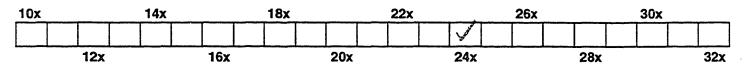
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VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c.

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 l'acliament of Our said Province, at our City of Quebec, on the NINTH day of the month of August instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you,—GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the THIRTIETH day of the month of JUNE last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the NINTH 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 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 MONDAY, the NINETEENTH day of the month of SEPTEMBER 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 Scal 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, this SIXTH day of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, and in the Twenty-eighth of Our Reign.

By Command, L. R. FORTIER,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



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PROVINCE OF Canada. }

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By Command,

L. R. FORTIER,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



PROVINCE OF Canada. [L. S.]

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MONCK.

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A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the SEVENTEENTH day of the month of SEPTEMBER last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the TWENTY-EIGHTH day of the month of OCTOBER 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 SEVENTH 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, 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, this TWENTY-SECOND day of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, and in the Twenty-eighth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

L. R. FORTIER,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



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

MONCK.

To all whom these presents shall come-GREETING:

JOHN A. MACDONALD, WHEREAS at a Session of the Parliament of Our Province Atty. Gent. Wo of Canada, begun and holden at Our City of Quebec, in Our said Province, on the NINETEENTH day of FEBRUAAY, in the Twenty-seventh year of Our Reign, and prorogued on the THIRTIETH day of JUNE, in the Twenty-seventh year of Our Reign, a certain Bill intituled : "An Act for the Relief of James Benning," was passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was, at the prorogation of the said Session, on the said THIRTIETH day of JUNE, presented to the Right Honorable CHARLES STANLEY, Viscount MONCK, Our Governor General of Our said Province, for our assent thereto, who in pursuance of the authority vested in him 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 for the Relief of James Benning," having been laid before Us in Council, on the FIRST day of NovEMBER last past, We have been pleased to declare Our special confirmation of the said Act; And We do by these presents and according to the provisions of the said Act of Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, specially confirm, raify, fnally enact, and assent to the said Bill; Of all which Our Loving Subjects 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 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 FIRST day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, and in the Twenty-eighth year of Our Reign.

By Command, WM. McDOUGALL, Secretary.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



PROVINCE OF Canada.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britam 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 SEVENTH day of the month of DECEMBER instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the Twenty-second day of the month of October last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the SEVENTH 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 intoconsideration 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 MONDAY, the SIXTEENTH day of the month of JANUABY 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 donas, may seem necessary. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

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By Command.

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L. R. FORTIER,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



PROVINCE OF Canada. } [L. S.]

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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 next, 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 Sixteenth day of the month of January next, NEVERTHELESS, for certain causes and considerations, We have thought fit further to prorogue the same to THURSDAY, the NINETEENTH day of the month of JANUARY next, so that neither you nor any of you on the said Sixteenth day of January next, 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 NINETEENTH day of the month of JANUARY next, at Our City of Quebec aforesaid, personally you be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act and conclude upon those 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 Weaford, 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. At Our Government House, in Our City of Quebec, in Our said Province, this SIXTEENTH day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, and in the Twenty-eighth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

L. R. FORTIER,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

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THURSDAY, the Nineteenth day of the month of January, in the Twenty-eighth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady Victoria, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, being the Third Session of the Eighth Provincial Parliament of Canada, as continued by several Prorogations to this day:

The Members in attendance in the Building prepared for the accommodation of the Legislative Council, in the City of *Quebec*, were :---

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	Burnham,	Matheson,	Ross.	
Allan,	Campbelĺ,	Mills,	Ryan,	,
Belleau, Sir N. F.	Foster,	Olivier.	Seymour,	
Bennett,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Panet,	Shaw,	
Blake,	Leslie,	Perry,	Taché, Sir E. P.,	'
Bossé,	Letellier de St. Just,	Prud homme,	Vidal.	
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His Excellency 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 the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Honorable the-Speaker commanded the Gentlemen Usher of the Black Rod to let the Assembly know "It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House;"

Who being come with their Speaker, His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to open the Session by a gracious Speech to both Houses.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council : Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

In calling you together to resume the performance of your constitutional duties, I desire to express my thankfulness to a beneficent Providence that I am enabled to congratulate you on the general prosperity and contentment of the people of this Province, and the continuance to us of the inestimable blessing of peace.

