roads by which settlers could reach them. I am unable to state what number of Townships should be laid out.

20. It would require more time than I have at my disposal to reply to this question; but I know that there are a great many young people who would cheerfully settle upon wild lands in the interior, if some assistance were given to them, and if they had good routes of communication by which to reach the lands.

21. There are no auxiliary societies in the County of Montcalm, and I am not aware that there is any intention of forming such societies, to assist the settler in the commencement of his career.

22. I am in favor of the principle of forming Colonization Societies, but their result so far, if I am correctly informed, has only been to elicit fine speeches.

24. In virtue of a Regulation dated 18th December, 1860, Crown Land agents have the right of seizing all timber cut or supposed to have been cut upon the Crown Domain, whether saw-logs, shingle wood, or fencing rails, &c. The principle of this regulation is sound; it is necessary to protect public property; but whether it is that the said Regulation is misinterpreted, or that the agents have not sufficient discretionary power, it effectually interferes with the progress of settlement. A poor settler takes a lot, he clears a certain portion of it; in the part thus cleared, he finds serviceable timber in larger quantities than he actually requires for his own use; he is permitted by the regulation to cut, burn and destroy all this timber, but he is prevented from selling it to raise money for the support of his family while his farm is improving. This regulation, in my humble opinion, favors rich lumber merchants who cut and hack in every direction in virtue of their license, while the progress of actual settlement is materially interfered with.

Lots sold for arrears of taxes when they are the property of the Crown, should be conceded in preference to the purchaser. Example: A lot is located, the assessors place it upon the Valuation Roll, consequently, the Secretary-Treasurer imposes a tax upon the lot; the tax is paid, but for some reason the occupant ceases to pay the tax, the lot is offered for sale and adjudged. The purchaser, some months afterwards, goes to the lot to work, and finds the original occupant in possession, who refuses to allow him to work, producing a title delivered by the Agent to him since the date of sale at which he purchased it. The unfortunate last purchaser is compelled either to sue the Municipality, if he has the means to do so, or lose the amount he has advanced.

25. Some five or six persons have emigrated this year, principally young people who emigrate for the purpose of earning sufficient money to purchase on their return an establishment where they can settle. Very frequently their return is difficult, and they seldom attain the desired object.

27. The war between the Northern and Southern States has caused the return of three persons. One of them returned with a small fortune, and having invested his capital, he intends returning at an early day.

REPLIES OF REVEREND MR. MORRISSET, CURÉ OF ST. URBAIN, CHARLEVOIX.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your circular of 5th instant, and I shall make it my duty to reply, as accurately as lies within my power, to the several questions therein contained.

In the County of Charlevoix, there are three Townships, two of which, the Townships of De Sales and Callières, belong to the Government. The third, the Township of Settrington, belongs in great part to Mr. Defoy, an individual residing at Quebec.

I cannot state exactly the price at which lands are sold in the latter Township, but I have often heard it said, that the price was so high, that there was no possibility of poor people purchasing them. The lots of land in the other two Townships are surveyed, and are settled upon wherever there are roads. There are three ranges still remaining in the Township of De Sales adjacent to Gulf River, and near the seigniory of that name, which are not yet settled upon, the lands of which are disposable. A large number of the farmers in this and the surrounding parishes, are desirous of placing their children upon these lands; but the want of means of communication has been an obstacle which has hitherto prevented them from settling there, and which will, for a long time, interfere with their projects, unless they can obtain the requisite aid from Government. It is generally admitted that the construction of branch roads is absolutely necessary, to assist in the settlement of wild lands. Wherever the Government have constructed roads, settlement has progressed rapidly in the surrounding district. Our Canadian fellow-countrymen are strongly attached to their religion, and the visible form of religious worship. It is with great repugnance that they remove to a distance from their native parishes, when at the same

time they relinquish the spiritual assistance afforded them by the presence of their pastors. They can support almost any privation but this. Colonization societies would best attain the end they have in view, viz.: the promotion of settlement, by assisting the settlers in the new Townships in the construction of small chapels, and in giving them the means of obtaining the services of a priest amongst them. The Government, for their part, might grant the land specially for this purpose.

The annual grant of \$50,000 in favor of colonization is not sufficient, and this opinion is held by every person who takes an interest in the question.

In support of what I have above stated, I would beg of your Committee to remark among other matters, that no direct road communication now exists except for foot passengers between the Saguenay and this County, which has furnished nearly all the settlers to that District. The flow of emigration from this county to the Saguenay would be more considerable if it were not so difficult and costly to undertake a trip of two or three weeks in a steamer or schooner, while if a good road were constructed in a direct line, the trip might be accomplished in thirty-six hours. If the amount expended each year for the past eight or ten years, for the opening and repairing of two roads starting at two or three leagues from each other and terminating at the same point—Grand Bay—had been used in the opening up of one road, from Bay St. Paul to Grand Bay, (the only practicable road), it would now be completed.

I am quite convinced that the system of granting licenses to cut timber on Crown Lands favors wholesale trade and speculators, while it is an obstacle in the way of settlement, and this for the excellent reasons given lately in the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Members for Drummond and Arthabaska, Napierville and Megantic. The grievances complained of by settlers in the Eastern Townships are frequently alluded to by the Saguenay settlers. Regulations for the sale of lands and timber, in accordance with the resolutions proposed in the Legislative Assembly, on 7th instant, by the Honorable Member for Drummond and Arthabaska, would, I think, suffice to remove these grievances.

REPLIES OF MR. CRÉPEAU AND SEVERAL OTHERS, OF ST. FELIX DE VALOIS.

1. The Townships of Cathcart and Joliette.
2. I can give you no information whatever with regard to the township of Cathcart; as to the township of Joliette, four ranges are surveyed, and the remainder is not. Two-thirds of the lots are, to the best of my knowledge, disposable.
3. The disposable lands belong to Government.
4. The Government asks thirty cents per acre. The price would not be too high if good roads were constructed to give access to them.
5. Without result, as there are no roads of communication.
6. The soil is, generally speaking, good, although rocky and hilly in some places. The timber to be found is birch, maple, beech, pine, fir, and spruce.
7. There are a great many lakes which abound with fish, and rapid rivers which furnish a number of mill-privileges at different points on their course. Among the latter I may mention the Black River, and River David, with their tributary streams.
8. There is a colonization road in Cathcart, of which I know nothing. In the township of Joliette there is the Leprohon road, which is completed as far as the second range, and on each side of which upwards of one hundred settlers have taken up locations, although the road was only opened in the fall of 1857. There is also the Matawin Road, a branch of the Leprohon Road, the works on which were stopped, owing to the opposition of the parish of St. Gabriel de Brandon, in the County of Berthier. Seven miles of this road have been completed, and it should be finished to the proposed terminus, at the River Matawin, where the lands are of good quality, and of sufficient extent to permit of the formation of several flourishing parishes.
9. About twenty settlers have commenced operations on the Matawin Road, two miles beyond the terminus of the work already done in opening the road, where they have taken up a thousand acres of land. The result would have been very different if the settlers had not feared an interruption of operations on the road. This fear has continually existed since the commencement of this road, as its construction has met with two serious oppositions.

10. There are none. Free grants would be desirable if roads were opened, because without the latter, the former are not required.

11. The roads mentioned above.

12. If we take into consideration the fear which has always retained the settlers, owing to the opposition of the parish of St. Gabriel de Brandon, colonization has really progressed with rapidity. In fact, although the Leprohon Road has only been opened for five years, upwards of one hundred settlers have located themselves. The Matawin road counts about twenty settlers. The number should have been much greater; but owing to the opposition above spoken of, settlement has not progressed as it inevitably will when this opposition is proved to have been vexatious. I would add that several citizens of St. Gabriel, in order to assist their case, prevent the settlers from establishing themselves on the Matawin, because they say that the road will be abandoned.

13. I believe the system to be good, and I have no suggestion to make on this subject.

14. This mode of proceeding is excellent, but each range should have its road connecting with the main colonization road.

15. To push forward the work with activity, so as to open up roads to unoccupied lands.

16. The harm is done, and in order to prevent its recurrence, it would be important in the sale of lands, to make a marked distinction between the speculator and the actual settler.

17. I consider that it would require four times the amount, and this sum would be but a light expense to the country, in comparison with the results which would certainly accrue.

18. From the extreme north point of the township of Joliette to the river Matawin, there are several tracts of land not yet divided into townships, and fit for cultivation; particularly on the river Matawin, there is enough land to form several rich parishes.

19. It is desirable that several townships should be opened. I cannot state precisely the number of townships that could be opened in Joliette, but I believe that several could be laid out.

20. Settlers are to be found in large numbers, and as soon as the Matawin road is finished, the parish of St. Felix de Valois and other surrounding parishes will furnish at least one hundred settlers annually.

21. There are none now in existence, and nothing has been done towards the formation of any.

22. I think that the plan is a good one to promote settlement, because these societies, while they would furnish intending settlers with reliable information, would also assist them pecuniarily, at the outset of their career.

23. I am aware of the nature of the movement which has taken place in the District of Montreal, but I cannot specify the date of the formation of that society. This society has already done much real good, although not so much on account of pecuniary services rendered, as in giving the country some hope that the Government will give the movement its support. Individuals can do and have done much, but it will only be when the Ministry can give an impulse to the movement, that satisfactory results will follow.

24. The Regulations relating to the sale of lands and timber, contain objectionable clauses which interfere with the progress of settlement. The principal one is, that speculators are permitted, on the payment of a certain sum, to cut and remove any timber they may desire, while the settler is deprived of this privilege, by which alone he could hope to overcome the difficulties which have to be encountered in the opening up of his lot. I am of opinion that few settlers would ever abandon their lots, if the privilege were granted to them of doing what they pleased with their timber. Lumber speculators have done immense injury to colonization in ruining the timber, while the Province receives a very small equivalent compared with the advantages that would result, if full rights of property were granted to the settler. The greater the facilities afforded to settlers in maintaining their positions on their lots, the greater will be the profit realized by the country.

25. There is not much emigration to the States, but there is a considerable movement towards Upper Canada. To my knowledge, in one day, twenty young persons left for that section of the Province. Farmers, in order to provide establishments for their children, are compelled to parcel out their properties, and with the system of agriculture in opera-

tion throughout Lower Canada, they could not earn their livelihood upon such small parcels of land. Young people are consequently left to the alternative of leaving the country or vegetating in the old settlements.

26. Effective assistance to colonization.

27. I do not believe it.

REPLIES OF LOUIS PRINCE, STANFOLD.

1. In all the townships of the County of Arthabaska, about one third of the land is still unoccupied.

2. They are all surveyed, and although they have been so for a long time, a great quantity of disposable land still remains.

3. I am unable to say to whom these lands belong.

4. As a general rule, prices are too high.

6. The greater portion of these lands are swampy and wet, and we find all kinds of timber indigenous to Canada.

7. The rivers Nicolet and Becancour.

8. The Arthabaska and Bulstrode roads; also the road from St. Christophe to Lake Aylmer, are those now in operation, and another is to be constructed between Stanford and the river Becancour, to reach the parish of St. John, in the County of Lotbinière, at which point there is a large tract of disposable land in the counties of Megantic, Arthabaska and Lotbinière.

9. I am not aware of the precise length of these roads, but they have produced very good results, in drawing to this neighborhood a large number of settlers who commenced taking up locations as soon as these roads were commenced by Government.

10. These roads have been opened up by Government.

12. The progress of settlement is slow, owing to the want of roads and the interference of large proprietors.

13. No, the Municipalities should have the supervision of the officers whose duty it is to oversee the construction of these roads, in order that money may not be wasted, as is frequently the case.

14. Yes.

15. The best plan would be to enact a law which would have the effect of protecting the settler and large proprietor with equal justice, and the Government should concede these lands, either as free grants or at a nominal price to poor families.

17. It is not by any means sufficient.

20. There is a large number of persons who desire to open and settle upon wild lands.

21. I know of none, and the settlers are poor.

22. I would be in favor of the formation of a colonization society, if its object were to purchase seed grain for the poor or to assist them in buying their lots.

23. I know of nothing whatever of the movement in the District of Montreal.

24. Yes, the Government by granting licenses for the right of cutting timber on lots sold to settlers, for which letters patent have not been issued, discourages settlers by depriving them of the power of selling their timber with which they could pay for their lot, and at the same time be placed in a position to obtain bread for their families.

25. Since the commencement of the American war few families have emigrated to the United States.

REPLIES OF L. D. LAFONTAINE, ST. EDOUARD.

13. Any system by which more work would be obtained for the settlers would be favorable to settlement.

14. Yes.

15. It would be well to distribute in all parishes, plans and maps pointing out the lands adapted to settlement, with a description of the roads opened, the distances from markets, the price of land per arpent, shewing the difference between the acre and arpent; also the quality of the soil, &c.

16. Lands thus held should be purchased by Government to be re-sold on the ordinary

terms, or, the proprietors should be compelled, within a certain time, to sell them, failing which, the Government should have the privilege of appropriating them on payment of an indemnity.

17. In my opinion this sum is far from being sufficient.

18 & 19. I have nothing to say on this subject; the case does not occur here.

20. There are at least 25 or 30 persons in the parish of St. Edouard who would be disposed to open up wild lands in the Townships, if they were certain of success.

22, 23, 24. I am not yet prepared to reply to these questions.

25. Emigration towards the United States continues. During the past 6 months, 8 or 10 families have taken their departure. The parcelling out of property, the bad crop of last year, and the want of proper information with regard to the advantages offered for settlement on wild lands, are the causes of their emigration.

26. My replies to Nos. 15 and 19 apply to this question.

27. Our country being on the borders of the United States, several families having resided there for 2, 3, 4 and 10 years, occasionally come back, but they generally return to the States for permanent residence. I do not know of many who have returned from the United States during the past year.

P. S.—I think that requiring immediate occupation of the lot by the settler is an obstacle to colonization. He should be compelled to clear his lot according to the regulations and to perform neighbor's duties, but he should be allowed five years before becoming a permanent occupant, because it is only when from 15 to 20 acres of land are cleared that even a small family can harvest enough grain, &c., for their support. I am of opinion also, that each settler who has been *bona fide* occupant for one year, should have the privilege of selling his timber. I think that there is a great deal to be said against requiring immediate residence. Fathers of families who are unable to give their children properties near them would take lots and have them gradually cleared, with a view to their settlement there when they could hope to harvest enough grain to support them.

REPLIES OF JOSEPH MARTEL, PRIEST, SOMERSET.

1. All.
2. A large quantity.
- 3.—1. A large number.
2. A large number.
3. A few.
4. Very few, I think.
5. Do not know of any.
4. No price is asked, as the absent proprietors' names are not known.
5. The lowest price is always the most favorable; high prices kill our people, particularly squatters.
6. Passable and very good.
7. A great many, the largest lake is lake Halifax. The rivers are the Becancour, Black and White Rivers, &c.
8. A road leading to Lotbinière would be very useful, and another going towards the interior would be equally so.
9. Very good results.
10. I know of none. It is a great misfortune that such is the case.
11. Railroads or carriage roads through the great centre of our parishes. Apart from these, none exist but the Gosford and Arthabaska roads, which run S. W. and N. E.
12. The only impediment here is the high price of land and the want of protection to squatters. These are the principal difficulties apart from the ordinary ones against which settlers have to contend.
13. Roads are continued too far into the interior, without giving attention to the first few miles. What is the advantage of a road 10 leagues off if it has to be reached on foot? I could say a good deal on this subject, having been missionary to the Elgin road.
14. Yes, of course, but I repeat, roads to reach them are required.
15. It is to give them roads and to furnish seed to the settlers for the first and second

year. If the amount which is expended to bring strangers to the country were divided among Canadians, the latter would colonize more effectually and better than the former.

16. Yes, a thousand times more dangerous than the feudal tenure which has been abolished.

17. Not sufficient by any means.

18. Probably at a distance.

19. There is no hurry for this.

20. We find them in every direction,—persons desirous of settling are in great numbers here, but owing to the want of encouragement they emigrate or vegetate here.

21. I am desirous of establishing one with the money I obtained from Government this spring, to purchase seed grain, but I think the Municipal Council will prevent me from doing so.

22. I know nothing whatever of such societies, but, if properly organized, they should be of service.

23. I think that there is more noise than work; with the exception of the assistance given to the Acadians, I have not heard of anything being done. To the settler money is of more importance than words.

24. I think it infamous for the Government to force the poor settler to pay for the right of cutting timber on his lot, because these poor people have nothing else to assist them in supporting their families and building an ordinary house. I wish they could be seen as I have seen them, in utter misery, complaining of their sad position, and I should then like to hear what would be said of this sale of the right of cutting timber upon lots already cut over ten times. There should be no such speculation upon misery.

25. A good deal, owing to the want of facilities for settlement.

26. To facilitate the operations of the settler.

27. A few.

N. B.—I am unable to give much correct information on many points, because I have not been very long here.

I regret that I cannot reply more at length to the above questions. There is a want of ample information on this subject, and even demonstrations to the Government are requisite, as I believe the question of colonization to be, for our nationality, one of life or death. Everything seems to be done to inundate the country with a foreign protestant emigration, a course that requires serious reflection, as I believe that we should discourage or prevent, instead of favor, immigration.

Of what advantage to us can an augmentation of our population be, if we are nourishing vipers in our bosom, who will turn upon us in the first opportunity? There are quite as many children of the soil as we require to people the country in a short time. If the present system is continued, a time may come when Canadians will be forced to emigrate in their turn. Let us do, at least, for the children of the soil, as much as we do for strangers, and this evil will be remedied. These ideas may appear to you extravagant, but they are shared in by all those to whom I have spoken, and I would be happy if they were entertained by the public at large. I should have less fear for our religion, our language, and perhaps our laws.

REPLIES OF REV. J. B. PROULX, ST FRANCOIS, BEAUCE.

1. The Townships in the County of Beauce are: Adstock, Tring, Forsyth, Aylmer, Lambton, Price, Shenley, Dorset, and Yearhurst, to the south-west of the Chaudière River and to the north-east of the said River, Jersey, Marlow, Rixborough and Linière.

2. They are all surveyed, and contain about 430,000 acres of disposable land.

3. 1st. To Government..... 322,000 acres.

2nd. To Proprietors known..... 106,000 “

3rd. To Proprietors unknown..... 5,000 “

4th. All these individuals are absent from the Townships.

4. For a distance of 74 miles, the individuals to whom these lots belong, ask \$3 per acre, a price which appears to me to be too high. They cannot sell at that price.

5. The other 32,000 acres which remain in the hands of other known individuals,

(although the proprietors have sold an equal quantity during the past few years) are for sale at prices varying from one to two dollars per acre, according to the quality of the soil; and at this price they are rapidly disposed of.

6. About one-half of these lands are covered with hard wood, the other half with soft wood. The soil is generally sandy; under the hardwood it is rather dry, but under the soft wood it is richer; both however, yield good crops when cultivated.

7. The principal lakes are Lake Megantic and Lake St. Francis; the others are of no importance. The rivers are the Chaudière and its tributary streams.

8. The Lambton Road is the only Colonization Road in this county which has been completed. We would now require a short road some 7 or 8 miles in length, commencing in the 8th range of the Township of Tring, and going as far as Adstock, and another on the north-east shore of the Chaudière, which would pass through the townships of Jersey, Marlow, and Rixborough.

9. The Lambton road is 36 miles in length, and has produced a good effect. Three parishes have been formed on this road, and two others are in course of formation.

10. Free Grants were made on the Lambton road, which are now all occupied by settlers.

11. The principal road to reach these lands is the Beauce road.

12. Since the opening of the Lambton Road, settlement has made great progress, and I have no doubt that if the other two roads (to which I have alluded in reply No 8,) were constructed, the same results would be obtained.

13. I think that the system now in operation for the construction of Colonization Roads, is the best that could be adopted.

REPLIES OF J. B. RICHARD, P. L. S., WOTTON, C. E.

1. The townships in the County of Wolfe where there are wild lands, are: Wotton, Ham, Wolfstown, South Ham, Dudswell, Weedon, Stratford, and Garthby.

2. All these townships are surveyed, with the exception of a portion of Garthby, and they contain about 160,000 acres of disposable land.

3. Of these disposable lands, 90,000 acres belong to Government, and 70,000 acres belong, partly to the British American Land Company, the remainder to absent individuals whose names are known.

4. The wild lands belonging to Government, are sold at three shillings per acre, and those belonging to the British American Land Company from 12s. 6d. to 15s. per acre. The price of those Government lands which are of good quality is not too high, but there are some of an inferior quality which are certainly not worth the price asked. I think that it is an error to ask a uniform price for lots which are not equally valuable. With regard to lands which belong to large proprietors, I think that the high price at which they are sold is one of the greatest obstacles in the way of settling this part of the country.

5. A proof that the high price of wild lands belonging to individuals or to companies is an obstacle in the way of settlement, may be found in the fact that although they are generally of better quality, they sell with much greater difficulty, in fact only when available Crown Lands of almost any quality have been taken up.

6. The quality of the soil of the disposable lands varies from the first to the third quality, but in what proportion I cannot say. The timber to be found is principally maple, birch, elm, ash, spruce, fir and cedar.

7. The different townships of the county of Wolfe are well irrigated by the several branches of the River Nicolet, Lake Nicolet, the River St. Francis, and Lakes Aylmer, Louisa, and Coulombe, also by several small rivers which, although not of importance, are very useful as they furnish the water-powers which are indispensably required to drive mills in every agricultural country.

8. The roads already opened are, the main roads of Wotton, Stratford, Garthby, St. Philip's; and those to be opened are the projected roads from Wotton to Wolfestown, Wotton to Dudswell, South Ham to Weedon, Statford to Garthby, and from Weedon to Garthby.

9. The Wotton road, which crosses in its whole length the township of the same name, also the Township of South Ham, and which reaches the Gosford road, is about 18 miles long. The road from Stratford to Garthby is of equal length; the St. Philip's road, a portion of which is in the county of Wolfe, the remainder in the county of Arthabaska, is about 25 miles in length.

10. Free Grants were made some years since on the Wolton and Stratford Roads, but I am unable to state how many. There are no more disposable Free Grants. The opening of the Colonization Roads mentioned in the 9th reply, has drawn a large number of settlers who have hastened to establish themselves on the lots situated on the borders of these roads. It is to the opening up of these roads that the county of Wolfe is indebted for the increase of its population during the last ten years in the extraordinary proportion of three hundred and fifty per centum, through colonization.

11. The available means of communication with the disposable lands of the county of Wolfe are, the old Gosford road, the road from Danville to Wolton, and the road from St. Christopher to Garthby. At Danville and St. Christopher are railway stations, a short distance from the lands in question.

12. Settlement progresses less rapidly now than some years ago, although there are still a great many disposable lands, but the reason is that very few lots remain for sale along the Colonization Roads or in their neighborhood, and if a few roads were opened, such for instance as those suggested in my 8th reply, the Government would soon dispose of all the available lands in this county, and settlement would be greatly favored by such a proceeding.

13. I do not approve of the plan now adopted for the construction of Colonization Roads, as it is neither expeditious nor economical. According to the present system, the conductor of the work is as it were interested in a long continuance of the work, that it may be slowly proceeded with, and it rarely happens otherwise. The wages given to laborers who work on Colonization Roads being lower than those granted generally to day laborers, it naturally follows that men who are able to work and perform a good day's labor very seldom apply for work on Colonization Roads. Thus we see that in the greater number of cases, young men are employed who scarcely understand the nature of the work, and who are very badly supplied with the requisite tools. The season for operating on these roads is also very badly chosen. My opinion is that the most prudent system that can be adopted to remedy all these difficulties, and the best plan to secure the construction of good roads, much more cheaply than they can be constructed by the present system would be, to give out the work by contract on the most favorable conditions, exacting from the contractor, of course, the very best securities for the due performance of the work. Thus, the contractor being interested in seeing the work properly done, it is probable that the roads would gain much by the proposed system.

14. The construction of Main Colonization Roads is of the greatest importance in the opening up of the wild lands. I think that a main central road should be opened up through each Township from end to end, keeping as close to the centre as possible. When this is done, short branch roads would not be of so much importance, although a few connecting links might be required between Main Colonization Roads.

15. I think that after the opening up of good roads in every direction where they are required, but little would remain to be done to procure the settlement of wild lands.

16. Everybody knows how much the poor settlers who are established on lots belonging to large proprietors have had to suffer, and in fact nothing can be more unjust than this monopoly of the soil by a small number of speculators to the disadvantage of the class of working men who are the real benefactors to the country. We know that it has happened that families after 20 years of persevering and laborious work in lots of wild land, who were on the point of reaching an independent position, have been ejected without pity, from the land where they had worked so hard, while the inhuman proprietor took possession of the fruit of their labor without granting them one shilling of indemnity. Abuses of this kind have become so numerous and have caused so much damage to settlement, that it is time to put a stop to them! Perhaps the best means of attaining this desirable end might be to compel these large proprietors to fulfil strictly the conditions of their Patents, subject to the penalty (if they fail to do so) of forfeiting their lands to the Crown on payment of a reasonable indemnity by the Government.

17. I think that the annual grant of \$50,000 should be increased to \$100,000 for Lower Canada.

18. The whole of this county is divided into townships.

19. The reply to this question will be found in No. 18.

20. There are a great many young people who wish to settle upon wild lands, and they are waiting for the opening up of roads mentioned in my reply No. 8.

21. There are no auxiliary societies in this county, and no person seems to have any idea of forming any, as but few have the means to do so. Settlement here is still in its infancy.

22. I am more in favor of auxiliary societies, the object of which is to assist settlers at the outset of their career, than of colonization societies.

23. I am of opinion that colonization would be promoted more effectually by a prudent distribution of relief than by the making of speeches however eloquent and patriotic.

24. I am not very well acquainted with the regulations regarding the sale of lands, therefore I cannot say much on that subject; nevertheless, I shall take this opportunity of complaining to the following effect: The advantage originally promised to settlers on Crown Lands by their location tickets, have not been granted to them. These tickets provide that when the occupants shall have fulfilled certain conditions, they shall have the right to claim Letters Patent without expense; but in spite of this promise, they have been compelled to pay to the Agent \$5 for each patent thus issued. With regard to timber, some of the settlers in this locality while engaged in clearing their land, cut some saw-logs which they sold to a mill owner in the vicinity, at whose mill lumber is sawn exclusively for the use of the settlers. These honest people supposed that they were acting wisely in putting this timber to some use, whether in selling it to purchase seed-grain, provisions to feed their families, or in applying the proceeds to the payment of the Government claim. If they had not done this, the timber would have been burnt, and consequently lost. The local Crown Land Agent heard of this, and informed the Crown Timber Agent for the district of the fact. They decided that the logs should be confiscated, as they had been cut against the tenor of the Government regulations on this subject. The settlers who cut the logs were thus compelled to pay to the Crown Timber Agent not only the right of cut, but also the full value of the logs, including the cost of manufacturing and cartage, which they had already paid themselves. Such rigorous proceedings taken by officials against worthy honest settlers, who imagined that they could expect some protection from Government, are well calculated to discourage them and to shake any hope or confidence they might have had in the intentions of the Government, with regard to the class to which they belong. One of the two courses should be pursued. Either of the Agents had no authority to act in this manner, and their conduct should be condemned; or if they had authority, the regulations should be amended in such a manner as to give to the settlers the right of cutting the timber on their own lands for their own uses. If the Agents misinterpreted the regulations, or if they did not act on special instructions, they deserve to be strongly reprimanded for thus injuring the cause of colonization, and destroying the confidence which these poor settlers placed in the indulgence and justice of the Government. I do not believe that it is right to consider these interchanges of lumber among the settlers for each other's use, as sales of lumber. I hope that these acts are not sanctioned by the Government, as the cause of settlement would greatly suffer.

25. A few families from this neighborhood have emigrated to the United States in the hope of earning more quickly the sum required to pay for their lots. They all intend to return, but I believe that the Free Grant system, if properly put in force, would effectually stop emigration towards the United States.

Another reason, I think, why settlement does not progress, is the very high interest charged by Government on arrears of purchase price. The poor families who settle in wild lands have quite enough to do to meet the capital without having to pay interest. When a lot is vacated by its occupant because the arrears are so heavy that he cannot pay them, it is extremely difficult to have that lot taken by another settler, as invariably the latter is saddled with the arrears of the former. I therefore think that the Government should, after a certain number of years of arrears, declare the lot vacant, and grant it anew on the original conditions.

26. The reply to this question is in my last.

27. All the families that have economised sufficiently to enable them to pay for their lots of land have returned, but the number of such cases is small.

F. X. PRATT, CROWN LANDS AGENT, STANFOLD.

1. In the county of Arthabaska, in which I reside, the townships in which there are wild lands are Maddington, Blandford, Stanfold, Arthabaska, Bulstrode, Horton, Warwick, Chester East, Chester West, Tingwick, and Aston.

2. These townships are surveyed, but I do not know how much disposable land they contain; however, a pretty considerable portion of these townships is uncultivated.

3. Of this disposable land the Government, according to the list transmitted to me by the Department of Crown Lands, holds twenty-two thousand five hundred and twenty acres in the township of Maddington; twenty-two thousand nine hundred and three acres in Bulstrode; seven thousand seven hundred and sixty-one acres in Stanfold; one thousand two hundred and thirty acres in Blandford, and three thousand one hundred and fifty-one acres in Arthabaska. I do not know how much the Government holds in the other townships which form part of the county of Arthabaska, nor do I know how much belongs to known or unknown non-resident individuals, or to corporations or societies.

4. The price asked for land, as classed in question No. 3, varies, but it is generally too high.

6. The soil on this disposable land is generally of medium quality, although a pretty considerable portion of it is fertile.

7. The river Nicolet runs through the townships of Arthabaska, Chester, and Bulstrode; the river du Loup through the townships of Chester, Stanfold, and Bulstrode; and the River Becancour waters the townships of Blandford, Stanfold, Bulstrode, and Maddington.

8. The Colonization Roads already opened, are:

1st. The Arthabaska road, which extends from the river Becancour in Stanfold to the Kingsey road, and crosses the townships of Stanfold, Arthabaska, and Warwick.

2nd. The St. Phillippe Road in the township of Chester.

3rd. The road, the opening of which was entrusted to Joseph Prince, Esquire, and which crosses the township of Bulstrode as far as the St. Celestin road.

9. I am unable to say what the extent of these roads is, but the result that they have produced is the rapid settlement of the good land which is found along them and in their neighborhood.

10. I am not aware of there being any free grants; however, I am of opinion that there are none.

12. Colonization makes rapid progress where good land is to be found.

13. I consider the system of making Colonization Roads a good one, but I think it would be better that the money granted for the opening of Colonization Roads should be expended under the supervision of the Municipal Councils.

14. The opening of great Colonization Roads, with short roads opening into them at regular distances, is of the greatest importance to the advancement of colonization.

15. I am of opinion that a good means of encouraging the settlement of the wild lands, would be to reduce by one-half the price of land, the soil of which is of medium quality, as the best land has already been purchased.

16. It is admitted (and this admission is unfortunately but too well founded) that the buying up of considerable tracts of lands in the townships, by large proprietors, for purposes of speculation, has been an obstacle to the colonization of those lands; and, in my opinion, the way to remove that obstacle would be to cancel the titles of those proprietors who, though bound to the execution of certain duties mentioned in their titles, have neglected to perform them; and to compel those proprietors whose titles were not cancelled to pay the squatters for all the improvements which they may have made upon their lands.

17. In my opinion the present grant of \$50,000 in favor of colonization, is not sufficient; it should be increased to the sum of \$150,000.

18. There is no territory in my county which is not divided into townships.

20. There are persons in my neighborhood who are desirous of settling on wild lands, but I cannot tell exactly how many.

21. There is no auxiliary society in my county, and I do not think that it is proposed to form any such, with the view of giving assistance to poor settlers beginning their labors.

22. I am in favor of colonization societies, because these societies, aided by our Government, would prevent a great number of our countrymen from emigrating to the United States, and by their action would furnish a great number of them with facilities, which, but for the existence of these societies, they would certainly never have enjoyed.

23. I am not.

24. I am convinced that the reservation by the Government, in the sale of public lands, of the sale and disposal of the right of cutting wood, greatly impedes the settlement of the lands, because thereby a part of the value of the land sold is removed, to the profit of the Government and to the detriment of the settler; and I can assure you that several persons, who were prepared to buy lands from the Government, have not done so because the Government reserved the right of cutting wood; and I am of opinion that in order not to impede the settlement of the land, the purchaser, from the issue of the location ticket, should have the right of cutting, for his own benefit, the merchantable timber found upon the land purchased by him, upon payment of the price of cutting to the Government, which price should be deducted from the purchase money of his land.

25. Several persons in my neighborhood have emigrated from Lower Canada to the United States and elsewhere, but I cannot state the exact number; and I attribute this emigration to the fact that the colonization of our townships is not sufficiently encouraged.

26. I think that the best means of putting an end to the emigration of our Canadians to the United States and elsewhere from Lower Canada, would be to open up great main roads in the townships or parts of townships where there are none; to reduce the price of the land; to prevent the buying up of even the smallest extent of land in the townships by great proprietors; to grant the purchaser the right of cutting the wood; to remit to the purchasers of public lands who are behindhand in their payments, all arrears of interest due on the prices of their land, and to grant them a further delay of four years to pay the principal of the purchase money, one-fourth to be paid each year; and not to carry out the sale of public lands which is to take place on the seventeenth of July next; for this sale, I am satisfied, would have the effect of dispossessing a large majority of our settlers, and cause a very large part of the public lands in the townships to pass into the hands of greedy speculators; for, I may remark, that many of our first settlers, who reside within the limits of my agency, have declared to me their intention of emigrating to the United States if the government lands which they occupy and which they have so courageously improved, should be sold.

27. I do not know of any Canadian in my neighborhood who has returned from the United States, after having emigrated to that country.

In my reply No. 8, I omitted to mention that it would be necessary to open a road in the township of Stanfold, from lot No. 11 in the first range to the Provincial Road, on the line between the seventh and eighth ranges. A *proces-verbal* for the opening of the road which would connect the St. John Road with the River Becancour, was prepared and homologated by the Municipal Council of the township of Stanfold on the 31st day of December last, but as the opening of the road cannot be effected by the Municipality for several years, and in consideration of the fertility of the soil in the neighborhood, it would be very conducive to the interests of colonization that the Government should make some grant in favor of this road.

The following roads should also be opened in Bulstrode:—

1. A road from Bulstrode chapel, which is situated in the eleventh range, to the interior of the township which is all forest land. I am told that in this township only the 11th and 12th ranges have been cleared, and yet the land in the interior is well adapted to cultivation, the soil being of good quality.

2. A road communicating with the township of Warwick.

3. Another road leading to St. Clotilde de Horton.

The tenth range of the said township of Bulstrode is in course of being promptly opened up, five lots of land in that range having been taken up within a month; however, there is no road leading out of it, and the little Black river which crosses it entails a great

deal of expense. The Curé of the township told me lately that he was of opinion that if the colonization of that part was encouraged, there would be more than twenty-five settlers established there by the next autumn.

AUGUSTIN LABERGE, MERCHANT, AND C. A. M'CLURE, FARMER, ACTON VALE.

1. In my county there are two townships, Upton and Acton, in which there is a good deal of wild land, a great part of which is of the best quality.

2. The whole of Upton is surveyed, but in Acton, the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and part of the 5th ranges have not yet been surveyed by the Government. In January, 1856, the Parish Council was organised in Acton; the proprietors who had settled on the above mentioned ranges then applied to the Council to have those ranges surveyed and the roads opened.

The Council, considering their petition just and reasonable, consequently engaged Mr. Blanchard, a surveyor, to draw the lines of the said first five ranges. For this work the Council paid the good round sum of \$2,000. In 1858, Messrs. G. F. Austin, surveyor, H. P. Merrill and others, (to favor the interests of a certain Mr. Austin) in opposition to the interests of the township, filed an opposition to the approval of the lines drawn by Mr. Blanchard. This opposition (to the prejudice of all the inhabitants) the Government was pleased to take into consideration, and suspend approval of the lines for nearly four years. This caused considerable injury to this part of the township.

3. Of the disposable land,

1st.	25	lots	belong	to	the	Government.			
2nd.	101	"	"	to	known	individuals.			
3rd.	None	"	"	to	unknown	individuals.			
4th.	142	"	"	to	known	non-resident	individuals.		
5th.	3½	"	"	to	the	Village	Corporation.		
6th.	40	"	"	to	the	British	American	Land	Company.

Total, 311½ lots.

4. The price asked for the land belonging to the Government has always varied from 3s. to 6s. an acre, according to the valuation of Mr. C. C. Sheppard, the Government Agent. The price asked by the known non-resident proprietors is very high, and ranges from \$6.00 to 14.00 an acre. The Land Company asks a tolerably moderate price, and at the same time gives many facilities for payment, in respect to time, charging only six per cent. interest: the price asked by the Land Company is \$4.00 an acre in Acton and \$3.00 in Upton.

5. The prices do not vary enough, and are fixed too high; it is this that prevents the sale of the land. The hypothec upon all lands in the townships, in consideration of debentures, is also an impediment to colonization. I wish to draw special attention to this point. Many are disposed to settle in our townships, but when they find that the land is so deeply mortgaged, they very soon change their minds. The roads to be made in the townships are also, in my opinion, a great drawback to colonization.

6. The soil in some places is poor; the woods which cover it are hemlock, tamarack, and cedar; but the soil generally is very good and covered with hardwood.

7. There are no lakes in the township of Acton, but there are three rivers; the river known as the Dunkin River, the Black River, and the White River. The Dunkin River rises at the southwest extremity of the township of Wickham, runs through the 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th ranges of Acton, and falls into the Black River at lot No. 43, in the 6th concession of Acton. The Black River rises to the east of Ely, crosses the township of Acton and falls into the River Yamaska. The White River rises in the western part of Stukely, crosses Roxton, is united with the two former in Upton, and with them falls into the River St. Lawrence.

8. There are no colonization roads in my township; all the roads hitherto made have been made by the township itself, with money raised by debentures. The following roads are, in my opinion, necessary for the colonization of our township:—

1st. A road across the 1st and 2nd ranges, between lots four and five, which would

enable the inhabitants of Ely to reach the new station at Durham; length of road, two miles.

2nd. A road from Roxton, across the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th, as laid out and verbalized twelve years ago, connecting with the old station at Durham; length of road, six miles.

3rd. A road from the boundary of Wickham across the 3rd, 1st, 6th, and 5th ranges of Acton, between lots 25 and 26, connecting with the Grand Trunk Railway at Acton; length of road, four miles.

4th. A road across the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd ranges on lot No. 37, to connect with a road already opened; length of road, three miles.

5th. A road in the western part of the township of Acton, from the 1st to the 11th ranges inclusive, between lots 40 and 41; length of road eleven miles. I may here remark that many persons have bought land in this part of the township, but are unable to go and settle upon them for want of this road.

Recapitulation: total length of roads to be made, twenty-six miles.

9. The township of Acton having always been left to itself, and having never, like many others, enjoyed the advantage of colonization roads, I am unable to describe the result.

10. There have never been any free grants in the township of Acton.

11. There are no means of communication, either new or old, by which any lands may be reached, except those settled upon the roads already opened.

12. Colonization is completely at a stand-still in the township of Acton, and, in my opinion the following are the causes:—

1st. The want of necessary roads.

2nd. The enormous hypothee on the townships, entailed by the debentures.

3rd. The absurd prices which the great proprietors ask for their land.

4th. The delay of the Government in accepting the lines drawn by Mr. Blanchard.

5th. The difficulties in which the municipalities are involved, which have opened front roads on the lands of great proprietors, in consequence of their being unable, except by prolonged suits, to recover the amounts expended for that purpose.

13. The system of making colonization roads is a good one when it is well carried out. The Government should have an agent in each township, who should see to the execution of these works; they should be done by days' work and not by contract.

14. The opening of great colonization roads, with short ones opening into them, is, I have no doubt, one of the best means of promoting colonization. This means should have been adopted long ago, and I venture to hope that it will ultimately be so.

15. I am not acquainted with any beyond what I have already pointed out.

16. It is admitted, and might be easily proved, that the buying up of land by large proprietors, for purposes of speculation, has been, and will always be, a great obstacle to colonization. The only method of removing this obstacle would be to fix a price for the sale of the lands which they hold, and to compel them to allow long terms for payment, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. The price fixed, in my opinion, ought not to exceed from 5s. to 10s. an acre for the worst land, and from 10s. to 15s. for the best.

17. The grant of \$50,000 for Lower Canada, in favor of colonization, is not sufficient. The roads of which I have made mention must, of necessity, be opened immediately in the township of Acton; these roads will cost at least \$10,400. Let us suppose that there are nine townships in the same position, (and of this I have not the least doubt) and it will be seen that the sum required will greatly exceed the present grant.

18. There is no territory in my county which is not divided into townships.

19. Answered by No. 18.

20. There are hundreds of persons in this neighborhood who are desirous of settling on the land, but who are prevented by the causes which I have already pointed out.

21. There is no auxiliary society in this neighborhood, and for want of means, nobody has any idea of forming such a society.

22. I am in favor of colonization societies because I know that by this means alone the great proprietors can be prevented from speculating at the expense of the poor settler.

23. I am acquainted with the movement which has taken place in Montreal, respecting colonization; as to its result, I know that it has not been of any importance so far as

our township is concerned. All that I know is, that society wrote to our curé, the Rev. M. Ricard, to ascertain the price of land in our township, and afterwards replied that the prices were too high, and that they must go to a greater distance to carry on colonization, the thing being impossible in the township of Acton.

24. I am of opinion that the system adopted by the Government, of permitting the cutting of the best of the wood on their wild lands is also a great drawback to colonization. It may be remarked here that the sale of Government land, as advertised for the 25th of July, is also prejudicial to colonization. The present settlers upon those lands are very poor, and are quite unable to purchase their land, which will thus again fall into the hands of speculators.

25. There has been much emigration to the United States for the causes above set forth, the fact that land cannot be obtained on account of the exorbitant prices asked, the want of roads, &c., &c.

26. Answered by No. 25.

27. Many, who have been compelled to do so, have returned.

N. E. RICARD, PRIEST, CURÉ OF ST. ANDRÉ D'ACTON.

1. There is a great deal of wild land in the township of Acton.

2. The first four ranges of this township have been surveyed by two surveyors. The lines not having been recognised, the result has been an insurmountable obstacle to the colonization of these ranges, the soil of which is of excellent quality. The last seven ranges of the township are in great measure inhabited, and all the lines have been legally approved.

3. Answered by Messrs. McClure and Laberge.

4. The price of land belonging to the Land Company is four dollars an acre. The price of land belonging to unknown individuals is too high. The great proprietors ask from \$15 to \$20 per acre!!!

5. The way to promote colonization would be to sell at the lowest possible price.

6. The land in the township of Acton is generally fertile and is wooded with maple, elm, ash, hemlock and mixed wood. Hard wood predominates.

7. A river, upon which are good and powerful water-powers, and which rises in Ely, crosses the first six ranges of Acton and flows into Upton.

8. Some roads have been made in the last six ranges of Acton but there are none in the first ranges. A road from the township of Ely running in a straight line to the 4th range of Acton, about lot No. 20, would greatly promote the colonization of that locality. We hope that the government will assist us in carrying out this scheme.

9. The land is taken as fast as the roads are made.

10. No free grants, in favor of colonization, have been made in the township of Acton.

11. There is no route of communication between the first five ranges of Acton and the neighboring townships, except a road on lot No. 55 communicating with Roxton.

12. The colonization of the first five ranges of Acton progresses slowly for want of roads, and in consequence of the high prices asked by the great proprietors.

13. The system of making roads would be a good one if the business of overseeing them was entrusted to competent persons.

14. Certainly.

15. A good way to encourage the settlement of wild lands would be to open roads through them.

16. The great proprietors are the greatest obstacle to colonization. They are indeed a scourge,—a plague. The government should use severity towards them and tax them heavily so as to compel them to yield to reasonable terms.

17. The grant of \$50,000 is not sufficient.

20. The number of Canadians, who are desirous of settling in the townships is considerable.

21. A parish, which is desirous of retaining in Canada those of its members who would be compelled to expatriate themselves, calls a meeting and sends one or two persons

to visit the wild lands which seem to offer any advantages. Upon their report the young men direct their steps through the townships, carrying with them supplies in the shape of grain, money, and even what is necessary to build a chapel. This method succeeds very well in those townships where there are roads.

22. The mal-administration of Municipal Councils is an obstacle to colonization. The government should provide a prompt and effectual remedy for this. In consequence of this mal-administration a number of Canadians emigrate from Acton.

23. The sale of liquor is a scourge in the townships. Almost as soon as a village is laid vile speculators take up their residence there and possess themselves of the income of the inhabitants of the place by that diabolical trade. The present law is a very bad one. For instance, by means of 50 drunkards, a tavern keeper of no respectability, and very often without any other qualification, can open a tavern in spite of all the rest of the population. Why should it not be made necessary to obtain the signatures of two-thirds of the municipal electors to a tavern-keeper's certificate? Why not fix £50 at least as the qualification to sign that certificate. The municipal councils might do it, but too often, from motives both low and blameworthy, they do not do so. To work at the colonization of our wild lands and to leave the liquor trade, especially in the townships, almost free is, in many places, to work in vain. It is to be hoped that the government will provide more effectual means for averting the destroying scourge of intemperance.

24. A very great number of Canadians have come from the United States to settle in Acton.

ZÉPH. LANOUILLE, TOWNSHIP OF M'NIDER.

1. There is a great deal of wild land in all the townships in the county of Rimouski.
2. The Township of McNider is surveyed. I cannot say exactly how much disposable land there is in it. The Crown Lands Agent will be able to tell.
3. About two-thirds of it belong to the Crown, and one-third to Mr. Clark and the Clergy. Mr. Clark lives at Montreal; very few have purchased from him for several years past.
4. The price was 4s. an acre. During the last five years no one has been able to come to an agreement with him. He always gave it to be understood that the arrangements would depend upon the position of the land; a considerable number of these lots are occupied and the occupants are all uneasy. The price of the land belonging to the Crown is 1s. 6d. an acre; the price of Clark's land should be the same.
5. The prices would be reasonable enough if a delay of ten years, without interest, was granted for payment, so that the settlers might find the means of making payment. Most of them hardly make enough to furnish themselves and their families with necessaries, beginning, as they do, the clearing of their lands without means.
6. In the 1st and 2d ranges the soil is composed of sand and yellow loam of pretty good quality. The woods which cover it are cedar, tamarack, and white birch; in the other ranges the soil is for the most part fit for the growing of grain. Several kinds of wood are to be found upon them, such as cedar, tamarack, pine, white birch, and splendid maple; ash and elm may be found in small quantity.
7. There are a great many small lakes and two rivers, the River Tortigon and the White River, which cross the township in a south-westerly direction.
8. A road has been commenced by the government which runs from the River St. Lawrence towards the interior as far as the thirteenth range inclusive. Last summer it was opened as far as the fourth range, and it should be continued during the present season at least as far as the tenth range.
9. With this hope, a considerable number of settlers have begun to clear the land along the proposed line of road to a distance of two leagues.
10. There are no free grants. At least half a league on each side of the road should be granted, and then its maintenance might be left to the settler.
11. There are front and concession roads open over the 1st, 2nd and 3rd ranges, but they are in an incomplete state, time and money having run short among the settlers.
12. Colonization does not make rapid progress on account of the want of roads to communicate with the interior of the township where the best land is situated. Many

settlers are compelled to go lower down to much less advantageous places, such as *Les Méchants*, *Les Crapcaux*, and *Cap Chat*.