Outrages have been committed on the commerce and territory of the United States of America by persons who, after the perpetration of these acts, have sought refuge on Canadian soil. In order to prevent the organization of any such enterprises within this Province, and also to enable me to discharge in an effective manner my duties towards a neighbouring power on terms of friendship with Her Majesty, I have seen fit to organize a system of detective Police on the frontier line of the United States, and with the same design I have called out for permanent duty a portion of the Volunteer Force of the Province.

Similar considerations have suggested the propriety of arming the Executive Government with stronger powers than it now possesses for dealing with persons, who, while availing themselves of the right of asylum which has always been allowed on British soil to political refugees from all foreign countries, may be unmindful of the implied obligations which, by their residence amongst us, they contract to obey our laws and to respect the declared policy of our Sovereign.

A Bill framed for this purpose will be laid before you, and I ask for it your early consideration.

I am happy to be able to inform you of the zeal and alacrity displayed by the members of the Volunteer Force when called upon to turn out for active service.

Their conduct shows that the present population of *Canada* has not degenerated from the manly virtues which characterise the races from which it derives its origin, and that it may be relied on, under all circumstances, to respond to the call of duty, either for the maintenance of internal order, or to repel foreign aggression.

The Commissioners appointed under the provisions of the second chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada* to frame a Civil Code, and also a Code of Civil Procedure for *Lower Canada*, have completed the former part of their duty; the results of their labours shall be laid before you, and I am informed that the Code of Civil Procedure is in a very advanced state.

The completion of the Codification of the Civil Law, in both French and English, cannot fail to be of great benefit to the inhabitants of *Lower Canada*, by enabling the people of all origins to read, in their own languages, the Civil Law under which they live, and which hitherto has only been accessible in a language which is not the mother tongue of a portion of the people whose civil rights are regulated by it.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

The expenditure rendered necessary by calling out the Volunteers for active service, and which was unforeseen when the Estimates of the current year were agreed to, will necessitate a supplementary vote for that service.

I have desired that an estimate for this purpose shall be laid before you.

I am happy to be in a position to inform you that the financial legislation of last Session has been attended with beneficial results.

The Revenue has largely increased, and there has been a contemporaneous extension of the trade of the Province.

I have directed the Estimates for the next financial year to be laid before you, and you will find that they have been framed with a due attention to economy combined with efficiency.

Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen ;

At the close of the last session of Parliament I informed you that it was my intention, in conjunction with my Ministers, to prepare and submit to you a measure for the solution of the constitutional problem, the discussion of which has for some years agitated this Province.

A careful consideration of the general position of *British North America* induced the conviction that the circumstances of the times afforded the opportunity not merely for the settlement of a question of Provincial politics, but also for the simultaneous creation of a new Nationality.

Preliminary negotiations were opened by me with the Lieutenant Governors of the other Provinces of British North America, and the result was that a meeting was held at Quebcc, in the month of October last, composed of delegates from those Colonies, representing all shades of political party in their several communities, nominated by the Lieu28 Victoria,

tenant Governors of their respective Provinces, who assembled here, with the sanction of the Crown and at my invitation, to confer with the members of the Canadian Ministry on the possibility of effecting a Union of all the Provinces of *British North America*.

This Conference, after lengthened deliberations, arrived at the conclusion that a Federal Union of these Provinces was feasible and desirable, and the result of its labors is a plan of Constitution for the proposed Union, embodied in a series of resolutions, which, with other papers relating to the subject, I have directed to be laid before you. The general design of a Union, and the particular plan by which it is proposed to

The general design of a Union, and the particular plan by which it is proposed to carry that intention into effect, have both received the cordial approbation of the Imperial Government.