13. The superintendence of these roads should not be entrusted to shopkeepers; 1st, because they only employ persons who are in their debt; 2nd, or if they are not in their debt, they take care only to pay them every month, and sometimes every two months; thus compelling the poor labourer to run into debt at their shop for necessaries for himself and his family, and by this means, having to pay credit prices, four shillings are worth less to him than three in cash. Payments should be made every week, and the work should be done by the day, and not by contract; for where it has been done by contract, it has generally turned out that the contractor, on account of his want of capital and experience has ruined himself.

14. Yes. For the furtherance of colonization the Taché road should connect with the road now in course of construction in our township.

15. The Land Agent should visit each locality at least twice a year, to enable the settlers to make arrangements with him, and make themselves known; or at least he should appoint a Deputy Agent at each place. This would do away with considerable difficulties.

16. The buying up of land by large proprietors has always been a serious obstacle to colonization: 1st, because they do not clear their land, and their neighbors are injured thereby; 2nd, because by asking higher prices they prevent the poor colonist from settling on their land. No proprietor should have more than 200 acres in his possession.

17. It should, for several years to come, be increased to \$70,000 on account of the want of roads and bridges in many places.

18. The Land Agent will answer this question.

19. Same reply.

20. A great many.

21. I think not. It is to be desired that some should be formed.

22. I am in favor of colonization societies.

23. I am not. The society should send a copy of the report of its proceedings to each place.

24. There certainly is. The Land Agent should ascertain whether the obligations imposed upon the settler, such as the clearing of the land and the opening of front roads, have been fulfilled. In my opinion, the obligation to build a house should, in many cases, be dispensed with; for many of the settlers live with their relations, and have no need of a house on their land for several years; and so, instead of building a house, they might clear their land. The sale of wood on the land of the Crown is very injurious to the settlers. The 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th ranges of our township are now destitute of building timber, in consequence of the licences which have for several years been issued,—and the settlers have great difficulty in finding materials for their buildings. The amount accruing from these licences should be deducted from the price of the land in those ranges, and in future, to carry out the same system, the holder of the licence should account to the proprietor of the land for the proceeds of the wood cut.

25. No emigration.

27. Two Canadians have returned from the United States.

E. CASGRAIN, P. L. S., L'ISLET.

1. In my county there are wild lands in the following townships:—Fournier, Ashford, Garneau, Casgrain, Lafontaine, Dionne, and Arago.

2. All these townships are surveyed; I do not know how much disposable land they contain.

6. The soil and the wood are generally of good quality.

8. There are no roads open in these townships except the Elgin and Taché roads, and the St. Cyrille road which is hardly commenced.

11. Of these roads the Elgin road is that which gives the greatest facilities for reaching the land.

12. The progress of colonization on the Elgin road is rapid; a certain number of courageous settlers have already taken up their residence there,—but their example has not

produced all the results which might have been expected, and, for want of roads, this beginning of colonization has gone no further. I am personally acquainted with several persons who have settled on the wild lands of the Crown, and it is surprising, and at the same time painful, to listen to the history of their labors, and the incredible exertions which they were compelled to make in order to derive any profit from their cultivation, and to communicate with inhabited places.

13. Besides this, the roads, where they do exist, are not made as they should be. Too many stones are left, and bridges and ditches should be made in the cedar swamps and savannes; and above all, less time should be taken in completing them.

14. Hereupon depends all the progress of colonization, where it has succeeded; let this be done, and colonization will advance with giant strides.

15. Colonization and auxiliary societies are also powerful means of encouraging the colonization of wild lands. In addition to all this, let the settler, instead of paying \$6 a year for five years, pay \$3 a year for ten years to the government; by this arrangement the Crown will lose nothing, and the settlers will be greatly relieved. Lots lying along the roads should also be conceded without any charge, save the obligation to keep the road in repair.

16. It rests with the Legislature alone to put an end to the obstacles caused by the buying up of land by great proprietors.

17. \$200,000 instead of \$50,000 is necessary to give effectual assistance to colonization at the present time; the future will show how much will be necessary to sustain and keep up the work when in progress.

19. If there is any township in the county unsurveyed, I do not know the extent of it.

20. In the present state of affairs, there being no roads, but few persons think of settling on wild lands, but many would be desirous of doing so if the means to that end were provided; such a step is loudly called for by our parishes, where, in consequence of the increase of population, the land is beginning to be very much divided.

21. There is in each parish in our county an auxiliary society, which, in spite of its limited means, does some good.

22. But it is upon colonization societies that the hopes of the friends of colonization mainly depend. Much may be done by these societies when they are properly organized and receive timely aid from Government; for instance, the colonization of the Saguenay was effected by the colonization society of the counties of l'Islet and Kamouraska, which succeeded in spite of difficulties of transport and obstacles of all kinds. What might we not do, with the help of these societies, here on the south shore, if we only had roads?

25. Hitherto, in our county, emigration to the United States or elsewhere, from Lower Canada, has been but little felt.

26. Wherever this unfortunate emigration exists, the true remedy will be to keep our countrymen at home by giving them every facility to settle on our wild lands; and this they clearly cannot have until roads are opened. I repeat, in conclusion, roads! roads! and the problem of colonization will be solved; this problem, which is all important to us, containing, as it does, the secret of the prosperity and future of our nationality.

D. L. BALLANTYNE AND P. C. FOURNIER, L'ISLET.

1. The Townships of Lessard, Beaubien, Arago and Leverrier.

2. Lessard and Beaubien are surveyed in part; Arago is all surveyed, and Leverrier not at all. There are 76 disposable lots in Lessard, 46 in Beaubien, and 357 in Arago.

3. and 4. Of the 76 lots in Lessard, 27 belong to the Hon. Charles Alley, Provincial Secretary, who sells them a dollar an acre; the rest belong to the Crown.

6. With the exception of certain stony tracts, this land is well adapted for cultivation.

7. In Leverrier and Arago, two branches of the Little Black River; in Lessard and Beaubien, the Bras-d'Est and the Bras-d'Apic. There are six small lakes in the Township of Arago.

8. The Taché road, which crosses the Township of Arago at the 6th range, has not yet been opened in this place; the Arago road, which starts from the parish of St. Cyrille

and runs southward to intersect the Taché road, is 13½ miles long and crosses the Townships of Lessard, Beaubien, and five ranges of Arago. This road is the mainstay of the colonization of the surrounding tracts, and so long as its completion is not hurried on, no progress can be expected in these parts. It may be here remarked that in the last three years only the trifling sum of \$1,100 has been expended on this road, an amount only sufficient at the most to make two miles of road.

10. There have not yet been any free grants in our neighborhood along the Taché road, as it is not yet made. The Government has thought it expedient to refuse to make free grants on the Arago road.

11. None, either new or old.

14. It is without doubt of great importance; but, it seems to me that too great importance is attached to the great roads and too little to the short ones; and by urging on the completion of the former too rapidly, it sometimes occurs that a good road is made through the woods which is of no use whatever to the settler, on account of the want of roads communicating with it. This will shortly be the case here, for it is probable that during the coming summer the Taché road will be opened as far as its point of intersection with the Arago road, of which 11 miles still remain to be made. It will be seen that unless a more liberal grant is made in favor of that road than has been hitherto done, it will take at least a dozen years to complete that trifling distance.

15. The settlers only ask for roads.

16. Yes.

17. The present grant of \$50,000 is undoubtedly insufficient to meet the requirements of colonization. To be productive of sensible effects, it should be increased to two or three hundred thousand dollars.

18. There is the Township of Leverrier, which is bounded on the north by the Township of Arago, and on the south by the frontier line of the State of Maine. In this Township, which has a superficial extent of about 80 miles, some very fine and fertile land is found; for is a remarkable fact that the further we go south, the more fertile and free from stones (which are so great an obstacle to the opening up of the land) does the soil become. I have no doubt but that if this Township were surveyed and a colonization road opened through it, in spite of its being so distant, it would be settled sooner than those which are nearer.

20. A certain number of persons have bought land in the Township of Arago, and are working the sugaries whilst waiting for the making of a road which will enable them to reach their lands in the summer and settle there.

21. Yes.

22. When well managed, colonization societies are of great use in furthering the opening up of wild lands and promoting the interests of the settler; in what condition would the Saguenay now be, if it were not for the colonization society of the counties of L'Islet and Kamouraska.

25. One family only has emigrated to the United States with the hope of improving their prospects.

27. No.

V. DESROCHERS, P. L. S., ST. PASCHAL.

1. One-third of Woodbridge is under cultivation, and three-quarters of the lots are taken. In Bungay, twelve or fifteen lots are under cultivation, and about one third of the lots are taken. It is reported that clearing is going on in Parke and Pohenegamook. I do not think any clearings have been made in the other Townships.

2. Bungay and Woodbridge only have been completely divided into lots; only about two-thirds of Painchaud and Chabot and one-half of Parke and Chapais have been divided; I can give no information respecting Pohenegamook. The following is the extent of these Townships: Bungay, Parke and Woodbridge, eight miles square; Chapais, Painchaud, Chabot and Pohenegamook, eleven miles square.

3. All these Townships belong to the Crown, except twenty-seven lots in Woodbridge, which form part of the Clergy Reserves; these latter lots are taken and to a great extent under cultivation. There is now a petition before the three branches of the Legislature

from the Municipal Council of this parish praying for the division of the lots in this small tract. The Government should cause these lots to be surveyed at the earliest possible period.

4. The price of these lands is one shilling and sixpence an acre, and this is not too high. The settlers have no difficulty in paying their instalments.

5. The prices are uniform and are not an obstacle.

6. The land is equally good in each Township. Much variety is found in the nature of the soil, that is to say, sometimes we find yellow or grey or black loam, sometimes a sandy soil with small stones and sometimes an extremely stony soil. This variety occurs at short intervals. The following is my estimate of the quality of the soil in each Township: one-third lost on account of the stones which cover it; one-third of good soil with few stones which might be removed without any great expense, and one-third free from stones. Nearly all the timber fit for building purposes has been removed.

7. Large and magnificent lakes are found in every Township, and also rivers and waterfalls in great number. I refer you to the plan of these Townships, deposited with the Crown Lands Departments, for a geographical description of them.

8. The roads of which I can speak from my personal knowledge, having surveyed them, are the Mont Carmel (St. Denis) road leading to Lake Kizemquisham near the frontier, and the Woodbridge road as far as the fifth range inclusive. These two roads are of great importance to the settlement of the land.

9. The Mont Carmel road is fifteen miles, and the Woodbridge road six miles, in length. The opening of the roads and the surveying of a part of the Townships has called the attention of farmers to colonization, and it is now more talked of than ever. I think they are disposed to take lots.

10. I know of no free grants in this neighborhood.

11. The only roads now in course of construction, and by which these lands can be reached, are the Mount Carmel road, the road crossing the Township of Ixworth to the interior, which is to end at the Taché road—which latter crosses the whole of the Township of Chapais,—the Woodbridge road, and two others—one at St. Helen and the other at St. Alexander—which, as well as the Taché road, I have never visited.

12. Colonization has not made much progress for want of roads; the young people seem to be more on the alert now than ever, and visit the woods and the land with a view of taking lots.

13. The system of making the roads is a good one, that is, by the day; the most essential thing is the selection of experienced and active overseers.

14. It is the best means of promoting colonization.

15. The best method of encouraging colonization would be, in my opinion, the completion of the roads, and the completion of the survey of the remainder of Parke—lying immediately above the seigniority of Terrebois,—and the remainder of Chabot and Painchaul. This survey was asked for last year by the Municipal Council from the Commissioner of Crown Lands, and the matter is still under his consideration.

16. I am not aware that any great proprietor has bought up any of the land in the Township in question.

17. I cannot say whether the grant of \$50,000 in favor of colonization is sufficient, for I know nothing of the requirements of colonization out of my own county; but I know that there is much to be done here.

18. All the Townships in the rear of this county are laid out, but they are not entirely subdivided into lots.

19. The Townships are already partly opened, as I have just said.

20. There is a considerable number of young Canadians who talk of going and choosing lots in these Townships. The opening of the roads has induced these young persons to visit the lots with the view of taking them.

21. We have no auxiliary societies, nor do we propose to form any.

22. I am not in favor of colonization societies, because these societies entail the employment of a number of persons to manage their affairs and to direct the work of clearing, who must be highly paid; and this, together with the cost of transport, absorbs a large part of the money intended for clearing, which in this way costs a very high price—which comes out of the settler's pocket. Besides, justice is not always done, some are more fa-

vored than others, and this of course causes discontent. I am of opinion that each man should work for himself.

23. I am not.

24. We have nothing to complain of respecting the sale of lands; but the sale of the building timber by the Government, on land adapted and destined for colonization, is very prejudicial to the welfare of the settlers, for the want of building material is severely felt here, and the wood is necessary to the settlement of the land. The cutting of the timber, to our great loss, still continues every year in our county.

25. I know only of three or four families who emigrated to Illinois some years ago: most of them have returned.

26. There has been hardly any emigration here.

27. A few Canadians have returned from the United States. I know of some ten or twelve.

CHS. T. DUBÉ, M.D., TROIS PISTOLES.

1. The Townships in the county of Temiscouata, in which there are wild lands, are Parke, Whitworth, Demers, Viger, Denonville, Hocquart, Begon, and Rodot.

2. The Townships of Whitworth, Viger, Denonville, Begon, the first four ranges of Parke, and the first range of Rodot, have been surveyed, but the remainder has not; the boundaries of all these Townships however have been drawn. I cannot specify how much disposable land there is in each of these Townships, but there is a great deal.

3. All this land belongs to the Government.

4. The price is fixed at 30 cents an acre.

5. This price is low enough to be advantageous to colonization.

6. The soil is generally good, especially in Viger, Denonville, Begon and Rodot, where there are extensive maple forests, which are always an indication of a very fertile soil.

7. The Townships of Begon and Rodot are separated from Denonville and Hocquart by the Trois Pistoles River, the branches of which, on the eastern side, are the Fir River, the Bouabouscache, which is more than thirty miles in length, the East River, which takes its rise from the lake of the same name, and further to the east we have the Lac des Jones, which is of considerable extent and is surrounded by very good land. To the west of the Trois Pistoles River we have the Mariakeche and Sanescoupe Rivers, which cross Denonville and part of Viger, and the Toupique River, which crosses Hocquart and Demers. Then we have in Viger and Whitworth the Green River, the principal tributary of which is the Fork River. Lastly, the River du Loup runs through Parke, Whitworth, and several Townships in Kamouraska; its principal branches are the Little River du Loup, the Forked River and the Stony River.

8. Roads have been opened in Begon, Denonville, Viger and Whitworth, which are to be continued to the Taché road.

9. These roads, which are from three to six miles in length, have given a great impulse to colonization, for nearly all the land upon them has been taken, as well as a considerable quantity beyond them. Persons are going thither in great numbers; churches have been built during a few years past in Whitworth and Viger, and one is to be built this summer in Begon.

10. There have been no free grants on these roads.

11. There are no roads except those opened by the Government of late years.

12. Answered by No. 9.

13. The present system of making colonization roads is a good one, and should be continued.

14. Colonization roads are of the greatest importance, and it is for this reason that every person in this county is very anxious for the completion of the Taché road, which will pass through some of the finest lands in the rear of the seigniories.

15. In my opinion, roads are the best means to be employed for the promotion of colonization; it is also very much to be desired that free grants should be made of lots for the erection of chapels, and the maintenance of the missionaries, and also for school-houses.

16. As we are not plagued here with great proprietors, I have nothing to say on the subject.

17. The grant of \$50,000 should be increased, in order that the roads might be the sooner completed.

18. All the land is divided into Townships, but some of these are not subdivided into lots.

19. It would be advantageous to have these Townships surveyed.

20. Nearly all our young men—and there are many of them—are anxious to settle on the wild lands, and indeed a considerable number have already begun to do so.

21. There is no auxiliary society in our county, and I know of no one who proposes to form any such.

22 & 23. Not being acquainted with general organization of colonization societies, or with that of the one formed in Montreal for Lower Canada, I abstain from making any remarks respecting it.

24. The existing rules respecting land and wood should be maintained.

25, 26, & 27. There has been no emigration to the United States from this parish. Some young persons absent themselves for a year or two, and then return and settle here

J. B. LEPAGE, CROWN LANDS AGENT, RIMOUSKI.

1. In the County of Rimouski there are wild lands in the Townships of Dufresne, Macpes, Neijette, Fleuriau, and Cabot lying in the rear of the Seigniories; and in the Townships of McNider, Matane, St. Denis, Cherboung, Dalibert, and Romieux lying along the stream. There is also a great extent of territory not yet surveyed lying to the south of these Townships.

2. The Townships of Fleuriau, Cabot, and McNider are all surveyed; the Townships of Dufresne, Macpes, Neijette, Matane, St. Denis, Cherboung, Dalibert, and Romieux are partly so; and the Townships of Chenin and Bedard, situated in the rear of the Nicolas Rioux Seigniorie, not at all.

3. The reply to this question is contained in the following table:—

T A B L E N o. 1.

TOWNSHIPS.	Nc. of ranges surveyed.	Number of acres belonging to the Government	Occupied by settlers.	Patented, and belonging to known proprietors.	Patented, and belonging to unknown and absent Proprietors, but occupied by settlers.	Patented to the Archepiscopal Corporation of Quebec.	Belonging to the Government and disposable.
Cabot	9	19258	4128	.....	.....	.....	15132
Cherboung	3	16814	500	.....	.....	.....	11314
Dalibert	3	16807	.....	.....	.....	.....	16807
Dufresne	6	23560	.....	.....	.....	.....	23560
Fleuriau	6	24436	9326	.....	.....	.....	14610
Macpes	3	9965	4751	.....	.....	.....	5214
McNider	12	57487	18937	21090	200	.....	38520
Matane	8	33244	18755	3854	4233	.....	14488
Neijette	3	19923	4133	.....	.....	.....	10790
Romieux	3	14657	2315	.....	.....	.....	12342
St. Denis	6	15530	4223	382	.....	173	11307

4 and 5. The price of all the lands of the Crown in this county is uniform; it is thirty cents an acre.

6. Generally speaking in the Townships above mentioned the soil is excellent and well adapted for cultivation of all kinds. On the hills hardwood, especially maple, predominates; in the low land, soft wood, such as tamarack, fir and cedar, sometimes mixed with

birch, ash, sumach and elder, prevails. As regards merchantable timber, especially pine, there was formerly a great deal, but now it may be said that the forest has been almost destroyed by the timber dealers; however, tamarack, which is still found in greater quantity, may supply the wants of the settler.

7. There are a great many small lakes scattered through these Townships. These lakes, nearly all of which abound with fish, give rise to a number of rivers, of which the principal are the Rimouski and its branches, the Métis and the Neijette, its largest branch; the Tortigon, the White River, the Matane, the Grand Médine, the Grand Capucin and several others of minor importance. All these rivers and other watercourses furnish each Township with several water-powers which may be easily utilised.

8. In this county the colonization roads opened at the expense of the Government are:—the road from Matane to Cap Chat which crosses the Townships of Cherbourg, Dalibert and Romieux to the river; the Matapediac road, which starts from the river near St. Flavie church, and is continued as far as the Ristigouche River, in the County of Bonaventure, passing over nine miles of the seigniory of Lepage and Thibierge, then over nineteen miles of Crown Lands, and twenty-one miles of the seigniory of Matapediac, lying to the south of the great lake of the same name, and finally over about forty-four miles of Crown Lands to its termination, following in its course the north-east shore of the beautiful river Matapediac. This road is not yet completed.

Some by-roads have also been made at the cost of the government, viz: 1st. A by-road, six miles in length, in rear of the parish of St. Luce, from the last roads in the seigniory to the fifth range of the Township of Fleuriau. 2nd. A by-road, two and a-half miles in length, in rear of the new parish of St. Anaclet, reaching the farms in the first range of the Township of Neijette. 3rd. A by-road, three miles in length, in rear of the parish of St. Germain de Rimouski, ending at the second range of the Township of Macpes. 4th. A by-road, two miles in length, in rear of the parish of Bic, ending at the first range of the Township of Dufresne. 5th. A by-road, in rear of the parish of St. Fabien. 6th. A by-road in rear of the parish of St. Simon. It is not in my power to give the length of these last by-roads. 7th. A by-road in the centre of the Township of McNider, from the third to the sixth range of that Township.

The roads to be opened, are:—1st. The great Taché road, the proposed line of which from the Matapediac road to the Pohenegamook road, in the County of Kamouraska has just been changed and moved further south. The line of road now runs through a tract of land well adapted for colonization, and I am tolerably sure that as soon as the road is opened, with by-roads opening into it at regular intervals, many settlements will spring up; for applications for land have already been transmitted to me, and several persons propose to go and settle there.

2nd. A road is wanted in the parish of St. Jerome de Matane, in order to reach the beautiful and fertile land in the Township of Tessier, where a considerable number of settlers propose to establish themselves.

3rd. A road in the centre of the Township of Matane would greatly facilitate the colonization of the interior of that Township, the soil of which is of the finest quality.

4th. The Neijette and Macpes roads should be continued this year, as far as the new line of the Taché road, and some slight repairs to the part already opened should be made. The length of these two roads to be opened would be about six miles.

5th. The Fleuriau road, being open as far as the line of the said road, only stands in need of some repairs and a bridge over the river Neijette, for the erection of which applications have been made to the Government.

9. The result of the opening of these roads has been that the clearings now extend beyond their termination.

10. Lands in the first range of the Townships of Cherbourg, Dalibert, and Romieux, which are crossed by the road from Matane to Cap Chat, are offered as free grants, as are also those on the Metis section of the Kempt road and the great Matapediac road. I subjoin a small table showing the state of colonization on these roads and their extent.

TABLE No. 2.

ROADS.	Length in miles.	Number of acres offered as free grants.	Number of acres occupied by settlers.	Number of acres disposable.	Population on 31st Dec., 1861.
Metis section of Kempt.....	4½	6000	2600	3400	30
From Matane to Cap Chat.....	85	18626	14709	3917	333
Matapediac*	63*	.....	.....	.....	.....

* Less the extent of this road situated in the Seigniories. As I have not yet received all the instructions relative to the settlement of this road, and as I have been constantly employed elsewhere, I have not been able to visit it; it is therefore impossible for me to give a statement of the colonization upon it.

12. Colonization makes rapid progress on the road from Matane to Cap Chat, but advances slowly on the Matapediac road, in consequence of its not being yet completed, and of the fact that the lots upon it are not subdivided throughout its extent.

13. The system of making colonization roads seems to me a good one; but instead of having the work done by the day, which is the usual practice, I think it would be much better to have it done by small contracts. From my own experience I can say that road-work done by contract, when well managed, is always executed with more promptness and economy.

14. The opening of great colonization roads, with shorter ones opening into them at regular intervals, is certainly of great importance to the colonization of wild lands.

15. Besides free grants on the one hand and cheapness of land on the other, it is necessary, in order to attract settlers, to have some remunerative labor to offer them, which might be easily done by allowing them to perform the work on the colonization roads in preference to all others.

16. In my opinion, the way to do away with these obstacles would be to enforce that provision of the law which limits the quantity of land to be held by one person to 200 acres, and which compels him to clear a portion of it every year and settle upon it.

17. In view of the approaching immigration and the necessity of giving access to wild lands by the opening of colonization roads, the sum of \$50,000 is certainly insufficient.

18. In this county there is some territory not divided into Townships, and which should be so immediately, viz. :—

1st. That part of the Crown Lands lying between the Township of Fleuriau and the seigniorie of Matapediac, which is crossed by the second section of the Matapediac road; this has a frontage of about ten miles.

2nd. All the tract lying to the east of the seigniorie of Matapediac as far as the River Consupskal, a distance of about eight miles.

3rd. The Township of Tessier, in rear of the seigniorie of Matane, comprising the tract lying between the Townships of St. Denis and Matane.

4th. The augmentation to the Townships of Neijette and Macpès, having a superficial extent of above 96 miles of fertile soil, wooded with hardwood, chiefly maple.

19. I earnestly recommend the immediate surveying of the above mentioned territory, to avoid confusion; for already many settlers attracted by the excellent quality of the soil have taken land there and made considerable clearings in spite of its not yet having been divided.

20. In the parish of Rimouski, in which I reside, there are many persons who are desirous of settling on wild lands; I cannot give the number.

21. There are as yet no auxiliary societies in this county, but we propose to form one in the course of the present year, with the view of giving aid to poor settlers desirous of establishing themselves on wild lands.

22 and 23. As I am not acquainted with the subject, I have no opinion to give.

24. I know of nothing in the regulations respecting the sale of land which is of a nature to impede their settlement. But as regards those respecting merchantable timber, as well as all other found on occupied lots, I think they should be amended so as to give

to each settler engaged in clearing the right of disposing of it, upon obtaining his land patent, without his being compelled to pay for a license; for the cost of a license to a poor settler is certainly a heavy expense, and one which it is almost always impossible for him to incur. The obligation to settle upon and clear the land before being able to dispose of the wood, should also be done away with; it is at the commencement that the settler has most need of the advantages yielded by the timber growing on his lot; besides in making his clearings the timber must be cut down and burnt, and thus there is nothing lost by giving every possible privilege in this respect.

25, 26 and 27. I cannot recollect whether there has been any emigration in this neighborhood, to the United States or elsewhere from Lower Canada.

W. H. PARKER, MAYOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HUNTERSTOWN.

1. There is but one township in the county of Maskinongé, and that is owned entirely by a lumbering company. The "Gore," or augmentation, was sold sometime ago by Government, and is now all settled.

2. No townships have been surveyed in the county except the township of Hunterstown.

3. North of the county are the waste lands of the Crown,—as far back as the river Matawin.

4. The price asked by Government (30 cents per acre), the terms and time of payment, are not, in my opinion, too much for the land.

5. The quality of the soil is good; the wood or timber is of a mixed growth. Birch, beech, maple, oak, pine, spruce, and poplar being found on the ridges of high land. In the valleys and swamps the growth of timber is cedar, tamarac, fir, and spruce.

6. There are but two lakes in the county, around which are settlements. They are named Maskinongé and Mondville. There are two rivers running through the county and through these wild lands, each about one hundred miles in length. The lakes emptying into them are numberless, and vary in size from one-half mile to nine miles in length. Around the shores and outlets of many of the lakes, and in the valleys of the two rivers—river du Loup and river Maskinongé,—there is plenty of land fit for settlement, and the only reason why these lands are not settled is because there are no roads or outlets for the settler. It does not stand to reason, that a poor *habitant* is going to plunge into the forest, clear away a farm, and, for the want of a road, have to transport his provisions on his back or wait until the winter season.

7. Not a single colonization road has been opened in the county.

9. No Free Grants have been made in this vicinity.

10. No means of communication are open with the wild lands of the Crown. These lands can be reached by a road up the valleys of either the two rivers.

11. Colonization does not progress, for nothing has been done in the county towards it. No inducements whatever are held out for the colonist to settle in this vicinity. As an evidence of what progress colonization would make, were it properly encouraged, I would state that about four years ago Government appropriated a certain sum for the construction of a road up the valley of the river du Loup,—a distance of five miles; in less than two years every lot was taken up by settlers (at a cost of 5s per acre, the land belonging to a company) who are now residing on them, and have cleared on these lots from five to twenty acres.

12. The system of making colonization roads is a good one. I have no suggestions to make on the subject.

13. The opening of great colonization roads, with short ones opening into them, is of great importance to the advancement of colonization.

14. I am not acquainted with any other means of encouraging the settlement of wild lands, but think that adopted by Government could not be bettered; the results already obtained are proof that it is good.

15. The buying up of tracts of land *en bloc*, or otherwise in large tracts, is ruinous to the country; its effects will, perhaps, not be felt so much at present as in a few years from now. It will be a great obstacle to the colonization of these lands, and will have the effect of driving our young men into the United States for settlement,—where lands can be had for a mere trifle. For what other purpose are these large tracts of land purchased by in-

dividuals or corporations, but for speculation? It is not to be supposed that it is from a philanthropic desire to sell them out to settlers at less than cost. The best method, in my opinion, and the only one to remedy the evil, and I think I speak the mind of the many, is not to sell more than one or two lots to an individual.

16. I have not had the means of knowing over what extent of territory the \$50,000 is to be applied. If it includes more than two counties, I think the sum insufficient.

17. The northern boundary of the county has never been settled upon or run out. The country north for forty miles—as far as the Matawin river, the chief tributary of the St. Maurice—is the waste land of the Crown. The valley of the river du Loup alone contains an area of upwards of 550 square miles, or about \$52,000 acres; and the valley of the Maskinongé something less, not being quite so large a stream. From this statement some estimate can be made of the number of townships that can be run off. The valleys of both rivers possess some good land fit for cultivation.

18. North of the Township of Hunterstown, up the valley of the river du Loup, a good township of say 30,000 acres or more could be laid out. The country is well-timbered and well-watered, two large streams flowing through it; the soil is as good as is to be found anywhere in the St. Maurice territory; in fact, I know of no other large tract of land where there is so much good land fit for settlement, as this parcel I mention above. I speak from a knowledge of the facts, having travelled over nearly every square mile of the territory, as far back as the river Matawin. I would here take occasion to state that during the administration of Oliver Welles, as Crown Timber Agent for the St. Maurice territory, a party of surveyors, through instructions from him, were sent out to run a line through from Hunterstown to the Matawin River, a distance of 31 miles, for the purpose of constructing a road. The road was intended for two purposes, viz.: to aid lumbermen to reach the Matawin by a shorter and more direct route than that by Three Rivers; and also, to encourage settlement of the lands alongside of the road. As the line run by the surveyor was an *air-line*, and crossed the height of land of many large streams, the country through which they passed was very rough and mountainous and of course unfit for settlement; their report was in accordance with the state of the country. The subject was dropped; consequently, since that time we have heard nothing of the colonization roads in the county of Maskinongé.

19. There are very many who are desirous of settling on new lands; and, in the event of the Government opening roads and holding out inducements to the young settler, as has been done in other sections of the Province, the back country would soon be settled. There are hundreds of young men in this county alone, who would take up lots of land if the back country was laid out into townships, and roads were constructed.

20. There are no societies in the county of Maskinongé for the purpose of giving assistance to poor settlers.

21. Not knowing much about the workings of colonization societies, cannot venture an opinion. Know nothing of the form, progress or result of the Lower Canada Colonization Society; have seen occasional notices of it in the papers.

23. The county of Maskinongé has sent out more young men to the United States than any other of the counties north of the St. Lawrence. The best way I know of to answer this question, is to state that at least one-fifth of the French Canadian population has emigrated to the United States within the past ten years. Seven months of the past year I resided in Burlington, Vermont; I had a good opportunity of seeing and meeting these people, and have remarked the numbers that passed through, both by steamers and railroad. In the town of Burlington, Vermont, of a population of 7,000, one-fifth are Canadian French; lately, from this town, four hundred federal soldiers went south, of their number sixty were French Canadians; two-thirds of the sailors employed on vessels on Lake Champlain, are French; through most of the brick yards on North River or Hudson, in the vicinity of the cities of New York, Boston, Troy, Albany, and Providence, Rhode Island, are to be found French in large numbers. There are very many employed in lumbering in the Western States of Mianesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan; of these but few return to their native land.

24. The best method to be adopted for the prevention of emigration to the United States, is to open up roads in the back country. The young men of Canada would not seek

elsewhere remuneration for their labor, if the inducements to stay at home were such as are held out abroad. There is not, to my knowledge, a single Government road or colonization road between the Assomption River and the Machiche, in the county of St. Maurice, that runs twenty-five miles into the interior of the country. As is well-known, the settlements are confined to a narrow strip bordering on the St. Lawrence.

25. But few of the very many Canadians who emigrate to the United State, ever return to Canada. Those who live on the borders generally go to the States and work during haying; most of this class return.

HENRY CRAWFORD, MAYOR OF ST. GABRIEL.

1. The Townships of Stoncham and Tewkesbury, the remainder of the county, is formed of the Crown Seigniorship of St. Gabriel and Fief St. Ignace.
2. The townships are all surveyed, and the whole of the seigniorship of St. Gabriel; they contain, in my opinion, twelve thousand acres of disposable land.
3. 1st. All to Government, with the exception of some few hundred acres in the Township of Tewkesbury, of the wild lands.
2nd. In my knowledge, in the seigniorship of St. Gabriel, the place called Valcartier, eleven hundred lots of ninety arpents each, are held by known individuals. From the short notice I have received, I cannot speak with accuracy what amount in the county generally.
3rd. Very little, as soon as roads are made the land is taken by actual settlers.
4. Government land 50 cents per acre, which is too high considering no roads; 100 cents would be paid if roads were made, and wild lands quickly taken up by a surplus population; two and three pounds ten shillings per acre for bush land, where roads are made and disposed of by individuals. Low priced lands are no inducement, where roads are not opened.
5. The soil is generally very rich where hardwood prevails, which is predominant; in some places stoney; wood, very large black birch, sugar maple, elm, ash; on the hills fine spruce for commerce.
6. The rivers Jacques Cartier, St. Anne, St. Charles, and other rivers, with numerous lakes scattered over the county, possessing innumerable water powers for manufacturing purposes.
7. None, which is the only impediment to the settlement of our lands; one has been surveyed last fall, to open up the back lands of the counties of Quebec and Port Neuf, which will be the means of settling a very large extent of splendid colonization land. (See John Neilson, P. L. Surveyor, report on the St. Gabriel and Roemount road.)
8. The result of any road being opened is immediate settlement, and the increase of the value of property 50 per cent.
9. None.
10. The lands are held by the Crown and sold at 50 cents per acre. The only prospect of settling those lands is by opening the roads as traced by J. Neilson; and Government open all roads and charge a percentage upon the lands as an equivalent to the cost of making the roads, which would be cheerfully paid by new settlers; encourage the building of log houses for schools; build a cheap saw-mill in a central position, and the country will become settled rapidly.
11. Colonization does not progress for the reasons I have above stated, no encouragement being given. I have given short details in answer No. 10; if time would permit I would give more lengthy details on the subject, as thirty years experience have trained me.
12. I do not approve of the system of making grants for short roads in the old established parishes; explore a county well, open main arteries first, and then follow with shorter ones as the country becomes opened.
13. A very great advantage.
14. I am acquainted with a plan which I will take the trouble of drawing up on a future day, and also on road making, which would have all the advantages of a plank road and not cost one-half of ordinary good roads.

15. Granting or selling lands in large tracts to proprietors is a bad system; the only system is to force actual occupation and settlement.
16. The grant is entirely too small for a few years; I have no doubt that former small grants, made from the general fund, were lavished to make political capital.
17. A very large extent, not surveyed, remains in the north-west part of this county, of good lands sufficient to form several townships; I speak from actual observation.
18. No trouble, if the proposed St. Gabriel and Rocmount road is opened.
19. A great number from the older parishes, now living in beggary on small patches, who would become valuable settlers.
20. None.
21. I have not had an opportunity of testing them. I am not acquainted with the movement.
22. The law, in my opinion, is very good in that respect.
23. A great deal, and for the reason no back country is open for them to settle in.
24. Encourage colonization in every possible shape.
25. Some have returned and others are anxious.

RICHARD LANIGAN, MERCHANT, THREE RIVERS.

The county of St. Maurice has no limits fixed to the northward, nor has the land been surveyed to a greater distance than about thirty-five miles to the interior from the river St. Lawrence; there are, however, in the county of St. Maurice proper, and in the territory known as the St. Maurice, several million acres of land, said to be fit for settlement.

1. The townships in the county of St. Maurice which have been surveyed, and in which are wild lands still open for sale, are Shawenegan and Caxton; besides which there is the Seigniori of Cape Madelaine, part of which is in the county of Champlain, and part in the county of St. Maurice; and in the St. Maurice territory the new Townships of Polette and Turcotte.

2. These townships have been surveyed, but the reports of the survey of Polette and Caxton have not been sent in; and part of the Seigniori of Cape Madelaine has not yet been surveyed. There are still for sale in the township of Caxton about.... 20,000 acres.

do	Shawenegan	8,500	"
do	Turcotte	38,000	"
do	Polette (about).....	40,000	"
do	Seigniori of Cape Madelaine	42,000	"

Total 148,500 acres.

3. These lands are principally owned by the Government, and but few lots are held by private speculators; part of Caxton—I am not aware of the exact quantity—is held by the Hunterstown Lumber Company; and in the St. Maurice territory, large farms are held by most of the lumber companies.

4. The price usually asked for land, as classed in question No. 3, is from three shillings to four shillings per acre—and in the majority of cases this price is not too high. The price of Crown Lands in the County of St. Maurice and in the St. Maurice territory is one shilling and six pence per acre, payable in five annual instalments, with interest. The price of land in the Cape or Jesuits' Estates, is from 4s to 5s per acre, payable in five annual instalments, with interest—the purchaser being obliged to pay for the cost of survey and for the deed; in the former case, that is in the Crown Lands, there exist no such charges. The low price of the Crown Lands would have the effect of promoting colonization, but the want of roads running through them, as well as through the Jesuits' Estates, has hitherto been an insuperable barrier to colonization. With good roads, most of the lands in the county of St. Maurice and in the St. Maurice territory would meet with ready sale at 5s per acre.

5. The quality of the soil is variable; in Shawenegan it is generally heavy clay, or alluvial soil,—and it is of a similar character from Shawenegan to the Piles, and from thence to the junction of Rat river with the St. Maurice; the lands bordering on the bays,

and along the rivers are generally heavy clay. In the Cape there is a good deal of light or sandy soil. The new Township of Polette contains a large proportion of good land, while the Township of Turcotte is generally rocky. The wood growing on these lands consists generally of white pine, spruce and hemlock, maple, birch, ash and elm.

6. The rivers Machiche, La Pêche and Grande Mère run through parts of Shawenegan and Cape Madelaine,—that is, the part of Madelaine which lies in the county of St. Maurice, but the greater part of Cape Madelaine lies in the county of Champlain, and is watered by the rivers Champlain and Batisseau—the river St. Maurice itself, of course, runs through all these territories. The new Townships of Polette and Turcotte are watered by the Rat river and its branches, the Wessonau and its branches, the rivers Au Lait and Sigonsink. In Caxton and Shawenegan there are lake Perchaud, and several smaller lakes with only local names; in Cape Madelaine, lac au Piles, lac à la Pêche, lac Polette and some others; in Polette and Turcotte there is lake Sigonsink, and a number of smaller ones.

7. There are no colonization roads, properly speaking, in any of these townships or territories, excepting that from St. Barnaby, in Caxton, to St. Etienne. A colonization road has been commenced, last summer, to run from St. Flore, on the Piles road in the Seigneurie of Cape Madelaine, to the junction of Rat river with the St. Maurice; and it is in contemplation to open another road from La Tuque, on the St. Maurice, along the river Croche, to the front range of the township of Roberval, on lake St. John; but this road will pertain to Champlain and Port Neuf, rather than to St. Maurice. The colonization road from St. Flore to the Rat river will run through part of Cape Madelaine, through the township yet to be surveyed between St. Flore and that point, and through the Townships of Polette and Turcotte. The Piles road runs through Shawenegan and part of the Cape; but it is not a colonization road, though it has been the means of colonizing Shawenegan and St. Flore.

8. The extent of road from St. Barnaby to St. Etienne is only about twelve miles, and the good land on either side of it is all occupied. The colonization road which is to run from St. Flore to the Rat river will be about forty miles; only four miles of this road have been partially made last summer, yet numerous applications have been already sent in for lands in the vicinity. The Piles road—that is the Government road from Three Rivers to the Grand Piles on the St. Maurice—is about thirty-eight miles in length. There is little or no good land now for sale on either side of this road, although there are still many unoccupied lots to be met with in St. Etienne, Shawenegan and the Cape. The extent of the proposed road from La Tuque to Roberval is ninety miles. The completion of the road from St. Flore to the Rat river, and the construction of a road from La Tuque to Roberval, would confer incalculable advantages on colonization in the St. Maurice territory.

9. There are no free grants on any of these roads.

10. Shawenegan, and that part of the Cape that lies in the county of St. Maurice, are reached by the old St. Maurice Forges road, and its continuation the Piles road, from Three Rivers, or from Machiche, *via* St. Barnaby and St. Etienne. Caxton is also reached from Three Rivers *via* Machiche, or *via* St. Etienne. The Townships of Polette and Turcotte are at present only accessible by canoe and *portage* by the river St. Maurice—that is, after leaving the Piles.

11. Colonization progresses very rapidly wherever roads are opened, and very slowly, or it might be said not at all, where there are no roads, notwithstanding a ready and remunerative market is offered the settler for all sorts of farm produce, in almost any part of the St. Maurice territory, in consequence of lumbering operations. Hence it is to be inferred that want of roads is the great hinderance to colonization in Lower Canada.

12. I consider a good system of making colonization roads as the key to the whole system of colonization in a country wooded like Canada. I would suggest that the construction of these roads should be given to actual settlers, and to none others; except so far as the oversight of competent foremen might be necessary. That the settler should—if payment were exacted for his land—receive good wages for his work, and be made to pay a reasonable price for his land. That colonization roads should be constructed in a more perfect and scientific manner than has hitherto been the case in Lower Canada, and that a more effective means than is at present in use should be put in operation for keeping these roads in thorough repair.

13. I consider the opening of great colonization roads, with short ones opening into them at regular distances, of paramount, of vital importance to the advancement of colonization.

14. In lumber districts, such as the St. Maurice, I am of opinion that the proper regulation and encouragement of the lumber trade as likely to facilitate settlement, not only from opening up of lumber roads, but from the creation of a market for farm produce at remote points in the interior. Giving advances to settlers, so as to enable them to build houses and barns, and to clear a small quantity of land, has in some instances proved as a successful and powerful incentive to colonize wild lands; but it is a means which requires to be used with great discrimination and great caution.

15. It is an evil where settlement has not been made a stipulation in the sale, and where the proprietor has not been forced to fulfil his agreement. I think, in places where local municipalities are organized, the taxes usually imposed by them on wild lands held by private parties, and the sales made in default of the payment of such taxes, are calculated to correct this evil; and where no local municipal council exists, or where it neglects to levy such land tax, it would be well if the Government were to levy a tax on all wild land held by large proprietors or by absentees.

16. I do not think the present grant of \$50,000 sufficient aid towards such an important object. Quadruple that amount would not meet the requirements of the country.

17. There are extensive lands in the county and territory of St. Maurice well adapted for agricultural purposes, and not yet divided into townships, to an extent, as far as yet ascertained, of between three and four million acres.

18. Townships could be opened there, especially on the line already indicated, between St. Flore and La Tuque, on the west side of the St. Maurice; also, in the direction of the River Matawin and on the east side of the St. Maurice to the rear of Batiscan, in the direction of lake Makinak; and, on the proposed road from La Tuque to Roberval, but on the latter road not much good land is met with, until after passing the height of land that divides the water-shed of the St. Maurice from that of the Saguenay. In the present state of our surveys, it is impossible to state the number of townships correctly.

19. There are, in the parishes of Pointe du Lac, Machiche, Rivière du Loup, and in the vicinity of Three Rivers, and in the parishes of St. Maurice, Champlain, and Batiscan, many persons desirous of settling on wild lands. It is at present impossible to ascertain the exact number; but wherever a new road is opened through wild lands, there are more applicants than there are lots of land disposable in the vicinity of the road.

20. There are no societies, with which I am acquainted, in the county of St. Maurice, to give assistance to poor settlers beginning their labors, but it has been proposed, several times, to form such.

21. I am in favor of colonization societies, but I would make them secondary and auxiliary to a proper system of Government colonization. In this way they could be rendered really beneficial, but if left to themselves they can prove of but little benefit. I am cognizant of the movement which took place in the district of Montreal, in 1851 and in 1861, in reference to the formation of colonization societies; but I am not acquainted with its progress, or the result of those movements.

22. I do not think that there is much in the sale of lands or timber to interfere with the settlement of land, if the regulations of Crown Lands Department are carried out in good faith by both lumberman and settler. Still, it is desirable to adjust disputes between these two parties as much as the nature of the case will admit. It might prove of benefit to both parties (for both must be protected) if the settler's lands were placed wholly under his own control, and an interest—permanent interest—given to the lumberman in the limit which he leases; so that while neither would come into collision with the other, the lumberman, from self-interest, would try to preserve his pine forests.

23. There has been but little emigration to the United States or elsewhere, for the last few years, from this county. The emigration which has taken place has resulted from want of employment, and from want of passable roads to new settlements. I am not sufficiently informed to be able to give, with any accuracy, the extent of this emigration.

24. In my opinion, the best means to put a stop to Canadian emigration, is to survey new townships, make good roads through them, giving employment to the new settler

encourage an improved system of agriculture, reduce the taxes and curtail the expenses of the civil Government.

25. I have heard of some emigrants to the United States who have returned to Canada within the last year; I have been unable to ascertain how many.

W. HENDERSON, HEMISBROOKE, EAST FRAMPTON.

1. Metgermette, Watford, Langevin, Ware, Standon, Cranbourne and Buckland.

2. All these townships have been surveyed, more or less, excepting Metgermette. I have not the means of ascertaining, with precision, the quantity of wild lands disposable in these townships; but the whole exceeds 380,000 acres, (three hundred and eighty thousand acres).

3. Of that quantity of land, Government has at its disposal about 354,000 acres, and known individuals about 28,000, all non-residents, or nearly so. I do not know of any corporations or societies or unknown individuals holding land in the county of Dorchester.

4. Government lands are now rated at eighteen pence per acre; non-residents have individually very different prices, varying from three shillings up to ten shillings per acre, for lands of the same quality and situation. About 10,000 acres in Cranbourne, Standon, and Ware are held by individuals for lumbering purposes. The low price asked by the Government has had the effect of settling all, or almost all, the Crown lots in Frampton, within these five or six years back; also, some few thousand acres in Buckland and Standon. Want of roads of communication has so far prevented emigration from the old settlements to Cranbourne and Watford, and the high rates demanded by absentees for front lots in Ware. However, facilities in the terms of payment is of much more importance than very low prices.

5. In so extensive a tract of country the soil and wood varies considerably. Generally, however, the soil is composed of stiff yellow clay on the up-lands, which, in the low-lands, is covered with a bed of light soil or sand; the greatest defect is stones, particularly in up-lands; there are, however, on the banks of the rivers, considerable tracts of alluvial soil free from stones. These stones are in general clay-slate intermixed with graywacke, resembling the quarries at Cap Rouge, near Quebec. Blue slate has been found, of good quality, and some limestone, in several places. The wood on the up-lands is maple, birch, beech, ironwood, basswood, ash, spruce, sapin, and a few pines. In low grounds, sapin, spruce, birch, cedar, bouleau, pine, larch, &c.; on alluvial points, elm, cherry trees and alders; on the burned lands the new growth of wood, where the soil is good, is white maple, larch, poplar, spruce, sapin, pine, dogwood, &c. The disposable lands consist of the whole of the Townships of Metgermette and Watford, almost the whole of Langevin, three-fourths of Ware and Standon, two-thirds of Cranbourne, and a few thousand acres in Buckland. In Metgermette and Langevin, near to the River St. John, the lands are low and swampy, with many fine alluvial points. The swamps, excellent for meadow land; the up-lands, fine swells covered with hardwood. In Langevin, particularly, the soil and timber are represented as of the first quality. Watford is generally level and remarkably free from stones; a considerable portion of the south-westerly half was burned by the great fire of 1826, now mostly grown up again, and of good quality of soil. A great number of valuable sugarics are occupied by squatters, who have opened a good sleigh road from St. François through Watford as far as Metgermette, and constructed an excellent bridge over the River Famine, about two-thirds of its distance from the south-west boundary. There a few clear swamps, of small extent, in the burned lands, north-west of the river Famine, otherwise the township is superior in quality of soil and absence of stones, to any other in the county. The disposable lands in Standon, and the north-westerly side of Ware, are of poor quality generally, interspersed here and there with lots of fair average quality; the south-westerly portion of Ware and the land held by individuals are of superior quality to the general average. In Cranbourne much of the land is swampy, which is however not so stony, as Frampton; the uplands are good, with many valuable sugarics, most of which are occupied by squatters, in the sugar season.