An Imperial Act of Parliament will be necessary in order to give effect to the contemplated Union of the Colonies, and I have been officially informed by the Secretary of State that Her Majesty's Ministers will be prepared to introduce a Bill for that purpose into the Imperial Parliament, so soon as they shall have been notified that the proposal has received the sanction of the Legislatures representing the several Provinces affected by it.

In commending to your attention this subject, the importance of which to yourselves and to your descendants it is impossible to exaggerate, I would claim for it your calm, earnest and impartial consideration.

With the public men of *British North America* it now rests to decide whether the vast tract of country which they inhabit shall be consolidated into a State, combining within its area all the elements of national greatness, providing for the security of its component parts and contributing to the strength and stability of the Empire; or whether the several Provinces of which it is constituted shall remain in their present fragmentary and isolated condition, comparatively powerless for mutual aid, and incapable of undertaking their proper share of Imperial responsibility.

In the discussion of an issue of such moment, I fervently pray that your minds may be guided to conclusions which shall redound to the honour of our Sovereign, to the welfare of Her subjects, and to your own reputation as Patriots and Statesmen.

His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to retire, and the Legislative Assembly withdrew.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable the Speaker acquainted the House that Returns had been received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

The said Returns were then read by the Clerk, and are as follow :

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }

TO WIT:

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the thirtieth day of August last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Sheriff of the District of *Quebec* (*William Smith Sewell*, Esquire), *ex officio* Returning Officer for the Electoral Division of *Stadacona*, for the Election of $\underline{\circ}$ Member to represent the said Electoral Division in the Legislative Council of this Province, in the room and place of the late Honorable *François Baby*, *Jean Elie Gingras*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return of the said Writ of Election, dated the nineteenth day of September instant, which is now lodged of record in my office.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY, Quebec, 20th September, 1864.

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

To John F. Taylor, Esquire, Clerk, Legislative Council, Quebec. 19th JANUARY.

RETURN of the Councillors chosen to serve in the Legislative Council of the Province of Canada, pursuant to Writs issued by His Excellency the Right Honorable Charles Stanley, Viscount Monck, Baron Monck of Ballytrammon, in the County of Wexford, Governor General, bearing date the first September last, and returnable on the first
Tuesday in November instant, for the following Electoral Divisions, under the provisions of the Act, chapter one of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled: "An Act respecting the Legislative Council."

Electoral Divisions.	Returning Officers.		Date of Return.	Councillors Chosen.
Rougemont Trent Western Rideau Saugeen Lauzon The Laurentides De Salabeiry Wellington Queen's	Horace St. Germain. Thomas A. Corbett. John Mercer Edward Sherwood Joseph Monaghan Jean Pierre Proux Gabriel Dick	Sheriff of Frontenae, Len- nox and Addington Sheriff of Kent Registrar of Carloton Sheriff of Grey " of Ist Div. of Montmorenci Registrar of Beauharnois " of Sherbrooke " of Ontario"	19th Sept., 1864. 22d Sept., 1864. 10th Oct., 1864. 20th Sept., 1864. 5th Oct., 1864 25th Oct., 1864 25th Oct., 1864 19th Sept., 1864 27th Sept., 1864	Hon. Wm. Henry Chaffers. Hon. Billa Flint. Hon. Walter McCrea. Hon. James Skead. David Lewis MoPherson, Esq. Hon. Elsear Henri Juche- reau Duchesnay. David Edward Price, Esq.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY, Quebec, 16th November, 1864.

L. R. FOBTIER,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

The Honorable the Speaker then informed the House that there were several Members without, ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable Jean Elie Gingras was introduced between the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau and the Honorable Mr. Foster;

The Honorable Léandre Dumouchel was introduced between the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché and the Honorable Mr. Bossé;

The Honorable William Henry Chaffers was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs Letellier de St. Just and Olivier;

The Honorable David Lewis McPherson was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs Campbell and Ross;

The Honorable Elzéar Henri Juchereau Duchesnay was introduced between the Honorable Mr. Hamilton and the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché;

The Honorable Harcourt Burland Bull was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs Ross and Alexander.

The Honorable Members just introduced came to the Table and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by law, which was administered by the Clerk of the House, and took their seats accordingly.

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act " relating to Common Schools."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

The Honorable the Speaker reported His Excellency's Speech from the Throne, and The same was then read by the Clerk. On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Tachė, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the House do take into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General, on Monday next.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That all the Members present during this Session be appointed a Committee to consider of the Orders and Customs of this House, and Privileges of Parliament, and that the said Committee have leave to meet in this House, when, and as often as they please.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Law Clerk's Report of Expiring Laws.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the following communication :---

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Quebec, 19th January, 1865.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to appoint Octave Cyrille Fortier, Esquire, M.D., Sergeant-at-Arms of the Honorable the Legislative Council, in the place of Olivier Vallerand, Esquire, deceased. I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ET. PARENT, Assistant Secretary.

The Honorable U. J. Tessier, Speaker of the Legislative Council,

Quebec.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bennett,

The House adjourned until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Monday, 23rd January, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker."

The Honorable Messicurs

Aikins.	Burnham,	Guévremont,	Moore,
Alexander,	Campbell,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Olivier,
Allan,	Chaffers,	Lacoste,	Panet,
Armand,	Christic,	Leslie,	Perry,
Armstrong,	Cormier,	Letellier de St. Just,	Proulx,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	Crawford,	McDonald,	Ross,
Bennett,	DeBeaujeu,	Mc Master,	Ryan,
Blake,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	McPherson,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Dumouchel,	Malhiot,	Shaw,
Boulton.	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bull,	Foster,	Mills,	Vidal.
Buréau,	Gingras,		

PRAYERS.

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that there were several Members without ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable John Sewall Sanborn was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs Foster and Moore.

The Honorable David Edward Price was introduced between the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché and the Honorable Mr. Campbell.

The Honorable Walter McCrea was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs Letellier de St. Just and Armstrong.

The Honorable Members just introduced then came to the table, and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by law, which was administered by the Clerk of this House, and took their seats accordingly.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Burcau; of the Directors and Professors of the Deaf and Dumb Institution of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Proulx; of the Corporation of L'Asile de la Providence; and of the Sisters of Charity du Bon Pasteur, Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. McCrea; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Sand wich West.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell ; of William Howard and others, of Amherst Island.

By the Honorable Mr. Ryan; of M. O'Brien and others, Trustees of the Montreal St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum; and two petitions of the Reverend V. Rousselot, of Monreal.

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By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; of L'Asile du Bon Pasteur de Québec; and three petitions of the Corporation of the City of Quebec.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Report of the Librarian on the state of the Library.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :---

To the Honorable the Legislative Council of Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled.

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

Respectfully Sheweth:

That during the past year, the annual grant for the augmentation of the Library has been duly expended in the purchase of European and American publications, including a selection of the most interesting and valuable works that have been issued from the press within that period. A Catalogue of these books has been prepared, and is now in the printer's hands.

During the interval which has elapsed since the last Session of Parliament, the Library has been much frequented by the public; and it affords your Librarian great satisfaction to state that no repetition of the disgraceful occurrences of former years, in the mutilation of illustrated works, appears to have taken place.

A List of Donations to the Library, and of works received under the Copyright Act, is hereto appended.

At the date of the last Report it was estimated that the number of volumes in the Library was about 53,300. Since then some 1,400 volumes have been added, making a total in all of about 54,700 volumes.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. AGAR ADAMSON, Librarian, Legislative Council.

Library of Parliament, 19th January, 1865.

DONATIONS TO THE LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT, SINCE 19TH FEBRUARY, 1864.

From the Senate of the United States.

Senate Journal, Reports and Documents for the Session of 1862-3, and Documents for the Special Session of 1863. 8 vols.

From the Library of Congress.

Reports on American Commerce, Finance, &c. 4 vols.

From the United States Department of the Interior.

Message of the President to Congress, and Documents, for the Session of 1862-3. 5 vols.

From the United States Patent Office.

Patent Office Report, 1861. 2 vols.

From the United States' Commissioner of Agriculture.

Reports on American Agriculture for 1860 and 1862.

From the Census Office, Washington.