6. The county of Dorchester is well-watered by the river Etchemin and its tributaries, the river St. John and its large branch the Daquam, and the rivers Famine, Metger-

mette, Grande Coudée, St. Joseph and several smaller streams, all flowing into the Chaudière. The only considerable lake is the lake Etchemin, with an area of nearly 700 acres; lake Famine, also in Ware; lac à Busque, in Cranbourne; a lake on north-west boundary of Buckland; and Pike lake, in Frampton, with four or five lakes in Metgermette which cover spaces of from 100 to 200 acres each. There are five smaller lakes in Buckland, one in Frampton, one in Standon, seven in Ware, and seven in Cranbourne.

7. The Etchemin road was opened and made during the last summer, from the northerly angle of Cranbourne to Elm island, on lot No. 33 of the 5th range. This road has been traced, between the lots numbers 29 and 30, through Cranbourne to the 12th range, thence south-westerly to the lot number 21, and from that between the lots 21 and 22 to the south-easterly boundary of the township, continued through the 1st, 2nd and 3rd ranges of Watford to the river Famine in same direction. From the river Famine the road will be traced, this summer, due south to the confluence of the river Grande Coudée with the river du Loup. Another road, called the Cranbourne Central Road, will be a continuation of the great main road in the 3rd and 4th range-lines of Frampton, continued between the lots numbers 14 and 15, through the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and part of 8th ranges of Cranbourne. From whence it is to be continued in the same direction, but nearly three-quarters of a mile to the south-west, until it intersects the Etchemin road beyond the river Famine. About three-quarters of this continuation has already been traced in the field. There will be also three branch roads, one between the Etchemin and Central Roads on the 12th range-line of Cranbourne; another from the Etchemin road, in the 2nd range-line of Watford, south-westerly to the roads in fief Cumberland, already partly traced in the field; and a third branch road on the 6th range-line of Cranbourne to the township of Ware, where it will meet with a road (now partly grown up) opened by the late Sir Randolph Routh, towards the rear of that township. Besides these, it has been proposed to open up another colonization road from the new settlements in the rear of Buckland (communicating with the Parish of St. Lazare) through Standon, Ware and Langevin to the rear of St. John, a distance of about 23 miles, with a branch to the Etchemin road in the township of Watford, 10 or 11 miles more, whereby the whole county would be prepared for immediate settlement.

8. The Etchemin road, opening a communication from the Seigniories of St. Gervais, Lauzon, Joliette and Ste. Marie through the Township of Frampton to the disposable lands in Cranbourne and Watford, with a branch to the settlement near the river Chaudière, and another to lake Etchemin, 44 miles, and the Cranbourne central road, with a communication to the Etchemin road, 13 miles—in all 57 miles. So far as these roads have been made for the first five miles, although the lands in the northerly quarter of Cranbourne are much inferior in quality where the road has been made to any other part of the township, yet a considerable portion of the lots fronting the road have been located.

9. It is understood that all the lands through which these colonization roads have been traced are to be free grants.

10. Besides the branch roads on 2nd range line of Watford, communicating with the old settlements on the Chaudière, there are two main roads through Frampton—one commencing at Ste. Claire's old bridge to Frampton, and through Frampton on the 3rd and 4th range-lines to Cranbourne, and through that township as far as the 8th range, between the lots numbers 14 and 15—in direct continuation of the Frampton road—the whole distance about 27 miles, of which the 9 miles in the Seigniorie of Joliette is over rocks, hills and swamps, and exceedingly bad, requiring aid from Government to become even tolerably good. Through the 3rd and 4th ranges of Frampton, and the first eight ranges of Cranbourne, the road is everywhere good—the whole grant of 1858 having been expended on it, or nearly so. This road communicates with the disposable lands in the south-westerly part of Cranbourne and Watford. The other main road affording access for emigration from the older settlements to the north-easterly part of Cranbourne and Watford, and the townships of Buckland, Standon, Ware, and Langevin, commences also at the old bridge of Ste. Claire, and following the north-easterly side of the river Etchemin, ten miles to Frampton, is in exceedingly good repair. Continued through Frampton on the 9th range-line for five miles, and thence on the right bank of the river to Standon, and through Standon to the northerly angle of Cranbourne, where the Etchemin road commences, about seven

miles more, is tolerably good—excepting in two places, where the road has to be altered to avoid steep hills—the whole distance 22 miles. As this must ever remain the principal outlet for nearly the whole of the townships in this county, it is desirable that this road should be improved; about \$300 would be required to make the alterations above mentioned.

11. During the last four or five years colonization has progressed rapidly in Standon, Buckland and east quarter of Frampton—principally by Canadian families who preferred disposing of their farms in Ste. Claire, Ste. Marguerite and Ste. Marie rather than submit to taxation. This season emigration from the old settlements has, in a great measure, ceased, in consequence of the failure of oats and potatoes last year, and consequent inability of subsisting while clearing on new land. Persons desirous of establishing themselves on the unoccupied lands in the townships are generally very poor, and must either be assisted by their friends or have the means of earning money to subsist while their new land was unproductive. Many young men from the old settlements, with this view, go to the United States; some few return with something saved, others have, last season, been unable to get paid, and others again have enlisted in the Yankee army, or otherwise have left Canada for good and all. If these young men could have each of them five or six weeks' work on new roads, few would leave their homes farther than the nearest unoccupied land. The money thus expended by the Province, in opening new communications with unoccupied lands, would be doubly beneficial, by retaining the youth and hope of Canada in their native land, and affording them, at the same time, the means of occupying our wild lands. Colonization in Buckland has increased very rapidly, notwithstanding the disadvantage of the tenure in 2nd, 3rd and 4th ranges. Cranbourne has advanced very slowly—settled originally by old soldiers—many of them became disgusted from the want of roads, and abandoned all their improvements. The stimulus imparted by the roads now in progress will, no doubt, effect a favorable change. In Watford it is reported that four or five families have squatted on the Abenakis river. Innumerable sugaries are worked by the inhabitants of St. Francois and St. Joseph—and mostly all the lower banks of the river Famine, as meadows, by the settlers in fief Cumberland—all, of course, squatters. The front ranges of Ware, belonging to absentees, who hold their lands at 10 shillings per acre, operates adversely to rapid settlement in that township.

12. Most undoubtedly. Opening new roads is not only of the greatest importance, but also the only measure of importance for advancing colonization, inasmuch as it not only affords access to the unoccupied lands, but also the means of earning money to those who are inclined to settle on them.

14. None, other than is stated in answer to the previous queries.

15. I believe that a good deal of prejudice exists, respecting speculations in wild lands. In many instances, no doubt, it was prejudicial to colonization; in others, quite the reverse. The western part of the State of New York, and considerable tracts in the State of Maine, were sold to speculators—Macomb, Brougham and others, and by these speculators, improved by roads, &c., and very rapidly settled—witness, also, the operations of the British American and Canada Land Companies. In our neighborhood, three-fourths of the township of Frampton and one-fourth of Standon were acquired by four individuals; yet the whole of these lands, at least all that is fit for cultivation, has been settled many years ago. If purchasers of considerable tracts of waste lands do so with a view of occupying a part of them as their future home, disposing of the remainder to actual settlers at moderate rates, and improving the whole by opening roads and building bridges, mills and churches, I think that it may be admitted that such speculations are highly beneficial to the country, and merit every encouragement; and this will be the case with almost all who have purchased and paid for their lands; such persons could not afford to lose the use of their capital, waiting for a profit on their purchases from the advancement of colonization. On the other hand, millions of acres were lavished on courtiers and favorites, between the years 1796 and 1810, who obtained them as free grants, under certain conditions of settlement, never fulfilled; and which have, in most instances, been ever since held back from settlement until their value has been vastly increased by the labor of the hard-working settler upon the adjoining lands; landholders who will neither sell at reasonable rates, or allow access beyond by making roads, &c. Such indeed are real nuisances

that ought at once to be abated by taxation for roads, cutting down the woods to give air to their neighbors, and forced to effect the settlement stipulated in their patents, or forfeit the grant.

16. The present grant of \$50,000 for colonization in Lower Canada is wholly insufficient; double that sum is the very least that should be given.

17. No. There is no undivided territory in the county of Dorchester.

19. Many hundreds of young men in this county are desirous of obtaining lands to settle upon, wanting only the means for one year's subsistence.

20. No. There are no societies, nor is it proposed to form any, to assist poor settlers beginning on new lands.

21. I have already stated that I am in favor of granting large tracts to individuals *able and willing to effect their speedy settlement by assisting poor persons to locate*; societies, if properly conducted, may have the same effect; but we all know that private coolness, neglect, or opposing interests often leads to disastrous results in public bodies, where every one's business is no one's. Interested individuals are more likely to succeed. No. I am not acquainted with the nature of the movement referred to.

22. Granting licenses to cut saw-logs upon lands situate conveniently for settlement is very prejudicial to the new settler, who, at the first, can raise no means from his grant otherwise than by the sale of a portion of the timber. The difficulty would be to restrain persons from locating lots merely for the sake of selling off the woods, (much more valuable than the soil,) and subsequently abandoning the place.

23. Yes. The emigration from this county to the United States principally, also to Upper Canada and to California, has been very considerable. See reply to the 11th query.

24. Such as I have already stated, that of affording remunerating labor to young persons.

25. Some few of the young men have returned, but many young females are still employed in the manufactories of the United States.

JOHN HUME, LEEDS.

1. The only townships in this county (Megantic) in which there are any great extent of wild lands fit for cultivation, are Broughton, Thetford, Ireland and Colrairie, although there are scattered lots of that description in some other townships.

2. These townships have been all surveyed, and contain probably 100,000 acres of disposable lands, one-half of which may be considered unfit for cultivation.

3. Of this land, about one-half belongs to Government including clergy lands, and the other half chiefly to non-resident proprietors, some unknown, but the greatest number known. I am unable to state the relative portion of lands belonging to each. There is none belonging to corporations or societies, with the exceptions of the lands that belong to Mining Companies.

4. The price of Government lands is forty cents per acre, which is sufficiently low; the prices asked by non-resident proprietors vary from four dollars to two dollars per acre. These prices are too high, and more than the settlers are able to pay. Where land has been sold at a reasonable price, it has had the effect of inducing the settler to pay up for his land. When the price asked is too high, the settler often does not seek to purchase, but contents himself with remaining a squatter, or sells his improvement to another. The consequence is, that the cleared land is badly cultivated, and ruined by excessive cropping; for no one is desirous of improving a farm, of which he sees no probability of becoming the proprietor.

5. Where the lands are fit for cultivation the soil is generally good, and the timber generally hardwood.

6. The principal rivers in the county are the Thames and Palmer, which, uniting together in the Township of Nelson, form the Bécancour river. The Palmer rises in Broughton and flows through the Township of Leeds and part of Nelson. The Thames rises in Thetford and flows through Ireland, Halifax, Inverness and part of Nelson until it unites with the other branch as above-mentioned. There is a chain of lakes on this river, viz., Black lake and Trout lake in Ireland, lake William in Halifax, and lake Joseph in Inver-

ness. A considerable quantity of lumber has been and still continue to be floated down the Thames. A branch of the Nicolet also flows through the westerly portion of Halifax.

7. The only colonization road of any extent which has been projected in this county is one leading from the Grand Trunk Railroad in Nelson, to the Lambton road in the township of Tring (county of Beauce). This line of road passes through Nelson, Leeds, Thetford, Broughton and Tring. Several short roads have also received aid from the colonization grant, in the townships of Halifax and Somerset.

8. The length of the proposed road, from the railroad to the Lambton road, is forty miles. It has been partially cut open through its whole extent, but as the money granted for it was injudiciously expended, and from other untoward circumstances it has not yet produced any beneficial results. If however it were opened and completed, it would prove of immense advantage, as it would open up for settlement a great extent of wild lands, both in the county of Megantic and in the county of Beauce, and would also be of great utility to the settled portion of the county, through which it passes.

9. There are no free grants made in this county.

10. To the greatest portion of the wild lands of which I have spoken, there are scarcely any means of communication at all, either new or old.

11. Colonization may be said to have progressed rapidly in all those parts of Megantic to which there are means of access. The population of the county, as shewn by the last census, is nearly four times greater than it was about seventeen years ago. Apart from the natural increase, this augmentation has been caused almost solely by the settlement of French Canadians from the old parishes. It is satisfactory also to know, that the means of the inhabitants have increased as rapidly as the population. Having been census Commissioner for the county both in 1852 and in 1861, I am enabled to state (after a careful and minute examination) that each occupant of land in the county raised more than double the value of agricultural produce in 1860 than each occupant did in 1851, and as nearly as I could judge the increase in cattle and the improved value of farms was in about the same proportion. I may also add that a great number of settlers came to this county with very slender means.

12. I consider the system of making colonization roads a good one, and the only means by which the wild lands can be settled. The suggestions I would take the liberty of offering on the subject are as follows:

1st. That great care should be taken in selecting the lines of these roads, to ascertain beyond doubts that there is a sufficient extent of good land in the vicinity of the line to justify the expense of opening it, and that these lines of road, when run partly through a settled country, should be made to accommodate, as far as practicable, the actual settlers, when it does not interfere with the primary object in view.

2nd. That all conductors of works upon these roads should be persons possessing a thorough practical knowledge of the work they are appointed to superintend. There is no question but that a conductor of this description will do double the work with the same amount of money that another person, not possessing such knowledge, would do; and I am of opinion that much of the money hitherto granted for opening other roads, has been in a great measure wasted, from the insufficiency of conductors. In a word, conductors should be appointed with a strict regard to their qualifications, and not as a matter of favor or patronage.

3rd. That the works upon these roads should be commenced earlier in the season than they generally are. No works should be done upon a road in the way of ditching or formation later than the month of September. One day's work spent upon the formation of a road in the months of July or August, is worth more than two days' work of the same description in the month of October. Grubbings might, however, be carried on in the latter month.

4th. All the Colonization Roads in progress should be visited once or twice each season by competent persons appointed for that purpose, who should report upon the state of the works, the quality of the soil through which the roads pass, &c.

13. Certainly, the opening of great Colonization Roads, with short ones opening into them, is of the greatest importance, provided the land through which the leading road runs is generally fit for cultivation, and due regard had as to how it is to be subsequently kept in repair.

14. I am not acquainted with any other means for encouraging the settlement of wild lands than the opening of good roads to them, and I do not consider any other means necessary. If good roads be opened, all the lands fit for cultivation in their vicinity will soon be taken up.

15. Unquestionably it is admitted that the holding of considerable tracts of land in the townships by non-resident proprietors has been an obstacle to colonization. This evil, in this county at least, has not been occasioned by speculators of the present day purchasing lands, but from the extensive grants made of the best lands in the county, upwards of fifty years ago. It is now extremely difficult to find a remedy for the evil. These lands are all patented, and the proprietor of property, held by an indisputable title, cannot, nor should not, be made to part with that property, except at his own price, and upon his own terms. The holding of property, however, entails certain duties, and upon these proprietors the performance of them should be rigidly enforced, because the value of their property has been greatly enhanced by the toil of the actual settler. I am of opinion, therefore, that the best means to make the proprietors of large tracts of land sell upon reasonable terms, is to make the holding of their lands onerous to them, by the Municipal Councils imposing taxes upon them, and for this purpose Municipal Councils might be endowed with special power by the Legislature, due precautions being taken to prevent them from abusing it.

16. I consider the present grant of \$50,000 in favor of colonization as being entirely inadequate.

17. There is no territory in this county not divided into townships.

18. Answered by the preceding.

19. There are a very great many persons in this county (chiefly young men) desirous of settling upon wild lands. I cannot pretend to estimate the number.

20. There are no auxiliary Societies in this county for giving assistance to poor settlers beginning their labours. Nor am I aware of it being proposed to form any.

21. I am not sufficiently acquainted with the nature of these societies, nor with what they have effected, to enable me to offer an opinion thereon. No doubt it would be advantageous to a poor settler, beginning his labours in the wilderness, to get some assistance, but he should be taught not to rely too much upon it. My own observation and experience lead me to believe, that the settler will make the most progress who trusts the most to his own exertions. I am unable to give any information on the subject to which this question relates.

22. There is nothing in the regulations respecting the sale of land which interferes with the settlement of it. On the contrary, I conceive that the Crown Lands Department has done everything that lay in its power to facilitate the settlement of lands, and to allow settlers to get titles to their lands upon the most reasonable terms. The regulations established by the late Commissioner of Crown Lands, about three years ago, have had the most beneficial effect, by inducing many persons to come forward and acquire titles to their lands who had previously been extremely dilatory and neglectful. I speak from the experience which being Crown Lands Agent affords me, when I state that there has been no undue pressure, and that I am not aware of one single case in my own agency where the settler upon Crown Lands had to make any great sacrifice in order to acquire a title; nor do I know of one single complaint on that head. It is impossible to over estimate the importance to a settler of having his land paid up, and an undoubted title to it. It gives him new hopes, inspires him with fresh energies, and is a wonderful stimulant to his industry. With respect to the regulations of the Department, of January, 1861, relative to granting licenses to occupants of land to cut timber under certain conditions, and with reference to the propositions on that head which the Committee on colonization are instructed to consider, I am of opinion as to the 1st and 2nd, that it would be found extremely inconvenient to grant permission to a settler located upon land which is not paid up, to sell timber from off it, limiting that permission solely to that portion of it undergoing the process of clearing; he should have permission to sell from off the whole of his lot or none of it. There would be no possibility of keeping a check upon timber cut in the manner proposed. And to the 3rd, I think that the sum of four dollars, now charged for a license or permit, is too high; and I am aware that this charge has prevented many locatees from taking a license. On the other hand, the fee of one dollar, as proposed, is as much too low, inasmuch as considerable additional trouble is entailed upon the Department and

agents by the system, and great expense has been incurred in printing blank forms. I consider that two dollars would be a fair charge, and one which the locatee might pay without any inconvenience to him. As to the 4th and 5th, I consider them just and reasonable; and I believe that it is not customary for Crown Timber Agents to grant licenses for any lands after they have been sold and the first instalments paid; at least it has not been so in my agency. I am further of opinion, that the conditions of actual settlement, and the making of certain improvements imposed in the licenses granted to locatees, are too onerous, and should be abrogated; and that any person, after having paid the first instalment, should be entitled to a license without imposing these obligations upon him.

23. There has been, in this neighborhood, emigration both to the United States and to Upper Canada. This emigration has been of two classes, viz., of whole families, and secondly of young men, but not to a very great extent. It is difficult to assign any general reasons for this emigration. In cases of whole families emigrating, it is generally occasioned by a desire of bettering their circumstances, which they imagine they can do by removing to a country possessing a better climate than Lower Canada does. Many of the families so emigrating have, I am informed, regretted doing so, while others have in reality much improved their circumstances. In general, the most industrious families do not emigrate, although there have been exceptions to this. The other class of emigrants is young men who leave their parents for the purpose of earning money, by hiring themselves out where there is more demand for labor, and higher wages given than can be obtained in Lower Canada—which was the case in the United States previous to the war. Many of these young men leave home for the purpose of earning money to enable them on their return to purchase land.

24. I do not think that any means can be adopted to put a stop altogether to emigration from Lower Canada, while nearly the whole population are engaged as at present—solely in agricultural pursuits. A great portion of the population of the Northern States are employed in manufactories, and there is also a great emigration from these States to the West, which creates a demand for agricultural labor, at higher wages than can be obtained for the same kind of labor in Lower Canada, where the family of a farmer generally do all their own work. I think the best means that can be adopted to lessen this emigration would be to encourage the establishment of manufactories in Lower Canada, where there is such an abundance of water power, and chiefly by opening good roads and giving access to the wild lands of the Crown, by which young men would be induced to settle upon it.

25. A number of young men have returned from the United States to Canada, and more especially since the war commenced; I cannot say how many. There have also been instances of whole families returning, but these instances were few in number.

I beg leave to add that I live in the County of Megantic, where I have resided upwards of thirty years, and have seen the first settlement of nearly all the townships in the county. I am Agent for the sale of Crown Lands for the greatest part of the county, and am also a farmer.

JOHN M'CALLUM, GRENVILLE.

1. The townships are, in this county, Grenville and its augmentation, Harrington, Arundel, Montcalm, DeSalaberry, Wolfe, and Grandison, Chatham and Wentworth, and several other townships which I cannot name.

2. These townships have been surveyed, and contain considerable amount of wild land; but cannot say as to the number of acres.

3. To Government about three-fourths, and the remainder belongs to known and unknown individuals, and to known non-residents; and to corporations and societies, none.

4. The price asked is too high, and the land is held there as an obstacle in the way of settlers. The upset price asked by the Government varies from thirty cents up to fifty. But it is not on account of the low price, but for want of better roads that colonization is hindered.

5. The soil is generally good, and the timber is composed of maple, birch and beech, and various kinds of soft wood.

6. There are lakes Commandeant, Joseph, and Louisa; rivers Rouge, Maskalonge, Kingey, and North River.

7. No colonization roads are yet completed; but small grants have been given by the Government, which has as yet had very little effect in promoting colonization.

8. The road from the rear of Augmentation towards Amherst appears to be settling as far as the road is opened. And in the rear of the other townships, the same, as settlers are not inclined to venture farther into the wilderness than where the roads are opened.

9. No Free Grants made, to my knowledge, in the township I reside in, or the adjoining ones.

10. None whatever, but as far as roads are opened.

11. Progresses slowly, for want of roads to where there are good lands.

12. The greatest inducement to settlers is to have a road opened from the rear of an old settlement through the wild lands of the Crown.

13. A road opened through the centre of this county—with short ones at regular distances, at right angles from the principal one—is of the greatest importance for the advancement of colonization.

14. None but what has been suggested.

15. The only remedy I can suggest is, that the Crown Land Agent restrict the sale of not more than one hundred acres to any person applying.

16. The sum of \$50,000, when divided into so many Townships, would fall far short of being sufficient.

17. The part of this county that is not divided into Townships, for agricultural purposes, is far beyond the townships already surveyed, and which are not settled. The extent is beyond my comprehension.

18. Townships could be opened there, but it would be better to settle the townships that are already surveyed.

19. Several; about thirty.

20. None at present.

21. In favor of colonization, as the new settler is always a benefit to the old one, and the public at large. I am aware that a society has been formed, for the advancement of colonization, in the District of Montreal; but what progress it has made, I am not aware of.

22. This state of things is already as bad as it can be, as the valuable timber is already striped and taken away years ago.

23. Several families have removed, both to the United States and the extreme part of Canada,—not wishing to take the laborious undertaking of entering into the wilderness without a road.

24. The only means are to open up the rear of this, our county, by roads to the good tracts of land.

25. None returned.

J. BIGNELL, LAMBTON, COUNTY OF BEAUCE.

1. Lambton, Price, Aylmer, Gayhurst, Adstock, Forsyth, Shenley, Tring, Dorset, Li-nière, Jersey, Marlow and Rixborough.

2. Most of them have been surveyed in whole or in part, and there remains of disposable land over half a million of acres.

3. The whole of it is Government land, excepting the Township of Dorset, the first four ranges of Shenley, and some lots scattered throughout.

4. The price of Government land is very moderate, viz., two shillings per acre. Private individuals ask from \$2 to \$3 per acre. None whatever; as the high priced lots are as readily taken up as the others, provided they are in the neighborhood of a road.

5. The soil is excellent, and the growth of timber (placed in the order of its relative abundance) is maple, birch, spruce, fir, cedar, beech, hemlock, pine, basswood, elm, horn-beam or ironwood, ash and aspen. The climate is mild and salubrious.

6. There are many lakes, the principal one being lake St. Francis or "Cheantecoupagak," signifying "head-quarters." The rivers are the Chaudière and its tributaries, and the tributaries of the river St. Francis.

7. The Lambton road—from St. François to the head of lake St. Francis, 36 miles,—made about 20 years ago. The Gayhurst road, opened up last summer but not yet completed, 10 miles. Another from the Lambton road through a part of Forsyth to the west

outlet of Dorset, 4½ miles (not yet completed), and to be continued by the proprietor of Dorset through his township to the river Chaudière, about 15 miles; also another through a part of Shenley, about 6 miles.

8. Nothing can shew more conclusively the great importance of roads than the results obtained from the opening of the Lambton road. The townships settled in consequence of the opening of this road now form the most important part of the county of Beauce,—which county, according to the last census' returns, is one of the most populous in Lower Canada. The opening of the Gayhurst road, and the road above mentioned leading to Dorset (although neither of them yet completed), has produced good results already, as a great number of lots have since been taken up in those localities. The results of the Shenley road are not so satisfactory: nor will they be for some time, on account of its site.

9. I do not know.

10. By the roads above mentioned, and the now existing roads made by the settlers.

11. It progressed rapidly as long as good lots could be had in the vicinity of a road, but decreased in proportion as these became scarce. I have known many instances of intending settlers returning whence they came, in consequence of not being able to find a suitable lot which was easy of access.

12. The system is good, as is shewn by the results; if it be not pursued, there will be, at once, an end to further progress.

13. Most decidedly it is.

14. None suggest themselves to me immediately.

15. It has been a very great obstacle, but the action of the present Municipal Law is, to a certain extent, a check. I know parties who bought lands on speculation, who would now be glad to sell them at cost price, as settlers have got in behind them and demanded roads, the making of which would more than consume the anticipated profits.

16. It is not sufficient.

17. There are portions of some of the townships which are not yet subdivided, and they are fit for settlement; although considerable, I cannot tell the extent of them, but whatever the extent is, it is included in the estimated area of disposable land in answer to question No. 2.

18. Reference would have to be made to the Crown Land Department for an answer.

19. A great many.

20. No.

21. As I do not know how they work, I cannot form an opinion.

22. I am not acquainted with it. Many would be better pleased, if there were greater facilities for acquiring their titles, they being desirous of paying for their land outright and taking out their patents. I think that doing so would save trouble to both buyer and seller, provided of course that the agent is satisfied of there being no prior claim. As for timber licenses, I am decidedly of opinion that they should not be issued, except for lands which are utterly unfit for settlement: they are a ruin to the country (I mean the settled country). When, however, these timber limits are on the outskirts, or distant from settlement, the matter is different, as the lumberman is then pioneer to the settler and creates a market for him.

23. A few have gone in search of work.

24. The safest and speediest would be by making roads, as thereby they would be enabled to acquire what they want, viz., lands, and the means of settling on them.

25. Very few, and we are better without them: they do not return the same men: they are invariably spoiled.

JOHN HOUGH, MEGANTIC.

1. Every township in this county contains more or less wild land.

2. Each township has been surveyed, excepting Coleraine, only a part of which has been surveyed. I have no knowledge of the amount of disposable wild land in the county, except in the Townships of Ireland and Coleraine. In Ireland there is about 25,000 acres, about 20,000 of which are fit for settlement. I understand that none of the land in Coleraine has been patented. I am not aware of there being any person settled in the Township of Coleraine.

3. To the Government belongs about.....	1,000 acres.
To known individuals.....	1,000 "
To unknown individuals.....	600 "
To known non-residents.....	22,400 "
To Corporations.....	None.

4. The Government price, from 2s. to 6s. 3d. per acre. The price asked by individuals, from 7s. 6d. to 10s. per acre. The low price asked by Government has encouraged the purchase and settlement by the younger branches of families in the vicinity. The higher price, asked by individuals, is the cause of discontent. We hear this remark frequently made :—" These land speculators are trying to make us pay a high price for the lands they hold, because their land has become more valuable, as the country is becoming more settled, and roads made in the vicinity, and in that way, we have to pay for having made the property more valuable, by our own labour in opening the bush and making roads."

5. The quality of the soil generally is a sandy loam, the timber chiefly (in particular on the high lands) maple, birch, and beech, with a mixture of hemlock, spruce, and fir.

6. In Coleraine there is Black Lake—in Ireland Black Stream issuing from Black Lake, Trout Lake, and the River Thames, issuing therefrom into Lake William, in the Township of Halifax, and the Rapids flowing from thence into Lake Joseph, in the Township of Inverness, which flows into the Bécancour River.

7. There is only one colonization road in this county leading from the Quebec and Richmond Railroad, in the vicinity of the Township of Nelson, partly opened as I am informed. I have no personal knowledge respecting it. In 1858, there was an intention expressed to open a colonization road into the unoccupied lands lying between the County of Megantic and the River Chaudière, and in the vicinity of Lake St. Francis. The proposal was to connect this line of road from Lake St. Francis with the road passing through the Townships of Ireland and Halifax, to the railroad station at Somerset, distant from Lake St. Francis about 30 miles, 22 miles of which road is passable for carriages, and is substantially bridged. The mail conveyed by wagon from Ireland to Somerset three times per week. The opening of that road would promote the settlement of that section, being the nearest line of communication with the railroad.

9. No free grants in this county.

10. The most convenient means of communication with the wild land above named, is by the mail route from the Somerset Station through Halifax and Ireland.

11. In this section, colonization has not yet been fairly tested. The opening of the Gosford Road and the free grants in the Township of Wolfstown, (which until recently was connected with this county) has facilitated the settlement of that township, the population has doubled, and locating the settlers on the main road has kept the winter communication open, causing less danger to persons travelling through. In former years, several persons have perished in the snow and others severely frozen.

12. The system of making colonization roads is good; only let those concerned take care that good judgment and sound integrity superintend the work, and then impartiality will assist economy in making the roads.

13. The opening of main colonization roads, with short ones intersecting, and safe bridges where needful, is very important. Speaking from the experience of more than 30 years residence in this county, and having visited various other sections of the townships, I am fully convinced that the want of passable roads and safe bridges has been one of the chief obstructions to the settlement of Lower Canada, and especially with reference to that class of emigrants who have possessed the means of conveying their families further.

14. It would tend to the encouragement of the settlement of wild lands if the local Municipal Councils would furnish correct lists of the unsettled lands within their respective limits, distinguishing those which belong to Government, from those belonging to Companies or individuals, and obtain a statement of the prices at which the lands will be sold, the list to be deposited with the Secretary-Treasurer, and copies transmitted to the emigrant agents, with a statement of the direct line of communication with the said lands; and appoint some responsible person in the municipality to give information and answer communications for the guidance of emigrants, and let that person be prepared to give information respecting farms to be disposed of in the locality, as an inducement to settlers' position.

sessing some capital. In 1850, I visited some of the Western States, and from what I there observed and the conversations I had with emigrants, some going out, and others returning, I am satisfied that if the same energy had been manifested on behalf of Canada to induce emigrants to locate, as those interested in inducing emigration to the United States have manifested, this country would have been settled to a much greater extent, the superior healthiness of the climate and other circumstances being in favor of Canada; but it needs a full and truthful explanation. I found there was much suffering and distress, and many would, had they been able, have retraced their steps, and some I found were doing so, with impaired health and empty pockets.

15. The purchase of large tracts of land for purposes of speculation has obstructed the settlement of the country. As a preventative, I believe there was a restriction to the effect, that not more than 200 acres of such lands should be sold to one individual, but in some instances that restriction has been evaded.

In this township, certain parties, obtained the names of a number of individuals, as applicants for the purchase of 200 acres each from Government for actual settlement, as represented; to induce these individuals to sign the application, a statement was made to this effect, "That the Company concerned were going into lumbering largely, would build mills and open roads, and bring money into the country." Some of the parties, so signing, say, that a promise was given that the Company would sell, to the applicants, these lands at two shillings per acre. The lands were purchased from Government, in the names of these individuals. After the purchase, the party who obtained the signatures in the first instance, called upon the individuals for their signatures, again, a Notary accompanying this time, and to some who now objected to sign, the threat of prosecution was made, alleging that those who had signed the first paper were bound by law to sign the second. This second document, it appears, was an assignment of their right to the said lands. Now these people complain, saying, "The mills are not put up, the roads are not made, the money is not brought into the country," nor can they purchase these lands at two shillings per acre. This is not the most satisfactory mode of promoting the settlement of the country. If the restriction of sale of no more than 200 acres to one individual, and that for actual settlement, is faithfully enforced, it will prove a check.

16. An addition to the grant of \$50,000 is commendable.

17. The entire County is divided into Townships.

19. At present there are not many in this locality who are likely to settle on the wild lands; but there are many young men growing up who must, ere long, locate somewhere; and there are persons who expect friends to emigrate.

20. I am not aware of the existence of any auxiliary Colonization Society in this County. I have not heard of any proposal to form such a society.

21. I approve of colonization societies so far as I have a knowledge of their principles and operation. I have no particular acquaintance with the movements of the Colonization Society mentioned.

22. I am not aware of anything in the regulations respecting the sale of lands and timber which interferes with the settlement of the land. In this section the lands on which lumbering is in operation is not fit for agricultural purposes.

23. There has emigrated from this neighborhood to the United States 12 or 13 families, comprising about 60 persons; unmarried persons about 48; females 20, males 28.

24. Profitable employment near home would be the most likely means of preventing this emigration, as these young persons go to seek employment at a higher rate of wages, and where cash can be obtained with greater certainty than nearer home; the young men generally go to obtain the means of purchasing land.

25. Of the families above mentioned, none have returned; of the unmarried persons there returned, of the females eight, of the males eighteen.

REMARK.—A bridge has been erected recently in connection with a line of road, leading from the Bécancour station through the Township of Inverness, by what is known as the Hamilton road, having its outlet on the Craig's road in the Township of Ireland, from which a short colonization road opened to the Township of Thetford would be the best means of communication with the wild lands in the back part of Ireland, Thetford, Adstock and the eastern part of Coleraine; this road would be distant from the line of road leading from Somerset to lake St. Francis about ten miles, running in a parallel direction.

FIRST REPORT

OF THE COMMITTEE OF EMIGRATION AND COLONIZATION.

On the subject of the existing arrangement of the Emigrant Offices at Quebec, the location of the sheds for the temporary lodgement of emigrants, and the question of the landing of emigrants at the ordinary commercial landing places in the Port of Quebec, your Committee beg leave to recommend:—

1st—That the emigrant offices and sheds should be as speedily as possible established in one place, adjoining, or in the same building.

2nd—That the precincts of such offices and refuge, should be isolated from the ordinary commercial landing places in this port, and carefully protected from “the runners” and others, who are always found infesting such landing places.

3rd—That a regulation should be established obliging all masters of passenger ships entering at the Port of Quebec, to land their passengers at one and the same landing place—the place thus provided, isolated and protected—in order to the classification, direction, and proper forwarding, free of imposition, of said passengers.

Your Committee, though quite prepared to sustain their recommendations in detail, or to place the particular reasons on which they have arrived at these conclusions before the proper department to be charged with carrying them out, if adopted, must ask the indulgence of your Honorable House, if, for the interests of the service, they omit such detailed and particular explanations and reasons from the present Report.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

THOS. D'ARCY MCGEE,

Chairman of Committee.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
Thursday, 8th May, 1862.

REPORT.

The Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the subject of Immigration and Colonization, especially with reference to the Spring Immigration of the present year, beg leave to make their SECOND REPORT.

AGENTS ABROAD.

The Committee have examined with great care and caused to be translated into either language, the French and English originals of the correspondence carried on by the Emigrant Agents abroad, with the Bureau of Agriculture, and the several instructions under which those Agents were appointed to their respective positions. The first appointment was the German Agent, Mr. W. Wagner, formerly a Provincial Land Surveyor in Ottawa, which dates from the 30th of January, 1860; his instructions are signed by Mr. A. C. Buchanan, of that date, and his subsequent instructions of the 11th of February, 1860, are signed by Mr. Russell, Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands. His appointment was made by the Crown Lands Department, on understanding that Mr. Wagner was about to visit his native land, the appointment was to depend on circumstances; the remuneration was to be \$6 per diem, besides "travelling expenses and such disbursements as may be indispensable in the execution of your duty."

Mr. Wagner was to report once a fortnight to the Department.

The second appointment was the Irish Agent, Mr. A. L. Donaldson, formerly of Weston, C. W., which bears date February 15th, 1861; his instructions of that date are signed by the Honorable P. M. Vankoughnet, acting for the Minister of Agriculture. Mr. Donaldson's appointment was also to depend altogether on circumstances; his salary was to be \$6 per diem, his travelling expenses in the summer, and such "reasonable disbursements" for printing, advertising, &c., as were necessary. He was to make his headquarters at Londonderry, and to visit ports in Scotland from time to time. For detailed instructions he has referred to Mr. Buchanan, and no special form or time was set, in which he was to report.

In October, Mr. Donaldson returned to Canada but was re-appointed under the instructions of 22nd November, signed by the Honorable C. Allyn, acting for the Minister of Agriculture. "Mr. E. J. Charlton of Quebec, was at the same time associated in the Irish Agency with Mr. Donaldson, the province of the former being chiefly the south and west of that country." Their instructions fixed their salaries at £300 currency, per annum, with payments of all actual travelling expenses and disbursements for printing and advertising, as they produced vouchers for; on the latter point (of expenditure) these instructions were stringent and explicit.

Simultaneously Mr. A. H. Verret, of Quebec, was appointed to the West of Europe; his instructions bear date November 26, 1861. The salary was the same as the Irish Agents, travelling expenses included, and Mr. Verret was to report to the Bureau at least once a month. The appointments in both cases were not to be considered permanent, and to depend altogether on circumstances.

The different letters of inspection thus enumerated are of various degrees of fullness and clearness. The earlier letters are much less in detail, and much less definite, than those issued in the last mentioned instances. As the Bureau began to gather information on the undertaking generally, its successive administrations seem to have found more precise and intelligible views of what such Agents' duties should be.

The reports of the Agents submitted to your Committee by the Bureau of Agriculture, are Mr. Wagner's letters of the date of 29th May and 27th October, 1860, 21st January and 3rd February, 1861, 31st January, 1862, 11th March, 1862, and 11th April, 1862. Mr. Donaldson's reports of 27th June and 27th July, 1861, 31st January, 21st February, 28th February, 21st March, and 29th April, 1862.

Mr. Verret's reports of 5th February, 22nd February, 5th March, 22nd March, and 7th April, 1862. Mr. Charlton's letters of 31st January, 6th, 22nd and 28th February, 22nd March and 23rd April, 1862.

From Mr. A. C. Buchanan, the Committee have also received extracts of letters received from Messrs. Donaldson and Wagner as to the Immigration of the present year. The most important facts elicited from these several reports are:

Mr. Wagner established himself at Berlin, and made a tour in May, 1860, through Russia and as far as Hamburg, of which we have a very brief and unsatisfactory sketch in a letter written from Bromberg, on the 26th of that month; fuller particulars were promised in an annual report which seems never to have been made. The Committee at least have had no copy of any such document.

Mr. Wagner attempted to form a German Land Company for Canada, without success. He appears to have lectured at least once on Canada, before the Geographical Society of Berlin, in the spring of 1861, and to have obtained leave of the Berlin and Hamburg Railway Commissioners to exhibit the map of Canada on their stations. In 1861, he visited Hamburg where he found a Canadian Colonization Society talked of among the shippers, but what came of it he does not afterwards report. In January of the present year, Mr. Wagner lectured on Canada in Erfurt, Frankfort-on-the-Rhine, and Hirschberg in Silisia. He also employed a sub-Agent for South Germany, and another temporarily for Silisia. On the 11th of March last, he made out a sort of general report in which he states that 2000 emigrants may this year be expected from East Germany, 2500 from Westphalia and Central Germany, but South Germany he reports entirely in the hands of the Agents of the United States, Brazil and the Cape of Good Hope. He has advertised in newspapers representing in the aggregate more than 400,000 readers, had circulated 3,500 of the Bureau's German pamphlets, and had again lectured on the subject at Berlin and Breslaw. He had received between the 1st of January and that date (11th of March,) 178 letters of inquiry as to the Country, some of which were from Hungary, Denmark and Sweden.

A more precise statement as to this correspondence would have been an advantage to the authorities here in estimating the value of the German Agency.

From his whole correspondence with the Honorable Commissioner of Crown Lands, and a letter of the date of Berlin, April 21st, received and read to the Committee by the Chairman, but of which the Bureau has not had communication, it appears that Mr. Wagner has been in a constant state of anxiety as to his continuance in office, and the transmission of the necessary funds, as also from the absence of a steady supply of the most recent information useful to immigrants; from the authorities here he speaks gratefully of the kindness shewn by the late Ambassador at Berlin (Lord Blomfield) and the English resident at Frankfort, Sir Alexander Mallet. But the present Ambassador at Berlin, Lord Loftus, to whom he does not appear to have had any proper introductions, "Knew nothing of Canada." The cost of Mr. Wagner's agency to the Province, in 1861, was \$5,931 77. and in 1862, up to March, \$839 91.

THE IRISH AND SCOTTISH AGENCY.

As to the Irish Agencies, Mr. Donaldson reports from Londonderry on the 27th June, 1861, that he had established himself there, and made an official visit to Glasgow and Paisley, but the correspondence of this gentleman is chiefly occupied with the subject of flax cultivation, and the news of the day. The former subject is, no doubt, one of great interest, and well deserves all the attention which has been given to it, but it ought not to form the sole and only practical matter mentioned in the Agent's correspondence. Some printed placards and circulars issued by this Agent at Derry and Belfast, have been laid before your Committee, who cannot refrain from expressing their regret, that such publications, speaking in the name of the Province, were not more carefully and correctly prepared before going to press.

Mr. Charlton was associated in the Irish Agency with Mr. Donaldson from December

last, reports from Dublin on the 31st January, that he had established himself in that city, keeping the instruction of the Bureau for the discouragement of a promiscuous or very needy emigration, in view. Mr. Charlton opened his office with that view in a more expensive locality. This Agent made excursions to Cork, Cashel, Limerick, and Derry, (to confer with Mr. Donaldson), and arrange a division of labor; he also seems to have found access to all the principal Irish Journals, irrespective of party or other distinctions, and to have presented the advantages of Canada accurately and ably to the Irish public. His references to the management of the steerage passenger business by the Montreal Steamship Company are, we conceive, especially worthy the attention of the Government. The cost of Mr. Donaldson's Office to March last, from the returns made to us, was as follows:

Paid to 31st October, 1861, \$2,438 00

To March, 1862, 1,600 00

Total 1861, and first quarter of 1862, \$4038 00

To this add Mr. Charlton's expenses to March, 1078 00

Total cost of the Irish Agencies, 1861 and 1862, \$5116 00

WEST OF EUROPE AGENCY.

Mr. Verret, appointed Agent for the West of Europe, (as before stated) reports his arrival at Paris on the 31st of December last, and the presentation of his introduction from the Baron Gaudrée Boileau, French Consul General to Canada, to the proper officials in France. Mr. Verret immediately ascertained in these official quarters the difficulties from the French laws concerning immigration, which he would have to encounter, and on presenting formally his papers to the Minister of Agriculture, Commerce and Public Works, who is charged with the execution of these laws, he solicited exemption from these restrictions, on the ground of the public and official character of his mission, and the security it afforded to France, in being not at all of a speculative character. On the 5th of March, after a delay of six weeks, Mr. Verret was notified by the Director of Foreign Commerce, and the Prefect of Police, that he must deposit security in cash, or bonds to the amount of 25,000 francs (about \$5000) before he could open an office in France. Not being prepared for this condition of his agency, nor able to procure its dispensation in his favor, Mr. Verret left Paris, where he found the friends of Canada most anxious to promote his object, and on the 15th March reports himself at Brussels, in Belgium. The Minister of Foreign Affairs notified Mr. Verret that it was not necessary for him to procure an authorisation, the Belgium Government leaving each one free to come and go at his own wish and peril. On the 7th April, Mr. Verret writes encouragingly from Ghent, as to the prospects of an emigration from the West Flanders, where he made use of the press, both French and Flemish, to advertise his agency. He has since, we learn, extended his labors to Switzerland, but with what success there is not yet time to determine. He does not appear to have included Holland, a most valuable field for emigration, in his programme. Mr. Verret's expenses, which are given very fully in detail, were, up to March, \$1200.

The entire expense of the agencies during 1861 and in 1862, up to the date of the returns laid before us, is as follows:

The German Agency.....	\$5,931 77
The Irish and Scottish Agencies.....	5,116 00
The West of Europe Agency.....	1,200 00

Total..... \$12,047 00

RECOMMENDATIONS

From a careful analysis of the correspondence of all the Agents, Your Committee are of opinion, that though the system is a new one as far as Canada is concerned, yet, that sufficient results have been arrived at to justify the following recommendations:

1st. That all the present agents should return at the expiration of their temporary appointments, say the present year.

2nd. That such of them as had satisfied the expectations of the Department, may be re-appointed under new and more stringent instructions, to be renewed or added to from time to time.

3rd. That the rule of compelling "a fortnightly report" from the Agents, should be strictly enforced, and that the correspondence on both sides should be kept free of all extraneous matter.

4th. That official instructions should be given to the Agents abroad, and that the Colonial Office should be requested to procure their official introductions to the British Ministers and Consuls on the Continent.

5th. That in order to consolidate the system, and to exercise a proper supervision over the subordinate agents, it may be necessary to appoint a Chief Agent, resident in England, with large powers and corresponding rank, who might, in other respects also, be found useful as a representative of the Province abroad.

6th. Your Committee are of opinion that no person whatever should be appointed to represent this Province abroad, in this capacity, unless he had undergone a satisfactory examination by the proper Department as to his knowledge of this country, and the country to which he was to be sent, as to his character and acquirements, and that a record of such examination, with the testimonials as to character, should be filed in the proper Department. The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

(Signed)

THOMAS D'ARCY MCGEE,
Chairman.

Quebec, May 17th, 1862.

STATEMENT

SHewing the Departments and Names of the Officers and Employees of the Legislative Assembly, and their Origin; Office or Employment; Salary or Emolument; Tenure of Office; First Year of Service, and by whom appointed to present Office.