Census of Population, United States, 1860. 1 vol. 4to.

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From the Smithsonian Institution.

Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge, vol. 13. "Miscellaneous Collections, vol. 5.

From the State of Massachusetts.

Gray's Reports, vols. 9, 10. Allen's Reports, vols. 3, 4, 5. Acts and Resolves, 1863. Public Documents for 1862. 3 vols. Reports of Board of Education for 1862-3, and 1863-4. Reports of Board of Agriculture for 1862, 1863.

From the State of Pennsylvania.

State Law Reports, vols. 43, 44, and 45. Adjutant General's Reports, School Report, and Reports of Railroad Companies for 1863. 3 vols. Laws of *Pennsylvania* in 1864.

School Report, 1864.

Report on the Soldier's National Cemetery, 1864, and some Pamphlets.

From the State of New York.

Adjutant General's Report of this State for 1863. 2 vols. Muster Rolls, New York State Regiments, vols. 1, 2.

From the State of Minnesotu.

State Reports, vol. S.

" Executive Documents, 1863.

" Laws, 1864. -

From the State of Ohio.

State Reports, vols. 13, 14. Executive Documents, 1862 and 1863. 4 vols. House and Senate Journals, 1863. 2 vols. Laws, 1863 and 1864. 2 vols. Ohio Statistics, 1862 and 1863. State Agricultural Report, 1862. Auditor's Report, 1863. Debates on the Convention of 1850. 2 (odd) vols.. and some Pamphlets.

From the State of Maine.

State Law Reports, vol. 49. Laws and Legislative Documents, 1864. Adjutant General's Report, 1863. State Agricultural Report, 1863.

From the State of Connecticut.

Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives, for the Special Session of 1863-4, and the May Session of 1864. 4 vols. Public Acts and Private Acts, and Resolutions passed in 1863-4 and 1864. 2 vols.

Legislative Documents, 1804. Connecticut Reports, vol. 31.

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From the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture of Upper Canada. The Canadian Agriculturist for 1862 and 1863. 2 vols. (Three copies.)

From the Secretary of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for Upper Canada. Vol. 4 of the Journal of the Board for 1864.

From the Magnetic Observatory, Toronto.

Meteorological Abstracts, Toronto, 1854-1859, 1 vol.; 1860-1862, 1 vol.

From New Zealand.

Statutes of New Zealand, 1863. Journals, Legislative Council and House of Representatives, with Appendix, 1863.

From the Secretary of the Cape Colony.

Statute Law of the Cape of Good Hope, 1714-1853. 1 vol.

From Denis Godley, Esq. Writings and Speeches of the late John Robert Godley. Edited by J. E. Fitzgerald, 1863.

From S. Phillips Day, Esq.

Bosworth's Hochelaga Depicta.

From E. A. Meredith, Esq.

Graves, R. H. Apostolical Succession overthrown. London, 1864. Graves, R. H. Daniel's great period of 2,300 days discovered, 1854. Graves, R. H. Terminal Synchronism of Daniel's two principal periods, 1858.

From the Rev. James Douglas.

Catalogue of Books in the Library of the Literary and Historical Society of Quebec. Transactions of the Society, 1864 (3 copies).

From the Rev. Edmond Langevin.

Notice Historique sur la Mission de Ste: Croix de Tadoussac, 1864.

From Colonel Kingsmill.

Copy of his Addresses to the Prisoners in Toronto Gaol.

From George Ticknor, Esquire, Boston.

Life of W. H. Prescott; by George Ticknor.

From the Rev. Dr. Scadding.

Various Sermons and Addresses, by himself, viz: Shakespeare, the Seer, the Interpreter, 1864. Valedictory Addresses before the Toronto Athenaum, 1846. The Eastern Oriel opened, 1842. Memorial of the Reverend W. H. Ripley, 1849. A Dead Christendom Reviving, 1856. 2Ì

From William Rees, Esquire, M.D.

Views of the Cities of St. John's, Newfoundland; St. John's, New Brunswick, and Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Map of New Brunswick and of the proposed Union Canal.

From the Honorable W. H. Pope, Provincial Secretary, P. E. Island.

Topographical Map of Prince Edward Island, by Lake and Baker, 1863.

Books received under the Copyright Act.

The Gold Digger's Guide, by J. Bailey. Quebec, printed by Hunter, Rose & Co.

Blackstone's Commentaries on the Laws of England applicable to Real Property, adapted to the present state of the law in Upper Canada. By Alexander Leith; published by W. C. Chewett & Co., Toronto.

Tourist's Guide to Quebec, by Godfrey S. O'Brien. Printed by Hunter, Rose & Co., Quebec.

Reports of Cases decided in the Court of Common Pleas of Upper Canada, vol. 13, by Edward C. Jones. Printed by H. Rowsell, Toronto.

1812. The War and its Moral; a Canadian Chronicle, by W. F. Coffin, Lt.-Colonel. Printed by John Lovell, Montreal.

Treatise on the office and dutics of Coroners in Upper Canada, by W. F. A. Boys. Printed by W. C. Chewett & Co., Toronto.

Annuaire de Ville-Marie, 1re année, 1863. Par L. A. Huguet-Latour. Imprimé par E. Senécal, Montréal.

Directions de Navigation pour le Golfe et le Fleuve St. Laurent. Traduit de l'Anglais par T. T. Nesbitt. Imprimé par E. Vincent, Québec.

Fifth Edition of *Kcele's* Provincial Justice. Published by *Henry Rowsell*, Toronto. Stamp Hand-book, issued by *Middleton & Dawson*, Quebec.

Jephthah's Daughter, a poem, by Charles Heavysege. Published by Dawson Brothers, Montreal.

Cours de Pédagogie, par Jean Langevin, Prêtre, Principal de l'Ecole Normale Laval. Québec, C. Darveau, imprimeur.

Dun & Co. Mercantile Agency Reference Book for the British Provinces. Vol. 1 for 1864. Montreal and Toronto, published for the proprietors.

De Gaspé, P. A. The Canadians of old. Translated by G. M. Pennie. Printed by G. & G. E. Desbarats, Quebec.

Casgrain, l'Abbé I. R. Histoire de la Mère Marie de l'Incarnation. Imprimée par G. E. Desbarats, Québec.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of His Excellency's Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Session, and

The Speech being read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. McPherson moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bossé, to resolve :

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 present Session of the Provincial Parliament.

To unite with His Excellency in expressing thankfulness to a beneficent Providence for the general prosperity and contentment of the people of this Province, and the continuance to us of the inestimable blessing of Peace.

To express to His Excellency the regret with which this House has learnt that outrages have been committed on the commerce and territory of the United States of America by persons who, after the perpetration of these acts, have sought refuge on Canadian soil.

To inform His Excellency that this House has heard with great satisfaction that in order to prevent the organization of any such enterprises within this Province, and also

to enable him to discharge in an effective manner his duties towards a neighbouring power on terms of friendship with Her Majesty, His Excellency has seen fit to organize a system of detective Police on the frontier line of the *United States*, and with the same design has called out for permanent duty a portion of the Volunteer Force of the Province.

To assure His Excellency that we shall give our early consideration to the Bill, which he has been pleased to inform us will be laid before Parliament, framed for the purpose of arming the Executive Government with stronger powers than it now possesses for dealing with persons, who, while availing themselves of the right of asylum which has always been allowed on British soil to political refugees from all foreign countries, may be unmindful of the implied obligations which, by their residence amongst us, they contract to obey our laws and to respect the declared policy of our Sovereign.

To assure His Excellency that this House is happy to hear of the zeal and alacrity displayed by the members of the Volunteer force when called upon to turn out for active service; and to agree with His Excellency that their conduct shows that the present population of *Canada* has not degenerated from the manly virtues which characterize the races from which it derives its origin, and that it may be relied on, under all circumstances, to respond to the call of duty, either for the maintenance of internal order, or to repel foreign aggression.

To thank His Excellency for the information that the Commissioners appointed under the provisions of the second chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada to frame a Civil Code, and also a Code of Civil Procedure for Lower Canada, have completed the former part of their duty, and that the Code of Civil Procedure is in a very advanced state; and also for your assurance that the result of the labours of the Commissioners shall be laid before this House.