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Names.	Origin.	Office or Employment.	Salary or Emolument.	Tenure of Office.	By whom appointed to present office.
CHIEF DEPARTMENT.					
William Burns Lindsey.....	English.....	Clerk.....	Per Annum. \$ 3,400 00	Permanent.....	Crown.
William Burns Lindsey, Jr.....	do.....	Clerk Assistant.....	2,200 00	do.....	Mr. Spkr. Sicotte, on rep. of Com. adopted by House.
Alfred Patrick.....	do.....	Deputy Clerk Assistant.....	2,000 00	do.....	Mr. Speaker Smith.
LAW DEPARTMENT.					
Gustavus W. Wicksteed, Q.C.....	English.....	Law Clerk.....	2,400 00	do.....	House, on report of Committee.
Frank Badgley, B.C.L.....	do.....	Assistant Law Clerk.....	1,800 00	do.....	Mr. Speaker Smith.
Eugene P. Dorian.....	French.....	Asst. do.....	1,800 00	do.....	do
ACCOUNTANT'S DEPARTMENT.					
Thomas Vaux.....	English.....	Accountant.....	1,800 00	do.....	House, on report of Committee.
Joshua Stansfeld.....	do.....	Asst. do and Book-keeper.....	1,200 00	do.....	Mr. Speaker Smith.
GENERAL DEPARTMENT.					
Wm. Poyntz Patrick.....	English.....	Chief Office Clerk.....	2,000 00	do.....	House, on report of Committee.
Henry Hartney.....	do.....	Assistant do., and Clerk to Printing Committee.....	2,000 00	do.....	do
William Spink.....	do.....	Clerk of Routine and Records.....	1,650 00	do.....	do
Edward Denechaud.....	do.....	English Writing Clerk.....	1,200 00	do.....	Clerk, with approbation of Speaker.
Alexander G. D. Taylor.....	French.....	French do.....	1,200 00	do.....	do
Theodore H. Blais.....	English.....	Junior Clerk.....	900 00	do.....	do
H. R. Smith.....	French.....	do.....	700 00	do.....	do
O. C. De la Chevrotière.....	English.....	do.....	600 00	do.....	Mr. Speaker Smith.
Narcisse Gingras.....	do.....	do.....	600 00	do.....	do
Henry Lindsay.....	English.....	do.....	600 00	do.....	do
James S. Sloane.....	do.....	do.....	600 00	do.....	do

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COMMITTEE DEPARTMENT.					
Alfred Patrick.....	English.....	Chief Clerk of Com. and Controverted Elections.....	See "Chief Department."	Permanent.....	House, on report of Committee.
Jean Philip Leprohon.....	French.....	1st Assistant Clerk of Committees.....	1,400 00	do.....	do
Francis Xavier Blanchet.....	do.....	2nd do.....	1,200 00	do.....	Mr. Speaker Sicotte.
PRIVATE BILL DEPARTMENT.					
Alfred Todd.....	English.....	Chief Clerk of the Private Bill and Votes Office.....	1,800 00	do.....	Mr. Speaker Smith.
Theodorus Patrick.....	do.....	2nd do.....	1,400 00	do.....	do
William B. Ross.....	do.....	Clerk of Railway Committee.....	1,200 00	do.....	do
Herman Poetter.....	German.....	Asst. Clerk of Votes.....	1,200 00	do.....	do
TRANSLATOR'S DEPARTMENT.					
G. W. Wicksteed.....	English.....	Chief of Law and Translating Departments.....	See "Law Department."	do.....	Mr. Speaker Smith.
Eugene P. Dorian.....	French.....	Chief French Translator and Assistant Law Clerk.....	do	do.....	do
William Fanning.....	do.....	Translator of Votes and Proceedings and Journals.....	do	do.....	do
Toussaint G. Coursolles.....	do.....	Asst. French Translator.....	1,600 00	Permanent.....	do
J. F. Gingras.....	do.....	do.....	1,000 00	do.....	Mr. Speaker Sicotte.
Joseph Royall.....	do.....	do.....	1,200 00	do.....	do
A. Mondet.....	do.....	do.....	1,000 00	do.....	do
Frank Badgley.....	English.....	Chief English Translator and Assistant Law Clerk.....	1,600 00	do.....	do
William Wilson.....	do.....	Asst. do.....	1,600 00	Department.....	Mr. Speaker Sicotte.
Finbar Hayes.....	do.....	Asst. do.....	1,600 00	Permanent.....	do
JOURNAL DEPARTMENT.					
George M. Muir.....	English.....	English Journal Clerk.....	1,600 00	do.....	House, on report of Committee.
William H. Lenoire.....	French.....	French do.....	1,600 00	do.....	Mr. Speaker Smith.
Pierre Rivet.....	do.....	Assistant French Journal Clerk.....	900 00	do.....	do
Henry J. McCarthy.....	English.....	Clerk of Petitions.....	900 00	do.....	do
LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.					
Alpheus Todd.....	English.....	Librarian.....	2,000 00	Permanent.....	Mr. Speaker Sicotte.
A. G. Lejole.....	French.....	Assistant Librarian.....	1,600 00	do.....	do
Augustus Laperrière.....	do.....	Library Clerk.....	1,200 00	do.....	Mr. Speaker Smith.

STATEMENT shewing the Departments and Names of the Officers and Employees of the Legislative Assembly, &c.—(Continued.)

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DEPARTMENT OF SERJEANT AT ARMS.						
Donald Wm. McDonell	English	Serjeant at Arms	1,700 00	Permanent	1854	Crown.
Wm. C. Burrage	do	Deputy do	1,400 00	do	1843	Mr. Speaker Smith.
A. Leroux Cardinal	French	Chief Messenger	1,160 00	do	1836	House on report of Committee.
Edward Steacy	English	Assistant do	900 00	do	1858	Mr. Speaker Smith.
Michael McCarthy	do	do	900 00	do	1837	Clerk, with approbation of Speaker.
Olivier Vincent	French	Library Messenger	850 00	do	1844	do
Robert Defries	English	Postmaster	850 00	do	1833	House, on report of Committee.
Joseph Blais	English	Assist. do	850 00	do	1844	do
John O'Connor	do	Door-keeper	850 00	do	1846	Mr. Speaker McNab.
Robert Baile	French	Messenger	850 00	do	1841	Sicotte.
Pierre Laliberté	do	do	600 00	do	1853	do
Joseph Lemonde	do	do	850 00	do	1844	do
Edward Pelletier	do	do	850 00	do	1848	do
William Graham	English	do	850 00	do	1850	do
James Hoy	do	Library do	850 00	do	1852	do
Edward Storr	do	Assistant Door-keeper	600 00	do	1852	do
SESSIONAL SERVICE.						
EXTRA WRITERS.						
Paul Ernest Smith	English	In Journal Office	4 00	Sessional	1849	Clerk, with approbation of Speaker.
Farquhar McGillivray	do	General Department	4 00	do	1854	Mr. Speaker Macdonald.
John Notman	do	Centrovated Election Office	4 00	do	1856	do
F. Edard	French	General Department	4 00	do	1856	do
William Wilson, Jr	English	English Translator's Office	4 00	do	1858	do
W. H. Johnson	do	General Department	4 00	do	1858	do
E. Ford	do	do	4 00	do	1858	do
William Bowles	do	do	4 00	do	1855	do
C. Panet	French	do	4 00	do	1860	do

John T. Human	English	do	4 00	do	1860	do
S. S. Finden	do	do	4 00	do	1860	do
H. Simard	French	do	4 00	do	1858	do
Joseph LaCroix	do	do	4 00	do	1860	do
L. Canon	English	Election Committees	4 00	do	1861	do
B. H. Foley	do	General Department	4 00	do	1861	do
H. Morgan	do	do	4 00	do	1861	do
H. Vaux	do	Assistant Clerk's Office	4 00	do	1862	do
G. H. Langudoc	French	French Translator's Office	4 00	do	1862	do
L. Ross	English	General Department	4 00	do	1862	do
A. G. Huot	French	do	4 00	do	1862	do
L. M. Olivier	do	do	4 00	do	1862	do
H. L. F. Berthelot	do	Journal Office	4 00	do	1862	do
L. Benjamin	English	General Department	4 00	do	1862	do
F. N. Belcourt	French	Journal Office	4 00	do	1862	do
E. Blain	do	French Translator's Office	4 00	do	1862	do
M. Bouchard	do	General Department	4 00	do	1862	do
G. H. Macaulay	English	Speaker's Secretary	4 00	do	1862	do
S. Clarke	do	General Department	4 00	do	1862	do
C. A. Gagnon	French	French Translator's Office	4 00	do	1862	do
Anoine Gagnon	do	General Department	4 00	do	1862	do
F. G. Tassé	do	do	4 00	do	1862	do
Z. Duhamel	do	do	4 00	do	1862	do
Ed. Hester	English	do	4 00	do	1862	do
L. J. Pitan	French	do	4 00	do	1862	do
L. H. Fecchette	French	French Translator's Office	4 00	do	1862	do
John Bruneau	do	General Department	4 00	do	1862	do
E. Dubord	do	do	4 00	do	1862	do
Wm. J. O'Brien	English	do	4 00	do	1862	do
Wm. Buchanan	do	do	4 00	do	1862	do
G. H. Charrier	French	do	4 00	do	1862	do
A. Hamel	do	do	4 00	do	1862	do
C. Sims	English	do	4 00	do	1862	do
P. Lenay	French	French Translator's Office	4 00	do	1862	do
John Heron	English	General Department	4 00	do	1862	do
C. R. Bartlett	do	do	4 00	do	1862	do
B. Epps	do	do	4 00	do	1862	do
C. Marcotte	French	do	4 00	do	1862	do
M. Donelan	English	do	4 00	do	1862	do
E. Richer	French	do	4 00	do	1862	do
EXTRA MESSENGERS.						
J. B. Asselin	French	Employed about the House	Per Session.	do	1849	Mr. Speaker Morin.
Louis Labonté	do	do	300 00	do	1850	do
Joseph Asselin	do	do	300 00	do	1852	Clerk.

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EXTRA MESSENGERS.—						
(Continued.)						
Joseph Turgeon.....	French.....	do	Per Session.	Seasonal.	1854	Mr. Speaker Macdonald.
J. B. Lajoie.....	do	do	300 00	do	1854	Mr. Speaker Sicoote.
P. Bousquet.....	do	do	300 00	do	1854	do
John Hurley.....	English.....	do	300 00	do	1854	do
Etienne Roy.....	French.....	do	300 00	do	1854	do
Joseph Brown.....	English.....	do	300 00	do	1854	do
Olivier Roberge.....	French.....	do	300 00	do	1855	do
M. Lafamme.....	do	do	300 00	do	1856	do
Joseph Nadeau.....	do	do	300 00	do	1856	do
Edward Botterell.....	English.....	do	300 00	do	1856	do
T. Desnoyers.....	French.....	do	300 00	do	1856	do
J. Buckley.....	English.....	do	300 00	do	1856	do
Pierre Labelle.....	French.....	do	300 00	do	1857	Mr. Speaker Smith.
Patrick Buckley.....	English.....	do	300 00	do	1858	do
Thomas Garlic.....	do	do	300 00	do	1858	do
J. Rivet.....	French.....	do	300 00	do	1858	do
Wm. Atley.....	English.....	do	300 00	do	1859	do
C. Appleyard.....	do	do	300 00	do	1859	do
T. Brazeau.....	French.....	do	300 00	do	1860	Serjeant at Arms.
James Sinclair.....	English.....	Fire Man.....	\$ 1 75 per diem	do	1856	do
Joseph Turgeon, Jr.,.....	French.....	Night Watch.....	180 00	do	1856	do
John Hamel.....	do	do	180 00	do	1861	Mr. Speaker Smith.
Charles Boudreau.....	do	Employed about the House.....	\$ 2 25 per diem.	do	1862	Mr. Speaker Turcotte.
Alexis Lortie.....	do	do	2 25 do	do	1862	do
Reni Duroinet.....	do	do	2 25 do	do	1862	do
D. Beuchamp.....	do	do	2 25 do	do	1862	do
Ed. Lacroix.....	do	do	2 25 do	do	1862	do
H. Proulx.....	do	do	2 25 do	do	1862	do
O. Robitaille.....	do	do	2 25 do	do	1862	do
F. Giguère.....	do	do	2 25 do	do	1862	do
J. N. Stephens.....	English.....	do	2 25 do	do	1862	do

G. Trudelle.....	French.....	do	2 25	do	1862	do
Jos. Gregoire.....	do	do	2 25	do	1862	do
Frs. Blais.....	do	do	2 25	do	1862	do
Richard Bilton.....	English.....	do	2 25	do	1862	do
Ira Steer.....	do	do	2 25	do	1862	do
M. Bouthillier.....	French.....	do	2 25	do	1862	do
F. Logan.....	English.....	do	2 25	do	1862	do
James Darcy.....	do	do	250 00	do	1855	Mr. Speaker Sicoote.
Daniel McMullen.....	do	do	250 00	do	1859	Mr. Speaker Smith.
N. Turgeon.....	French.....	do	250 00	do	1859	do
H. Lafamme.....	do	do	250 00	do	1860	do
John Jones.....	English.....	do	200 00	do	1862	Mr. Speaker Turcotte.
G. Curran.....	do	do	200 00	do	1862	do

TENTH REPORT

OF

COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

CONFERENCE CHAMBER,
4th June, 1862.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing, beg leave to make the following as their

TENTH REPORT.

That the Accounts for the past year have been examined and found correct, as shewn by report of Sub-Committee, hereto annexed; and the Committee desire to express their confidence in the manner in which their Clerk, Mr. Henry Hartney, continues to fulfil his duties.

Your Committee have already laid before the House the Report of their Clerk, also annexed, by which it is shown that the total amount paid for Printing, Printing Paper, Lithographing, and Binding, for the two Houses, for the year 1861, amounted to \$21,493 19. Your Committee would also draw attention to the fact mentioned in the said Report "that the experience of another year has proved the present system to be a good one, easy of management, and with the like economy as shewn by the Accounts."

Your Committee have also directed their attention to the question of the Public Printing, under the Queen's Patent, and have arrived at the conclusion that public interest and policy demand a change in the present system. Nor do they believe the publication of the *Official Gazette* is included amongst the privileges of the Patent held by the Queen's Printers in this Province, and they see no reason why the system at present in use in England, should not be followed in Canada. In England the *Official Gazette* is published by the Government, and the returns for the year 1861 show the gross receipts to have been £17,978 sterling. The paper and printing cost £4,617 stg., the management £1,981 stg., leaving a profit of £11,380 stg., which was paid into the Public Treasury. The whole of this department is managed by one Chief, three Clerks, an Index Compiler, and a Warehouseman. Your Committee can see no reason why a similar course should not be adopted in Canada, and they feel sure similar results would follow. Your Committee would further remark, that in addition to the management of the *Gazette*, the same office should also be charged with procuring the Stationery for the Public Departments, as well as that required for the use of Parliament;—each Deputy Head of each Department should send in an annual estimate of the probable quantity, and the different qualities of the various articles required in each department respectively—that the practice of advancing money on account should cease, but that all accounts of the kind should be presented and liquidated quarterly.

With regard to the printing for the Departments, your Committee are of opinion, it is utterly impossible to keep a correct check under the present system, if that can be called a system, which does not enable the officers who have charge of it to do justice either to themselves or the public. Your Committee has no desire to enter minutely into transactions, but they would remark that for the last five years, the average yearly amount paid to the Queen's Printer, including a small supply of stationery, has exceeded \$100,000: certainly a much larger amount, in the opinion of your Committee, than the country should be called upon to disburse, for the expense of maintaining a patent yielding no particular

advantages to the Public Service. For, as well as regards dispatch, neatness, and confidential publications, Your Committee are of opinion that the Contractors for the Legislative Printing, or any other large establishment, are at least on a par with that of the Queen's Printers; had the work been performed by the Contractors for the Parliamentary Printing, which has been executed by the Queen's Printer, it would have been done at a reduction of at least fifty per cent, without at all detracting from the efficiency of the service. In the opinion of Your Committee, the exact value of every quire of every blank in use at the Departments should be ascertained, and the amount the Government should pay for them, per quire, should also be determined upon. Then the work could be given to any tradesman, in any part of the Province, who would perform it at the stipulated prices. In this manner the present method of computing and making out accounts by measurement and quantities would be avoided, for the number of quires being ascertained, the charge could be checked with facility, and even the uninitiated could detect the errors which cannot be done under the present system, except by the most experienced hands. Your Committee do not think it necessary to enter into further details, but they trust that either the method they suggest, or one equally efficient, will be taken up by the Government, and that at an early day next Session, a measure will be introduced for the better regulation of the Public Printing in every branch and department, and that care will be taken to connect therewith the supply of Stationery and Books, as well for the Departments as for the use of Parliament; feeling assured if a proper system is inaugurated and carried out, that at least \$150,000 annually, may be saved in the public expenditure.

All which is respectfully submitted.

G. BENJAMIN,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON THE PRINTING ACCOUNTS.

CONFERENCE CHAMBER,
3rd June, 1862.

To the Joint Committee on Printing:

GENTLEMEN,—The Printing Accounts for the past year have been examined and found correct. The manner in which those Accounts are kept is simple and quite satisfactory, and in accordance with that strict regard to your orders, which Mr. Hartney has exhibited, ever since he has fulfilled the duties of the important trust committed to him.

The Account presented by your Printers for \$71.21 being for extra work, should be paid.

The Binder has presented an account for loss sustained by reason of delay during the first year of his contract. At the close of last year, when but few Members could be got to attend the meetings of the Committee, several were of opinion that he should receive 400 dollars in liquidation of his claim; considering the very low rates of his contract, it is recommended that he receive the above sum, and that the Clerk be authorized to give him a certificate for the same.

All which is respectively submitted,

G. BENJAMIN, *Chairman.*
B. SEYMOUR,
W. PATRICK,
J. SIMPSON.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CLERK OF THE PRINTING COMMITTEE.

CONFERENCE CHAMBER,
Wednesday, 30th April, 1862.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee on Printing:—

GENTLEMEN,—Having, in my report last session, set forth fully the changes that had been effected in the system of Printing by the appointment of the Joint Committee, and the practical results of the carrying out of the Rules and Regulations, as adopted by them, of the perfect control they ensured, the avoidance of waste, and the consequent economy;

I, this session, have merely to add that the experience of another year has proved the present system to be a good one, easy of management, and with the like economy, as shewn by the Accounts I now hand in to the Committee.

Accompanying the Printing Accounts is a complete file of every document printed, each shewing on its endorse an exact statement in detail of its cost, &c. The Vouchers are numbered, those of the Honorable the Legislative Council from 1 to 271, and those of the Legislative Assembly, from 1 to 810, inclusive.

The Printing Contract has been fairly carried out during the past year, and the Printing Paper has been properly furnished as required.

The Bound Volumes of the Journals and Sessional Papers were not delivered in the time specified in the contract for the Binding, and it may be necessary for the Committee to consider of some means to insure the said Contract, in that particular, being more faithfully carried out.

The Accounts now submitted, show the total cost for Printing, Printing Paper, Lithographing and Binding, for the two Houses, for the year 1861, to be \$21,493 19.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY HARTNEY,
Clerk, Joint Committee on Printing.

REPORT

OF

Committee on Certain Banking Charters.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
20th May, 1862.

The Select Committee to which was referred the expediency of legislative action, or of procedure at law, in reference to the Charters granted to the Bank of Clifton and the Western Bank of Canada,

Beg leave to report, that the Zimmerman Bank was chartered by the Act 18th Vic., chapter 203, and was subsequently changed to the Bank of Clifton, and its Charter modified in some particulars, by the Act 22nd Vic., chapter 129; and by the Act last mentioned, the Charter is continued in force until the first of June, 1870, and also until the end of the next session of Parliament.

The Bank of Western Canada was chartered by the Act 22nd Vic., chapter 104, and has force until the 1st January 1870, and from that time until the end of the their next session of Parliament.

Your Committee append hereto the evidence they have taken upon the subject referred to them; and from the particulars contained in that evidence, your Committee can draw no other conclusion than that both the institutions named are in the hands of parties whose sole object is to defraud the public, and that it would be discreditable to the Legislature to allow their Charters to remain in existence any longer.

That the Charters have been violated and forfeited, is clear from the following facts:—

With regard to the Bank of Western Canada, the 39th section of the Charter provides that—"It shall be the duty of the Directors of the said Bank to invest, and to keep invested at all times in the Debentures of this Province, payable within the same, or of the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund, one tenth part of the whole paid up Capital of the said Bank, and to make a return of the number and amount of such Debentures, verified by the oaths and signatures of the President or Chief Cashier or Manager of the said Bank, to the Inspector General in the month of January of each year, under the penalty of the forfeiture of the Charter of the said Bank, in default of such investment and return." And the evidence of Mr. *Langton* shows that no return of any such investments was made in January, 1862.

With respect to the Bank of Clifton the case is equally clear. By the 4th section of the Act 22 Vic., cap. 129, it is provided that of the Capital Stock of the Institution, "the third instalment of fifty thousand pounds" mentioned in the first Charter "as payable within four years from the passing of the said recited Act, shall be subscribed and paid up within three years from the passing of this Act," in default whereof the privileges granted by this Act and the said recited Act, shall cease and be perfected. The evidence of Mr. *Woodruff* shows that no such payment was made.

The Bank of Clifton was also required to make investments of a tenth part of its paid up capital in Provincial or Municipal Loan Fund Debentures, and to make a return thereof in the month of January in each year, under the penalty of the forfeiture of their Charter. From the evidence of Mr. *Langton* it appears that no such return has been made for several years.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend that the Government take the necessary steps for forfeiting the Charters of both the Bank of Clifton and the Bank of Western Canada. The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

JOHN SIMPSON,
Chairman.

RAILWAY COMMITTEE ROOM,
Friday, 2nd May, 1861.

Proceedings of Committee to whom was referred the Charters granted to the Bank of Clifton and the Western Bank of Canada.

COMMITTEE MET.

PRESENT.

Messrs. SIMPSON,
STREET,
HOWLAND, and
WHITE.

Mr. Simpson was called to the Chair.

Ordered, That the Clerk do issue summonses to the following gentlemen, requiring their attendance before the Committee on Wednesday, the 14th day of May next, at the hour of 11 o'clock, A. M. "*J. F. Richardson*, Esquire of Clifton, *W. J. Callaway*, Esquire, of Clifton, *Joseph A. Woodruff*, Esquire, of Niagara, and *G. McMicken*, Esquire, of Colchester.

Adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Wednesday May 14, 1862.

PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.

Gilbert McMicken, Esquire, appeared in obedience to summons of Committee.
Adjourned for want of a quorum.

Friday, May 16, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.

Messrs. STREET, and
WHITE.

Joseph A. Woodruff, Esquire, appeared in obedience to summons of Committee. The Chairman laid before the Committee a Telegraph received from *E. T. Richardson*, Esquire, as follows :—

"Your Summons received; I must have funds sent me before I can leave." To *Thaddeus Patrick*, Clerk to Committee.

Adjourned until Monday next, at half-past nine o'clock, A. M.

Monday, May 19, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.

MESSRS. STREET AND WHITE.

G. McMicken, Esquire, was in attendance.

Joseph A. Woodruff, Esquire, was called in and Examined.

[By the Chairman.]

Ques. 1. State your name, residence, and occupation.—Ans. Joseph A. Woodruff, of the Town of Niagara, Sheriff of the County of Lincoln.

Ques. 2. Were you not, for some years prior to last month, a resident of the Town of Clifton, and Acting Executor to the Estate of the late Mr. Zimmerman?—Ans. Yes, for five years and upwards.

Ques. 3. Were you connected with the Zimmerman Bank, at Clifton, and if so, in what capacity?—Ans. I am one of the original Stockholders and Directors, and after the death of Mr. Zimmerman, was chosen President.

Ques. 4. What was the amount of the capital stock of the Zimmerman Bank, and how much of it was paid up?—Ans. One million of dollars, and about one half of the capital paid up.

Ques. 5. When the Charter of the Zimmerman Bank was altered, and changed its name to the Bank of Clifton, did your relations and those of the other Stockholders thereto continue as before?—Ans. Yes. The Bank was only kept open for the redemption of the circulation, and for the payment of paper made payable there.

Ques. 6. Did the Bank of Clifton during your connection with it, issue any promissory notes at all? Ans. No.

Ques. 7. Were all the notes issued by the Zimmerman Bank redeemed?—Ans. Yes.

Ques. 8. When and under what circumstances, did your connection with the Bank of Clifton terminate?—Ans. In 1859 I transferred all the stock to Messrs. Hubbard & Co., of Chicago, and gave them an order for the plates, &c.

Ques. 9. Did the connection of all the other stockholders of the Zimmerman Bank with the Bank of Clifton, terminate at the same time and in the same manner?—Ans. Yes. I procured the transfer of all the stock of the shareholders to the above named gentlemen.

Ques. 10. By whom has the Charter of the Bank of Clifton been used, since your connection with it closed—state if you can the names of the stockholders distinguishing Foreigners from British subjects, the amount of stock subscribed, the amount paid in, and the names of the President and Cashier, and what you know of these officers as regards standing and responsibility?—Ans. By Messrs. Hubbard, for a short time, and since their connection with it, others all Foreigners, now controlled by a Mr. Callaway, formerly of Toronto, who is the President of such Bank. Mr. Reed of Lockport was his officer in the Bank, and said to have an interest in the Bank. Mr. Reed owned all the stock of the International Bank at Toronto, when that Institution closed its doors; he is in bad repute. Mr. Callaway, the President, has no means, and left Toronto, having failed in business there.

Ques. 11. Have strenuous efforts lately been made to circulate largely the notes of the Bank of Clifton, if so, in what localities, and state if you can, the manner in which, and the parties by whom these efforts have been made?—Ans. They have endeavoured to do so, and have sent their notes to Western States, where they have obtained circulation to a considerable amount. The mode in which it is done, as I have been informed, is to deposit a small sum of money with a broker in Chicago, or some other town of the United

States, having the bills quoted in the Bank Note Reporter as being redeemed at a certain house. The issue is redeemed to the extent of the sum deposited, but the chief part of the amount put in circulation remains wholly unredeemed, provision having only been made in the manner before mentioned for a very small fractional part of the whole sum which is put in circulation.

Ques. 12. Is the Bank of Clifton kept open during business hours, and are the officers and clerks in attendance?—*Ans.* It is kept open irregularly, sometimes whole months elapsing without any one being in attendance.

Ques. 13. Are you aware of any notes of the Bank of Clifton having been sent to Clifton for redemption, and if so, were they paid, and if not, why not?—*Ans.* I am aware of notes being sent for redemption from Western States and no funds to redeem them, in various sums, from small amounts to sums exceeding \$5000. I am not aware of an instance where these notes have been redeemed at all, at the office of Clifton, its chief place of business.

Ques. 14. Do you know of any recent instance of persons arriving at Clifton, with large amounts of the notes of the Bank of Clifton for redemption, and if so, what was the result?—*Ans.* I have known recent instances in which the bills of this Bank have been recently presented in large amounts, and no funds to redeem them.

Ques. 15. In what light is the Bank of Clifton regarded by business men at Clifton and the neighborhood?—*Ans.* As a swindling concern, and no one will touch their paper.

Ques. 16. Can you inform the Committee whether the requirements contained in the 4th Section of the 22nd *Vict.*, chap. 129, have been complied with, these requirements being that the third instalment to the stock of fifty thousand pounds shall be subscribed and paid up within three years from the passing of this Act, such three years having expired on the 16th August, 1861?—*Ans.* It has not been complied with.

Ques. 17. Do you know Mr. *Dunklee*, the Post Master of Clifton; is he well acquainted with the two Banks located there; and do you consider his statement reliable?—*Ans.* I know him well, and any statement made by him can be fully relied upon.

The Chairman laid before the Committee the following letter from Mr. *Dunklee*:

CLIFTON, May 2nd, 1862.

MY DEAR SIMPSON,—I notice in to-day's *Leader* that you have called for a Committee to enquire into the affairs of the Bank of Western Canada, and the Bank of Clifton. I am glad of it, and hope you will have those charters annulled. I intended writing Mr. *Street* to-day, and should have done so had I not seen your motion. The party that was in charge (?) of the Bank of Clifton left several days ago, and the day before yesterday two gentlemen came into my office from Cleveland, Ohio. They had been swindled to the tune of ten thousand dollars. You would not think that it could be done, but it was. I am sorry that Mr. *McMicken* has not succeeded in getting up all the notes with his name before this motion was made; but it is high time something was done to stop the issuing. Mr. *Richardson* is about here yet, but I have the keys to the Western Bank, as they have a few traps left, which I hold for rent. Both concerns are now closed.

Yours,

WILLIAM DUNKLEE.

Ques. 18. Is not the Bank of Western Canada also located at Clifton?—*Ans.* It is.

Ques. 19. Give the Committee all the information you can with regard to that institution, embracing all the particulars contained in questions 10 to 15 inclusive?—*Ans.* The Western Bank of Canada has for its President Mr. *E. J. Richardson*, who resides at Clifton. He is a British subject. All the parties connected with it are foreigners. The present owner of the bank, or stock, I have been informed by the President, is a Mr. *Paddock*, of Medina, N. Y., a tavern-keeper. He is at present in Chicago, making efforts to start the bank. I learned this a few days ago from letters addressed by him to the President, which letters the President has shown to me. The bank for the last six months has had no Cashier. The stock subscribed for by the President was paid up by a Mr. *Lockwood*, of Buffalo, who formerly controlled the bank. He was then enabled to comply with the

requirements of the Act, to qualify himself as President, but really never having paid one penny towards his stock. The President has innocently been made the tool of designing knaves in this respect. He is an old man, owns nothing, and is not considered as responsible for even small sums. However blameable he may be, I must acquit him of having been actuated by any desire to profit himself at the expense of the public. I should add that the President's name is printed to the bills, and he can have no check on the issue. Efforts are constantly being made to float off the bills of this bank, principally in the States of Illinois, Wisconsin and Kansas. Sums in small amounts have been sent to me for protest and for notification to the Government of the non-redemption of said bills. I have protested several packages of these Bills during the last eight months. The office of the Western Bank of Canada has not been regularly kept open. At times for weeks no person would be in the office. At present they have no office. I have been informed that the furniture of the bank has been seized upon for rent, and the President turned out of the office for arrears of rent. In some instances I have been called upon to protest the notes. In most instances they have not been redeemed for want of funds. The Western Bank of Canada is by business men in the neighborhood now regarded as a disreputable institution, and controlled by designing persons, with a view to obtain a circulation for its notes, and thus defraud the public. In short, it is termed a "Bogus Bank."

Mr *McMicken* called in and examined.

Ques. 20. Were you connected with the Bank of Western Canada, and if so, in what capacities?—*Ans.* There was an understanding that I was to be President, and as such, control and check the operations.

Ques. 21. What amount of stock was subscribed before you commenced operations, how much was paid in, and when did these operations commence?—*Ans.* I do not recollect the amount subscribed, but it was fully as much as the law required, and the requisite amount paid in, the sum of \$100,000 having been deposited in one of the chartered banks of the Province.

Ques. 22. Who were the officers of the bank, who were the leading directors, and were they British subjects or Foreigners?—*Ans.* There were no other officers appointed, as only initiatory movements for organisation were had, and having subsequently removed from Clifton, I withdrew from the institution; and when it commenced operations, it was without my knowledge or consent. I do not remember the names of all the directors at first appointed, but they were residents and British subjects.

Ques. 23. What amount of notes were issued during your occupation of the office of President and bearing your signature, was their redemption secured, and were they all in fact redeemed?—*Ans.* No notes were authorized to be issued whilst I was President, but I had information that an issue of notes was made, when I immediately took steps to ascertain the facts, and found that notes of various denominations had been struck off by the American Bank Note Engraving Company, bearing my engraved signature, which in the aggregate, if issued, would have amounted to \$84,000. Forbidding any further printing or delivery, I called on the parties professing to carry on the bank and insisted on the whole issue being destroyed. That night \$79,000 out of the \$84,000 were burnt up by my directions and leaving it in charge of a friend to see that the balance was also destroyed, I heard from him afterwards that the greater part had been so dealt with.

Ques. 24. State the circumstances under which your connection with the Bank of Western Canada terminated?—*Ans.* The circumstances under which my connection with the bank terminated, were partially explained in answer to Question No. 23, viz.—the issue of notes and commencement of business without my knowledge or consent, and because having removed away from the locality, I could not act as President so as to have the control.

Ques. 25. Give the Committee the information sought by questions 10 to 15, so far as the Western Bank of Canada is concerned?—*Ans.* I know nothing, but by current report in reference to the information sought by questions 10 to 15.—Except that Mr. *Richardson*, the person acting as President, informed me that he was in charge, but seldom was furnished with funds to redeem the notes in circulation. That the last amount sent

to him for purposes of redemption was only \$100, and said how could he redeem the notes if not supplied with means. Upon the failure and exposé of the International and Colonial Banks, I became convinced that the provisions of the charters of these banks and of the Banks of Clifton and Western Canada afforded no real security to the country, and that the only safety was in the proper management and control. This I brought under the notice of the Inspector General before any issue had been made, with the view of establishing some provision against the contingency of such institutions falling at any time into the hands of improper persons. I believe the original intention, with regard to the establishment of the Bank was correct, and for a considerable time, it did, as I was informed, redeem its circulation promptly, and it has only been since the stock has changed hands, that it has repudiated or refused to redeem its notes.

Mr. Langton called in and Examined.

[By the *Chairman*.]

Ques. 26. By the 39th section of the 22nd Vic., Cap. 104, it is provided that it shall be the duty of the Directors of the said Bank to invest and to keep invested at all times in the Debentures of the Province, payable within the same, or of the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund, one tenth part of the whole paid up capital of the said Bank, and to make a return of the numbers and amount of such Debentures, verified by the oaths and signatures of the president or chief cashier or manager of the said bank, to the Inspector General, in the month of January in each year, under the penalty of the forfeiture of the Charter of the said bank, in default of such investment and return: Provided always that the said Directors shall not commence the ordinary business of banking until the sum of twenty thousand dollars shall have been invested in such Debentures. Can you inform the Committee whether these requirements have been complied with during the present year or last year?

Ques. 27. Have the Bank of Clifton and the Bank of Western Canada made monthly returns for publication, in the same way as the other Provincial Banks uniformly do, and as they are required to do by the term of their charters?

Permission was given to witness to answer the above questions, Nos. 26 and 27, in writing to-morrow.

Adjourned until to-morrow, at half-past nine o'clock, A. M.

Tuesday, May 20, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

PRESENT:

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.

MESSRS STREET AND WHITE.

Messrs. *McMicken* and *Woodruff* were in attendance.

Mr. Langton appeared before the Committee, and handed in the following replies, in writing, to questions Nos. 26 and 27, submitted yesterday.

Ans. to Ques. 26. No returns of Debentures, held by either bank, this year, have been made to me. The Bank of Western Canada made a return in 1861, which I hand in (marked A).

Ans. to Ques. 27. I hand in the last return (marked B) I have had from the Bank of Western Canada, dated Jan. 30th, 1861. I have had no returns from the Bank of Clifton as such, but had from the Zimmerman Bank, as late as October, 1857.

Documents marked A and B handed in by witness, are as follows:

ASSETS.

Coin and Bullion	1,115 25
Landed or other property of the Bank.....	3,871 92
Government Securities	12,000 00
Promissory Notes or Bills from other Banks	430 00
Balances due from other Banks	3,350 13
Notes and Bills discounted	61,186 70
Other debts due to the Bank, not included under the foregoing heads.....	25,000 00
Total assets.....	\$106,960 00

June 6, 1861.

J. MARSDEN,
Cashier.

Ordered, That Messrs. *McMicken* and *Woodruff* be relieved from further attendance as witnesses.

Ordered, That the Chairman do prepare a report in draft to submit to the House.

Which draft report was prepared and read by the Chairman to Committee, and approved of.

Ordered, That the Chairman do present the said report to the House, with proceedings of Committee thereon.

REPORT.

The Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the best method for relieving the distress of certain Municipalities arising from debts contracted in the construction of Railways, beg leave to report :—

Your Committee find that the financially embarrassed Municipalities are divided into two classes : Firstly, those which owe the Province seven millions three hundred thousand dollars, borrowed from the Municipal Loan Fund, of which there is a clear explanation in Statement No. 20, of the Public Accounts for 1861—second part, shewing that at 6 per cent interest the arrears of interest, including Sinking Fund of two per cent, had at 31st December last, reached the alarming amount of two millions six hundred and eighty-seven thousand five hundred and forty-three dollars and thirty-nine cents. An official statement of this, from the Office of the Receiver General, is appended to this Report, shewing also the arrears which have accrued under the five per cent arrangement made by Parliament in 1859, (Consolidated Statutes of Canada, cap. 83, clause 88,) to be already the large sum of three hundred and forty-five thousand nine hundred and seventy-eight dollars and seventy-four cents, an amount which it is obviously impossible for them to pay all at once or without getting time. The second class of embarrassed Municipalities are those which owe individuals having sold their debentures to the public ; these are,

The City of Hamilton.....	\$900,000
do London	220,000
do Ottawa	60,000
The Town of St. Thomas.....	66,000
do Prescott	30,000
do Preston.....	36,000
do Caledonia	40,000
	\$1,352,000

in all, one million three hundred and fifty-two thousand dollars. There was also sold, in the open market, a sum for the amount of Debentures of seven hundred and eighty thousand dollars, but the Municipalities issuing these are not embarrassed, viz. : The City of Toronto, four hundred thousand dollars ; the Town of Berlin, twenty thousand dollars ; the County of Simcoe, two hundred thousand dollars ; and the County of Middlesex, one hundred and sixty thousand dollars.

Your Committee have satisfied themselves that these embarrassed Municipalities of both classes have the strongest possible claim on the sympathy and assistance of the Province, while they have a peculiar right to the consideration of the Legislature ; and that their distresses, having a legislative cause, must necessarily have a legislative cure, although the unfortunate condition of the Provincial Finances renders the present an inopportune time to get this great subject the consideration to which it is entitled, looking to the interest of the Province generally, as well as what simple justice makes due to localities whose enterprise led them to involve themselves in public works of a provincial character.

Your Committee, however, have to report the necessity of immediate action to save these Municipalities out of the hands of the Sheriff, in which most of them now are, and all will be before Parliament meets again after a prorogation, and also to save the financial character of the Province as putting a stop to the invasion of its revenue caused by the distress and depopulation of these important localities.

While insisting that the embarrassed Municipalities shall pay in full, principal and interest, so soon as they are able, from the increase of their assessable property or otherwise, and shall meantime assess themselves to the greatest extent not incompatible with their continued rise as communities (an object essential for the sake of the Province and their other

creditors), your Committee recommend relief being extended them by the Province giving them *time to pay* in the following manner: Firstly. In the case of the first class alluded to (those which have borrowed from the Municipal Loan Fund), their arrears of the five per cent., to be paid by them under the Act of 1859, should be settled by the Province taking payment in their Debentures at 20 years, bearing 5 per cent. interest, thus removing them out of the hands of the Sheriff. At the same time they should get notice that punctual payment will be enforced in 1863, and every subsequent year, although the five per cent. should be made payable on the present and future *actual* assessments (the present being the minimum). Secondly. In the case of the second class alluded to, of embarrassed Municipalities (those whose Debentures are in the open market), simple justice requires them to be put upon the same footing as those Municipalities which borrowed the Province's money from the Municipal Loan Fund. And this can be arranged by Parliament empowering Government to loan to this second class of embarrassed Municipalities from time to time, re-payable in the same way by their Debentures bearing five per cent. interest, and at 20 years date, sums amounting to the difference between five per cent. on their local assessments and the six per cent. which they have to pay on their Railway Debts; in the same way as the Government is empowered, by the 42nd clause of chap. 83, the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund Act of 1859, to loan to the first class of embarrassed Municipalities, out of "The Upper Canada Building Fund," the moneys allowed to Upper Canada to balance the sums given by the Province to relieve Lower Canada from its Seigniorial burthens, a Provincial evil of the same nature but not so great as the chronic distress under which the embarrassed Municipalities now groan. It may as well be explained here that having reference to the comparison between the Railway Debts and the amount of the assessable property of the seven embarrassed Municipalities belonging to the second class, it is found that the annual assistance by loan (and no relief is proposed in this report except by way of loan) which, under this recommendation of your Committee, they might get from the Province, could not exceed \$35,000 (thirty-five thousand dollars), a sum considerably less than the annual interest on the amount at credit of "The Upper Canada Building Fund," which will this year, have increased to over a million of dollars.

All which, nevertheless, is respectfully submitted.

ISAAC BUCHANAN,
Chairman.

CONSOLIDATED MUNICIPAL LOAN FUND

UPPER CANADA.

Statement of Arrears of Interest at 8 per cent., including the last six months ended 31st December, 1861; also the Interest accrued on said Arrears, and Contingent Expenses to same date, due by the undermentioned Municipalities.

Statement shewing the Arrears due by the undermentioned Municipalities up to 31st December, 1861, on account of the 5 per cent. on the \$ imposed under 22 Vic. cap. 15.

CONSOLIDATED MUNICIPAL

STATEMENT of Arrears of Interest at 8 per. cent., including the last six months ended 31st December, 1861; also the Interest accrued on said arrears, and contingent Expenses to same date, due by the undermentioned Municipalities.

	Amount of Debentures issued.	Arrears of Interest at 8 p. c. to 31st Dec., 1861.	Interest accrued on arrears & contingent expenses to 31st Dec., 1861.	Total.	Amo'ts paid since.
Town of Port Hope	\$860,000 00	\$295,462 26	\$68,025 37	\$963,487 63	\$.....
Township of Hope	60,000 00	20,890 57	4,972 99	25,863 56	.....
Town of Niagara	280,000 00	127,959 82	21,014 20	148,974 02	.....
Town of Cobourg	500,000 00	259,813 27	33,608 34	313,426 61	.....
Village of Chippawa	26,000 00	8,037 22	1,205 41	9,242 63	934 03
County of Grey	16,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Township of Bertie	40,000 00	7,646 87	1,226 49	3,873 36	.....
Township of Brantford	50,000 00	2,359 00	69 11	2,428 11	.....
Town of Brantford	500,000 00	160,440 03	26,314 84	186,754 87	.....
Township of Wainfleet	20,000 00	1,359 39	86 98	1,446 37	1100 00
Township of Canboro'	8,000 00	320 00	10 80	330 80	320 00
Counties of Huron and Bruce	308,000 00	.....	39 00	39 00	.....
County of Perth	238,000 00	50,346 90	21,633 62	107,980 52	.....
Township of Moulton and Sherbrooke	20,000 00	.....	172 23	172 23	.....
Town of Paris	40,000 00	.....	11 70	11 70	.....
County of Oxford	200,000 00	95,255 41	18,155 86	113,411 27	.....
City of Ottawa	100,000 00	51,871 62	10,753 91	62,625 53	.....
Town of Prescott	48,000 00	3,840 00	149 10	3,989 10	2069 10
County of Lincoln	16,000 00	.....	23 39	23 39	.....
County of Lambton	5,000 00	64 37	.....	64 37	.....
Township of Middleton	100,000 00	78,935 47	11,786 25	90,721 72	.....
Town of St. Catharines	100,000 00	41,199 19	6,625 10	47,824 29	.....
Town of Woodstock	10,000 00	.....	31 04	31 04	.....
Township of Stanley	80,000 00	34,075 10	5,577 31	39,652 41	.....
Township of Woodhouse	200,000 00	87,038 00	14,470 96	101,508 96	.....
Township of Norwich	12,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Town of Cornwall	20,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Town of Belleville	460,000 00	14,431 46	9,029 42	23,460 88	2000 00
Counties of Northumberland and Durham	80,000 00	34,005 06	5,892 30	39,897 36	410 97
Township of Ops	80,000 00	.....	35 95	35 95	.....
County of Elgin	375,000 00	137,173 28	18,239 28	155,412 56	.....
City of London	100,000 00	43,108 10	7,143 56	50,251 66	.....
Township of Windham	100,000 00	44,737 50	7,539 49	52,276 99	.....
Town of Simcoe	800,000 00	265,910 27	40,278 89	306,189 16	.....
Counties of Lanark and Renfrew	400,000 00	161,799 24	25,632 77	187,432 01	5159 53
Town of Brockville	154,000 00	46,060 83	5,753 17	51,794 00	.....
Township of Elizabethtown	100,000 00	47,200 70	9,671 09	56,871 79	.....
Town of Stratford	100,000 00	29,548 73	5,626 13	35,174 86	.....
Town of Goderich	157,000 00	.....	212 88	212 88	.....
County of Hastings	32,000 00	.....	19 15	19 15	.....
County of Essex	12,000 00	2,322 23	242 46	2,564 69	.....
Town of Barrie	100,000 00	30,134 06	4,462 09	34,596 15	.....
Town of Chatham	52,000 00	19,223 30	2,567 21	21,790 51	.....
Town of Dundas	80,000 00	12,800 00	600 12	13,400 12	.....
Town of Guelph	100,000 00	24,062 52	3,181 60	27,244 12	1 40
Town of Peterboro'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	\$7,300,000 00	\$2,275,474 83	\$412,071 56	\$2,687,543 39	.....

N. B.—The account kept under the original Act accompanies this Statement in addition to what is asked for by Committee, in order to show how it happens that the 5 per cent. remittances under the late Act do not meet the Arrears in full.

Amount of Debentures issued	\$7,300,000
Deduct amount redeemed by Township of Moulton and Sherbrooke	\$3,200
do do do Middleton	2,000
	5,200

Leaving outstanding, on 31st December, 1861 \$7,294,800

LOAN FUND—UPPER CANADA.

STATEMENT shewing the Arrears due by the undermentioned Municipalities up to 31st December, 1861, on account of the 5 per cent. in the \$ imposed under 22 Vic., cap. 15.

Arrears of 5 cts. on the \$, due for 1859.	Arrears of 5 cts. on the \$, due for 1860.	Arrears of 5 cts. on the \$, due for 1861.	Total due on 31st December, 1861.	Remarks.
.....	\$6,125 34	\$6,125 34	\$12,250 68	.....
.....	3,084 05	3,084 05	6,168 10	.....
\$2,413 34	2,413 34	2,413 34	7,240 02	.....
.....	.....	6,761 20	6,761 30	.....
.....	.....	927 50	927 50	Pd. since 31st December, \$934 03.
.....	.....	Interest, 2,423 11	2,423 11	"5 cents" exceed annual charge.
.....	.....	Int. 1,446 37	1,446 37	Pd. since 31st December, \$1,100 00.
.....	.....	.....	18,396 10	.....
Bal. 6,162 90	13,557 52	14,881 00	34,602 02	.....
.....	2,413 45	2,438 90	4,852 35	.....
.....	.....	Int. 3,989 10	3,989 10	Pd. since 31st December, \$2,069 10.
.....
8,552 35	8,552 35	8,552 35	25,657 05	.....
3,891 70	3,891 70	3,891 70	11,675 10	.....
.....
2,715 60	2,715 60	2,715 60	8,146 80	.....
4,362 83	4,362 83	4,362 83	13,088 49	.....
.....
.....	.....	Int. 23,460 88	23,460 88	do do \$2,000 00.
Bal. 410 97	.....	1,187 01	1,597 98	do do 410 97.
.....
24,979 95	24,979 95	24,979 95	74,939 85	.....
2,330 10	2,143 46	2,219 92	6,693 48	.....
.....	1,794 94	1,794 94	5,384 82	.....
Bal. 11,701 56	.....	13,973 35	25,674 91	.....
.....	.....	5,159 52	5,159 52	do do \$5,159 52.
.....	.....	2,888 78	2,888 78	.....
.....	.....	2,947 15	2,947 15	.....
.....	.....	4,318 93	4,318 93	.....
.....
.....	886 29	905 24	1,791 53	.....
.....	.....	4,001 23	4,001 23	.....
4,286 73	4,286 73	4,286 73	12,860 19	.....
.....	5,843 20	5,953 75	11,796 95	.....
Bal. 1 40	.....	4,827 05	4,828 45	do do \$1 40.
.....	.....	.....	\$345,978 74	.....

N. B.—From information obtained at the Attorney General's Office, the Municipalities marked thus (?) have been sued by Government for the 5 per cent. due up to the year 1860, inclusive; and in one case only the amount sued for was recovered by the Sheriff and transmitted to this Office, say: that of Township of Ops, for \$410 97.

Town of Peterboro' transmitted \$2,435 40 before the Warrant was issued by the Sheriff.

RECEIVER GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Quebec, 16th May, 1862.

T. D. HARRINGTON,
D. R. G.

SIXTH REPORT

OF THE

Standing Committee on Contingencies.

Your Committee beg leave to submit, as their Sixth Report, the two accompanying Reports of the Sub-Committee on the contingent expenses of the Legislative Assembly, for the year ending 31st December, 1861, to which they request the concurrence of your Honorable House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HECTOR L. LANGEVIN,
Chairman.

Committee Room, 26th May, 1862.

The Sub-Committee appointed to examine the Books and Accounts of this House, beg leave to report.

The Accountant laid before your Committee the account current of the Clerk for the period commencing at the date of the last account current, viz: from 31st December, 1860, to 31st December, 1861, and find by the vouchers correct evidence of payment of the several sums included under the following heads:

Indemnity	\$83410 20
Salaries.....	64533 50
Extra Service.....	4440 00
Messengers and Labourers.....	10380 35
Expenses of Committees.....	940 90
Printing and Binding.....	19284 27
Stationery.....	9424 10
Postage and Telegraph.....	2086 36
Newspapers and Advertising.....	3979 21
Tradesmen <i>et. al.</i>	2372 05
Pensions	840 00
Library	6548 95
Insurance	2164 15
Water, Fuel, and Gas	1519 24
Miscellaneous.....	2233 26

\$214,156 54

Your Committee would further report that the amount acknowledged to have been received within the above period is correct, being, with the balance of \$29,752 44 in the hands of the Clerk according to the last audit, \$237,028 29, leaving a balance to the credit of the House on the 1st January, 1862, of \$22,871 75.

The Books of Accounts appear to be correctly kept, as shewn by the accompanying balance sheet.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN ROSE,
Chairman, Sub-Committee.

Committee Room, 5th May, 1862.

Balance Sheet of the Books of the Legislative Assembly to the 31st December, 1861.

	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Cash.....	22,871 75	
Legislative Assembly.....		22,871 75
Salaries.....		8,108 56
Pay List of amount still due on advance by Officers and Servants.....	8,108 56	
	\$ 30,980 31	30,980 31

JOSHUA STANSFELD,
Book-keeper.

ACCOUNTANT'S OFFICE,
Legislative Assembly,
Quebec, 31st December, 1861.

ACCOUNT CURRENT of the Clerk, William Burns Lindsay, Esq., of the amount received and disbursed by him for Contingencies of the Legislative Assembly of Canada, from 31st December, 1860, to 31st December, 1861.

RECEIPTS.		Amount of Payments in full for 1861.	
		Vouchers.	
		\$	cts.
1861.	To Balance on hand from last Audit.....	29,752	44
January 1.	Amount of Warrant on account of Address of 9th May, 1860.....	23,000	00
March.....	Do do Indemnity to Members.....	30,000	00
April 4th.....	Balance of Address, 9th May, 1860.....	20,418	48
May.....	Amount of Warrant on account of Indemnity to Members.....	30,000	00
	Do do do.....	23,500	00
	On account of Address, 8th May, 1861.....	76,169	08
June.....	Amount received from A. Todd, on 31 Private Bills, \$60 each.....	1,860	00
	Amount received for printing the same.....	323	93
	Interest from Savings' Bank on above.....	4	36
	Total.....	\$237,028	29
1861.	To Balance on hand.....	\$22,871	75
January 1..			

(E. E.)

THOMAS VAUX,
Accountant.

Accountant's Office,
Legislative Assembly, Quebec, 31st December, 1861.

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk of Assembly.

JOHN ROSE, *Chairman Sub-Committee.*
THOMAS C. STREET,
T. J. J. LORANGER,
C. B. DE BOUCHERVILLE,
F. ZÉP. TASSÉ, and
A. HOOPER.

The Sub-Committee on the Books and Accounts of the past year, beg to make their SECOND REPORT on the reference back to theirs, under date the 6th May instant.

They have had under their consideration the various items of payments made.

The following are found to be correct, and are authorized either by Law or have been shewn to be necessarily incurred, and in respect of them no recommendation or special observations are considered necessary:—

Indemnity to Members.....	\$83,410 20
Postage and Telegraphs.....	2,086 36
Newspapers and Advertising..	3,979 21
Tradesmen.....	2,372 05
Pensions.....	840 00
Library.....	6,548 95
Insurance.....	2,164 15
Water, Fuel, and Gas.....	1,519 24

Item No. 6, on Printing and Binding, \$19,284 27, has been referred to the Sub-Committee of the two Houses on that subject, with the vouchers therefor.

Item No. 7, Stationery, \$9,424 10,—your Committee have caused the details of these accounts to be examined by Messrs. *Brousseau* and *Sinclair*, and submit their report thereon.

On the following items they have to report specially, to wit:—

Item No. 2, Salaries.....	\$64,533 50
“ 3, Extra Service.....	4,440 00
“ 4, Messengers and Labourers.....	10,380 35
“ 15, Miscellaneous.....	2,233 26

These charges should more properly be considered by the Joint Committee, on whom will devolve the duty of examining the whole subject of the expenditure and of considering what reductions, if any, can be effected.

For this reason they have deferred any special consideration of this important question.

They have, however, prepared and herewith submit a series of questions; on which they recommend the report of the heads of various Departments of the Legislature should be obtained.

In connection with this subject, the Sub-Committee, in investigating the several items before them, have found considerable embarrassment to arise from the fact that the powers of the Contingent Committee are not sufficiently defined; and they would recommend to its consideration and that of the Joint Committee, whether its authority and duties, and the power of subjecting expenditure to the control either of that Committee or of some responsible head, should not be determined by Resolution of the two Houses. A large part of the expenditure is incurred on the authority of various officers, and the duty of the Committee in respect of such items is confined to mere audit of the payments which have been made.

In making these observations, they do not intend to trench on the duties which more properly appertain to the General Joint Committee.

JOHN ROSE,
Chairman.

SERIES OF QUESTIONS.

That the Heads of each Department be called to report on and answer the following queries:—

1. How many officers, clerks, or other persons there are in the Department to which he belongs?
2. What their respective duties, salaries, and emoluments are?
3. Whether they are empowered to disburse or certify the disbursement of any moneys?

4. Whether they are fully employed during the Session and out of the Session ?
5. Whether the services of any of the persons so employed could be dispensed with, or could be satisfactorily transferred to some other Office or Department ?
6. Whether any reduction could properly be made in the salaries ?
7. Could any improved system be adopted for lessening the labour, or the consequent charges on the public for its performance ?
8. Can you suggest any plan by which the expenses of the House, as well general as contingent, could be reduced without impairing the efficiency of the Service ?
9. Does there exist in your mind a proper system of checks and control relative to the outlay of money and incurring of charges for contingent expenses ?
10. Also with reference to the employment of extra clerks and messengers, and extra services generally ?
11. Whether the supply of articles of necessary use in the various Departments, as well of the Legislature as of the Government, might not be procured better by one officer or controller, whose duty it should be to obtain them on the most advantageous terms, who should be responsible, as well to the Legislature as the Government, for the proper and efficient execution of his duties ?

And finally, is it your opinion, that under the present system any retrenchment can be effected ; if so, specify in what particulars ; if not, give your reasons fully, and can you suggest any change of system which might be adopted with advantage to the public interests, keeping in view, as the first consideration, the efficient performance of the Service ?

JOHN ROSE,
Chairman.

QUEBEC, May 23rd, 1862.

The undersigned having been appointed to examine the Stationery Accounts of the Legislative Assembly, beg leave to report that they have looked carefully over all the Invoices for 1861, laid before them, and found all charges reasonable.

All which is respectfully submitted.

P. SINCRAIR,
LEGER BROUSSEAU.

To Hon. JOHN ROSE,
Chairman of Sub-Committee on Contingencies,
Legislative Assembly.

REPORT

OF THE

Select Standing Committee

OF

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

ORDERED TO BE PRINTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.



QUEBEC:

PRINTED BY HUNTER, ROSE & LEMIEUX, ST. URSULE STREET.

1862.

REPORT.

The Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, beg leave to present the following as their

THIRD REPORT.

Your Committee regret that, from the peculiar circumstances which have marked the present Session, they have been unable to devote to the duty referred to them, the time and attention requisite to a complete examination of the extensive and, in many instances, complicated transactions embraced in the Public Accounts of this Province.

The enquiries of Your Committee, into the actual condition of the debt of the Province and into the state of the annual revenue and expenditure for some years past, have, however, been comprehensive enough to place these important subjects in their true light.

Your Committee annex hereto all the evidence bearing upon the topics to which their enquiries have been directed, and regret to feel it their duty to direct the attention of Your Honorable House to that portion of it which relates to the contingencies of the Public Departments. The utter want of any satisfactory check upon either the quantity, the quality, or the prices of the supplies ordered, is deeply to be deplored and surely can only need to be pointed out in order that an efficient remedy may be at once applied.

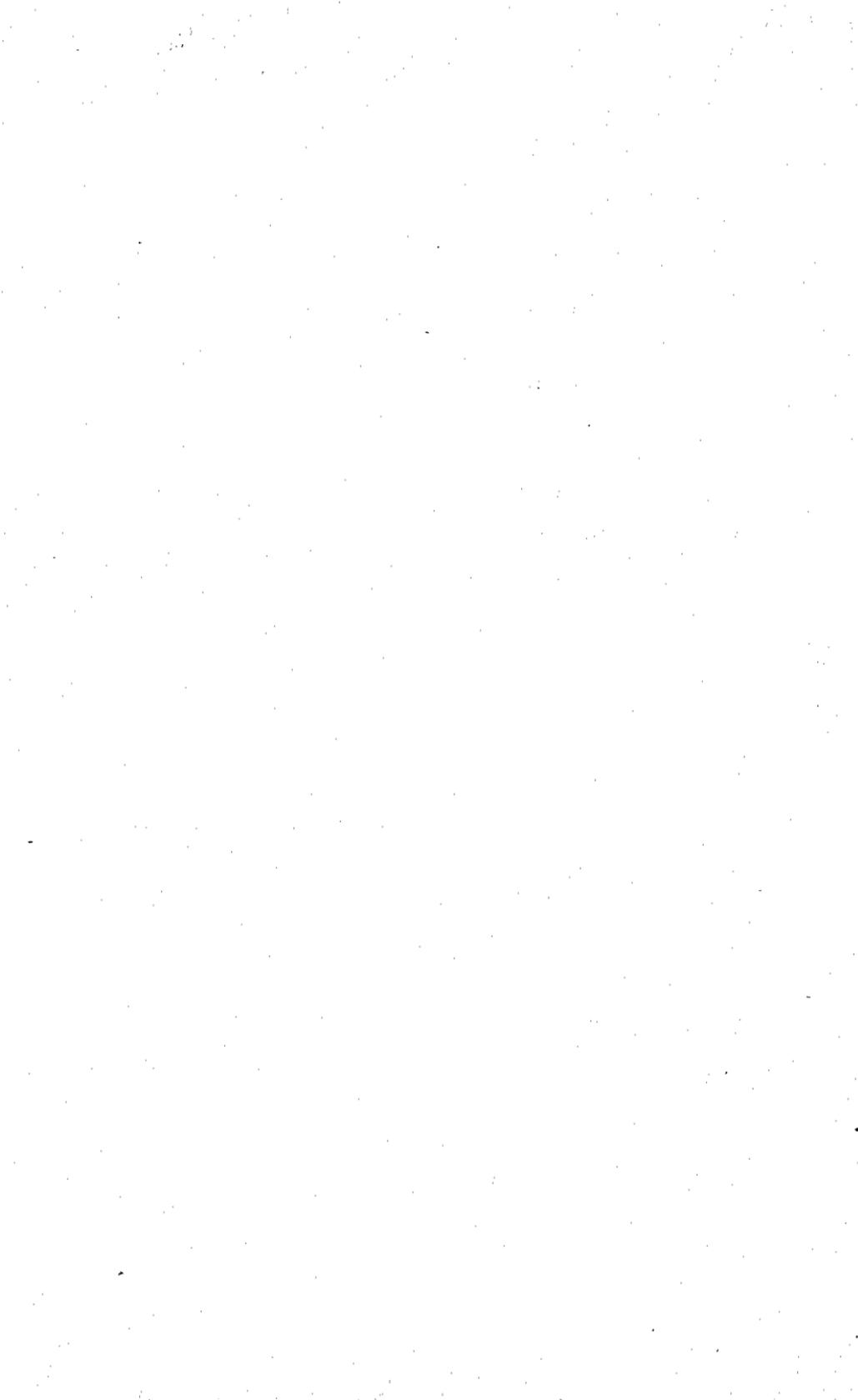
The whole nevertheless, humbly submitted.

(Signed,)

JOHN SIMPSON,

Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM, }
Legislative Assembly, June 6th, 1862. }



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
FRIDAY, 21st March, 1862.

Resolved,—That Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session be appointed for the following purposes:—

1. On Privileges and Elections.
2. On Expiring Laws.
3. On Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.
4. On Miscellaneous Private Bills.
5. On Standing Orders.
6. On Printing.
7. On Contingencies.
8. On the Public Accounts ;
which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to them by the House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon ; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Thursday, 24th April, 1862.

Ordered,—That the

HON. MR. GALT,
HON. MR. FOLEY,
HON. MR. J. S. MACDONALD.
HON. MR. DRUMMOND,
MR. DESAULNIERS,
MR. MORRISON,
MR. DUNKIN,
MR. SIMARD,
MR. McDUGALL,
MR. CHAPAIS,
MR. POPE,
MR. HOWLAND,
MR. BENJAMIN,
MR. LEBOUTILLIER,
MR. WHITE,
MR. JACKSON,
MR. DUNSFORD,
MR. SIMPSON,
MR. JOBIN,
MR. BUCHANAN,
MR. STARNES,
MR. STREET, and
MR. HAULTAIN,

do compose the said Committee on Public Accounts.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY, Jr.,
Deputy Clerk

THADDEUS PATRICK, Esq.,
Clerk to Committee.

ORDER OF REFERENCE.

MONDAY, 28th April, 1862.

Ordered,—That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to seven Members.

Ordered,—That the Public Accounts for the year 1861 be referred to the said Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE

ON

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE ROOM,

Monday, 28th April, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET FOR ORGANIZATION.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

Mr. GEORGE BENJAMIN, ✓
 Mr. CHAPAIS,
 Mr. DESAULNIERS, ✓
 Hon. Mr. DRUMMOND, ✓
 Hon. Mr. GALT, ✓
 Mr. DUNKIN, ✓
 Mr. HAULTAIN, ✓
 Mr. JACKSON, ✓
 Mr. JOBIN, ✓
 Mr. LE BOUTILLIER, ✓
 Mr. POPE, ✓
 Mr. STREET, and ✓
 Mr. WHITE. ✓

The Honorable Mr. *Galt* moved, seconded by Mr. *White*, that Mr. *Benjamin* do take the Chair of the Committee.—*Carried.*

Ordered, That the Chairman do report to the House recommending the reduction of their Quorum to seven members.

Adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Friday, 2nd May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

GEORGE BENJAMIN, Esq., CHAIRMAN.
 Mr. BUCHANAN,
 Mr. CHAPAIS,
 Mr. DESAULNIERS,

Mr. DUNSFORD,
 Mr. HAULTAIN,
 Mr. HOWLAND,
 Mr. JOBIN,
 Mr. LE BOUTILLIER,
 Hon. Mr. J. S. MACDONALD,
 Mr. MORRISON,
 Mr. McDOUGALL,
 Mr. SIMARD,
 Mr. SIMPSON,
 Mr. STARNES,
 Mr. STREET, and
 Mr. WHITE.

Mr. *Benjamin* requested permission to resign the Chair of the Committee in consequence of his various duties on other Committees.

Which was acceded, and

On motion of Mr. *Starnes*, seconded by Mr. *Street*, *John Simpson*, Esquire, was elected Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Starnes*, it was *Resolved*, That Mr. *Langton*, the Auditor of the Public Accounts, be summoned to attend before the Committee, on Monday next, at 11 o'clock, A. M., and that the course of the Committee will be to take in order the Revenue and Expenditure of the Province.

The Committee adjourned until Monday next, at 12 o'clock, noon.

Monday, 5th May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, ESQ., CHAIRMAN.
 Mr. BENJAMIN,
 Mr. BUCHANAN,
 Hon. Mr. DRUMMOND,
 Mr. DUNSFORD,
 Hon. Mr. FOLEY,
 Mr. HAULTAIN,
 Mr. HOWLAND,
 Mr. JOBIN,
 Mr. MORRISON,
 Mr. McDOUGALL,
 Mr. SIMARD,
 Mr. STARNES,
 Mr. STREET, and
 Mr. WHITE.

Mr. *Langton*, Auditor of the Public Accounts, attended in obedience to the order of the Committee of Friday last

Ordered, That the Clerk do require the attendance of *R. S. M. Bouchette* and *Thomas Worthington*, Esquires, before the Committee to-morrow, at the hour of 11 o'clock, a. m.

On motion of Mr. *McDougall*, it was

Ordered, That *W. H. Griffin*, Esquire, Deputy Post Master General, be summoned to attend before the Committee at 11 o'clock a. m., on Wednesday next, with a statement in detail of the amount paid to each of the Railways in Canada, per mile per annum, for carrying the mails, and the orders in Council or the agreements under which the said Railways respectively have been paid. The statement to show the facts for each year since the establishment of the said Railways.

Adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Tuesday, 6th May, 1862

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. BUCHANAN,
Mr. CHAPAIS,
Hon. Mr. DRUMMOND,
Mr. DUNSFORD,
Hon. Mr. GALT,
Mr. HAULTAIN,
Mr. SIMARD, and
Mr. STARNES,

Messrs. *Bouchette* and *Worthington* were in attendance in obedience to the order of the Committee.

The Committee, in the absence of their Chairman, adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Wednesday, 7th May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET

MEMBERS PRESENT:

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN

Mr. BUCHANAN,
Mr. CHAPAIS,
Mr. DUNSFORD,
Hon. Mr. FOLEY,
Hon. Mr. GALT,
Mr. DUNKIN,
Mr. JOBIN,
Mr. McDUGALL,
Mr. SIMARD,
Mr. STARNES,
Mr. STREET, and
Mr. WHITE

John Langton, Esquire, Auditor of Public Accounts, was in attendance during the sitting of the Committee.

R. S. M. Bouchette, Esquire, appeared, and was permitted to retire, to appear again when the Committee should require his attendance.

Thomas Worthington, Esquire, appeared, and was examined.

The following *Questions*, in writing, were put to witness :

[By Mr. *White*.]

Ques. 1. "What is the principle adopted by the Department in deciding the salaries of officers in the collection of Custom Duties?"

Ques. 2. "Can you state why the expenses of collecting the sum of \$1,942.75 at Dunnville, cost the sum of \$1,973.12, \$30.47 more than collected?"

[By Mr. *McDougall*.]

Ques. 3. Please furnish the Committee with a statement of the case of Mr. *Hibbert*, a distiller of Oshawa. The charge against him. The facts proved. What amount was found deficient, and how the matter was finally disposed of.

Permission was granted to witness to send his replies to the above questions, in writing, to-morrow.

Adjourned until 11 o'clock A. M., to-morrow.

Thursday, 8th May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, ESQ., CHAIRMAN.

Mr. DESAULNIERS,
Mr. DUNSFORD, and
Mr. MORRISON.

The Clerk adjourned the Committee for want of a Quorum, until 11 o'clock, A. M. to-morrow

The Chairman then directed the Clerk to notify the Committee to meet to-morrow, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Friday, 9th May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, ESQ., CHAIRMAN.

Mr. BUCHANAN,
Mr. CHAPAIS,
Mr. DESAULNIERS,

Mr. DUNSFORD,
 Mr. HOWLAND,
 Mr. JACKSON,
 Mr. McDOUGALL,
 Mr. POPE,
 Mr. SIMARD,
 Mr. STARNES,
 Mr. STREET, and
 Mr. WHITE.

John Langton, Esquire, was in attendance.

Mr. *Worthington* handed in his answers to Questions 1, 2, and 3.

Ans. to Ques. 1. On the principle of the Civil Service Act, having reference at the same time to length of service and competency, situation and importance of the Port of Entry, combined with the nature, description and amount of duty, to be performed.

Ans. to Ques. 2. The expenses of collection at the Port of Dunnville, are consequent upon leave of absence being given to the Collector, on the ground of severe bodily affliction and old age. The Collector has been in the Customs service thirty-eight years, and is now seventy years of age.

Ans. to Ques. 3. The papers in this case being on record in the Court, I can only answer to the best of my knowledge and belief from memory. The charge was for making fraudulent returns or entries in the Distillery Book of the quantity of spirits produced daily. The facts are mainly admitted as being substantially correct. The deficiency was in the quantity of spirits returned or entered. I do not recollect the quantity, but my impression is that it was not ascertained. The matter was disposed of by a fine of One Thousand Dollars, (*vide* Public Accounts, page 34, Return No. 11½). The balance of \$250 was paid to the Revenue Inspector as his proportion of the fine, for the information which led to the discovery of the fraud.

W. H. Griffin, Esquire, appeared and handed in the following statement, agreeable to the order of the Committee on Monday last.

STATEMENT in detail of the amount paid to each of the Railways in Canada per Mile per Annum for carrying the Mails since the establishment of the said Railways, and of the Orders in Council or agreements under which the said Railways respectively have been paid, shewing the facts for each year.

An Order in Council, under the provisions of the General Railway Act, was passed in September, 1858, determining the rate to be paid for Railway Mail Service at \$30 per Annum per Mile of Railway for a service once a day each way by Day Train, and at \$40 per Annum per Mile for service by a Night Train.

A copy of this Order is appended.

All Canadian Railways, with the exception of the Grand Trunk and Great Western, for the period of service anterior to the date of the Order in Council, and of the Montreal and Rouse's Point Railway, existing previous to the date of the General Railway Act, have been paid for Mail Service in each year in conformity to the rates directed by the Order in Council.

For the Mail service performed prior to the date of the Order in Council, the Grand Trunk Railway has been paid at the rate of \$110 per mile of Railway per annum, and the Great Western at the rate of \$100 per mile, being the rates respectively demanded by those

Roads, supported as regards the Grand Trunk by the alleged assent of the Postmaster General for the time being to a minute of the Grand Trunk Railway Board of Directors, dated 17th August, 1853, specifying that rate as the amount the Company was willing to accept. Subsequently both Roads have been credited for Mail Service performed, at the rates of the Order in Council, equivalent, in each case, to \$70 per mile per annum, for a service twice each way, every 24 hours, once by Day Train and once by Night Train.

The only Road not considered to fall under the operation of the Order in Council is the Montreal and Rouse's Point Railway (dating prior to the General Railway Act), to which the payment for Mail Service has continued unaltered for a long series of years, commencing before any other Railway was undertaken in the Province, the amount does not vary materially from the rates of the Order in Council, the payment being equivalent to a rate of about \$36 a mile for each daily service.

The total payments for Railway Mail service have been as follows from 1851 inclusive.

Year ended March, 1852.	Year ended March, 1854.	Year ended March, 1855.	Year ended 31st March, 1856.	Year ended 30th Sept., 1857.	Year ended 30th Sept., 1858.	Year ended 30th Sept., 1859.	Year ended 30th Sept., 1860.	Year ended 30th Sept., 1861.
\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Montreal & Lake Champlain.....	4307 00	3695 65	6150 50	7817 50	6657 06	9402 00	6128 50	6078 50
St. Lawrence & Atlantic.....	600 00	563 33	2206 66					6098 50
Northern Railway (Toronto & Collingwood).....		468 14		6000 00	10400 00	3200 00		3402 50
Great Western.....		2291 00		8000 00	16000 00	833 31		24150 00*
Grand Trunk.....		16000 00	10235 00	48000 00	\$2048 00	50 00		78000 00
Ottawa and Prescott.....		600 00	2400 00	600 00				9940 00
Eric and Ontario.....		1028 00	2600 00	1922 00		753 00		135 00
Cobourg and Peterboro'.....		500 00	1000 00	1000 00				884 55
Industry and Lanaric.....		50 00		50 00		30 00		
Buffalo, Brant and Goderich.....			5600 00					4830 00
London and Pt. Stanley.....				960 00		960 00		960 00
Lindsay, Port Hope and Peterboro'.....								
Brookville and Ottawa.....						838 83		2190 00
St. Johns, C. E., and Granby.....								500 00
Quebec and Rivière du Loup (Lessees).....								712 50
								900 00
								1732 50

* Note. In addition to these sums paid the Great Western and Grand Trunk Railway in 1861, for the service of that year, the arrears due by the Post Office to those Roads for Mail conveyance to 31st December, 1860, including payment at the rate of \$110 per mile to the Grand Trunk, and \$100 per mile to the Great Western up to date of Order in Council, of September, 1858, were on 23rd January, 1861, transferred to the credit of those Roads with the Receiver General.

To Grand Trunk arrears to 31st December, 1860. \$118,144 89
 To Great Western do. \$143,747 08

W. H. GRIFFIN,
 D'y Postmaster General

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
 Quebec, 8th May, 1862.

COPY of a REPORT of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive Council, dated 10th September, 1858, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the 17th September, 1858.

On a Report dated 18th June, 1858, from the Honorable the Postmaster General, submitting for the consideration of your Excellency in Council that it is highly expedient that some definite and authoritative settlement should be had of the rate of compensation to be awarded to Railway Lines throughout the Province for the transport of the Mails, and stating that he is of opinion that the following rates should be adopted.

First—For a service once a day each way by travelling Post Office, fitted up for the purposes of the Mail, and occupying the space of one-third of an ordinary Car :—

Forty Dollars per mile of Railway per annum for a night train.

Thirty Dollars per mile of a Railway per annum for a day train.

Second—For Mails sent by Railway as ordinary Baggage or Freight, in charge of Company's or Post Office Guard, and without travelling Post Office :—

When not exceeding two cwt. in weight, two cents per single train per mile.

Third—Any additional number of daily or nightly trips or excess of accommodation required for the travelling Post Office over and above the third of a Car under the first clause, or of weight of Mails sent under the second—to be paid for in proportion at the rates therein named.

The Postmaster General believes that the rates above recommended, carrying an average advance of 75 per cent upon rates for other description of freight, may fairly be held to include a sufficient compensation for the advantage given to the public in the transport of the Mails by the more speedy trains (passenger trains).

The Committee recommend the adoption of the Report of the Postmaster General.

Certified.

(Signed)

WM. H. LEE,

C. E. C.

On motion of Mr. *McDougall*, it was

Ordered, "That the proper persons be summoned before the Committee, to explain in detail the expenditure in the several public departments under the head of Contingencies."

On motion of Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, "That the accounts in detail of the amounts paid the Queen's Printer, in "unprovided items," be laid before the Committee."

On motion of the *Chairman*, it was

Ordered, "That Mr. *Langton* state to the Committee the names of the Creditors of the Province for Sterling Loan Account, and the rate of interest paid for it, and also the rate of interest paid the London Agents for Balances, and also the Balance due Government on the sales of Crown Lands."

Adjourned until Monday next, at 10 o'clock; A. M.

Monday, 12th May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, ESQ., CHAIRMAN.

Mr BENJAMIN,
Mr. CHAPAIS,
Mr. DESAULNIERS,
Mr. DUNSFORD,
Hon. Mr FOLEY,
Mr. HAULTAIN,
Mr. HOWLAND,
Mr. JACKSON,
Mr. JOBIN,
Hon. Mr. J. S. MACDONALD,
Mr. MCDOUGALL,
Mr. POPE,
Mr. SIMARD,
Mr. STARNES,
Mr. STREET, and
Mr. WHITE,

John Langton, Esquire, was in attendance.

W. Ford, Esquire, of the Crown Land Department, and *J. Baine*, Esquire, of the Department of Public Works, were present in obedience to summons of Committee.

On motion of Mr. *McDougall*,

Ordered, That Mr. *Langton* do furnish the Committee with a statement, showing the gross amount charged for contingencies in each of the Public Departments for each year since 1852, inclusive, classified under the different heads.

On motion of Mr. *Howland*,

Ordered, That Mr. *Langton* do furnish the Committee with a comparative statement of the total annual Revenue and Expenditure of the Province since 1855 and inclusive of that year, distinguishing the different sources of each, but omitting therefrom all receipts on account of Loans. Also a statement of payments and receipts on account of Loans as a distinct statement.

Mr. *Langton* was further Examined]

[By Mr. *McDougall*.]

Ques. 4. The Committee observe that in answer to the Public Accounts Committee of 1858, Mr. *Harrington* stated that he exercised no control on the expenditure for contingencies, but paid such as he was "ordered," and "two or three years after the Union, the Heads of Departments began to obtain separate orders in Council for themselves, which increased the amount." Has there been any change of system since?

Ques. 5. Is there any check in your Department on this Expenditure?

Ques. 6. Can you suggest any means of preventing the large increase in expenditure under the head of Contingencies?

Witness was allowed to send his replies in writing.
And then he withdrew.

W. Ford, Esquire, Accountant, Crown Lands Department, Examined.

Witness handed in to the Committee Contingent Accounts for Printing and Stationery of the Crown Lands Department, of Messrs. *Desbarats & Derbshire*, *S. B. Foote*, *A. Coté*, and *Thompson & Co.*, for the year 1861.

[By Mr. *Starnes*.]

Ques. 7. Up to what period do these accounts extend?—*Ans.* 31st December, 1861.

Ques. 8. Has there been any Stationery furnished to the Department by Mr. *S. B. Foote*, since the sum of \$11,567 '88 has been paid, and by whose authority?—*Ans.* There has. But I cannot state by whose authority.

On motion of Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the account of such Stationery be procured, and produced to this Committee?

[By Mr. *McDougall*.]

Ques. 9. Under whose authority are purchases of Stationery, Printing, &c. made, and other contingent expenses incurred in your Department?—*Ans.* The Assistant Commissioner.

[By Mr. *Jackson*.]

Ques. 10. Is it the duty of any Officer of the Government to check or regulate the charges for Contingencies in your Department, and if so, whose?—*Ans.* I think it is the duty of Mr. *Ross*, the Clerk of Contingencies. His appointment dates back, I think, to the year 1857.

[By Mr. *Howland*.]

Ques. 11. Can you furnish the Committee with a copy of the account as furnished for the item of \$7,220 paid *Derbshire & Desbarats*?

Ordered,—That witness procure such statement of account, for the Committee.

On motion of Mr. *White*, it was

Ordered,—That *Andrew Russell*, Esquire, Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands, be summoned to appear before the Committee to-morrow.

On motion of the *Chairman*, it was

Odered,—That witness supply the Committee with copies of the different forms, printed by Mr. *Foote*, of which the number exceeded 1,000—so far as they can be furnished, and also with samples of the following goods, furnished by Mr. *Foote* :—

<i>Plain Foolscap</i> , charged	\$12 per ream.
<i>Note Paper</i> "	4 "
<i>Envelopes</i> "	10 a 1000.
<i>Hand Made Foolscap</i>	\$13 per ream.
<i>Note Paper</i> "	5 "
<i>Sealing Wax</i> "	6 per box.

<i>Red Tape,</i>	charged	.....	18 per gross
<i>Swan Quills</i>	"	.....	12 per 100.
<i>Pen Holders</i>	"	.....	2 per doz.
<i>Pencils</i>	"	.....	1 50 p'r doz.
<i>Pens</i>	"	.....	2 per box.
<i>Penknives</i>	"	.....	4 each
<i>Buff Envelopes</i>	"	.....	15 per 1000
<i>Bottles of Black Ink</i>	"	.....	2 each
<i>Quart Mucilage</i>	"	.....	12
<i>Vesta Matches</i>	"	.....	3 per box.
<i>White Blotting Paper</i>	"	.....	12 per ream.
<i>Inkstands</i>	"	.....	4 each.

On motion of the *Chairman*,

Ordered,—That witness do furnish copies of the notices printed by Mr. *Coté*, where, in each case the number exceeded 1000, and that he also do furnish samples and copies of the items charged in *Thompson's* account.

Adjourned until to-morrow, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Tuesday, 13th May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

JOHN SIMPSON, ESQ., CHAIRMAN.

Mr. BUCHANAN,
 Mr. CHAPAIS
 Mr. DESAULNIERS,
 Mr. DUNSFORD,
 Hon. Mr. FOLEY,
 Mr. HAULTAIN,
 Mr. JACKSON,
 Hon. Mr. J. S. MACDONALD,
 Mr. McDUGALL,
 Mr. POPE,
 Mr. SINARD,
 Mr. STARNES,
 Mr. STREET, and
 Mr. WHITE.

Andrew Russell, Esquire, Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands, appeared in obedience to order of Committee.

In conformity with the order of yesterday, the samples of articles furnished by Mr. *S. B. Foote*, to the Crown Lands Department, were laid before the Committee.

Andrew Russell, Esquire, was then Examined

[By the *Chairman*,]

Ques. 12. In what manner and by whom, are the articles of stationery required in

your Department, ordered; is any agreement made with the parties furnishing supplies as to the prices they should charge, and how are such articles distributed among the officers of the Department?—*Ans.* Since the passing of the order in Council of the 4th of June, 1858, the articles of Stationery required in the Department have been procured by requisitions addressed to Mr. *Thomas Ross*, Accountant of the Contingencies. These requisitions are prepared by the heads of the respective Branches, and submitted for approval and signed by the Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner. The accounts are sent to the Department, and examined by the heads of the Branches, who initial the articles they have received in detail. The account is then certified by the Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner and returned to Mr. *Ross* for payment. I am not aware whether any agreement is made by the Accountant of Contingencies with the parties furnishing supplies as to the prices. With reference to the prices, I beg to submit a copy of a letter I addressed to the Auditor General on the subject, to which I have not yet received a reply. When any unusual article of furniture or stationery is required, I require an estimate of the cost to be procured, previous to signing the requisition. The articles of stationery are handed to the heads of the branches.

Copy of letter above referred to

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT,
ACCOUNTANTS' BRANCH,
Quebec, 5th January, 1861.

SIR,—I beg to submit Mr. *Foote's* account for Stationery and Printing for the quarter ending 31st ult., with a view to ascertaining how such accounts should be audited previous to certifying them for payment by Mr. *Ross*, as none of the employés of this Department have the requisite knowledge of the Stationery or Printing business to enable them to perform the duty.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed,

ANDREW RUSSELL,
Assistant Commissioner.

John Langton, Esq.,
Auditor of Public Accounts,
&c., &c., &c.

[By the *Chairman.*]

Ques. 13. Are the articles produced fair samples of those mentioned in the memorandum named to Mr. *Ford*, and are the prices affixed to them those which have been paid by the Department? *Ans.*—I think they are. Yet, as the articles have been got from time to time and used, I cannot speak with certainty. I have no copies of the accounts, so cannot reply as to the prices. They can be seen in the accounts.

[By Mr. *White.*]

Ques. 14. In what manner has the Printing for your Department been performed, and by whom, and if tendered for during the past year?—*Ans.* The Printing has been done by the *Queen's Printer*, Mr. *Foote*, Mr. *Coté*, Mr. *Cary*, and *Hunter, Rose & Co*, on requisition, in the same manner as the Stationery. I am not aware whether the Accountant of Contingencies received any tenders. None were sent to the Department.

Ques. 15. Have you received from Mr. *S. B. Foote* a quantity of Stationery and material for your Department for the current year, and if so, who ordered the same, and when, and whether the quantity furnished, is it in advance of the requirements, and also whether it is usual to have on hand so large a stock as at present?—*Ans.* About the middle of March last we received a quantity of Stationery from Mr. *S. B. Foote*. It was ordered by the Commissioner in October last. The Commissioner thought it better to

take a large amount, to save the trouble of constant application. The quantity furnished in advance of the requirements is larger than usual.

[By Hon. Mr. *Foley*.]

Ques. 16. By what authority were these accounts of Mr. *Foote's* paid, and by whom audited before payment? Describe the usual mode of presenting, auditing, and paying such accounts, and how done, with respect to these accounts?—*Ans.* Mr. *Foote's* accounts were examined and certified in the same manner as the others; and as to the mode, I beg to refer to my answer to the first question.

On motion of Mr. *White*, it was

Ordered, That Mr. *Thomas Ross*, Accountant of Contingencies, be summoned to appear before this Committee forthwith.

[By Mr. *White*.]

Ques. 17. Is it true that the quantity of Stationery supplied by Mr. *Foote* lately did not create alarm for the stability of the building, when stored in your Department? and did you not find it necessary to obtain the services of competent persons to inspect the building as to its security, and what was the result of such inspection?—*Ans.* When certain repairs were made on the building some years ago, it was ascertained that the joists were in places much injured by dry rot, and as we have not space in the lower part of the building for many heavy cases containing old records, they have been placed in the attics; and shortly after we took possession of the building the floors sunk a little, and we had the building examined by an officer of the Department of Public Works, who was of opinion that the partitions would sustain the floors from further sinking, but the clerks are not without apprehension as to the safety of the floors, and one of them did express his alarm at the addition of the Stationery received from Mr. *Foote*. I examined the room, and did not think it necessary to request an inspection.

On motion of Mr. *Street*, it was

Ordered, That the proceedings of the Committee, up to the present time, be printed, and that henceforth the further proceedings be daily printed for the use of the Members of the Committee.

[By Colonel *Haultain*.]

Ques. 18. When recommending or sanctioning the payment of Mr. *Foote's* bill, did you draw the attention of the Commissioner of the Department to the character of the charges made?—*Ans.* When Mr. *Foote* sent in his first account, I drew the attention of the Commissioner to the fact that some of his charges were higher than those of the Queen's Printer, and suggested that as none of the employes have the requisite knowledge of the Stationery and Printing business to enable them to audit the account, I should be allowed to submit the account and the question of audit to the Auditor of Public Accounts, which he approved, and I accordingly wrote the letter referred to in my answer to the first question.

Ques. 19. Can you state when Mr. *Foote*, the proprietor of the *Morning Chronicle*, first commenced supplying the Departments with Stationery?—*Ans.* In November, 1860.

Thomas Ross, Esquire, Paymaster of Contingencies, called in and Examined.

[By Mr. *White*.]

Ques. 20. When were you appointed to audit the accounts of the various Departments, and under what authority, and what are your duties?—I was appointed in June, 1858, Paymaster of the Contingencies, under the authority of an Order of Council. I never had

any authority given to me to audit accounts. My duties are simply to pay the accounts when they have been certified to me for payment, by the head or deputy head of the different Departments.

Ques. 21. Are you aware that any further supply of Stationery has been ordered to Mr. *Foote*, and for what Departments, and by whose authority?—*Ans.* I have paid one account, since January last, in favor of Mr. *Foote*, for the sum of \$3248, certified by Mr. *Russell* of the Crown Lands Department. No orders have been passed through my hands.

[By Mr. *McDougall*.]

Ques. 22. Mr. *Russell* has informed the Committee that requisitions for Stationery, &c., are addressed to you. Will you explain how this is?—*Ans.* A rule existed for some time that all requisitions for Stationery, &c., should be transmitted to me. It was simply to prevent subordinates in the public service from ordering articles required, except through the Deputy Head of each Department. No discretion was left to me as to whom the requisition should be sent, as on the face of them was written, that the article was to be obtained from "*The Queen's Printer*," "*A. Colé*," or "*S. B. Footé*," as the case might be. The system has fallen into disuse in the service. The Crown Lands Department continued it in its integrity the longest, but latterly it has broken the rule in very many instances.

On motion of Mr. *McDougall*, it was

Ordered, That witness do furnish the Committee with a statement of the total amount paid up to this date to Mr. *Foote* for Stationery, Printing, &c., for the various Departments.

The witness then withdrew.

Ordered, That the Clerk do request the attendance of *Fennings Taylor*, Esquire Deputy Clerk and Clerk's Assistant of the Legislative Council; *Henry Hartney*, Esquire, Assistant Chief Office Clerk, Legislative Assembly; *Robert Hunter*, Esquire, of the firm of *Hunter, Rose & Co.*, Printers to the Legislative Assembly; and *Andrew Russell*, Esquire, Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands, before the Committee, on to-morrow at half past 10 o'clock A.M.

Adjourned until to-morrow at half past 10 o'clock, A. M.

Wednesday, 14th May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, ESQ., CHAIRMAN

Mr. BUCHANAN,
Mr. CHAPAIS,
Hon. Mr. DRUMMOND,
Mr. DUNSFORD,
Hon. Mr. FOLEY,
Hon. Mr. GALT,
Mr. HAULTAIN,
Mr. HOWLAND,
Mr. JACKSON,
Mr. JOBIN,
Mr. LE BOUTILLIER,
Hon. Mr. J. S. MACDONALD,

Mr. MORRISON,
Mr. McDOUGALL,
Mr. POPE,
Mr. SIMARD,
Mr. STARNES,
Mr. STREET, and
Mr. WHITE.

Andrew Russell, Esquire, appeared and handed in the following document:—

Copy of Departmental Orders.

November, 1857.

"No expense whatever, either for furniture, instruments, books, stationery, &c., will be incurred without the order of the Commissioner or Assistant, to whom application must be made to that effect when necessary."

July 1st, 1859.

"To insure accuracy in checking the accounts for stationery, printing, binding, &c., no verbal orders must be given. The requisition must be sent to the Accountant of Contingencies previous to the stationery being procured or the maps of books being sent to the binder. Every article, however trifling in value, must be entered in the requisition."

(Signed)

A. RUSSELL,
Asst. Commissioner.

March 5th, 1862.

"No maps are to be given to be mounted, nor any books to be bound, nor is any stationery, printing, or furniture to be ordered until the necessary requisition has been approved, and an estimate of the cost of the work or materials must be procured, before the approval of the order."

(Signed)

A. RUSSELL,
Asst. Commissioner.

Thomas Ross, Esquire, appeared and handed in the following statement agreeable to the order of the Committee yesterday:—

S. B. FOOTE.

STATEMENT of Stationery and furnished to the Public Departments during the years 1860, 1861 and 1862.

DEPARTMENTS.	1860.	1861.	1862.
	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Provincial Secretary.....	1,072 00		
Provincial Registrar.....	190 25		
Inspector General.....	1,755 77	2,290 00	
Receiver General.....	539 00	1,917 30	
Public Works.....		110 00	
Crown Law Department.....	304 00	165 00	1,766 00
Bureau of Agriculture.....			6,313 00
do do.....			651 90
Crown Land's Office.....	332 05	11,567 38	3,284 00

THOMAS ROSS,
Acct. of the Contingencies

Quebec, 13th May, 1862.

Mr. *Russell* further Examined,

[By Mr. *McDougall*.]

Ques. 23. Will you explain how the rule you have just handed in, operated to prevent unnecessary supplies, or in what way it secured the public against extravagant charges?—

Ans. When the Heads of the branches brought me a requisition for stationery, &c., I examined it and judged from my knowledge of the business of the Branch, whether the articles were requisite, and that the quantity was necessary, but the requisition had no reference to the prices of the articles.

Ques. 24. Do you mean to say that if articles were charged at 3, 4, or 5 times their value, you would not have objected to the account, or that you had no power to object?—

Ans. The only means I had of judging of the cost of stationery, &c., were the accounts of the *Queen's Printer*, who formerly supplied all. On Mr. *Foot* sending in his first account I observed that his charges for certain articles were higher than those of the *Queen's Printer*. I drew the attention of the Commissioner to the fact, and suggested that as none of the employés in the Department had the requisite knowledge of the business of stationery, printing, bookbinding, &c., to enable them to judge of the prices which should be allowed, I should be permitted to write the Auditor of Public Accounts, stating the fact, and requesting to learn how the accounts should be audited. I did not form any opinion as to whether I had any power in the matter.

[By Mr. *Jackson*.]

Ques. 25. In the copy of the Departmental order of March 5, 1862, it is provided that no books, stationery, &c., should be ordered until the cost of the work or material is procured and approved. By whom was the estimate to be examined and approved?—*Ans.* By the Head or Deputy Head of the Department, who would consult the trade.

On motion of Mr. *Starnes*, seconded by Mr. *Morrison*,

Ordered, That a short-hand writer be employed to aid the Committee in its proceedings.

[By Mr. *McDougall*.]

Ques. 26. You have stated in answer to a previous question that the Auditor did not reply to your letter. Did you take any other steps to reduce the unusual and improper charges in Mr. *Foot's* account, or were they paid as a matter of course?—*Ans.* The account was sent with the letter to the Auditor of Public Accounts, and I do not remember having seen it since. I proposed to the Commissioner that we should import all the stationery we required, who replied that the Government would consider the proposition.

[By Mr. *Pope*.]

Ques. 27. Under the order the 4th March would you be at liberty to order any stationery or printing without first ascertaining what the cost would be?—*Ans.* My Departmental order was intended as a check upon the employés of the Department. I could amend or alter it when I thought necessary.

The Chairman laid before the Committee the following statement in relation to Excise from the Assistant Commissioner of Customs :

NAMES of Distillers, with the description and quantity of Grain, &c., used by each, and the quantity of spirit (at proof) obtained therefrom, in each Revenue Division in Canada, during the year 1862.

Revenue Divisions.	Names.	Malt.	Wheat.	Barley.	Rye.	Indian Corn.	Peas.	Back-wheat.	Mill Feed.	Oats.	Pota- toes.	Total.	Spirit.	Duty.
Brant	Watts & Miller, & A. Watts	Bushels. 533	.....	9	4,370	16,679	331	.....	917	.....	.....	23,151	Gallons. 68,390	\$ cts. 4,103 40
	Wallace	46	.....	.....	23	128	.....	.....	1,032	.....	.....	1,228	2,542	152 52
	Lyons	73	5	.....	513	257	.....	212	20	10	.....	1,090	1,758	105 48
	Elliott	163	164	351	984	1,214	.....	30	1,312	10	.....	4,228	11,242	674 52
	Durham	26	1,614	.....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,651	2,715	162 90
	Falls	160	.....	.....	1,656	4,465	.....	.....	1,600	.....	.....	7,881	24,288	1,457 28
	Milne	42	21	.....	514	.....	.....	90	1,015	.....	.....	1,763	4,982	299 52
	McMurtry	132	119	132	963	1,263	.....	.....	643	12	.....	3,264	9,359	561 54
	Pellow	493	.....	.....	1,479	11,015	.....	.....	493	.....	.....	13,480	41,531	2,491 91
	McLeod	5,084	.....	.....	10,583	89,670	.....	.....	4,378	3,585	.....	113,300	423,083	25,381 98
Frontenac, Lennox & Adirington.	Jackson	30	.....	.....	1,036	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,066	2,112	126 72
	Johnston	60	.....	282	2,111	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,453	8,147	488 82
Haldimand.	Mace	82	.....	.....	4,065	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,136	8,564	501 84
	Nickle	4,071	1,816	.....	22,345	45,810	.....	.....	.....	8,083	.....	82,185	245,912	14,754 72
	Kirkland	252	.....	.....	586	4,032	.....	.....	1,191	239	.....	6,300	16,575	994 50
	Musson	161	.....	.....	444	2,707	.....	.....	1,542	.....	.....	4,836	12,852	771 12
	Corby	324	.....	.....	4,766	1,148	.....	.....	1,472	282	.....	7,992	25,128	1,597 68
	Kindall	193	.....	.....	3,122	2,450	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,767	17,332	1,039 92
	Jordan	271	.....	.....	6,888	2,864	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,973	30,565	1,833 90
	Read	1,758	.....	.....	12,513	8,807	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23,078	72,508	4,350 48
	Crombie	170	424	.....	308	760	.....	.....	1,975	22	.....	3,352	9,068	544 08
	Henry	54	704	.....	103	1,403	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,406	1,849	110 94
Kent & Lambton.	Keeling	3	.....	.....	103	183	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	305	541	32 46
	Bennett	6	.....	.....	27	135	.....	.....	32	.....	.....	205	501	30 06
	Innes	10	.....	.....	111	227	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	355	955	59 10
	Jones	17	.....	.....	9	54	.....	.....	37	.....	.....	103	286	17 16
	Tinny	5	.....	.....	1,154	2,242	.....	.....	717	.....	.....	5,333	15,711	942 66
	Watts & Miller	220	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,360	15,771	942 66
	Crowley	560	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,300	1,573	94 38
	Gemmel	1,300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	855	1,288	77 28
	McLaren	855	.....	.....	2,414	6,106	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,995	20,609	1,236 54
	Coons	650	.....	.....	3,744	8,572	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,675	40,047	2,402 79
Leeds & (treville.	McCarthy	984	.....	.....	2,221	8,593	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,355	30,385	1,823 70
	McNaughton	125	.....	.....	807	39,182	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50,841	139,800	8,388 01
	Smith	527	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,295	141	8 46
	Veser	2,110	.....	807	8,768	39,182	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,355	30,385	1,823 70

Lincoln and Welland.	Maclean, Thomas & Co.	6,220	.....	.....	2,652	19,591	21,658	.....	14,679	.....	.....	65,100	187,669	11,260 14
Middlesex & Elgin, No. 1	Abarrow	30	.....	.....	623	567	.....	.....	17	.....	.....	1,220	2,480	148 80
2	Durelle	16	.....	.....	576	592	.....	.....	56	.....	.....	1,201	2,912	174 72
	Alex. Ketchum	13	8	3	114	344	.....	.....	37	.....	.....	588	1,143	68 58
	Maxvin Ketchum	15	16	3	216	1,170	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,465	3,348	190 88
Norfolk.	Weddfield	11	.....	.....	280	410	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	701	1,469	88 14
	Park	198	45	412	535	2,247	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,333	9,343	560 58
	Ritchie & Ford	768	.....	407	4,197	8,147	.....	.....	3,479	468	.....	19,460	51,124	3,067 44
	Woolnough	443	.....	.....	3,888	1,124	.....	.....	1,717	.....	.....	6,672	7,960	477 60
	Boswell	238	504	.....	557	1,773	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,240	11,064	663 84
	Wallace	1,294	105	.....	3,615	13,506	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20,350	72,078	4,824 70
	McLeod	27	214	30	46	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,464	2,489	149 34
	Kastner	.....	417	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	417	1,251	75 06
	Guest	.....	16	136	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	325	557	33 42
	McKay & Co.	Lynch	26	870	50	946	2,280	136 80
Waterloo.	Milburn	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	486	1,160	69 60
	Erb & Brothers	6	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	615	1,656	99 36
	Hespler	241	.....	.....	1,563	3,084	.....	.....	2,097	168	.....	7,153	20,213	1,212 78
	Hespler & Randall	1,909	.....	.....	892	12,433	.....	.....	5,893	1,853	.....	22,920	71,735	4,304 10
	Reid	663	1,550	.....	1,333	6,112	.....	.....	3,015	.....	.....	12,673	35,319	2,119 14
	Reid	224	171	.....	568	.....	.....	.....	1,487	.....	.....	2,504	8,061	463 66
	Snider	79	.....	5	122	1,360	.....	.....	2,321	.....	.....	3,887	10,636	638 16
	Allan	788	2,636	.....	2,187	2,187	.....	.....	17,970	.....	.....	23,631	63,740	5,024 40
	Ainslie	110	1,998	.....	1,058	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,166	8,090	455 40
	Cornock	12	.....	1	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	582	779	46 74
Wellington & Grey.	Fraser	319	1,711	.....	131	.....	.....	.....	558	.....	.....	8,350	23,115	1,386 90
	Robertson	423	5,211	103	105	1,006	.....	.....	6,189	.....	.....	7,840	27,199	1,631 94
	Reid	56	2,288	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	987	.....	.....	2,410	6,758	405 48
	Kerby	1,383	613	.....	2,294	14,448	.....	.....	2,454	.....	.....	21,206	76,445	4,586 70
	Bost, Halliday & Co.	2,350	.....	.....	8,460	55,460	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68,620	257,750	15,466 00
	Gooterham & Wors	5,900	.....	.....	20,422	130,134	.....	.....	1,900	2,350	.....	164,469	579,935	34,796 10
	Fitzhenry	275	.....	.....	623	5,951	.....	.....	1,244	.....	.....	8,450	23,926	1,561 56
	MacKey	361	.....	.....	159	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	361	668	40 08
	McGregor	12	10	.....	11	499	.....	.....	387	.....	.....	568	1,263	75 78
	Wadsworth	12	.....	.....	316	1,414	.....	.....	2,254	.....	.....	2,776	6,758	405 48
Montreal, No. 1.	Wallace	242	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,698	13,636	818 16
	Dow & Co.	16,090	15,900	.....	18,805	.....	.....	120	79,153	.....	.....	130,068	447,868	14,871 48
	Do. No. 2	34,647	.....	.....	61,130	.....	.....	.....	64	.....	.....	265,491	599,803	35,998 18
	Molsons	1,035	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18,365	28,951	1,737 06
	McCallum	1,647	4,580	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,710	29,150	1,749 00
	Morris & Son	2,314	4,004	.....	1,070	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Quebec, 14th May, 1862.

THOMAS WORTHINGTON,
Assistant Commissioner of Customs and Excise.

John Langton, Esquire, appeared and handed in the following answers to questions Nos. 4, 5, and 6, submitted on Monday last. And also the following statement of contingent expenditure of the Departments from 1858 to 1861 inclusive, ordered to be furnished (same date).

Ans. to Ques. 4.—By the Civil List, there is an appropriation for the contingencies of the Departments, which were paid by an officer of the Secretary's Department, called the Clerk of Contingencies. He only paid the contingencies of the Departments as they stood on the Civil List, and had nothing to do with the Post Office, Crown Lands, Public Works and Customs, which had their own Funds, or with Departments subsequently established, as the Bureau of Agriculture. Within the last two or three years an attempt has been made to reduce the number of Accounting Departments, and almost all contingencies are now paid by him, excepting those of the Customs Branch, the Post Office, and the Militia Department. The Crown Lands Department still pays some of its contingencies, and the Department of Public Works pays the contingencies of its outside Branches, though not those of the Department itself.

Ans. to Ques. 5.—I have no check upon this branch of expenditure. I do not see the accounts until they are paid, when the Clerk of Contingencies sends them to me as vouchers for the money entrusted to him. The only accounts of the nature of contingencies which I see before they are paid, are some printing and stationery accounts of the Customs, which are sent to me with an application that a warrant may issue. The Commissioner of Customs certifies the account, the certificate only implying that the articles were ordered and delivered; but he does not certify to the correctness of the prices charged, and I having no cognizance of the articles delivered, have very little opportunity of verifying their correctness in this latter respect.

Ans. to Ques. 6.—I think there is very little doubt that a great reduction might be made under this head. From the difficulty which I experience in checking the few accounts of this nature which come to me before payment, I am convinced that no one in the position of the Clerk of Contingencies can have the means of efficiently auditing them. The largest item in amount, and the one in which there is the greatest room for improvement, is that of printing and stationery, and I will, in the first instance, confine myself to that head. In the great majority of cases, the Clerk of Contingencies never sees the article which is charged for, and even if he had a practical knowledge of the business, he has no means of knowing whether the price is a fair one. He has the certificate that the Deputy Head of some Department received a penknife, a bottle of red ink, or a ream of paper, but he knows nothing of their size or quality, by which to judge of the proper price. Even if specimens of each were sent with the account, which would not always be possible, he would still have but a small check upon undue expenditure, as if the goods are of an unnecessarily extensive character, they are already delivered and consumed. In order to secure economy, we must begin earlier, than, at the auditing and paying of the account. The first step must be in giving the order, and the same person who gives the order should check the account, not only to ascertain that he has got all the goods that he ordered, but that they are of the quality and at the price which he intended. It is the person who gave the order must be responsible for the correctness of the account in every particular, even if the payment of the money be entrusted to other hands. This may be secured in two ways, either by the Deputy Head who gave the order auditing the account, even if he sends it to the Clerk of Contingencies for payment, or by the Clerk of Contingencies ordering the goods on the requisition of the Deputy Head.

I have reason to believe that the Contingencies of the Post Office, the auditing and paying of which are altogether in the Department, are more strictly audited than those of any other Department, and I believe that when the Crown Lands Department paid its own contingencies, the accounts were more closely looked into than they are now. In so far, therefore, the change which has been made with a view of centralizing the expenditure and diminishing the number of separate accounting branches has probably acted injuriously; but I do not think that the error has been in the principle of centralization, but in the manner of its being carried out. If the Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands, for

instance, has ordered some stationery, I believe him to be the only person who can properly audit the account when sent in; but there is no reason why he should not do so as effectually before affixing his signature to it as an authority for the Clerk of Contingencies to pay, as he did formerly, when the same signature was authority to the Cashier of his own Department to pay. In both cases the accounts would afterwards come to me for final audit to ascertain whether the Clerk of Contingencies or the Accountant of the Crown Lands Department, had proper vouchers and proper authority for all his payments. The error appears to be in this, that the Deputy Heads when they certify an account for the Clerk of Contingencies to pay, trust too much to his check, which from the nature of the case must be very imperfect, instead of taking upon themselves the whole responsibility of its correctness in every particular.

It appears to me, therefore, that if the present system is continued, or in as far as it is continued, it should be clearly understood that the Deputy Head certifying takes the whole responsibility as much as if he had signed a check for the amount, the Clerk of Contingencies merely acting as cashier. There would however remain this difficulty with regard to stationery and printing especially, that it cannot be expected that the Deputy Heads, amidst all their other departmental duties, should have that detailed knowledge of the prices of different qualities of stationery and different styles of printing and binding, which are necessary to secure due economy, and which might easily be acquired by a person dealing largely in such matters, and whose principal business it would be. I think, therefore, that all orders should be given by one man, probably the Clerk of Contingencies, who as he has many other duties to perform might have a clerk attached to his office with practical knowledge of the subject. Any Deputy Head requiring any printing or stationery should send a requisition to the Clerk of Contingencies, where necessary, giving personal instructions to the printer to whom he was referred, but the order should emanate from the Clerk of Contingencies—an exactly similar plan is now followed with regard to furniture. If a desk or a box of pigeon holes is wanted, the Deputy Head does not order it himself, but he sends a requisition to the Department of Public Works. A cabinet maker is sent who takes instructions as to the exact article wanted, and the Department of Public Works orders it and arranges for the price. So it would be with printing and stationery. The Government might have a contract, or might exercise their legitimate patronage by instructing the Clerk of Contingencies whom to employ, but he would have a schedule of prices, would have instructions as to the quality of the articles to be furnished, and in many cases would have special contracts. A large part of the departmental printing consist of blank forms which by the custom of the trade is charged as rule and figure work at double composition, although in fact the cost is very little more than the paper and press-work. In such cases there is no doubt that any printer would be willing to contract far below the ordinary trade rates. By this means I believe that fully one-half of the large item of printing and stationery might be saved.

The other heads of expenditure are not so important, and not probably susceptible or any thing like as great a reduction; but I am certain a very large reduction might be effected. The number of newspapers taken in some of the Departments is unnecessarily large, and very nearly the same remarks which I have made on stationery apply to advertising. It is not only the number of papers in which advertisements are inserted, but the style of advertisement often adopted which renders the cost so heavy. I have seen Government advertisements extending down a whole column which might have been included in twenty lines. Telegraphing has also increased very much of late, probably in many cases where a letter might have served all useful purposes.

There is another head of expenses which I have classed as Maintenance of Office, which I am certain might be materially reduced, some suggestions with regard to which have been already prepared for Government by a Committee of Deputy Heads.

ANALYSIS of the Contingencies of the Departments, from 1858 to 1861, inclusive.

DEPARTMENT.	Year.	Permanent Staff.	Extra Clerks and Services.	Printing and Stationery.	Newspapers and Advertising.	Postages and Telegraphs.	Maintenance of Offices.	Sundries.	Total of the Year.
Governor's Secretary.....	1858	7,958 18	160 00	1,098 73	461 01	1,113 62	676 30	151 70	10,719 54
	1859	6,954 00		752 70	521 44	380 22	1,439 55	823 50	10,871 41
	1860	6,954 00		13,90 63	279 24	1,156 14	1,973 23	266 50	12,019 74
	1861	7,120 66	30 00	1,765 96	328 27	1,042 61	2,182 12	377 85	12,847 47
Provincial Secretary.....	1858	25,712 96	1,507 30	4,290 32	442 49	1,342 97	1,342 97	528 90	34,650 91
	1859	24,186 76	924 50	3,511 65	614 46	291 44	1,582 49	288 58	31,399 88
	1860	23,688 74	915 40	5,026 01	1,245 09	1,181 47	1,648 42	120 00	33,825 13
	1861	24,386 76	1,422 40	2,700 10	3,479 65	1,935 29	1,289 09	310 00	35,523 29
Provincial Registrar.....	1858	6,804 16	761 02	740 51	6 00	197 64	315 85	30 00	10,152 51
	1859	6,630 00	1,693 81	2,013 02	4 00	497 88	197 64		10,801 33
	1860	6,627 50	2,600 53	365 35		82 18	654 57		10,830 13
	1861	20,995 26	3,631 10	4,762 21	366 04	536 68	1,625 01	415 00	31,431 30
Receiver General.....	1858	21,883 34	2,037 00	2,147 18	841 22	456 56	1,345 77	134 48	28,845 55
	1859	18,960 00	2,042 50	2,944 88	353 49	2,641 62	2,095 99	457 00	29,395 48
	1860	20,335 00	722 00	4,263 56	211 65	1,182 91	1,975 52	138 50	28,829 14
	1861	24,542 25	2,282 41	2,958 45	224 80	611 22	2,443 70		33,062 83
Finance Minister.....	1858	24,824 24	1,277 15	2,870 54	101 57	1,338 85	2,834 31	23 00	32,581 93
	1859	25,291 72	275 30	3,196 71	275 30	1,338 85	3,460 72	41 60	33,852 90
	1860	24,951 85	202 00	4,006 02	188 00	1,290 09	2,382 97	224 50	33,245 43
	1861	9,150 02	287 50	389 19	30 50	134 25	61 50		10,048 96
Audit Branch.....	1858	9,522 50	77 50	279 62	17 60	25 43	10 50	43 25	9,976 40
	1859	9,680 00		339 29	12 75	281 00	179 55	60 00	10,532 59
	1860	9,793 33		480 64	2 00	239 58	88 75	100 00	10,694 30
	1861	14,887 50	1,755 34	14,904 68	194 52	71 65	1,448 96	1,148 51	34,411 16
Custom Branch.....	1858	17,105 66	338 00	17,246 83	170 76		1,220 99	1,712 66	37,694 90
	1859	14,576 00	100 00	12,999 45	244 67		1,638 59	1,562 16	30,836 24
	1860	14,710 00	1,751 09	17,437 17	938 68		1,243 79	2,656 33	38,953 54
	1861								

Executive Council.....	1858	17,831 01		2,175 55	450 92	127 80	1,776 58	99 00	22,461 86
	1859	18,811 30		1,883 98	394 87	236 17	1,961 43	187 50	23,465 45
	1860	18,684 00	154 22	1,479 64	578 11	513 65	2,766 18	120 00	24,295 80
	1861	19,084 00	23 00	1,832 83	1,721 51	1,042 66	1,647 35	165 00	25,516 35
Public Works.....	1858	24,755 83	4,100 43	2,121 42	202 75	849 18	963 18		32,922 76
	1859	27,240 84	514 35	1,727 52	234 79	938 69	908 72		31,584 91
	1860	28,882 01	4,437 70	4,044 72	280 49	1,819 81	2,071 99		41,536 72
	1861	30,581 14	2,928 75	3,555 52	229 17	1,811 13	1,516 01		40,521 72
Bureau of Agriculture.....	1858	10,320 04	88 50	1,198 44	1,097 50	691 92	678 11	52 00	14,126 51
	1859	8,899 98	600 00	1,462 45	376 94	166 55	476 39		12,862 99
	1860	8,539 99	785 00	2,152 08	276 94	258 62	676 16		13,524 26
	1861	8,091 24	130 00	2,440 75	1,927 07	825 51	994 09		14,896 45
Post Office.....	1858	36,893 17	628 00	9,229 86	1,664 88	184 95	1,894 42	2,573 85	53,069 13
	1859	37,596 16	177 35	13,245 18	891 06	198 23	2,067 64	2,070 16	56,245 78
	1860	38,155 00	605 28	10,506 51	929 04	438 97	1,594 75	2,108 67	54,340 22
	1861	30,315 57	1,313 16	12,455 46	1,153 16	718 61	1,121 84	711 98	53,794 78
Crown Law, East and West.....	1858	21,061 57	76 10	4,926 18	507 62	1,539 05	736 82	58 40	28,905 74
	1859	16,724 64	126 70	3,327 06	452 62	1,083 79	537 12	18 75	22,280 68
	1860	22,523 04	35 00	2,965 92	502 30	1,870 54	1,385 25	93 15	29,375 80
	1861	23,649 98	585 50	2,527 46	732 61	3,128 55	1,219 46	139 57	31,968 13
Crown Lands.....	1858	56,276 41	4,445 52	11,724 32	3,372 30	941 41	3,416 87	1,870 27	82,147 00
	1859	58,541 02	10,676 69	16,670 24	9,069 09	491 74	3,470 49	3,324 25	102,245 52
	1860	58,010 63	16,455 16	24,700 44	6,988 73	2,347 25	4,792 58	2,167 85	115,072 64
	1861	58,126 60	16,582 40	33,243 49	11,188 55	2,407 77	5,741 61	3,189 86	130,480 28
Militia.....	1858	18,032 50		1,383 05	120 50	156 88	849 59	815 53	21,367 05
	1859	16,509 77	181 80	1,470 27	127 57	33 43	1,085 03	232 00	19,644 87
	1860	16,840 00	1,600 00	1,845 04	89 65	61 08	1,214 10	960 10	22,609 97
	1861	17,323 33	1,423 68	2,448 02	157 30	139 04	995 64	617 13	23,104 14
Contingencies of the Departments Generally.....	1858						6,703 98	724 46	7,428 44
	1859						9,433 30	1,826 25	15,751 89
	1860						515 02	9,636 70	9,636 70
	1861						473 12	1,037 60	11,213 70

JOHN LANGTON,
Auditor.

Mr. *Russell's* Examination continued.

[By Colonel *Haultain*.]

Ques. 28. By your Departmental order of the 5th March, an estimate of the cost of work or materials ordered, was required before you sanctioned the supply. Has such an estimate of articles of stationery in constant use been yet provided, and if so, was the estimate applied to accounts of stationery then undischarged?—*Ans.* The Department has not required any supply of stationery since. The only estimate required has been for mounting maps, which was approved at 20 cents a square foot. The Departmental order had reference to articles to be procured in future, not to the past.

[By Mr. *McDougall*.]

Ques. 29. In a statement just handed in by Mr. *Langton* of the Contingencies in your Department, the Committee find that for printing and stationery, they amounted in 1858 to \$11,724 32; in 1859 to \$16,670 24; in 1860 to \$24,700 44; in 1861 to \$33,243 49. Will you explain this progressive increase in these two items, and is it likely to increase at the same ratio in future years?—*Ans.* The business of the Department increases at about the rate of 30 per cent. annually, arising from the increase of the population and opening up of the waste lands of the Province, and the annual receipts are now five times as much as ten years ago. The charges include the cost of the large emigration map compiled by Mr. *Devine*, and reports and pamphlets on Emigration circulated most extensively in the British Islands and on the continent of Europe, as well as in this Province. Also several other maps of sections of the Province published for the information of Emigrants, and very large quantities of forms sent to all the Postmasters, Municipal Officers, &c. arising from an important change in the administration of the Woods and Forests Branch of the Department. If the settlement of the public lands goes on as formerly, the quantity of stationery, &c. required, will also increase in the same ratio.

Mr. *Langton* further Examined.

[By Mr. *McDougall*.]

Ques. 30. Mr. *Russell* states that he referred the question of excessive charges in Mr. *Foot's* account to you, for your direction, and that he received no answer. Will you explain this?—*Ans.* I had frequently been in communication with Government upon the subject of the unsatisfactory position of the auditing of stationery and printing accounts. In December, 1860, I made a confidential report to Government upon the subject, suggesting a better manner of dealing with it, and was told that the question was under consideration, and that the Provincial Secretary had special charge of it. I have been in the habit, therefore, of referring all subjects of this kind, with respect to which I feel any difficulty, to him, and the letter of the Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands of January, 1861, being of this nature, was by me enclosed to Mr. *Alley*, in a letter dated January 7th. I have had verbal communication with Mr. *Russell* upon the subject, and I feel no doubt that I must have told him what I did with his letter.

Adjourned until to-morrow, at half-past ten o'clock, A. M.

Thursday, 15th May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

JOHN SIMPSON, ESQ., CHAIRMAN.

Mr. BUCHANAN,
Mr. DUNSFORD,
Hon. Mr. FOLEY,
Mr. HAULTAIN,
Mr. JACKSON,

Mr. McDougall,
Mr. Pope,
Mr. Starnes,
Mr. Street, and
Mr. White.

The Chairman handed in the following explanation, received from Mr. *Andrew Russell*, Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands :

"With reference to Mr. *Ross's* evidence that requisitions for Stationery, &c., have been discontinued, I beg to remark that I have continued to issue requisitions for every article required. They have been enclosed in an envelope addressed to Mr. *Ross*, but that the clerks (in order that the articles required might be procured more speedily,) have recently sent those requisitions direct to the party required to furnish the articles, with a request that they would send them to Mr. *Ross*, but that in several instances, these parties have kept the requisitions, and sent them in with their accounts. This deviation from the established routine, has had no effect as to the prices of the articles."

On motion of the Chairman, it was

Ordered, That Mr. *Ross* be requested to furnish the Committee with the invoices of the articles for which the last payment was made by him to Mr. *Foote*, and also the invoices of any other supplies furnished by Mr. *Foote* to the Crown Lands Department, up to this date, and accompany the invoices with samples of the different articles included in such invoices."

"That the printing accounts of Messrs *Coté & Co.*, Messrs. *Desbarats & Derbishire*, and *Thompson & Co.*, be referred to Messrs. *Hartney & Hunter*, to report upon in the same way as upon the account of Mr. *S. B. Foote*."

"That the Deputy Heads of Departments be requested to furnish the Committee with the accounts in detail of their expenditure for contingencies during the past year.

Adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock, A.M.

Friday, 16th May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.

Mr DUNSFORD,
Hon. Mr. FOLEY,
Mr. DUNKIN,
Mr. HAULTAIN,
Mr. HOWLAND,
Mr. JACKSON,
Hon. Mr. J. S. MACDONALD.
Mr. MORRISON,
Mr. McDougall,
Mr. POPE.
Mr. SIMARD,
Mr. STARNES,
Mr. STREET, and
Mr. WHITE.

On motion of the Chairman, it was

Ordered, That samples be produced and laid before the Committee of the articles of stationery and printing supplied to the Crown Lands Department during the past year, by Messrs. *Desbarats & Derbishire*, Messrs. *Coté*, and Mr. *Thompson*.

Ordered, That the Clerk do request the Deputy Heads of Departments to furnish the Committee with the accounts, in detail, for all stationery and printing for their Departments, since the closing of their accounts for 1861.

Mr. *Langton* appeared, and handed in documents A, and B, which were read by the Chairman as follows:—

(A) RECEIPTS and Expenditure on all Accounts other than issue and redemption of Debentures.

	1857.		1858.		1859.		1860.		1861.	
	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.
Interest on Public Debt.....	35,563 11	15	3,030,899	25	2,022,991	37	3,766,887	05	3,753,789	03
Charges of Management.....	32,105	00	21,844	19	23,024	13	22,881	24	44,130	91
Shinking Fund—Imperial Loan.....	3,298 66	72	434,880	80	253,004	58	34,066	67	119,391	79
do Consolidated Canadian Loan.....	20,002	05	30,912	85	6,673	79	3,917	11	5,209	03
Discount.....	13,404	27	10,812	72	390,018	14	423,100	02	26,666	70
Exchange.....	412,794	31	394,735	51	346,149	57	338,168	15	357,285	49
Civil Government.....	409,842	98	360,883	56	336,379	82	313,884	51	330,937	54
Administration of Justice, East.....	214,982	88	247,475	68	31,604	70	30,850	79	30,548	20
do do West.....	46,656	17	41,931	01	82,156	06	101,721	45	148,046	55
Penitentiary, Reformatories & Prison Inspection.....	71,796	25	61,690	00	471,021	27	472,353	54	463,124	57
Legislation.....	51,758	26	63,442	42	265,252	03	259,690	86	259,601	91
Education, East.....	26,747	88	304,734	42	261,077	31	265,171	04	247,192	11
do West.....	2,659 49	12	224,630	79	19,980	00	17,220	00	17,900	00
Literary & Scientific Institutions.....	36,979	48	33,360	98	19,980	00	274,097	95	272,041	55
Hospitals & Charities.....	19,627	22	194,988	65	238,365	02	22,000	08	20,315	09
Geological Survey.....	26,366	50	19,566	66	21,243	10	107,380	55	84,687	60
Militia & Enrolled Force.....	19,729	82	162,351	54	31,814	48	27,216	00	2,317	00
Arts, Agriculture & Statistics.....	7,866	80	24,616	36	5,320	65	1,224	75	118,393	77
Census.....	9,407 22	22	111,032	22	70,208	00	101,507	40	102,620	21
Agricultural Societies.....	5,164	16	49,982	67	37,494	66	36,022	11	48,435	57
Emigration & Quarantine.....	4,691	42	45,339	64	42,548	17	36,890	63	34,509	38
Pensions.....	35,420	00	31,020	00	39,970	00	35,270	00	35,420	00
Indian Annuities.....	99,295 3	45	720,350	47	404,330	87	511,641	73	1,036,240	45
Public Works & Buildings.....	67,460	22	38,305	51	42,226	26	61,674	83	39,572	05
Rents, Repairs, &c., &c.....	198,566	70	163,261	98	124,054	31	188,520	38	181,668	81
Roads & Bridges.....	2,600 19	96	217,555	71	270,138	50	766,822	36	320,022	73
Ocean & River Steam Service.....	12,720	18	110,615	71	126,612	12	120,921	31	110,462	08
Light Hoasas & Coast Service.....	11,136	43	15,628	76	14,129	11	22,488	87	27,342	00
Fisheries.....	169,205	92	298,331	37	136,772	55	213,086	60	924,433	46
Redemption of Seigneurial Rights.....	6,174	70	50,198	12	63,707	70	63,089	97	68,389	06
Canal & Steamboat Inspection.....	1,044	63	14,778	66	13,756	41	12,984	26	15,113	17
Railway & Steamboat Inspection.....	70,433 34	34	163,345	33	384,300	00	1,258,236	86	231,723	43
Advances.....	60,139	86	3,943	99	134,013	15	2,716	91	445,314	27
Commutation with Clergy.....	392,552	56	344,450	78	133,695	59	374,145	13	99,726	07
Municipalities Fund, East and West.....	246,913	60	113,020	23	90,817	93	150,915	19	.....	.....
Indian Fund.....	651,599	25	270,949	67	133,866	67	40,000	00	.....	.....
Debentures purchased for Trust Funds.....	.....	.....	340,666	68	6,884	79	10,721	59	.....	.....
New Coinage.....	.....	.....	104,284	05	5,978	32	5,978	32	.....	.....
Removal of Seat of Government.....	.....	.....	263,578	63	17,775	57	204,884	07	63,225	29
Reception of H. R. H. Prince of Wales.....	.....	.....	62,048	97	63,120	02	37,536	51	340,000	00
Subsidiary lines.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	179,945	00
Bursar of University.....	86,721	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45,849	91
Miscellaneous.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Collection of Revenue:—	352,266	40	341,863	37	332,314	86	351,019	34	363,401	44
Customs.....	11,975	12	16,390	00	22,787	71	34,004	54	31,779	87
Excise.....	259,160	27	563,636	37	391,430	76	633,516	20	442,621	19
Post Office.....	299,751	92	270,572	18	234,814	52	235,627	00	279,006	92
Public Works.....	218,548	65	221,316	95	190,081	06	152,456	82	277,563	93
Territorial, including Ordnance Lands.....	19,420	80	11,887	65	25,722	85	11,598	23	14,380	59
Fines and Forfeitures.....	562	80	33	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Casual.....	38,161	47	17,218	18	26,218	19	120,332	59	98,866	46
Special Funds.....	11,846,690	39	11,163,939	32	9,630,592	12	12,555,592	14	11,962,652	65

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RECEIPTS and Expenditures on all Accounts other than issue and redemption of Debentures.—Continued.

	1857.		1858.		1859.		1860.		1861.	
	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.
<i>Ordinary Revenues.</i>										
Customs.....	3,948,021	23	3,368,157	76	4,456,326	80	4,756,721	15	4,774,562	26
Excise.....	119,862	57	138,760	22	343,934	42	306,536	35	344,065	14
Post Office.....	148,098	95	295,395	76	333,223	48	330,865	41	337,015	40
Ocean Postage.....							45,455	32	100,709	45
do old account.....							25,996	65		
Public Works.....	401,204	45	400,727	15	311,492	74	264,230	85	324,619	63
Provincial Steamers.....							21,985	40	30,578	55
Territorial.....	292,127	43	415,372	68	482,227	06	644,806	41	678,922	82
Casual.....	17,550	81	12,856	08	14,359	91	88,948	98	22,124	29
Quebec Fire Loan.....					192	00	448	93	685	26
Exchange.....					15,666	65				
Interest on Investments.....	17,795	46	46,599	21	48,597	24	448,314	56	480,304	91
Premium.....									2,340	05
Sinking Fund interest and gain of Investments.....	90,386	72	142,880	80	109,004	58			59,374	95
Bank Imposts.....	75,378	02	45,208	41	37,263	33	49,478	22	23,514	84
Law Fees, 12 Vic., caps. 63 and 64.....	33,275	85	42,176	22	54,864	00	40,579	95	24,283	39
Fines and Forfeitures.....	22,346	22	20,845	51	42,027	04	13,749	44		
<i>Special Revenues.</i>										
Law Fees, L.-C., 8 Vic., cap. 13.....	22,371	50	35,618	24	88,151	17	60,193	81	40,826	77
do L.-C., 13 and 14 Vic., cap. 37.....	81,566	95	59,710	58	98,702	07	77,504	15	81,950	20
do L.-C.....									529	72
Tonnage duties Quebec and Montreal (Mariners Fund.....)	10,276	99	8,360	40	8,399	99	11,135	89	14,255	18
Passenger duty (Emigration and Quarantine).....	28,928	75	11,418	77	7,445	00	9,830	50	19,112	00
Tonnage duties Quebec (River Police).....	9,429	68	8,514	40	8,751	71	11,154	72	12,890	25
Customs Office Fees.....	2,655	58	49,338	13	62,825	64	60,504	17	67,504	25
Railway and Steamboat Inspection.....	1,797	35	5,293	26	10,176	06	9,325	92	23,372	33
Fisheries.....					1,409	41	4,091	18	7,371	85
Shipping Office Fees.....					1,165	56	1,164	00	800	00

	1857.		1858.		1859.		1860.		1861.	
	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.
<i>On account purchase of Public Works</i>	13,296	67	884	56	6,425	00	1,154	15	7,596	99
Receipts from sales of Public Works.....										
<i>Guaranteed and Advance Accounts.</i>										
Municipal Loan Fund, U. C.....	266,147	38	140,198	29	247,864	14	217,577	33	136,209	00
do do L. C.....	50,403	05	11,734	27	127,248	49	88,970	27	93,078	47
Law Society, U. C.....	6,890	43	10,191	02	20,211	97	19,839	17	19,936	47
Court Houses, L. C.....	25,322	53	25,135	03	29,344	39	21,698	20	24,224	47
Upper Canada Building Fund.....	17,527	87	12,138	00	31,594	00	10,716	00	12,693	75
Quebec Fire Loan.....	242	53	801	77	3,192	20	10,761	29	4,814	55
Commissariat.....	7,300	00								
Advance of Salaries.....	1,327	90								
Revenue Inspectors.....	64	25								
New Coinage.....	64,333	33			203,100	00	149,178	40	4,803	27
Cobourg and Peterboro' R. R.....										
Grand Trunk R. R.....					18,000	00			1,000	00
do do Sinking Fund.....			730,000	00	170,316	30	143,747	08	24,160	00
do do Redemption.....	5,400	00	8,400	00						
Northern R. R., Advance Account.....			756,833	33	109,333	23			475	00
Montreal Turnpike Trust.....					11,424	00				
Tug Service below Quebec (Advance).....					12,000	00				
City of Montreal.....					100,000	00				
Consolidated Fund Investment Account.....										
Investment or Consolidated Loan.....										
Ocean Steam Company.....										
Consolidated Canadian Loan Interest Account (Advance to G. T. R.).....										
do do do on Toronto Bonds.....										
<i>Trust Funds.</i>										
Upper Canada Building Fund.....	46,867	07	70,882	87	24,130	86	17,453	53	16,475	55
Communication Seigniorial Tenure.....	1,470	48	540	61						
Municipalities Fund U. C.....	326,893	45	110,320	20	214,899	11	83,426	76	295,049	24
do do L. C.....	12,920	05	12,298	56	18,357	70	34,130	45	26,876	07
Uncommuted Stipends, U. C.....	10,725	00	10,728	00	5,364	00				
do do L. C.....	240	00	240	00	120	00				
Improvement Fund.....	57,374	92	26,019	36	39,109	14				
Compensation to Revenue Inspectors.....										
Education, U. C.....	55,945	43	31,157	69	25,374	09	34,500	66	22,110	74
do L. C.....	31,052	73	34,809	70	21,722	00	22,416	84	27,550	13
Common School Land Fund.....	72,115	68	47,583	29	50,895	26	114,644	36	111,594	25
Favens Licenses applicable to Municipalities, L. C.....	2,211	73	2,970	94	2,247	70	1,092	47	3,400	99

RECEIPTS.	1857.		1858.		1859.		1860.		1861.	
	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.
Indian Funds	326,751	80	161,708	06	126,564	44	160,899	29	256,629	02
Copyright	791	10	650	39	514	01	790	69	999	67
Montreal District Council	459	03	305	12	257	15	118	18		
Subsidiary lines			531,683	33						
Trust Funds investment account							18,200	00	24,400	13
Fursat of University and Colleges									1,100	
	6,981,062	41	8,072,536	40	8,157,346	14	9,014,331	19	9,733,277	25

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE arising with the issue and redemption of Debentures.

Expenditure.	1857.		1858.		1859.		1860.		1861.	
	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.
Redemption of Debt	819,370	00	204,753	34	1,349,538	01	14,998,236	84	2,738,672	21
Discount							1,774,719	37	8,141	42
Charge of Management	17,006	00	31,894	51	28,230	09	183,999	62	33,168	00
Imperial Sinking Fund							6,453,200	00		
	836,376	00	239,647	85	1,377,768	10	23,410,155	83	2,780,181	63

Receipts.	1857.		1858.		1859.		1860.		1861.	
	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.
Debentures issued	3,425,831	60	1,959,186	66	2,190,000	00	27,261,011	77	2,756,305	59
Premium	177,913	19	239,568	75	226,106	19	1,907	08	16,586	02
Imperial Sinking Fund							3,158,614	47		
Bursar of University							176,800			
Quebec Bishops									41,878	68
Provident Savings Bank									102,533	34
	3,603,744	79	2,198,755	41	2,416,106	19	30,601,333	32	2,917,304	23

JOHN LANGTON,
Auditor.

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LIST of sums due by Collectors of Customs and Revenue Inspectors for a period exceeding one year.

COLLECTORS OF CUSTOMS.	Customs.	Seizures.	Total Amount due.	
	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	
A. Montreuil, Port of Dundee.....	797 24	62 19	859 43	
J. H. McVey, do Georgeville.....	169 60	.....	169 60	
Jas. Hopkirk, do Kingston.....	501 94	.....	501 94	
H. S. Lee, do Clifton.....	538 00	.....	538 00	In dispute,
G. McMicken, do do.....	76 77	.....	76 77	do
H. S. Lee, do London.....	811 95	.....	811 95	do
H. Acton, do Rowan.....	725 43	.....	725 43	
D. C. O'Brien, do Sarnia.....	1,219 04	63 30	1,282 34	
Matthew Child, do Stanley.....	386 59	.....	386 59	
Jas. Orr, do Stratford.....	769 18	.....	769 18	
	5,995 74	125 49	6,121 23	

REVENUE INSPECTORS.	Excise.	Taverns.	Amount due.	
	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	
A. Thibode, Frontenac, Lennox & Addington.....	1,397 26	.....	1,397 26	
Late P. Peterson, Hastings.....	1,710 53	.....	1,710 53	
Estate of the late J. Moberly, Simcoe.....	73 50	847 50	921 00	
St. George B. Crozier, Wentworth and Halton.....	2,064 56	.....	2,064 56	
Late Peter Morgan, York and Peel.....	635 38	.....	635 38	
Estate of the late D. S. Stuart, Montreal.....	2,476 31	28 77	2,505 08	
Matthew Ryan, Montreal.....	57 72	.....	57 72	
Louis Laurier, Joliette.....	1,259 20	.....	1,259 20	
C. DuBerger, Saguenay.....	192 20	.....	192 20	
L. G. Loranger, Terrebonne.....	1,222 67	.....	1,222 67	
	11,089 33	876 27	11,965 60	

WM. DICKINSON,
Acting Deputy Inspector General.

INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Quebec, 8th May, 1862.

On motion of Mr. *McDougall*, it was ordered that the following report be submitted to the House.

"Your Committee in the course of their investigations into the accounts for contingencies in the various Public Departments, have discovered that very excessive charges have been made for stationery and printing, and your Committee have further learned that large supplies of stationery and printing have been sent into several of the said Departments since the commencement of the current year, and that some of the accounts therefor have not yet been paid. Your Committee beg to be authorized to examine and report thereon."

Adjourned until to-morrow at half-past 10 o'clock, A. M.

Saturday, 17th May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN

Mr. SIMARD,
Mr. STARNES, and
Mr. WHITE.

Mr. *Russell* appeared in obedience to order of Committee of yesterday and furnished samples of stationery and printing supplied to the Crown Lands Department during the past year by the *Queen's Printer*, Messrs. *Coté* and Mr. *Thompson*.

The Clerk adjourned the Committee for want of a quorum until Monday, at half-past 10 o'clock, A. M.

Monday, 19th May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.

Hon. Mr. DRUMMOND,
Mr. DUNSFORD,
Hon. Mr. FOLEY,
Mr. HAULTAIN,
Mr. HOWLAND,
Hon. Mr. J. S. MACDONALD
Mr. MORRISON,
Mr. McDUGALL
Mr. SIMARD,
Mr. STARNES,
Mr. STREET, and
Mr. WHITE.

Mr. *Langton* was in attendance.

The Committee deliberated, and adjourned until to-morrow, at half-past 10 o'clock, A. M.

Tuesday, 20th May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.

Mr. DUNSFORD,
Hon. Mr. FOLEY,
Mr. HAULTAIN,
Mr. JACKSON,
Hon. Mr. J. S. MACDONALD,
Mr. STARNES,
Mr. STREET, and
Mr. WHITE.

Mr. Langton, in obedience to the order of the Committee on the 9th instant, laid before the Committee, three accounts from the *Queen's Printer* for printing, &c., the Consolidated Statutes, amounting together to \$42,687 99, whereof \$32,687 99 were under the head of "unprovided items," in the Public Accounts and also Accounts of Contingencies for the several Departments, since the closing of the Accounts of 1861, as follows:—

ACCOUNTS.	DEPARTMENT.	\$ cts.
Middleton & Dawson.....	Civil Secretary	9 72
Hunter, Rose & Co.....	do	20 00
N. Samuels.....	do	41 00
P. Sinclair.....	do	95 02
G. T. Cary.....	do	47 92
A. Thom & Sons.....	do	11 75
Hunter, Rose & Co.....	Provincial Registrar.....	12 00
N. Samuels.....	do	27 00
P. Sinclair.....	do	29 20
H. Rowsell.....	Receiver General.....	347 00
Hunter, Rose & Co.....	do	24 00
N. Samuels.....	do	196 00
H. Rowsell.....	do	34 00
W. A. Townsend.....	do	116 00
A. Wallace.....	do	20 00
S. Levey & Co.....	do	107 40
N. Samuels.....	Executive Council.....	40 25
P. Sinclair.....	do	28 40
A. Wallace.....	do	10 00
F. O. Valleraud.....	do	16 50
Hunter, Rose & Co.....	do	24 00
Hunter, Rose & Co.....	Inspector General	30 00
N. Samuels.....	do	120 50
N. Samuels.....	Auditor General	12 00
Hunter, Rose & Co.....	Public Works.....	20 00
N. Samuels.....	do	69 00
A. Wallace.....	do	12 00
E. R. Frechette.....	do	6 00
S. B. Foote.....	Attorney General West.....	1766 00
A. C. Chewitt & Co.....	do	77 75
Hunter, Rose & Co.....	Attorney General East	30 00
N. Samuels.....	do	63 00
P. Sinclair.....	do	44 40
M. Jacobs.....	do	24 00
P. Sinclair.....	Crown Lands.....	13 50
Hunter, Rose & Co.....	do	40 00
F. C. Dredge.....	do	382 00
J. G. Moylan.....	do	65 25
E. J. Fletcher.....	do	6 00
A. Coté & Fils.....	do	1774 86
B. Vohl.....	do	66 00
J. G. Moylan.....	do	759 00
N. Samuels.....	do	369 00
F. C. Dredge.....	do	535 50
F. C. Dredge.....	do	1109 00
F. C. Dredge.....	do	289 50
G. T. Cary.....	do	216 90
W. C. Chewitt.....	do	52 50
Hunter, Rose & Co.....	Bureau of Agriculture.....	20 00
E. Stanford.....	do do	66 08
Ed. Allan.....	do do	309 11
S. B. Foote.....	do do	6213 00
A. Wallace.....	do do	10 00
Middleton & Dawson.....	do do	64 22
G. T. Cary.....	do do	28 00
G. T. Cary.....	do do	102 00
L. Brousseau.....	do do	168 40
Hunter, Rose & Co.....	do do	20 00
Middleton & Dawson.....	Provincial Secretary.....	62 99
Hunter, Rose & Co.....	do	24 00

Ordered, That *E. Campbell*, Esquire, Acting Secretary, Bureau of Agriculture, be summoned to attend before the Committee to-morrow, at half-past 10 o'clock, A.M.

Ordered, That *T. Devine*, Esquire, of the Crown Lands Department, be summoned to attend before the Committee to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, A.M., and to bring with him copies of the "List of Provincial Land Surveyors," and samples of the printed forms, charged for by the Publisher of the "*Canadian Freeman*," in his accounts of the 4th of March, 1861, and 10th of March, 1862, respectively.

Ordered, That *A. Russell*, Esquire, Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands, be requested to attend before the Committee to-morrow, at 10 o'clock, A.M.

Mr. Langton laid before the Committee the account of *A. Cote & Co.* for printing blanks for Inspector General's Office, amounting to \$2,159 40.

Adjourned until to-morrow, at half-past nine o'clock, A.M.

Wednesday, 21st May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.

Mr. DUNSFORD,

Mr. HAULTAIN,

Mr. HOWLAND,

Mr. JOBIN,

Hon. Mr. J. S. MACDONALD,

Mr. McDUGALL,

Mr. SIMARD, and

Mr. WHITE.

The Chairman requested permission to absent himself, having to attend another Committee.

During the temporary absence of the Chairman, *Mr. Howland* was called to the Chair.

J. Russell, Esquire, appeared, and was Examined in explanation of *Mr. Cote's* and *Mr. Samuel's* accounts for the present year.

E. Campbell, Esquire, Assistant Secretary of the Bureau of Agriculture, &c., appeared in obedience to summons of Committee, and was Examined.

[By *Mr. White*.]

Ques. 31. When were you appointed Secretary to the Bureau of Agriculture, and what are your duties as to procuring supplies of Stationery?—*Ans.* About 14 months ago I was appointed Acting Secretary, having control over three Branches of the Department. I sign requisitions for all supplies.

Ques. 32. Had you any, and if so, what quantity of Stationery on hand at that period?—*Ans.* We never had a large stock on hand.

Ques. 33. Please look at this account [marked A] and state who gave the order for the articles enumerated therein?—*Ans.* I believe the order was given by *Mr. Vankoughnet*, because it was certified by him.

[By *Mr. McDougall*.]

Ques. 34. Was *Mr. Vankoughnet* in charge of the Bureau when he certified this order

of 30th October, 1861?—*Ans.* To the best of my belief he was acting Minister of Agriculture at the time he certified the account furnished by Mr. *Foote* for stationery, in October last.

[By Mr. *White.*]

Ques. 35. Did you ascertain whether the quantity set forth in this account of the 30th October, 1861, was delivered to you and how?—*Ans.* I am able to certify that the whole of the goods charged in Mr. *Foote's* account were duly delivered.

[By *Chairman, pro tem.*]

Ques. 36. Is this document, marked A, a requisition for the goods on account or is it an account furnished for the same?

(*Document marked A.*)

Bureau of Agriculture,

To SAMUEL B. FOOTE, Dr.

For Stationery. 1 dozen Pocket-knives	\$ 50 00
100 Reams S. Fine Foolscap.....	1200 00
Ruling 50 Reams do.	100 00
Trimming and Faint-ruling 100 Reams.....	100 00
Printed Headings—50 Reams.....	200 00
150 Reams Note Paper	750 00
Printed Headings—100 Reams.....	400 00
100 Reams Letter Paper.....	800 00
Printed Headings—80 Reams.....	320 00
20 Reams Packing Paper.....	400 00
12 Reams Blotting do.	144 00
20 Gross Red Tape	200 00
2 do Lead Pencils.....	60 00
50 Balls Strong Twine	75 00
5 Reams Cartridge Paper.....	80 00
20,000 Large White Envelopes	500 00
Printing "Bureau of Agriculture" thereon	160 00
20,000 Letter Envelopes \$240—with Heading \$160.....	400 00
10,000 Note do.	80 00
1,000 Cards	12 00
6 Dozen India Rubbers.....	24 00
50 Bottles Mucilage.....	75 00
24 Pair Strong Scissors.....	60 00
12 Boxes India Rubber Bands.....	60 00
4 Dozen Black Ink, assorted.....	48 00
1 do. Red Ink.....	15 00
	\$6,313 00

To be taken by the Bureau and paid for.

P. M. VANKOUGHNET.

30th October, 1861.

BUREAU OF AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS,
29th October, 1861.

I think that the three Branches, under the superintendence of this Department, will require this amount of Stationery for the two years ensuing.

E. CAMPBELL,
Acting Secretary.

Ans. I consider it an authority to Mr. *Foote* to furnish a large amount of Stationery, without which I would not have received it.

[By Mr. *McDougall*.]

Ques. 37. At whose instance did you certify that the Stationery ordered by Mr. *Vankoughnet* on the 30th October, 1861, would be sufficient for the Department for two years?

—*Ans.* Mr. *Foote* brought the account to me to have it certified. It was then certified by Mr. *Vankoughnet*. I was startled at the amount of the order, and I made a memorandum that I thought it would extend over two years.

Ques. 38. Did Mr. *Foote* assign any reason and what, for asking you to certify that the quantity would last for two years?—*Ans.* I do not recollect that any conversation took place on the occasion.

Ques. 39. Then are the Committee to understand that you made the memorandum that the supply would be sufficient for two years of your own motion?—*Ans.* I believe so. I did it in justification of a supply that was so unusually large.

Ques. 40. For whose justification did you make it?—*Ans.* On my own for receiving so large an amount.

[By Col. *Haultain*.]

Ques. 41. Had Mr. *Vankoughnet* consulted with you as to the requirements of the Bureau before he ordered the large amount of stationery included in the account referred to?—*Ans.* No. I had no conversation with him on the subject.

[By Mr. *McDougall*.]

Ques. 42. It appears then you considered that Mr. *Vankoughnet's* order deprived you of any discretion as to quantity?—*Ans.* Quite so.

[By Col. *Haultain*.]

Ques. 43. Was Mr. *Ross* at the head of the Bureau when Mr. *Vankoughnet* ordered the stationery included in that account?—*Ans.* I believe he was, but Mr. *Vankoughnet* was acting minister at the time. Mr. *Ross* was very rarely seen at the office.

Ques. 44. Can you inform the Committee why the account before you, which was incurred by Mr. *Vankoughnet's* order in October, 1861, was not included in the contingent accounts of the Department for the past year?—*Ans.* Indeed I cannot.

[By Mr. *McDougall*.]

Ques. 45. Is it your duty to check or audit accounts sent into your department, and if not, whose?—*Ans.* It is my duty, but only to check as to quantity and quality. If the price was very exorbitant, I could call attention to it, but such a case never did occur.

[By Mr. *Dunsford*.]

Ques. 46. Did you notice anything excessive in the prices in this bill of Mr. *Foote's*?—*Ans.* No, there were no prices stated when I signed the memorandum.

[By Mr. *McDougall*.]

Ques. 47. Look at Mr. *Foote's* account marked A. Is the memorandum at the bottom made and signed by you?—*Ans.* Yes, it is my writing.

Ques. 48. Then are the Committee to understand that the figures showing the prices of the various articles have been written in since you saw and signed it?—*Ans.* Yes, I believe so.

Ques. 49. Then you cannot say who checked the prices or whether they were ever checked in your Department.—*Ans.* No, I cannot say.

[By Col. *Haultain.*]

Ques. 50. You will see by the paper before you that the whole amount of \$6,313.00 has been paid to Mr. *Footo*. Have you given any certificate that the articles have been received by the Bureau?—*Ans.* None.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. *Russell*, further Examined.

[By Mr. *Howland.*]

Ques. 51. Had you any special instruction directing you, as to what parties you should employ to do the printing of your Department, and of whom you should obtain the supplies of stationery, and if so, what were they?—*Ans.* When the Commissioner of Crown Lands is present, I asked him from whom the articles should be procured. When he left he generally left a memorandum stating from whom they should be had.

[By Mr. *McDougall.*]

Ques. 52. In Mr. *Moylan's* account for printing, under requisition of February 5th, 1862, there is entered a payment of \$200 advanced to him on 30th October, 1861. By whose authority was this advance made?—*Ans.* By the authority of the Commissioner.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. *Devine* called in and Examined.

[By Mr. *Jackson.*]

Ques. 53. By whose order was the publisher of the *Canadian Freeman* required to print lists of the Surveyors in Upper Canada, as charged for in an account dated 4th March, 1861, now shown to you?—*Ans.* By order of Mr. *Vankoughnet*, the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Ques. 54. On what evidence did you certify to the correctness of the amount?—*Ans.* I received a thousand copies for the office, and intimation that the Secretary of the Board of Examiners at Toronto had been furnished with another thousand.

Ques. 55. Had you any control over the charges for printing the same lists?—*Ans.* I had no control over the charges.

[By Col. *Haultain.*]

Ques. 56. How many Surveyors are there in Upper Canada?—*Ans.* About 300.

Ques. 57. Whose duty is it to check the prices of accounts submitted.—*Ans.* Only Surveyors' accounts are checked in my Branch, and no other. As to charges for stationery and printing, I considered it my duty only to see that the articles charged for have been supplied.

And then he withdrew.

Adjourned until to-morrow, at the hour of half-past ten o'clock, A. M.

Thursday, 22nd May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.
 Mr. DUNSFORD,
 Mr. DUNKIN,
 Mr. SIMARD, and
 Mr. WHITE.

The Clerk adjourned the Committee for want of a Quorum, until to-morrow, at half-past 10 o'clock, A. M.

Friday, 23rd May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.
 Mr. JACKSON,
 Mr. JOBIN,
 Mr. POPE,
 Mr. SIMARD,
 Mr. STARNES,
 Mr. STREET, and
 Mr. WHITE.

Thomas Ross, Esquire, appeared and laid before the Committee the balance of the accounts for stationery and printing, up to the present date in his possession.

Ordered, That the Clerk do request the Deputy Heads of the several Departments to furnish, in detail, the amount of stationery and printed forms on hand in their Departments at the present date.

Ordered, That the Clerk do prepare a comparative statement of the several accounts for contingencies paid in 1862, or remaining unpaid at the present date, and shewing the amount, in each, contracted by the several Departments during the year 1861; as well as a comparative statement of the difference between the charges made by *Mr. S. B. Foote*, for stationery and printing supplied by him, and the prices paid under contract by the Legislative Assembly.

Adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Saturday, 31st May, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.
 Mr. BUCHANAN,
 Mr. CHAPAIS,
 Mr. DESAULNIERS,
 Mr. DUNSFORD,
 Hon. Mr. GALT,
 Mr. JACKSON,
 Mr. MORRISON,
 Mr. POPE,
 Mr. SIMARD,
 Mr. STARNES,
 Mr. STREET, and
 Mr. WHITE.

The Chairman laid before the Committee the following statements, prepared by the Clerk, viz :—

LIST of Accounts of the several Departments paid in 1862, showing proportionate Amount of each Account contracted in 1861.

ACCOUNTS.	DEPARTMENT.	Paid in 1862.		Amount contracted in 1861.	
		\$	cts.	\$	cts.
Desbarats & Derbishire.....	Crown Lands.....	1,237	32		
F. C. Dredge	do	102	50		
G. J. Cary	do	332	50		
S. B. Foote	do	3,284	25	3,284	25
Roe Smith	do	105	00		
W. C. Chewitt & Co.....	do	52	00	52	50
G. J. Cary	do	216	90	216	90
F. C. Dredge	do	289	50	289	50
J. G. Moylan	do	759	00	625	00
B. Vohl	do	66	00	66	00
A. Côté	do	1,774	86	1,124	11
E. J. Fletcher	do	6	00	6	00
P. Sinclair	do	13	50	7	50
Desbarats & Derbishire	Executive Council	953	35		
F. O. Vallerand	do	16	50	16	50
P. Sinclair	do	28	40	0	90
E. R. Frechette	Bureau of Agriculture	48	61	48	61
N. Samuels	do	48	25		
Desbarats & Derbishire	do	184	68		
S. B. Foote.....	do	651	90	478	40
S. B. Foote.....	do	6,313	00	6,313	00
G. J. Cary	do	28	00	28	00
Middleton & Dawson.....	do	64	77	64	77
E. Allen	do	309	11	309	11
E. Stanford	do	66	08	66	08
Desbarats & Derbishire	Auditor General	115	63		
Desbarats & Derbishire	Inspector General	502	23		
A. Coté	do	2,159	40	1,925	50
S. B. Foote	do	311	00	311	00
S. B. Foote	Public Works	21	75		
F. R. Frechette	do	6	00	6	00
A. Wallace	do	12	00	12	00
Desbarats & Derbishire	Receiver General	683	31		
N. Samuels	do	24	00		
H. Rowsell	do	247	00	247	00
W. A. Townsend	do	116	10	116	10
E. R. Frechette	Provincial Secretary	333	98		
E. R. Frechette	do	1,071	01	1,071	01
Desbarats & Derbishire	do	869	36		
N. Samuels	do	190	00		
Middleton & Dawson	do	62	99	62	99
N. Samuels	do	82	00	82	00
Desbarats & Derbishire	Attorney General East.....	267	47		
P. Sinclair	do	44	40	6	30
Desbarats & Derbishire	do West.....	159	52		
N. Samuels	do	4	00		
W. C. Chewitt & Co.....	do	77	75	77	75
S. B. Foote (no date)	do	1,768	00	1,766	00
E. R. Frechette	Provincial Registrar	72	67	58	18
Desbarats & Derbishire	do	403	25		
E. R. Frechette	Customs Department.....	2,000	06	1,176	70
G. T. Cary.....	Civil Secretary	47	92	4	92
Desbarats & Derbishire	Board of Examiners.....	23	33	23	35
M. Jacobs	do	24	00	24	00
P. Sinclair	do	95	03	89	02
	Total	\$28,745	64	\$20,056	94

LIST of Accounts of the several Departments for 1862, not yet paid.

ACCOUNTS.	DEPARTMENT.	Amount.	
		\$	cts.
Hunter, Rose & Co.....	Bureau of Agriculture.....	9	20
Desbarats & Derbishire.....	do.....	135	85
Desbarats & Derbishire.....	Militia Department.....	1,501	34
N. Samuels.....	do.....	24	25
N. Samuels.....	do.....	23	75
Desbarats & Derbishire.....	do.....	95	49
W. C. Chewitt & Co.....	Provincial Registrar.....	25	00
P. Sinclair.....	do.....	39	55
Desbarats & Derbishire.....	do.....	235	25
Desbarats & Derbishire.....	Attorney General West.....	78	05
Desbarats & Derbishire.....	Crown Lands.....	628	40
Middleton & Dawson.....	do.....	72	25
F. C. Dredge.....	do.....	127	70
A. Coté.....	do.....	354	35
S. B. Foote.....	do.....	not re	dered.
G. T. Cary.....	do.....	not re	dered.

MEMORANDUM of Accounts for Printing and Stationery furnished to the Post Office Department for the year ended the 30th September, 1861.

TO WHOM PAID.	Quarter.	Amount.		Total.	
		\$	cts.	\$	cts.
Desbarats & Derbishire.....	March, 1861.....	32	15		
do do.....	June, 1861.....	24	00	56	15
Thompson & Co.....	December, 1860.....	18	34		
do.....	March, 1861.....	21	00		
do.....	do.....	31	88	71	22
Partridge & Cozens.....	do.....	233	40	233	40
Middleton & Dawson.....	June, 1861.....	22	00	21	00
P. Sinclair.....	December, 1860.....	57	40		
do.....	March, 1861.....	70	53		
do.....	September, 1861.....	126	98		
do.....	do.....	20	65	275	56
C. Fraser.....	June, 1861.....	15	00		
do.....	September, 1861.....	20	00	35	00
P. Hubbard.....	December, 1860.....	4	70	4	70
A. McDonald.....	do.....	16	00	16	00
S. B. Foote.....	do.....	2,335	83		
do.....	March, 1861.....	272	98		
do.....	June, 1861.....	5,590	01		
do.....	September, 1861.....	4,270	62	12,469	44
A. Coté.....	December, 1860.....	594	17		
do.....	March, 1861.....	1,212	47		
do.....	June, 1861.....	553	50		
do.....	September, 1861.....	233	99	2,594	13
E. B. Fréchetie.....	March, 1861.....	54	57	54	57
Thompson, Hunter & Co.....	June, 1861.....	67	54		
do do.....	do.....	21	54	89	08
				\$15,970	25

MEMORANDUM of Accounts for Printing and Stationery for the Post Office Department paid between 1st October 1861, and 20th May, 1862.

TO WHOM PAID.	Quarter.	Amount.	
		\$	cts.
S. B. Foote	December, 1861	1,803	03
do	do	9,358	00
do	March, 1862	368	50
A. Coté	December, 1861	972	41
do	March, 1862	2,811	17
Partridge & Cozens	do	215	33
Desbarats & Derbyshire	December, 1861	18	45
do	March, 1862	28	65
C. Bernard & Co.	December, 1861	40	00
P. Sinclair	do	71	53
B. F. Hubbard	do	13	60
Middleton & Dawson	do	49	30
Henry Rowsell	do	210	00
Clench & Floyd	do	25	00
"Hamilton Spectator"	do	426	50

Mr. *Henry Hartney*, Deputy Chief Office Clerk, by which Department the stationery for the Legislative Assembly is procured, appeared before the Committee and made the following comparative statement between the prices charged by Mr. *S. B. Foote* for articles of stationery and printed forms supplied to the Crown Lands Department, as per samples furnished to the Committee, and the cost of similar articles of stationery when purchased by this Department, and of the printed forms, if supplied by the Printer to the Legislative Assembly.

ARTICLES OF STATIONERY.

For red tape, same as sample produced, and charged by Mr. *S. B. Foote*, \$18.00 per gross, we pay \$3.20 per gross.

For barrel pens, *Mitchell's M*, charged \$24.00 per 6 gross, we pay 95 cents per gross, when done up in dozens; the sample is in half gross boxes. The other samples I cannot identify.

For 12 boxes of steel pens, charged \$24.00 (if *Gillot's*) we pay from 55 to 60 cents per box.

For the buff envelopes, charged \$15.00 per thousand, we pay \$5.50 per thousand for the large size, and \$4.50 for the small size, and the printing will cost 88 cents per thousand.

For the envelopes produced, charged \$7.00 per thousand, we pay \$3.75.

For the box of sealing wax produced, charged \$4 per box, we pay 80 cents per box.

For the white blotting paper, charged \$12.00 per ream, we pay \$4.00 per ream.

For the red blotting-paper, charged \$20.00 per ream, we pay \$4.00 per ream.

For the largest sized note paper produced, charged \$5.00 per ream, we pay \$2.50 per ream, for a better quality.

For the smaller size, charged \$4.00 per ream, we pay \$2.00 per ream.

For the letter-paper, charged \$8.00 to \$10.00 per ream, we pay \$3.75 per ream.

For the letter-paper, larger size, charged \$8.00 to \$10.00 per ream, we pay \$4.00 per ream.

For the same, with printed heading, charged \$12.00 per ream, we pay \$4.58.

For the imitation laid foolscap, marked \$10.00 and \$12.00 per ream, we pay \$3.20 per ream.

PRINTED FORMS.

Samples produced.	Number printed for C. L. Department.	Price charged by M. S. B. Footc.	Cost if printed for the Legislature.
		\$ cts.	\$ cts.
14 a	2,000	50 00	9 74
17 d	5,000	125 00	20 99
17 d	10,000	250 00	25 04
18 e	10,000	300 00	30 36
16 C	10,000	200 00	25 04
18 e	5,000	150 00	27 36
17 D	40,000	800 00	93 44
15 b	4,000	140 00	24 68
15 B	50,000	1250 00	273 08
27 N	1,200	30 00	5 62
26 M	1,200	30 00	5 62
19 f	500	25 00	7 98
24 K	3,500	145 00	44 18
21 A	2,600	70 00	45 26
20 G	500	25 00	16 78
23 J	250	15 00	9 79
22 I	1,000	50 00	31 44
Printing Bill.	6,000	300 00	112 40
	Total.....	\$3955 00	\$806 80

For Report of the Supervisor of Cullers, charged by Mr. S. B. Footc, \$1,000 for a thousand copies, the price if printed for the Legislature would be for the same number \$140 74.

J. Langton Esquire, appeared and was examined.

[By Hon. Mr. Galt.]

Ques. No. 58. Will you state to the Committee the amount of Debentures outstanding on the 31st December last, for which the Province is liable?—*Ans.* \$65,620,478 32, as shewn in the Public Accounts.

Ques. No. 59. State the amount of the Sinking Fund invested in Indian Government securities?—*Ans.* \$7,300,000.

Ques. No. 60. Does not this amount of \$7,300,000 bear a rate of interest nearly equal to 5 per cent. which is held against the Imperial Guaranteed Loan which bears 4 per cent?—*Ans.* Yes, the whole of it bears 5 per cent with the exception of £174,000 sterling.

Ques. No. 61. Does not the Sinking Fund really constitute a reduction of the Public Debt to the amount of \$7,000,000?—*Ans.* I consider that it does in effect.

Ques. No. 62. What then is the balance which the Province will have to provide, and what the net amount of interest payable?—*Ans.* The amount for which the Province will have to provide was on the 31st December, 1861, \$58,326,478 32, the net interest being \$3,118,488.

Ques. No. 63. Besides the funded debt of the Province, which you state as \$58,326,478, are there not other liabilities to special funds?—Please to state the amount?—*Ans.* The Province owes divers trust funds, in all \$4,299,559, and on the other side divers of those

funds owe them or have investments to the amount of \$517,333, leaving a balance due to trust funds of \$3,782,226, besides which the Court House of Montreal and the Law Society of Upper Canada, which are both perfectly solvent funds, owe the Province on account of their Debentures redeemed, \$270,330, so that the balance of the unfunded debt of this character is \$3,511,896 making the whole debt \$61,838,374.

Ques. No. 64. Is the Indian Fund included in this amount, and how much is it?—

Ans. The Indian Fund is included and amounts to \$1,433,361.

Ques. 65. Are not also the following sums included in this statement “Municipalities Funds West, \$243,839” “School Land Fund \$803,085” “Upper Canada Building Fund \$337,065” and “Seigniorial Tenure \$614,981”?—*Ans.* They are.

Ques. No. 66. Does not the Municipalities' Fund represent the sum collected the previous year for distribution at 1st July—and does not the collection of this fund supply the whole monies payable?—*Ans.* Yes, the \$243,000 was the amount of the previous year's collections, distributable in 1862, against which there will be the collections of 1862, not distributable until 1863.

Ques. 67. Is not the School Land Fund accumulative under Mr. Price's Act, and intended by that Act to replace the Legislative grant for schools whenever it has, with accumulated interest reached \$400,000 per annum?—*Ans.* Yes—There is no expenditure against the Common School Fund, I look upon it as as much Province money, as any other receipt of the Province.

Ques. No. 68. Is not the Upper Canada Building Fund in a similar way applicable to public wants, and the interest upon it really applied to reduce other charges on the public?—*Ans.* The Upper Canada Building Fund is applicable to any expenditure peculiar to Upper Canada. The only charge that there has been against it for some years has been for the improvement of the gaols in Upper Canada during 1861, which was \$37,425.

Ques. No. 69. Be pleased to state the present position of the Seigniorial Fund, how it has arisen; and to whom the interest is paid, also the charges upon this fund in 1861?—*Ans.* The capital of the Fund arose from certain amounts appropriated in 1854, with respect to which an interest account is kept and the balance of \$614,000 is what remains unexpended of that appropriation. The expenditure charged against the fund in 1861, was \$224,133.

Ques. No. 70. Besides this fund is there not a further claim for perpetual annuities by the Seigniors, and what is its probable amount?—*Ans.* The fund will be increased by the capitalisation of the revenue from the *Droit de Quint*, which was not included in the capitalisation before; the amount may be about \$200,000. Over and above this fund, the Province is liable for an annual payment to the Seigniors, which is estimated to be from \$150,000 to \$160,000.

Ques. No. 71. Does the payment of \$224,133, in 1861, include all interest due to the Seigniors, both on the existing fund and also for the annuities.—*Ans.* The payment last year of \$224,000 included everything which the Commissioners called for, as being due annually to the Seigniors, for all purposes.

Ques. No. 72. Will the addition of \$200,000, which you speak of, in any way increase the amount of interest chargeable on the Province or payable to the Seigniors, or will it not in effect simply reduce the amount of annuities?—*Ans.* The \$200,000 additional to the capital of the fund, will make no real change in the amount for which the Province is liable. It is the capitalisation of the *Droit de Quint*, which is a revenue payable by the Seigniors to Government, and which is therefore deducted from the amounts payable to them. If it had not been added to the fund as a capital, it would have been added to the annuities.

Ques. No. 73. The fund payable in cash to the Seigniors, will then be about \$800,000, and annuities to about \$150,000 to \$160,000 per annum?—*Ans.* Yes.

Ques. No. 74. Are not the expenses of the Commission included in the \$224,000 paid in 1861, and about how much do they amount to?—*Ans.* The expenses of the Commission are included; for 1861 they were about \$36,000.

Ques. No. 75. When the Commission is closed, what will be the probable charge in connection with the Seigniorial indemnity, assuming the \$800,000 to be borrowed, and the annuities to be paid.—*Ans.* From \$190,000 to \$200,000.

Ques. No. 76. When will this existing fund probably become payable?—*Ans.* As soon as the Commissioners have reported, which probably will be this year.

Ques. No. 77. Will not then the charge upon the Public Revenue, after this year, be considerably less than the \$224,000 charged against it in 1861?—*Ans.* Yes. It will be reduced by the amount of the expenses of the Commission.

Ques. No. 78. Have not the Public Accounts, since 1857, contained always a sum paid in cash equivalent to all the charges created in settlement of the Seigniorial question?—*Ans.* The average expenses, since 1857, charged in the Public Accounts, have exceeded \$200,000 a year, which is more than my estimate of the future cost.

Ques. No. 79. Are the Committee then to understand, that in connection with the Seigniorial question, there will not be in the future any new charges upon the Revenue, but that the amount will really be somewhat reduced?—*Ans.* As far as the payments to the Seigniors are concerned, there will be a reduction upon the former expense, but there will be some payments to be made to the Townships in Lower Canada, the amount of which I am not able to estimate. I have heard that it is supposed to be equal to a capital of \$400,000. There is, also, under the Seigniorial Act of 1854, an equivalent to be paid to the credit of the Upper Canada Building Fund, of \$600,000, with interest from that date, the expenditure of which will be in the hands of Parliament.

Ques. No. 80. In the Seigniorial Act of 1859, was there not an indemnity provided for Upper Canada, equal to the perpetual annuities granted to the Seigniors in Lower Canada?—*Ans.* Yes. An equivalent amount was to be placed to the credit of the Municipal Loan Fund of Upper Canada.

Ques. No. 81. Is not this fund largely indebted to the Province, and is there not a very much larger sum charged on account of the said fund every year as interest on Public Debt, than will be covered by the grant spoken of?—*Ans.* Yes.

Ques. No. 82. Will then the effect of placing this sum at the credit of the Municipal Loan Fund, be to increase in any way the amount to be provided in cash?—*Ans.* There will be no further expenditure of cash in consequence of placing this to the credit of the Municipal Loan Fund until the Municipal Loan Fund is out of debt, which will not be soon.

Ques. No. 83. Is not the Lower Canada Townships Municipality Fund also indebted to the Province, and will not a large part of the \$400,000, you have already spoken of, be in like manner applied against these debts, creating, therefore, only a very small additional cash outlay?—*Ans.* The Townships in Lower Canada are also indebted to the Municipal Loan Fund, and the share of the compensation coming to any Townships that are indebted, will be applied in liquidation of their individual debt, and, therefore, will not increase the expenditure, though it may diminish the receipts; but, those Townships which are not in debt will receive their equivalent in cash.

Ques. No. 84. Is it then the fact, that in 1861, and for several years previous, the Province has provided, under the head of Seigniorial indemnity and Municipal Loan Funds of Upper Canada and Lower Canada, an amount quite equal to all the charges

connected with the final settlement of the Seigniorial question?—*Ans.* The increased expenditure, on account of the Townships, may be set against the diminished expenditure on account of the completion of the commission; and the whole annual expenditure hereafter, will be about the same as it has been for the last six years.

Ques. No. 85, Do you then consider that any increase to the Public Debt, or to the charges upon the Revenue, beyond what now, and for several years past has existed, can arise from this question?—*Ans.* It is almost impossible that the annual charges upon the Province can be increased; but arrangements might be made to increase the nominal amount of the debt, so as to make the annual payment as interest on debt, instead of payments to Seigniors.

And then he withdrew.

Adjourned until Monday next, at the hour of half-past one o'clock, P. M.

Monday, June 2nd, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

JOHN SIMPSON, ESQ., CHAIRMAN.

Mr. BUCHANAN,
Hon. Mr. DRUMMOND,
Mr. DUNSFORD,
Hon. Mr. GALT,
Mr. HAULTAIN,
Mr. JACKSON,
Mr. MORRISON, and
Mr. STREET,

J. Langton, Esquire, appeared and handed in the following statement in reply to the order of the Committee of the 9th of May, requiring "the names of the Creditors of the Province for Sterling Loan Account, and the rate of interest paid for it, and also the rate of interest paid the London Agents for Balances, and also the Balance due Government on the sales of Crown Lands."

The Sterling Loan was a sum borrowed from the London and Westminster Bank at 5 per cent interest which has since been repaid.

Our overdrafts on the agent's accounts are at 5 per cent interest.

The balance due to Government on the sales of Crown Lands, including those for Special Funds, is the balance at the debit of the Department, viz., \$250,659.07.

Mr. *Langton* was further examined.

[By Hon. Mr. *Galt*.]

Ques. 86. Can you give a statement of the increase of the Public Debt since 1st of January, 1858, up to 1st January, 1862, including in it the changes which have taken place in the amounts due to Trust Funds, in the amounts held as investments, and in cash and banking balances?—*Ans.*

Debenture Debt, January 1, 1858.....	\$52,334,911.82	
Less Sinking Fund with 5 per cent off.....	3,152,064.30	
		\$49,182,847.52
Debenture Debt, January 1, 1862.....	65,626,478.32	
Less Imperial Sinking Fund.....	\$7,300,000.00	
Can. Can Loan Sinking Fund.....	153,458.46	7,453,458.46
		58,173,019.86
Increase of Debenture Debt.....		\$8,990,172.34

Balance of Trust Funds, 1858.....	\$2,674,679.00	
do do 1862.....	4,636,931.39	
		\$1,962,252.39
Court Houses and Law Society, Dr. 1858, \$309,733.22		
do do 1862, 417,447.47		
		<u>107,714.25</u>
		1,854,538.14
		<u>\$10,844,710.48</u>
Cash and Banking Accounts, 1858.....	847,494.53	
do do do 1862, viz:		
as given in Public Accts, 1861,.....	321,083.95	
Less Crown Lands balances not included amongst Cash and Banking Accots., 1858.....	<u>91,560.35</u>	
	229,523.60	618,970.93
		<u>\$11,463,681.41</u>
Investments, 1858.....	\$226,666.67	
do 1862.....	906,284.41	
		<u>679,617.74</u>
Actual increase of debt.....		\$10,784,063.67
Charges in connection with conversion in 1860, by which the debt was nominally increased, but the interest reduced, may also be legitimately deducted.....		<u>1,806,241.19</u>
Net increase of debt,.....		<u>\$8,977,822.48</u>

It is, however, to be observed, that we receive interest to some extent on the Railroad and Municipal Loan Fund Debt, contracted before 1858; and that the debt since 1858 has been increased on the latter account by \$728,623, on account of which there are a few defaulters.

In this statement of the Debt I have not included the additional capital of the Seigniorial Tenure Fund, arising from the capitalisation of the *Droit de Quint*, the amount of which is not yet ascertained, and which would only affect the increase of debt during the period by the interest accrued upon it, as it was a debt at the beginning of the period as well as at the end; neither have I included the capital represented by the amount payable to the Seigniors under the Act of 1859, or the equivalent payable to the Townships.

Ques. 87. What has been the effect of this increase of debt upon the annual charge for interest?—*Ans.* In order to shew the effect of the increase of the Public Debt upon our annual charges, we must not deduct the \$1,806,241.19, which the conversion cost. The actual increase of debt is \$10,784,063.67, which at 5 per cent. represents an annual charge of..... \$539,203

The actual amount of interest on the debt, January 1st, 1858, was.....	\$2,926,480
Less interest on Sinking Fund, applicable to re- demption.....	<u>99,538</u>
	2,826,942

Add interest, for which we were liable to U. C. Building Fund and Seigniorial Tenure.....	<u>120,297</u>
	2,947,239
Less interest on investments received, 1858.....	<u>46,599</u>
	\$2,900,640

Actual interest of Debenture Debt, January 1st, 1862, less interest received on Imperial Sinking Fund	3,118,488	
Less interest on Can. Canadian Loan Sinking Fund...	7,672	
	<u>3,110,816</u>	
Add interest on Lake St. Peter Debentures, for which we are liable, say.....	41,000	
Interest for which we are liable to U. C. Building Fund and Seigniorial Tenure, at 6 per cent.....	92,653	
Investments of Indian Fund, for which we are liable to pay 6 per cent.....	70,704	
Balance of the Trust Funds, including Montreal Court House and Law Society, to which we are liable for 5 per cent.	70,967	
	<u>\$3,386,140</u>	
Less interest on investments, estimated amount for 1862	58,951	
	<u>\$3,327,189</u>	
The decrease of cash balances of \$618,970 is equivalent to an increase of interest on floating debt of...	30,948	
	<u>3,358,137</u>	457,497
Difference.....		<u>\$81,706</u>

As tested by the interest payable, the nominal increase of debt of \$10,784,063 is only equivalent to an actual increase of \$9,149,940, the difference arising from the gain to the Province, on late arrangements, with respect to debt.

This difference in the interest payable does not, however, quite accurately represent the gain by the late financial arrangements. Thus, I have included in the interest statement the interest on the Lake St. Peter Debentures, which are not included in the debt; and on the other hand, the Municipalities and Improvements Funds are included in the debt, but do not bear interest. Allowing for these, the gain in interest would be \$132,288.

Ques. 88. What were the amounts charged in the Public Accounts for 1858, '59, '60, and '61, for Public Works, for which authority to issue Debentures was granted?—*Ans.* The following amounts have been charged in the Public Accounts for Public Works of a permanent character, under the column headed, "Authorized to be met by the issue of Debentures."

1858	\$533,319.89
1859	319,946.13
1860	721,151.00
1861	906,213.88
Total.....	<u>\$2,480,630.90</u>

Ques. 89. What were the amounts paid on account of Seigniorial Tenure in those years?—*Ans.* The following amounts were expended for redemption of Seigniorial Tenure :

1858	\$298,351.37
1859	136,772.55
1860	213,036.60
1861	224,133.46
Total.....	<u>\$872,293.98</u>

Ques. 90. Deducting the \$1,806,241 nominal increase debt by conversion, and the expenditure for Public Works and Seigniorial Tenure, what has been the actual excess of expenditure over income, since 1st February, 1858?—*Ans.* Making the deduction of the increase of debt above stated, there would remain a balance of \$5,624,897.60.

Ques. 91. What is the amount of deficit stated in each year, in Mr. *Galt's* Reports, and what is the total so stated?—*Ans.* The deficit, as stated in the annual reports of the Minister of Finance, was as follows:—

1858	\$2,535,610 51
1859	451,979 36
1360	768,793 35
1861	1,476,868 77
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Total.....	\$5,233,251 99

Ques. 92. What is the difference between your statement of the deficit, as given above in answer to question 91, and can you account for that difference?—*Ans.* The difference is \$391,645.61. No very close correspondence can be expected between results which are arrived at by such very different methods, many things being brought into account in my statement on both sides which formed no part of Mr. *Galt's* calculations. There are three very large items which of themselves nearly account for the difference. I have included in the statement of existing debt the increase of the equivalent to the Upper Canada Building Fund since 1858

\$193,194

This item has not, as yet, appeared in the Public Accounts although a real increase of liability. The additional amount of Debentures issued on the Lower Canada Municipal Loan Fund never came into the hands of the Province, and did not affect the Receipts or Expenditure, nor is the debt counted as an asset in my statement. This amount is.....

728,623

\$921,817

making in all an increase of debt beyond what can be explained by excess of expenditure over receipts. On the other hand Mr. *Galt* considers the deficit in 1858 to have been \$2,535,619, because he refuses to take credit for the amount by which the re-payment of advances, including those made in previous years, exceeded those made within the year. These were, nevertheless, receipts of the year, and must be included in a Cash Statement, and Mr. *Galt* himself states the actual Cash deficit as \$1,968,955. Deducting these re-payments.....

566,654

leaves as a difference..... \$355,163

against the one previously shewn of \$391,645.

It seems unnecessary to trace out the effects of minor differences. And then he withdrew.

Adjourned to call of the Chair.

Friday, 6th June, 1862.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

- JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., Chairman.
 Mr. BENJAMIN,
 Mr. DESAULNIERS,
 Mr. DUNSFORD,
 Mr. DUNKIN,
 Mr. JACKSON]

Mr. MORRISON,
 Mr. SIMARD,
 Mr. SIMPSON,
 Mr. STARNES,
 Mr. STREET,
 Mr. WHITE.

John Langton, Esq., appeared and was further examined.

[By the Chairman.]

Ques 93. State to the Committee to whom the "Advances," comprising the item of \$1,238.23 in the "Comparative Statement" for 1860, were made, and what portion or portions thereof have been repaid, and by whom so repaid?—The advances in the year 1860, consisted of the following amounts, viz. :

In the year 1856 three month's salary was advanced to all employes, including those of the Legislature, to be repaid by instalments out of their salaries. This amount was advanced by the Bank of Upper Canada; the monthly paylists being passed at the ordinary amount, and the monthly re-payments being deducted by the Bank. After one half of the amount had been repaid all further re-payment was suspended and has not been called for since. The Province, therefore, owed the Bank the balance, which, although the advance was made in 1856, was not brought to account until 1860; the money was repaid to the Bank and an account was opened in the Ledger called "Advance Account." I believe that the Committee on Public Accounts last year recommended that the Account should be closed by carrying it to Consolidated Fund, but no instructions have been received to that effect; many of the persons to whom the advances were made are since dead or have left the service of the Government..... \$17,874 57

Instead of issuing Debentures on the credit of the Law fees, 9 Vic., cap. 33, as heretofore, the amount necessary to complete Osgoode Hall was advanced to the Law Society, Upper Canada, and is charged in their account 25,231 61

The property hypothecated to the Crown, under the Quebec Fire Loan, was insured to the amount of..... 300 00
 which was charged in the account current; a much larger amount has been repaid.

An advance was made to the Grand Trunk Railroad on security of Toronto Bonds to the amount of..... 316,333 33

of this amount \$132,568 was repaid during the year by the City redeeming its Bonds. The balance was repaid in 1861, by the sale of the remaining Bonds to the University of Toronto.

There was also advanced to the Grand Trunk Railway on the joint security of £42,500, 2nd preference Bonds and of the postal subsidy..... 245,830 57

Of this amount \$113,144.89 was repaid during the year, being the amount payable to the Company for postal service, and a further amount of \$51,317.37 in 1861, leaving a balance still due of \$81,368.41.

The remaining item consists of amounts lent to various parties in England, on the security of the Agents. It was all repaid in 1861..... 632,666 68

\$1,238,236 86

Ques. 94. Give the Committee the same information with regard to the item of \$231,723 for 1861.

The advances in 1861 were as follows:

Quebec Fire Loan similar charge to 1860,	\$300 00
Law Society, U. C., " "	3,000 00
Advance to sufferers in County of Temiscouata to buy seed grain.	3,000 00
Loan to Town of Paris in its bonds; proceeds applied to Municipal Loan Fund.....	5,000 00

Loan to City of Hamilton in its bonds	34,823 43
Loan to Grand Trunk Rail Road of which \$1,000 was repaid during the year,	120,000 00
Redemption of Lake St. Peter Debentures.....	65,000 00
	\$231,723 43

This last amount is not, properly speaking, an advance as it will not be repaid. We are responsible for the interest on the Lake St. Peter Debentures in the first place, although by the Act the Commissioners were responsible to us. The whole responsibility, however, of this class of Debentures about £170,000 was assumed by the Province, and the interest is charged as interest on Public Debt. But we were never, strictly speaking, responsible for the principal of the Debentures, and they have not therefore been included in our Public Debt, so that when we came to redeem them, we could only treat the payment as an advance to the Harbour Commissioners, until such time as the Legislature authorised the debt to be cancelled. It would appear advisable that authority should be granted to include the remainder of their debentures in our Public Debt, exonerating the Harbour Commissioners from the present charges against them. A further sum of £55,000 has been paid during the current year for the same purpose.

Ques. 95. Explain the item of \$340,000 paid for Subsidiary Lines, and state the authority under which the payment was made, and give the Committee all the information you can upon the entire subject of the Subsidiary Lines.—*Ans.* The history of the account Subsidiary Lines in our Ledger is this:—When the Grand Trunk Railway was authorised to issue Second Preference Bonds, they were to be lodged in the hands of the Agents, and only released in proportion as the work was done upon the several lines, to which they were applicable under the Act. Amongst these were the Three Rivers and Arthabaska Road, and the Subsidiary Lines Canada West, to the former of which £125,000 stg., to the latter, £100,000 stg., were appropriated. From the time of the passing of the Act until January, 1859, several Orders in Council were passed, reciting the reports of the Engineers as to the work done, and releasing a proportionate amount of the Bonds. No work had been done upon the Three Rivers and Arthabaska Line, and therefore the proportionate amount of each release applicable to that road was not handed over to the Grand Trunk, but to the Receiver General, to hold in trust for the Road, and the Province bound itself to allow interest on the amounts, as the Grand Trunk was paying interest on the Bonds. The same course was pursued with the Subsidiary Lines, Canada West, for which there was no necessity, as the work there was really finished, and the whole £100,000 might have been paid to the Roads direct, without coming into the Provincial Books at all. In January, 1859, the account stood thus:

Paid to the Receiver General on account of Three Rivers and Arthabaska Line, (at interest)...	\$409,442 13	leaving	198,891 20
Paid to the Receiver General on account of Subsidiary Lines, Upper Canada, (not at interest)	327,553 71	“	159,112 96
	\$736,995 84		358,004 16

Out of this amount in the hands of the Province we paid the whole amount of \$486,666 67 to the Upper Canada Subsidiary Lines, leaving in our hands, irrespective of interest, \$250,329 17, which is the amount which appeared in the statement of affairs at the credit of Subsidiary Lines up to 1860 inclusive.

In 1859, when the works on the main line were completed, the whole of the remaining bonds were released, but the agents were instructed, that it was “subject to the condition, that the Company shall give satisfactory security to the Government, that the Arthabaska appropriation shall be duly applied towards the construction of that branch line.” It appears to have been overlooked that in this general release was included \$159,112 96 on account of Subsidiary Lines, Upper Canada, an equivalent to which had been already paid by the Province out of the monies held in trust for the Arthabaska line, and for this amount no security was taken. The Province however appears to be responsible in the first place for the due expenditure of all the money placed in its hands in trust for the Arthabaska Road. At the end of 1861 the account would seem to stand thus:

As between the Province and our agents, we hold them responsible for the expenditure by the Grand Trunk, of the amount released January 1859, viz.....	\$198,891 20
We have certificates of the Engineers of the Company that work has been done, over and above what was paid for by the Province direct, to the extent of.....	187,738 49
Balance not yet accounted for.....	<u>\$11,152 71</u>

As between the Province and the Town of Three Rivers and others, to whom we stand in the character of Trustees, guaranteeing that the whole £125,000 sterling shall be duly expended. There was expended by the Grand Trunk Railway Company.....	187,738 49
Paid to contractors by the Province directly.....	340,000 00
Balance for which the Province was primarily responsible.....	80,594 84
£225,000 Sterling.....	<u>608,333 33</u>

Of this \$80,000 has been paid in 1862, leaving a balance still payable of \$594 84.

As between the Province and the Grand Trunk, without taking interest into account. Amount released to Grand Trunk, January, 1859, which should have been retained to reimburse us for what we paid to Subsidiary Lines West.....	\$159,112 96
Payments on account of Arthabaska Line.....	340,000 00
	<u>499,112 96</u>
Amount paid to Receiver General on account of Arthabaska Line...	409,442 13

Balance \$89,670 88

which is the amount which, December 31, stood at the debit of "Subsidiary Lines (Grand Trunk Railway) East and West," in the statement of affairs. In addition to this, we have paid \$80,000 in 1862, and have still to pay \$594.84, which will bring the account up to \$170,265.67. Against this there is the interest account, the balance of which, allowing interests on the monies paid to us from date, and charging it on our payments, including the release of \$159,112 96 in January 1859, was, September 30, 1861, \$51,700.92, reduced by subsequent payments to say \$50,882 00

Balance which the Grand Trunk would owe us if the accounts were closed \$119,383 67

Ques. 96. Does the item of "cash" \$2,437,399 in the table of assets represent the actual balance in the Bank of Upper Canada on the 31st December last?—*Ans.* It represents the cash in the hands of all the Banks in *Canada*, not only that in the Bank of Upper Canada.

Ques. 97. What is the reason why the item "Bank of Upper Canada special account \$486,666.67cts." has not been transferred to the credit of the province in its general account with that institution?—*Ans.* The amount is not included in the cash but is treated as a special account, because it is of a different character from the cash deposited in the Bank, being the amount of a Bill of Exchange on the Grand Trunk Railroad, protested for non-payment.

Ques. 98. Does the item "New coinage," cash account, \$80,512.93cts. represent the actual amount of the new coinage still in the hands of the government?—*Ans.* The item represents the actual value as coin of the balance of our copper coinage. During the present year a part of this copper has been sold at a reduction upon its value as coin, to bring it into circulation.

Ques. 99. Does the last item in the table of assets represent the cash in the hands of the Crown Lands Department or its assets on the 31st December last, or does it represent the total amount due or to fall due to that Department for Lands sold?—*Ans.* The balance of the Crown Lands Department does not accurately represent any of the things embraced in this question. The receipts for Lands sold are paid to the Receiver General direct, and not through the Department, or if anything is paid for in cash, the cash is at once deposited by the Department; accountable warrants are from time to time issued for the expenditure, and anything remaining unexpended of these is the only cash for which the Department is accountable. But the Department has open accounts with a great number of Agents and sub-accountants on both sides of the ledger, and it rarely happens that these accounts are closed at the end of the financial year. The agents make monthly returns of their sales, and from these returns the province and special funds get credit for the revenue accrued, but sometimes the cash has come in before the returns, and sometimes the revenues have been credited before the cash reaches the Receiver General. As far as this balance of \$250,000 represents the aggregate of these open accounts, it is a good and available asset; but there have been some very heavy defaulters amongst the Agents, and the amounts in default may or may not be collected. There is very little change in this respect since the statement of defaulters, which have been submitted to former Committees.

Ques. 100. How is it, that in answer to Mr. Galt's questions, the difference between Revenue and Expenditure varies so considerably from the results of Statement A^o handed in to the Committee by you?—*Ans.* In making out the statement, which I put in marked A, I was instructed to include all expenditure, except that for the redemption of debt, and the charges incident thereto, and all receipts, except those arising from the sale of debentures. The deficit, as stated by Mr. Galt, for each particular year, in his annual reports, only purports to be the excess of the ordinary expenditure over the ordinary revenues, excluding, from both sides, besides the increase or decrease of the debt, many items which he points out as exceptional. Between statements founded upon such very different data, there can be but little correspondence; but I subjoin the principal points of difference. In the years 1858, '59, and '61, all the items which he excludes are distinctly pointed out; but as he follows a rather different plan in 1860, I have not been able, in the short time allowed me before the Committee is to present its report, to identify with perfect accuracy the amounts which he deducts as exceptional.

According to my statement, marked A, the expenditure in the four last years has exceeded the receipts, exclusive of operations connected with the increase and redemption of the debt, by.....	\$10,360,285.72
The aggregate deficits on the ordinary transactions of the same years, as stated by Mr. Galt's reports, has been.....	5,233,251.99
Difference.....	<u>5,127,033.73</u>
This arises in part from my having deducted from the receipts, as arising out of the increase of debt, the premium on debentures sold.....	\$484,168.64
And from expenditure the charges of management for sale and redemption in 1858, '59, and '61, as well as those upon the large operations of 1860, which are the only ones included by Mr. Galt.....	104,434.02
	<u>379,734.62</u>
Mr. Galt has also excluded the payments for Imperial Sinking Fund in 1858 and '59, which, although they really operated as so much extinguishment of debt, I have not excluded, as they were by law charges incident in those years.....	689,885.38
And redemption of Lake St. Peter debentures in 1861, which I have before explained, can only be looked upon as an ad-	

vance to the Montreal Harbor Commissioners until proper authority is obtained from Parliament.....	65,000.00	
Total difference in connection with debt.....		1,134,620.00
Mr. Galt excludes permanent public works.....		2,480,630.90
Payments for seigniorial tenure.....		872,293.98
Trust Fund other than seigniorial tenure expenditure.....	3,871,188.08	
Receipts.....	3,161,920.90	
		709,267.18
New coinage expenditure.....	358,279.06	
Receipts.....	205,100.	
		153,179.06
Visit of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales		204,884.07
Arrears of former years for postal service paid in 1860.....		256,891.97
Purchase of tug steamers.....		93,544.00
Miscellaneous items on both sides.....		201,820.47
		6,107,131.63
He also deducts :		
Redemption of debt by Great Western...	765,233.33	
And repayments of loans and advances... \$	2,319,265.51	
Less loans and advances made.....	2,094,400.94	
		224,864.57
		990,097.90
		5,127,033.73

And then he withdrew.

The Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Friday, 6 o'clock, P.M.

COMMITTEE MET.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JOHN SIMPSON, Esq., Chairman.
 Mr. CHAPAIS,
 Mr. DRUMMOND,
 Mr. DUNKIN,
 Mr. POPE,
 Mr. SIMARD,
 Mr. SIMPSON,
 Mr. STARNES,
 Mr. STREET, and
 Mr. WHITE.

The Chairman submitted the draft of a Report which was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report the same to the House as well as the proceedings of the Committee.

REPORT.

The Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the Petition of the holders of QUEBEC TURNPIKE ROAD DEBENTURES, have the honor to Report as follows :—

Your Committee have carefully examined the allegations of the Petitioners, and have come to the conclusion that they are well founded.

The Quebec Turnpike Road Commission was established in 1841, by the Ordinance 4 Victoria, cap. 17.

This Commission, which, by different Acts of Parliament, have been authorized to construct Turnpike Roads on the two shores of the St. Lawrence, near Quebec, and to borrow money for that purpose on Debentures, was divided in 1857 into two Commissions, the North Shore Commission, and the South Shore Commission.

At that period, Debentures to the amount of £40,000 had been issued, and about £32,000 of that amount expended for the construction of roads on the South Shore.

The Legislature, however, in 1857, without giving any further guarantee to the holders of these Debentures for their repayment, discharged the South Shore Commission from the debt of £40,000, and charged the North Shore Commission with it, which was thus burthened and remained charged with its previously existing liabilities. It is true that the Legislature declared at the same time, that after payment of the expenses of the Commission, and for the maintenance of the roads on the South Shore, the South Shore Commission should pay over any surplus of revenue to the North Shore Commission, to aid them in the payment of the debt of £40,000, but the Legislature also authorized the South Shore Commission to borrow on Debentures the sum of £12,000, and gave to the holders of these debentures, for the payment of the interest and capital, a preference over the debt contracted previously for the construction of the roads.

This legislation had been preceded and accompanied by acts which had constantly increased the debt, and in many cases diminished the revenues of the Commission, in spite of its representations. It also had the effect of placing the holders of the Debentures with which the North Shore Commission was charged in 1857, in a much less favorable position than they had a right to expect, and to which they were incontestably entitled, in virtue of the law which authorized the issue of these Debentures. They now find that they have no prospect whatever of being paid by the North Shore Commission, which has been compelled to witness the increase of its obligations and the diminution of its revenues by Acts of Parliament.

Under these circumstances the Committee have deemed it to be their duty to ascertain exactly, by evidence taken before it, the amount of the revenues and expenditure of the two Commissions respectively. They have obtained the following information:—

NORTH SHORE COMMISSION.

Expenditure, including £7,500 for interest.....	£12,500
Revenue	9,154
Annual deficit.....	£3,346

SOUTH SHORE COMMISSION.

In 1859—Revenue	£1,688
“ Expenditure.....	£1,476
Surplus.....	£212
In 1860—Revenue	£1,470
“ Expenditure.....	1,690
Deficit.....	£220

In 1861—Revenue.....	£1,676
“ Expenditure	1,176
Surplus	<u>£500</u>
Or, taking the average of the three last years :—	
Revenue.....	£1,607
Expenditure.....	1,443
Surplus	<u>£164</u>

To which should be added the sum of £100, being the equivalent of the maintenance of the toll roads within the limits of the town of Levis, to the Corporation of which the Commission appears to have abandoned the maintenance of the said roads.

Having ascertained these facts, Your Committee have considered the best means of providing a remedy for the evil. Being convinced that the holders of the Debentures have been unfairly treated by the intervention of the Legislature, and that justice demand that measures should be taken in their behalf, whilst at the same time the future solvency of the Commissions should be secured, your Committee have concluded, respectfully, to recommend to your Honorable House,—

1st. That in justice to the holders of Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road Debentures, the Province shall become *pro tempore*, responsible for the said debt of £40,000 currency, providing for the payment of the said Debentures at the rate of 25 per cent. discount (the average rate at which they have been sold) to the amount of £40,000, and of the interest on the said Debentures.

2nd. That the North Shore Commission be charged for the future with the maintenance of the following roads only :—

1. The St. Pierre and Charlesbourg Road, as far as Charlesbourg Church.
2. The Road to Beauport and Ange Gardien, and Château Richer, from and including the Dorchester Bridge.
3. The St. Charles South Road.
4. The Road from L'Ormière to the St. Ambroise Church.
5. The Champigny West and St. Augustin Road.
6. The Chemin de la Suède.
7. The St. Foye Road.
8. The St. Foye Church By-road.
9. The St. Louis Road and Cap Rouge Bridge.
10. The Cove Road as far as Kilmarnock.
11. The Kilmarnock Road.

And that the other Roads which are under the control of the said Commission should be left like the other Roads in the County, in the charge of the local Municipalities.

3rd. That Ships, Steamers, Schooners, Boats, and other vessels, which render the raising of the Dorchester Bridge necessary, to enable them to pass the said Bridge, should, for every time they pass, pay the following sums :—

Ships or vessels, per ton	\$00 01
Steamers, each	1 00
Schooners, do	1 00
Boats, &c., do	0 50

4th. That as the measures proposed by your Committee, Nos. 1, 2 and 3, will reduce the expenses and increase the revenues of the North Shore Commission, the said Commission should be bound to reduce its other expenses as much as possible, and by means of any excess of revenue they may have, to form a sinking fund to meet its other liabilities and Debentures when they become due, and that the said Commission be empowered, in case the said fund should at any time prove insufficient, to renew such of its Debentures as may become due, by exchanging them for new ones with interest coupons.

5th. That, so soon as the amount of its debt, over and above the said £40,000, shall have been so paid by means of the said sinking fund, and the interest accruing thereon, the said Commission shall be bound to continue the said sinking fund, in order to repay the Province the £40,000 in question, and all other sums due by the Commission to the Province.

6th. That the South Shore Commission should also be bound to form a sinking fund out of the annual surplus of its revenues, and the interest on the said fund, with the view of meeting the capital of its debt, after payment of which, the said sinking fund shall continue, in order to the repayment of that part of the said £40,000 which was expended for the construction of the South Shore Roads.

7th. That the said two Commissions should be bound to submit to His Excellency the Governor General, in the month of January in each year, a complete statement of their affairs, shewing the revenue and expenditure of and on each Road under their control, the other expenses and revenues of the said Commissions, the amount placed in the sinking fund during the year, the total amount in the sinking fund, the amount of the debt, and all other information calculated to exhibit a complete statement of their affairs, the said sinking fund to be invested in the capital stock of incorporated Banks or otherwise, as the Governor in Council may from time to time direct.

That the *personnel* of the two Commissions be so modified as to render the Commissions effective.

The whole humbly submitted.

HECTOR L. LANGEVIN,
Chairman.

May 30, 1862.

PROCEEDINGS

Of Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.—On Bill No. 213,—An Act for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, and for other purposes.

RAILWAY COMMITTEE ROOM,
Quebec, Friday, May 30, 1862.

Committee met.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

THE HON. GEORGE E. CARTIER, Chairman.

Mr. BELL, (of Russell.)	Hon. Mr. J. A. MACDONALD,
Mr. BOWN,	Mr. D. A. MACDONALD,
Mr. BUCHANAN,	Mr. MONGENAI, S,
Mr. BUREAU,	Mr. MORRISON,
Mr. CARON,	Mr. MORTON,
Hon. Mr. CAUCHON,	Mr. ROBITAILLE,
Mr. CONNOR,	Mr. ROSS, (of Dundas,)
Mr. DICKSON,	Hon. Mr. SHERWOOD,
Mr. DUNKIN,	Mr. SIMARD,
Mr. JOBIN,	Mr. SIMPSON, and
Mr. KNIGHT,	Mr. WRIGHT.
Mr. MACBETH,	

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of the Bill No. 213, for the re-organization of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and for other purposes.

E. W. Watkins, Esq., appeared and addressed the Committee in support of the Preamble, on behalf of the English Share and Bondholders, and other parties interested in the Grand Trunk undertaking.

Thomas Galt, Esq., appeared and addressed the Committee on the part of the English creditors.

A. Cassels, Esq., appeared on behalf of the Bank of Upper Canada, and assented to the provisions of the Bill.

Mr. Watkins here proposed (should the Committee desire it) to make a clause to the effect that all the creditors in Canada, to whom amounts under five hundred dollars each were due, should be paid in full.

At the request of the Committee, the following letter was handed in and read by the Chairman, together with the resolution alluded to therein:—

Quebec, 30th May, 1862.

SIR,—We beg to repeat the statement just made before the Committee on Bill No. 213, introduced by Mr. R. Bell, (of Russell,) viz : that the Bond and Shareholders of the Company acting through their duly authorized Agent, Mr. Watkin, do assent to the said Bill before the Committee, and in order to shew the powers possessed by Mr. Watkin to

this extent, we append a copy of the Resolution unanimously passed at a meeting of Bond and Shareholders held in London on the 24th December last.

The Creditors in England have unanimously assented to the Bill, and the Creditors in Canada, whose debts are not now in process of liquidation, are assenting parties also.

The Bank of Upper Canada, whose case has been specially mentioned, assents to the Bill.

We beg to remark that the Company, and its various interests, had hoped that the Canadian Parliament would have sanctioned the Capitalization by Government of the Postal payments.

They propose a less measure of relief, confining themselves to domestic legislation, in the hope that they may, nevertheless, keep the Railway open in the interests of the Province.

We have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

EDWARD W. WATKIN,
Superintending Commissioner.

A. CASSELS,
Representing Bank of Upper Canada.

THOMAS GALT,
Attorney for the English Creditors.

“ THE GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY COMPANY OF CANADA.

“ At a Meeting of the Share and Bondholders of this Company, held at the London Tavern, on Tuesday, 24th December, 1861,

“ THOMAS BARING, Esq., M. P., in the chair.

“ It was moved by Mr. Thomas Baring, M. P., and seconded by Mr. Morris, and carried unanimously—

“ That the Report of the Directors be approved, and the accounts be received, and that the Report of Mr. Watkin be received and adopted.

“ That Mr. Watkin be thanked for his past services.

“ That the Board do appoint an Agent to proceed to Canada to continue negotiations with the Government, and to carry out the re-organization of the line, and the other arrangements recommended in Mr. Watkin's Report. That for this purpose such Agent be empowered to represent all classes, with the fullest powers, and the Government and Legislature of Canada be impressed with the importance of prompt action in dealing with the question of the Postal Subsidy, and its capitalization as the only practical means of relieving this concern from its financial embarrassments.

“ It was moved by Mr. William Hartridge, and seconded by Mr. J. C. Conybeare—

“ That the best thanks of this meeting be given to Thomas Baring, Esq., M. P., and the Board of Directors, for their attention to the affairs of the Company, and to the Chairman for his impartial conduct this day in the Chair.

“ By order,

“ JOHN M. GRANT,

Secretary.

“ Grand Trunk Railway Offices,

“ 21, Old Broad Street, E. C., London, Dec. 24, 1861.”

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of the Bill and—

The Preamble being read, the Committee divided; and the names being called for, were taken down as follows:—

YEAS:

Messrs. Bell, (of Russell,) Buchanan, Bureau, Cartier, Cauchon, Knight, Macbeth, Macdonald, J. A., Mongenais, Morrison, Morton, Robitaille, Sherwood, Simpson, and Wright,—15.

NAYS :

Messrs. Bown, Caron, Connor, Dickson, Dunkin, Jobin, Macdonald, D. A., Ross, (of Dundas,) Simard,—9.

Which was carried in the affirmative, and the preamble was adopted.

The *First* clause being read, was carried on a division.

The *Second* clause being read, Mr. Dunkin moved to strike out all after "Creditors," in the *thirty-first* line, page 1; on which the Committee divided, and the names being called for, were taken down as follows:—

YEAS :

Messrs. Caron, Cauchon, Connor, Dunkin, Macdonald, D. A., Robitaille, Ross, (of Dundas,) Sherwood, Simard, Simpson,—10.

NAYS :

Messrs. Bell (of Russell,) Bown, Buchanan, Cartier, Knight, Macbeth, Macdonald, J. A., Mongenais, Morton, Wright,—10.

Which was lost by the casting vote of the Chairman; and the said clause being again read, was adopted.

The *third* to the *sixteenth* clause inclusive, were severally read and adopted.

The *seventeenth* clause being read, was amended as follows:—

Page 4, line 25, strike out "twenty" and insert "thirty."

Page 5, line 3, strike out "twenty," and insert "thirty."

The said clause as amended was adopted.

The *eighteenth* clause was read and adopted.

The *nineteenth* clause being read, was amended as follows:—

Page 5, line 34, after "Company," insert "other than those earnings in the first section of this Act mentioned."

Page 6, line 16, strike out "five" and insert "ten."

The said clause as amended was adopted.

The *twentieth* clause being read was amended as follows:—

Page 7, line 7, after "Expenses," insert "Interest on mortgages registered in Lower Canada, and also interest on such mortgages as may be granted under section No. 36."

The said clause as amended was adopted.

The *twenty-first* clause was read and adopted.

The *twenty-second* clause being read, was amended as follows:—

Page 7, line 41, strike out "to be" and insert "if."

Page 7, line 42, strike out "three" and insert "two."

Page 7, line 50, add to the clause; "Provided always, that all simple contract debts now due in Canada, of amounts not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars each, shall be paid in full."

The said clause as amended was adopted.

The *twenty-third* clause being read, was amended as follows:—

Page 8, line 17, strike out the words "company to be given in writing on or before the first day of November; one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two," and insert "resident in America and three-fourths of the Creditors resident in England, respectively, to be given in writing on or before the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, but should such consent be withheld for a period of three months beyond such date, then the appropriation of the moneys receivable by the Company for postal services and for the conveyance of Troops, and Military Stores, and munitions of war as set forth in section one, shall cease and determine, and all parties shall be remitted to the position occupied by them respectively prior to the passing of this Act."

The said clause as amended was adopted.

The *twenty-fourth* clause was read and adopted.

The *twenty-fifth* clause being read, was amended as follows:—

Page 8, line 27, strike out "twenty-four" and insert "twenty-three."

The said clause as amended was adopted.

The *twenty-sixth* to the *thirty-fourth* clause inclusive, were severally read and adopted,

The *thirty-fifth* clause being read, was amended as follows :—

Page 10, line 36, add to the clause, “ and either or both of such Companies may make agreements in reference thereto with the Detroit and Milwaukie Railway Company.”

The said clause as amended was adopted.

The *thirty-sixth* and *thirty-seventh* (and last) clauses were read and adopted.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report the said Bill, as amended, to the House this day.

Mr. Watkin laid before the Committee the following document :—

REPORT OF MR. WATKIN.

LONDON, 2nd December, 1861.

DEAR SIRS,

I beg now to recapitulate the proceedings which I have deemed it my duty from time to time to take in discharge of the temporary mission entrusted to me by the Board, with the concurrence of the Committee of Bond and Shareholders, and the approval of the meeting of the 19th July.

2. On arriving in Canada in August, I found that the Board there had been re-constituted by re-election at the meeting held in July, and that Mr. Blackwell had returned to the performance of his duties as Managing Director, in improved health. I had, therefore, to request the co-operation of the management thus, in advance, re-established, and I have to thank especially the President, the Honorable Mr. Ross, and also the other members of the Board and Mr. Blackwell, for their frank concurrence in my proceedings.

3. In accordance with your wishes, I applied for and received some very valuable opinions from the members of the Committee, and more especially from Mr. Newmarch, and also from various Bond and Shareholders, and I have to acknowledge, amongst others, those of Mr. H. C. Chapman, to whom, without agreeing with him in some essential particulars, I must attribute the merit of having made many sound and practical suggestions for the improvement of the undertaking.

4. The civil war in the United States, which, at the date of the presentation of the report of the Committee, every one in England hoped to see shortly decided by some amicable arrangement, had by the time of my arrival in Canada presented features of magnitude and exasperation forbidding all chance of early peace. Thus an unexpectedly serious obstacle presented itself to the development of trade and traffic, involving complications, commercial and political, affecting not merely the calculations and plans of the Committee, but the action of the Canadian Government itself. It is well to bear this in mind in considering the position of the undertaking in all its bearings.

5. I lost no time in presenting the Memorial of the London Directors to the Governor General in Council, and in discussing its proposals with the first minister and other members of the Canadian Government, and to whom personally it is only just to say that they exhibited every readiness to receive my representations in a considerate and anxious spirit.

6. Feeling convinced that unless some early assurance of a just consideration of the Grand Trunk Company's case were held out by the Government, it would be impossible to ensure the efficient working of the Railway during the winter, I felt compelled, in order to relieve myself from a serious responsibility, to communicate that opinion to the Governor General and to the Government.

7. Grave dangers, enhanced by the political situation, were admitted; but it was stated that large difficulties existed, and the proceedings and declarations, as to the alleged utter insolvency and hopelessness of the concern, as a commercial undertaking, of persons acting in the name of a section of the holders of the property, were alluded to to illustrate the difficulty of rendering aid where some of the partners in the concern itself appeared to consider their property as almost beyond redemption.

8. My application, it will be recollected, was, that Government should considerably enlarge the payment for postal service, and should capitalize it to an amount which would represent the payment for 25 or 30 years of the service, on the enlarged scale, issuing provincial bonds for £1,500,000. The question was, therefore, and especially under the circumstances, raised, as to how far the Grand Trunk Company would be able to secure the

efficient performance of this service over so long a period; and also, what security there was, in the face of the unexpected embarrassments of the American war, that at the end of the period of five years named by the Committee, litigation, based on some temporary failure of the income needed to pay the bond interest, might not recur, and be conducted, once more, in a manner tending to sacrifice the credit and paralyze the action of the Company. In face of the proceedings quoted, my negotiation was surrounded, I confess, by many unexpected difficulties. These difficulties, *inter se*, must be removed without delay if the Bondholders and Proprietors would hope for the restoration of their property. I was able, I believe, to convince the Government, after devoting some time to a personal examination of the railway and its position, that, physically and pecuniarily, the material guarantees for the performance of this service were really beyond cavil. The answer in reference to future factious proceedings by sections of Bond or Shareholders can only be given by yourselves on behalf of the holders of the property, and on that answer much will depend.

9. I satisfied myself, after full enquiry, that the services rendered to the postal department of Canada were, and are, so extensive and so costly, as to deserve, in my opinion, a much higher payment even than that proposed. But it will be recollected that by legal provision the remuneration for all these services may be fixed by the Governor General in Council, without appeal; and that in the spirit of liberality engendered by the expectation of high dividends, and without any experience to guide, a proposal of a totally inadequate payment was at the outset of the Company unwisely, as I consider, made. Under these circumstances it perhaps is not matter of surprise that my views of the annual amount and those of the members of the Government should materially differ; but, these being the facts, the Government of Canada are entitled to their prominent mention. After a long period of discussion, however, I received the reply of the Government to the memorial; that reply being dated the 3rd October.

10. That reply admits the "grave dangers to the commerce of the Province, to the maintenance of its postal service, especially that connected with the Steam Ship Line, and to the ordinary traffic, now so largely dependent upon railway facilities," involved; and declares that, "His Excellency in Council is fully alive to the disastrous consequences which would flow from a stoppage of the Line, and as far as it may be possible to avert such a calamity without imperilling other and even more important interests, His Excellency considers it to be the duty of the Government to recommend the Legislature to act." In reference to the postal remuneration, it observes, that the power to determine it, vested by law in the Governor, "could only have (so) been in the belief of Parliament that it would be exercised fairly, as the intention of the Legislature never could have been to compel service for the public without adequate remuneration." It proceeds to add, that "taking into consideration the importance of fully maintaining the reputation of the Province for fair dealing, and of removing all possible ground for just complaint, His Excellency considers that the Government should reconsider the question of the postal allowance."

It then states—"That the Government will be prepared to submit the question of the rate of postal payment to the arbitration of three disinterested parties. The arbitrators to be empowered to determine the amount to be paid annually for a period of five years, and also to furnish for the information of His Excellency their views as to the future annual rate for periods of five years thereafter till 1890."

It goes on to say—"The capitalization of the annual postal payments rests wholly with Parliament, and the Government have only to consider whether the nature of the case is such as to warrant them in recommending such a departure from the usual practice."

"Assuming that the service could be regularly and satisfactorily enforced, it would be plainly a matter of no moment to the Province whether the sums were paid direct to the Company or to the holders of the obligations that may be issued to represent these sums. But in assenting to such a capitalization the Province would forego the ordinary means of enforcing the service stipulated, and would necessarily require, if they could be had, other and satisfactory guarantees.

"Evidently the first step to be taken would be the perfect restoration of the credit of

“the Company, and the prevention of a recurrence of such embarrassments as are now overwhelming it. It would be, therefore, impossible in the first place to consider the application to capitalize the postal subsidy, without also adverting to the proposed plan of re-organizing the Company. Under ordinary circumstances it would be only necessary for the Government to guard in the proposed legislation against improper interference with private rights, but in the present case it would become further necessary to be assured that the plan proposed would place the Grand Trunk Company in such a position as to warrant Parliament in making such a contract with it as is desired.”

It then raises the question as to the *permanence* of the proposed arrangements, and refers to the alleged engagements of the Company, “to make certain fixed payments, without reference to the net receipts from traffic.” Having thus suggestively dealt with the question, it concludes as follows:—

“Having stated the objections which appear to exist in making the application for certain proposed legislation, His Excellency in Council has only now to inform the London Directors of the Grand Trunk Company that His Excellency does not at present consider that a Special Session of Parliament should be convened, but hopes that in the meantime the best mode of arranging the difficulties of the Company will be determined upon, and that the working of the line may not be interrupted.”

11. To those portions of the reply which seemed to me to require it, I took the liberty of addressing an answer; and believing that the proposal to refer to a fair arbitration the essential preliminary of any scheme, viz., the *amount* of the postal payment, was made in good faith and with every desire to meet the justice of the case, I had no alternative but to accept it, although it involve hazardous delay, and I nominated Mr. J. Wood Brooks, of Boston, President of the Michigan Central Railway, as arbitrator for the Company. This gentleman will, I am sure, fairly and ably represent your interests, and any opinion of his will have great weight with all parties.

12. The Government name the Honorable George Moffatt, of Montreal, as their arbitrator; and it will now be for those gentlemen, so soon as the third arbitrator or “umpire” is agreed upon, to proceed with the important business of their reference. Many names have been mentioned of gentlemen suitable for office of umpire; and I hope to have been able to announce that the appointment was agreed upon before closing this report, but I have no doubt that this final matter may be soon arranged.

13. The keeping open of the Railway during the winter, creditably and efficiently, has had my very careful attention, and in concert with the Directors and officers of the Company, I have made such arrangements as respects control, working and finance, as I believe will tend to prevent embarrassment; although it must be always recollected that a Canadian winter involves many difficulties and much extra cost, which cannot be fully appreciated in contrast with the experience of this country.

14. As matters of safety, necessity also for the accommodation of traffic, I arranged for the extension of the siding of accommodation, and the required works at twenty-three places are now completed. I also obtained the alteration of forty heavy tenders (eighteen to nineteen tons each) hitherto running on four wheels only; and which in my opinion were a main cause of the excessive breaking of rails last winter. The work has been completed. Twenty engines will also be fitted up in time for the winter with Giffard’s injector, the use of which in substitution for or in addition to the ordinary pumping apparatus will, I believe, save much of the inconvenience caused by disabled engines in severe frost.

15. I caused the stock of engineering stores all over the line to be taken, and I found that on the 22nd of September, on which day the returns are made up, there was a stock on hand of new and old rails, chairs, bolts, sleepers and other materials to the value of above £50,000 sterling. Part of these materials have been available for the extension of the sidings already spoken of, and a further portion would be used in works and renewals between the 23rd September and the end of October, when relaying is suspended; but there will remain on hand a large surplus value already charged to revenue, and which will be an available asset of revenue.

16. The system of accounting for these stores has been defective, no adequate store accounts, showing receipts, consumption and stock in detail, having been kept, I have

had the engineering department completely remodelled, and I have little doubt that increased efficiency and a large economy will result.

17. The Engineer reports, in connection with these changes, that in addition to ordinary renewals, and allowing for relaying forty miles of road with *new iron* in the year 1862, he considers that the expenditure, everything included for that year on repairs and renewals will not exceed 550,000 dollars as against 788,000 dollars expended in the year 1860.

18. As regards the locomotive department, I consider that changes may be effected which will lead to considerable economy; but these changes are partly dependent upon altered traffic arrangements, and these again are affected by the postal question. For various reasons, it is inexpedient to propose any changes of importance in this department in the face of the winter, but they ought to be taken vigorously in hand as soon as may be.

19. In the traffic department, important changes have been effected in the administration of the districts east of Montreal, or about half of the entire system, the object being to concentrate and simplify the management, and to make it more commercial in its character.

20. Should these changes, as I trust they will, answer your expectations, similar arrangements can be made in the spring for the district west of Montreal.

21. There are many items of the Company's expenditure which have had my attention, and which can be materially modified; and on the whole I consider that the present amount of traffic may be worked efficiently and commercially with a very considerable saving of expense. All the changes which will be required, however, can only be certainly and successfully carried out under the personal control of the permanent executive head of the Company.

22. I have given you my recommendations in reference to the re-organization of the executive management of the concern, which I trust that you will without delay adopt, and I trust the steady application of the measures which I have ventured to propose will tend to considerable improvement, and especially to the development of the really large resources of the undertaking.

23. But I must impress upon you the absolute necessity of placing your credit on a sound footing, by getting rid of the floating debt as affecting every department of your undertaking and in every direction. This is an essential preliminary of thorough reform. The effects of this cloud of obligations are visible everywhere and are inevitable. Your supplies are purchased under disadvantage, able officers shun the service, a feeling of uncertainty and insecurity pervades the minds of your customers, and those changes for the better, which would increase traffic and diminish expenditure, and which a concern in good credit and under proper management could effect, are difficult, if not impossible, as long as the Company is thus hanging on a verge of an apparent bankruptcy, and is amenable to attack of all kinds.

24. As respects the net profit to be earned on your and on other Canadian railways, much may be accomplished by co operation and union amongst the larger interests concerned. I have laid before you proposals, suggested in concert with the managers of the two Companies, for more friendly and permanent arrangements between your Company, the Buffalo and Lake Huron, and the Great Western, and which terms are now under discussion in London. If carried out, I believe they would secure to each of those Companies a considerable accession of traffic at more remunerative rates. They would economise expenditure, utilize the plant of the three Companies to a great extent, save outlay of capital, and afford greater facilities to the public. At the same time the arrangements suggested would be in accordance with the true policy of Canada, as tending to develop on a sound and permanent basis the route of the St. Lawrence.

25. To illustrate the mutually beneficial effect of such arrangements as those proposed, I may mention that I have made an agreement with the Great Western Railway Company of Canada,—which Company have a surplus stock of engines and cars, and have experienced much difficulty this season in getting their traffic forwarded by Suspension Bridge—under which the Great Western engines and cars will work through for this season to Portland. Thus, the Great Western Company will make a profitable use of their surplus stock, and the Grand Trunk Railway will receive a remunerative toll, while the public

will obtain the advantage of another outlet for their traffic between the Western and Eastern States, by the main through Canadian route.

26. Considering that the net profit being earned at present on the three principal Canadian railways averages only 23 per cent. out of the gross receipts and income from all sources, it will at once be seen that these Companies have no net money to throw away, and that co-operation amongst them may enable them to develop a remunerative traffic; whereas, by antagonism, they can reduce profits to *nil*, and, by destroying their credit, damage their power to carry on the service of the public.

27. I therefore trust that *all* the interests concerned will take up the question with a determination to carry out the arrangements required, for I believe such an union will have more to do with the improvement of *all* Canadian railway property, and the true service of the Province, than any other measure which can be proposed.

28. The deficiencies of terminal appliances on the Grand Trunk Railway have had my best consideration. For want of an elevator at *Toronto*, an immense grain traffic from the Western States, viâ *Sarnia*, which could have been profitably worked this season between *Sarnia* and *Toronto*, has been lost. I have arranged that the toll payable by the Great Western Company under the above-stated arrangement, shall be devoted towards the erection of an elevator for the accommodation of the Grand Trunk traffic; any traffic of the Great Western Company being accommodated at it, on terms to be agreed.

29. As regards *Portland*, where a trade in grain, in bulk, is rendered impossible, for a similar reason, I have been in treaty with parties there with a view to provide, by a loan from the Portland Sinking Fund, the necessary accommodation; but the threatening aspect of American affairs led to the postponement of the discussion, so that nothing more can be done this season.

30. I recommend you to consider how far powers could be obtained for devoting a portion, or the whole, of the Portland Sinking Fund, which amounts to \$344,070, to the provision, as it may be from time to time required, of additional accommodation on the Portland, or United States section of your line.

31. As regards *Quebec*, I recommend that arrangements be made, if proper terms can be agreed, for the acquisition of a portion of the fine river space belonging to the St. Lawrence Dock and Harbour Company, whose works are extensive, and towards whose capital you have contributed £10,000 in money, and £15,000 in bonds, to cover a proposed further payment of £12,500; and I should recommend that hereafter a storage-room, and an elevator and cranes, should be erected upon this property, which may be greatly utilized for your traffic purposes.

32. I have made proposals in reference to the piers and works necessary to secure an Ice Bridge opposite Point Levi during the winter; and I believe the object will be now attained.

33. The most important of these questions however, is that of *Montreal*:—Here the station is nearly two miles from the centre of the city, and the question of rectifying what originally would appear to have been a mistake, is attended with many difficulties. There have been great differences of opinion, and great diversity of personal interest. I have now arranged, however, for the use of the Bonaventure Street Station of the Lachine Company, on payment of a mileage toll, protected by a minimum and maximum amount. I have also arranged for the construction, through the medium of the Montreal Terminus Company, of the McGill Street extension and terminus.

34. The City Council of Montreal, under the very dispassionate presidency of the Mayor, M. Rodier, have also voted the sum of £10,000 towards this project: and I have agreed that you shall rent the accommodation at the rate of 7½ per cent. upon a net capital of £45,000 to be provided by the Terminus Company, with power to you of purchase at a small premium. If the Montreal Terminus Company obtain their capital on these terms,—and the Honorable Mr. Young, their chairman, assures me that they will,—the much vexed question of accommodation at Montreal may then be considered as disposed of.

35. Provided the arrangements here recapitulated, at Toronto, Portland, and Montreal, are all carried out as proposed, and recollecting the stock of engineering stores on hand, a considerable saving of new capital outlay will result; and should the mutually beneficial arrangements with other Companies, also suggested, be likewise confirmed, I see no reason

why the proposed equipment mortgage of £500,000 sterling should not be very considerably reduced.

36. If this can be effected the interest of the first Preference Bondholders will be much further secured, and I can have no doubt that the vast majority of them will be disposed to join heartily in all those measures for the restoration of the Company's position, which can only be carried out with certainty of success by mutual forbearance and concession, and through the united action of all the parties concerned.

37. The mode of keeping the Company's accounts is not, to my mind, satisfactory; and I have made to you recommendations the carrying out of which will secure concise and frequent accounts of earnings and expenses, and by the duplication of all books, vouchers, and returns, enable you, in London, to know constantly the progress of the Company's traffic, expense and working, almost as intimately as if you were present at the scene of operations.

The Governments of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick have agreed to grant a subsidy of £60,000 sterling per annum, together with the right of way, for a system of railways about 350 miles in length, completing the throughout railway communication between Halifax and your terminus at Rivière du Loup.

It was on the faith of the assistance of the British Government in the construction of this Imperial road, that the calculations of traffic affecting the Grand Trunk were originally made; and until the three millions of people in the British possessions across the Atlantic are placed in communication all the year round by an open road with the mother country and with each other, it is quite impossible that "the Grand Trunk route" can be said to be thoroughly established.

38. At present these three millions of people are dependent for outlet upon the United States for some five months in the year, and in case of difficulties with America the population will be in a great measure cut off from British assistance.

39. This question is so important that I have deemed it my duty to assist in the discussion which have taken place, and one of the objects which I have had in view in returning to England somewhat sooner than I had intended—an object subordinate, however, to the necessity of consulting with you in reference to the negotiation with the government and the establishment of permanent arrangements as regards the executive management of the Company—was to urge upon you the importance of giving all the aid in your power to an enterprise which in every sense deserves the name of imperial.

40. I have, as specially instructed, considered the much discussed question of the lease of the Detroit and Port Huron Railway. Had the Grand Trunk Railway stopped at Toronto, a large saving of capital would have resulted, and all the sacrifices of both the Grand Trunk and Great Western Companies to secure independent western outlets would have been saved. As matters stand, however, the extension of the Grand Trunk system to Sarnia in a great measure compelled a connection with the Railways of Michigan. The Detroit and Port Huron line must not only be considered, therefore, *per se*, but in its connection with the whole policy of the Grand Trunk system, especially as regards the Company's power to claim, and obtain at length, its share of the large traffic of the west. Considered in this light, a loss on the leased line may be quite consistent with a considerable profit consequent to the whole undertaking; and so it will, I doubt not, turn out. The Detroit and Port Huron line is extremely well made, and has abundance of siding and terminal accommodation, and though it ends three miles from Detroit, it has available junctions enabling interchange of traffic, not merely with the Michigan Central, but also with the Michigan Southern, and Detroit and Milwaukie Railways. At the same time, while its local traffic is at present most deficient, its cost has been very considerable for such a district of country. I have considered also the legal position of the transaction, though I consider that to be a subordinate question to the main practical issue, viz., the desirability, or otherwise, of having an independent access to the American railways of the west, and on that point I have, under actual circumstances, no hesitation. But the terms are, in my opinion, too high,—higher than the resources of the Grand Trunk, with justice to all other interests, can now justify. It is a question which ought at once to be disposed of, and it can only be amicably arranged by a change of terms, and with the assent of the lessors. How far these gentlemen are disposed thus to meet the case I know not, but being

placed in the position of having to make a recommendation, I suggest that the terms of the lease be modified, by there being secured a reduced fixed dividend of 5 per cent., together with any surplus profits, up to the amount of the present agreed percentages; and should those rates be ever exceeded, then with an equal division of any profit beyond lessor and lessee. The bond and shareholders in the Grand Trunk Company must remember that the possession and control of this line is, for the reasons above given, valuable to them, and the lessors must not forget the present pecuniary circumstances of the Company, which, however anxious all parties may be to keep perfect good faith, will now, for some time to come at all events, not fairly admit of more.

41. Throughout the progress of my somewhat arduous and extremely anxious task in Canada, Mr. Blackwell has been ready, even at times when his health would hardly permit it, to render me the most efficient aid in his power, and I cannot refrain from avowing the fact. Mr. Blackwell has never exhibited the slightest jealousy, nor has he in any way attempted to impede the inquiries or the recommendations which I have had to make. On the other hand, he has been ready, on many occasions, to defer to my own opinion, and to assist in carrying out my views even though they might not on all occasions accord with his own. Mr. Blackwell, it must be recollected, went out to manage the Grand Trunk Railway at a time when it was believed here that the opening of the Victoria bridge alone was necessary immediately to exalt the undertaking to the rank of a paying investment. On arriving in Canada he found, as I now understand from him, confusion and difficulty, followed immediately by severe pecuniary embarrassment, and during a period when his whole time and attention ought to have been directed to perfecting the detailed management of the undertaking, a time interspersed too, I am informed, with difficult and delicate negotiations with the Government, he was continually called away to England for long periods, there being no person armed with the needful power to conduct his duties in his absence. As regards the future, I cannot too strongly advise the discontinuance of the system of calling responsible resident officers away to England from their duty in Canada, and subjecting them, direct to the necessity of discussing acts, for which, as a matter of discipline, they ought to be responsible through the Board of Directors alone, at public meetings and through the public press. Such a practice must weaken the authority of every one placed in control. Mr. Blackwell, while he has never for a moment objected to me to the discussion of any past measure which he has recommended or carried out, and has been ready to admit that the experience of the present day does not in some matters bear out portions of the policy of the past, still feels that he has not received that generosity of treatment to which he considered himself entitled. I am sure, however, that you will recognize the handsome manner in which he has now expressed his readiness to discuss and settle with you terms for the termination of his agreement with the Company (which does not expire until 1867), although he expresses his readiness to carry out that agreement to its end, if desired.

I have the honor to be, dear Sirs,
Yours faithfully,

EDWARD W. WATKIN,

*To the London Directors of the
Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.*

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9. Receiver General's Office	- - - - -	12,175 00
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22. Salaries, Court of Chancery	- - - - -	4,950 00
23. Do	do Queen's Bench and Common Pleas	11,270 00
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28. Balance of expenses of River Police, Montreal	- - - - -	7,000 00
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31. Maintenance of Criminal Lunatic Asylum	- - - - -	13,000 00
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33. Maintenance of Rockwood Asylum	- - - - -	5,000 00
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35. Maintenance of Reformatory Prison, Penetanguishene	- - - - -	15,600 00
36. Buildings to be erected for	do do	16,000 00
37. Maintenance of Reformatory Prison, St. Vincent	- - - - -	15,000 00
38. Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Council (part)	- - - - -	1,200 00
39. Do	Clerk of do do	2,000 00
40. Do	Assistant Clerk and French Translator of do	1,600 00
41. Do	Law Clerk of do	1,000 00
42. Do	Chaplain and Librarian of do	800 00
43. Do	Clerk of the Crown in Chancery (part)	640 00
44. Do	Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod	400 00
45. Do	Sergeant-at-Arms of Legislative Council	400 00
46. Do	Head Messenger of do	400 00
47. Do	Door Keeper of do	240 00
48. Do	Three Messengers for the Session, at \$180 each	540 00
49. Contingent expenses of Legislative Council	- - - - -	40,800 00
50. Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly (part)	- - - - -	1,200 00

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51.	Salary of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly	2,000 00
52.	Do Assistant Clerk of do	1,600 00
53.	Do Law Clerk and English Translator of do	2,000 00
54.	Do Clerk of the Crown in Chancery (part)	640 00
55.	Contingencies of do do	600 00
56.	Salary of the Sergeant-at-Arms of Legislative Assembly	400 00
57.	Contingent expenses of Legislative Assembly	141,000 00
58.	Printing and Binding the Laws	18,000 00
59.	Distributing do	3,600 00
60.	Parliamentary Library	4,000 00
61.	Common Schools, U. and I. C., and Normal Schools, L. C.	168,000 00
62.	Aid to Superior Education Income Fund, L. C.	20,000 00
63.	Do do U. C. (divided between Victoria, Queen's, Regiopolis, St. Michael's, L'Assomption, and Ottawa Colleges, and the Grammar School Fund)	20,000 00
64.	Medical Faculty, McGill College, Montreal	1,000 00
65.	Do Victoria College, Cobourg	1,000 00
66.	School of Medicine, Montreal	1,000 00
67.	Do Kingston	1,000 00
68.	Do Toronto	1,000 00
69.	Canadian Institute, do	1,000 00
70.	Natural History Society, Montreal	1,000 00
71.	Historical Society, Quebec	1,000 00
72.	Canadian Institute, Ottawa	400 00
73.	Athenæum, do	400 00
74.	Observatory, Quebec, to defray expenses of	2,400 00
75.	Do Toronto, do	4,800 00
76.	Do Kingston, do	500 00
77.	Do Isle Jesus, do	500 00
78.	Toronto Hospital	8,000 00
79.	Do for County Patients	6,000 00
80.	Toronto House of Industry	3,000 00
81.	Protestant Orphans' Home and Female Aid Society, Toronto	800 00
82.	Magdalen Asylum, Toronto	600 00
83.	Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, Toronto	800 00
84.	Lying-in Hospital, Toronto	600 00
85.	Deaf and Dumb Institution, Toronto	2,000 00
86.	Public Nursery for children of the poor, Toronto	400 00
87.	House of Providence, Toronto	400 00
88.	Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec	5,000 00
89.	Indigent sick, Quebec	4,000 00
90.	Hospice de la Maternité, Quebec	600 00
91.	Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, Quebec	600 00
92.	Asylum of the Good Shepherd, Quebec	800 00
93.	Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, Quebec	400 00
94.	Finlay Asylum, Quebec	400 00
95.	Male Orphan Asylum, Quebec	400 00
96.	St. Bridget's Asylum, Quebec	400 00
97.	Ladies' Protestant Home, Quebec	400 00
98.	Canada Military Asylum for Widows and Orphans, Quebec	200 00
99.	Indigent Sick, Montreal	4,000 00
100.	Corporation of the General Hospital, Montreal	5,000 00
101.	St. Patrick's Hospital, Montreal	2,000 00
102.	Sœurs de la Providence, Montreal	1,000 00
103.	General Hospital des Sœurs de la Charité, Montreal	1,400 00

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104. Bonaventure Street Asylum, Montreal	1,000 00
105. St. Mary's Asylum,—Blind and Destitute Children	600 00
106. St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, Montreal	800 00
107. Protestant Orphan Asylum, Montreal	800 00
108. House of Refuge, Montreal	600 00
109. University Lying-in Hospital, Montreal	600 00
110. Lying-in Hospital, under care of Sœurs de la Miséricorde, Montreal	600 00
111. Deaf and Dumb Institution, Montreal, Sault au Recollet	2,000 00
112. Ladies' Benevolent Society for Widows and Orphans, Montreal	400 00
113. Charitable Association of the Ladies of the Roman Catholic Asylum, Montreal	400 00
114. Magdalen Asylum (Ladies of Bon Pasteur), Montreal	400 00
115. Eye and Ear Institution, Montreal	400 00
116. Montreal Dispensary,	400 00
117. Montreal Home and School of Industry,	400 00
118. Kingston General Hospital,	6,000 00
119. Indigent Sick, Kingston,	3,000 00
120. Hotel Dieu Hospital, Kingston,	1,000 00
121. Orphan Asylum, Kingston,	800 00
122. Hamilton Hospital,	6,000 00
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126. London Hospital,	3,000 00
127. Protestant Hospital, Ottawa,	1,500 00
128. Roman Catholic Hospital, Ottawa,	1,500 00
129. St. Hyacinthe Hospital,	400 00
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133. St. John's Lunatic Asylum,	6,500 00
134. Beauport Lunatic Asylum, Quebec,	63,000 00
135. Expenses of the Geological Survey of the Province, in the year 1862,	25,000 00
136. Boards of Arts and Manufactures, Upper and Lower Canada,	4,000 00
137. Towards the cultivation of Flax,	1,000 00
138. Boards of Agriculture, Upper and Lower Canada,	8,000 00
139. Towards Emigration expenses for the present year,	18,000 00
140. Pension to S. Waller, as late Clerk of Committees to the L. Council,	400 00
141. do John Bright, as late Messenger, do	80 00
142. do Louis Gagné, do Legislative Assembly	72 00
143. do G. B. Faribault, as late Assistant Clerk, L. Assembly,	1,600 00
144. do Mrs. Widow Antrobus,	800 00
145. do Mrs. Widow McCormick,	400 00
146. do Pierre Bouchard, for wounds received in the Public Service,	100 00
147. do Jacques Brien, do do	80 00
148. New Indian Annuities,	4,400 00
149. Aid to Indians, L. Canada, in addition to Parliamentary Grant,	400 00
150. Colonization Roads, Upper Canada,	100,000 00
151. do do Lower Canada,	100,000 00
152. Tug Service between Montreal and Kingston,	20,000 00
153. Keepers of Depots for Provisions at Anticosti,	400 00
154. Harbour Master at Gaspé,	50 00
155. do at Amherst,	50 00
156. Allowance to Pierre Brochu for residing at Lake Metapediac, on the Kempt Road, to assist travellers thereon,	100 00

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157. Allowance to Marcel Brochu, do at Petit Lac, do -	100 00
158. do to Jonathan Noble, do at La Fourche, do -	100 00
159. do to Thomas Evans, do at Assametquagan, do -	100 00
160. Light Houses on Isles of St. Paul and Scatterie, in the Gulf, -	2,500 00
161. Fisheries—Lower Canada, - - - - -	6,000 00
162. do Upper Canada, - - - - -	3,000 00
163. For subscription to and advertising in the Official Gazette, -	5,000 00
164. Miscellaneous Printing, - - - - -	5,000 00
165. Miscellaneous petty expenses of the Public Service, -	6,000 00
166. Expenses of Commissioners appointed to enquire into matters connected with the Public Service, under Act 9 Vic., Chap. 38, -	10,000 00
167. To meet expenses of the representation of Canada at the London Exhibition, - - - - -	8,000 00
168. To make good the expenditure incurred during the year 1861, as detailed in Statement No. 60, part II of the Public Accounts, -	490,510 23

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169. Deepening Welland Canal to Lake Erie level, - - - - -	75,000 00
170. Construction of Spare Gates on the St. Lawrence Canal, - - -	19,000 00
171. Completion of rock cut at Lachine Canal, - - - - -	34,000 00
172. Spare Gates, &c., on the Carillon and Grenville Canal, - - -	9,100 00
173. Repairs of Dam at Hog's Back on the Rideau Canal, - - - -	30,000 00
174. Improvements on Ottawa and Petawawa, - - - - -	15,000 00
175. Eastern Canada and New Brunswick Road (by the Metapedia); Temiscouata Road; and Matane and Cape Chat, Gaspé, Malbaie and Escoumains Roads, - - - - -	63,421 00
176. Road, Harbour and Navigation Surveys, - - - - -	5,000 00
177. Provincial Steamer employed in the protection of the Fisheries, the service of the Light Houses, Buoys, &c., - - - - -	30,000 00
178. Rents and Repairs of Public Buildings, - - - - -	40,000 00
179. Building Spencer Wood, - - - - -	20,000 00
180. Public Buildings at Ottawa, - - - - -	500,000 00
181. Purchase of property for Reformatory Prison at St. Vincent, -	19,000 00
182. Additional grant to Common Schools, - - - - -	16,000 00
183. For the Militia, - - - - -	250,000 00

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TAVERN LICENCES :

1. Bill to amend Chap. 6, Consol. Stat. for L. Canada, respecting Tavern-keepers and the sale of intoxicating liquors (Mr. Desaulniers); Presented, 95.

2. Bill to amend the Act respecting the Provincial duty on Tavern licences (Mr. Galt); Presented; Read first and second times, 114. Read third time, amended, and passed, 331. By the Council, with amendments; Considered, and agreed-to, 356. R. A., 365. (25 Vic., c. 6.)

3. Bill to amend the U. C. Municipal Act as to the issue of Shop and Tavern Licences in Cities; From the Council; Read, 307. Committed, 319. Considered and amended; Reported; Passed, as amended, 333. Amendments agreed to by Council, 337. R. A., 364. (25 Vic., c. 23.)

4. Petitions for amendments to the Tavern Licence laws:—Halton Pine Grove Division, Invincible do., Peterboro' do., of the Sons of Temperance, 194. Middlesex, 217. Sherbrooke Town Council, 232.

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2. Petition of the Mun. Council of York and Peel, for power to collect from the city of Toronto the amount of their claim for the maintenance of certain prisoners in the gaol, 39. Report of Notice, 129. Bill presented, 131. Referred, 161. Reported, with amendments, 205. Considered in committee; Reported, 224. Passed, 250. By the Council, 302. R. A., 363. (25 Vic., c. 25.)

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3. Petition of the Mayor and Corporation, for amendments to the Municipal and other laws of U. Canada, so far as relates to that city, 205. Report of Notice, 213.

4. *Boys' Industrial School (at the Gore of Toronto)*:—Petition for an Act of incorporation, 143. No Notice required, 167. Bill presented, 168. Referred, 225. Reported, with amendments, 228. Considered and amended in committee, 251. Reported, 252. Passed, 262. By the Council, 327. R. A., 364. (25 Vic., c. 82.)

5. *Female Industrial School*:—Petition for an Act of incorporation, 176. No Notice required; Bill presented, 196. Referred, 258. Reported, with amendments, 260. Considered in committee; Reported, 273. Passed, 287. By the Council; with amendments; Considered, and agreed to, 334. R. A., 364. (25 Vic., c. 79.)

6. *Harbour*:—Petition of the Harbour Commissioners, for amendments to the Act for the management of the Toronto Harbour, 236. Bill sent down from the Council; Read, 307. Committed, 318. Considered; Reported; Passed, 323. R. A., 364. (25 Vic., c. 26.)

7. *Hospital*:—Petition of the Trustees, for authority to issue new debentures for £10,000, to redeem those already issued, 156. No Notice required, 167. Bill sent down from the Council; Read, 267. Referred, 290. Reported, with an amendment, 291. Considered and amended in committee, 297. Reported, 298. Passed, as amended, 304. Amendment agreed to by Council, 328. R. A., 363. (25 Vic., c. 85.)

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8. *Lying-in Hospital*:—Petition for an Act of incorporation, 248.

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9. *School of Medicine*:—Petition for amendments to their Act of incorporation, 211. Report of Notice, 232.

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3. Bill to repeal Chap. 58, Consol. Stat. of Canada, respecting Interest, and to fix the rate of Interest at 6 per cent. (Mr. Archambault); Presented, 90. Read second time and referred, with the foregoing bills, 164. See *supra*, 1.

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