To agree with His Excellency that the completion of the Codification of the Civil Law, in both French and English, cannot fail to be of great benefit to the inhabitants of *Lower Canada*, by enabling the people of all origins to read, in their own languages, the Civil Law under which they live, and which hitherto has only been accessible in a language which is not the mother tongue of a portion of the people whose civil rights are regulated by it.

To assure His Excellency that we recall with satisfaction his statement at the close of the last Session of Parliament, that it was his intention, in conjunction with his Ministers, to prepare and submit to Parliament a measure for the solution of the constitutional problem, the discussion of which has for some years agitated this Province.

To convey to His Excellency the assurance that we receive with earnest attention his announcement that a careful consideration of the general position of British North America induced the conviction that the circumstances of the times afforded the opportunity, not merely for the settlement of Provincial politics, but also for the simultaneous creation of a new Nationality.

To thank His Excellency for informing us that preliminary negotiations were opened by His Excellency with the Lieutenant Governors of the other Provinces of British North America; and that the result was that a meeting was held at Quebec, in the month of October last, composed of delegates from those Colonies, representing all shades of political party in their several communities, nominated by the Lieutenant Governors of their respective Provinces, who assembled here, with the sanction of the Crown, and at His Excellency's invitation, to confer with the members of the Canadian Ministry on the possibility of effecting a Union of all the Provinces of British North America.

To assure His Excellency that we have learned with the deepest interest that this Conference, after lengthened deliberations, arrived at the conclusion that a Federal Union of these Provinces was feasible and desirable, and that the result of its labours is a plan of Constitution for the proposed Union, embodied in a series of resolutions, which, with other papers relating to the subject, His Excellency has directed to be laid before Parliament; and that the general design of a Union, and the particular plan by which it is proposed to carry that intention into effect, have both received the cordial approbation of the Imperial Government.

To inform His Excellency that an Imperial Act of Parliament being necessary in order to give effect to the contemplated Union of the Colonies, this House is gratified to learn that His Excellency has been officially informed by the Secretary of State that Her Majesty's Ministers will be prepared to introduce a Bill for that purpose into the Imperial Parliament, so soon as they shall have been notified that the proposal has received the sanction of the Legislatures representing the several Provinces affected by it:

And to assure His Excellency that this subject, which he has been pleased to commend to our attention, and the importance of which to ourselves and to our descendants it is impossible to exaggerate, shall receive from this House the calm, earnest and impartial consideration which His Excellency claims for it.

To convey to His Excellency a sense of the profound respect with which this House has received the assurance of his conviction that with the public men of British North America it now rests to decide whether the vast tract of country which they inhabit shall be consolidated into a State, combining within its area all the elements of National greatness, providing for the security of its component parts, and contributing to the strength and stability of the Empire; or whether the several Provinces of which it is constituted shall remain in their present fragmentary and isolated condition, comparatively powerless for mutual aid, and incapable of undertaking their proper share of Imperial responsibility.

To unite with His Excellency in fervently praying that in the discussion of an issue of such moment, our minds may be guided to conclusions which shall redound to the honor of our Sovereign, and to the welfare of Her subjects.

The first paragraph of the said Resolution being again read,

The Honorable Mr. McPherson moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bossé,

That the same be adopted.

After a long debate,

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That further debate on the said motion be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell,

The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 24th January, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Burnham,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Olivier,
Alexander,	Campbell,	Lacoste,	Panet,
Allan,	Chaffers,	Leslie.	Perry,
Archambault,	Christie,	Letellier de St. Just,	
Armand	Cormier,	Mc Crea,	Prud'homme,
Armstrong.	Crawford,	McDonald,	Ross,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	De Beaujeu,	McMaster,	Ryan,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	McPherson,	Sanborn,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Malhiot,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Ferricr,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Foster,	Mills,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bull,	Gingras,	Moore,	Vidal.
Burean,	Guévremont,		

PRAYERS.

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that there were two Members without ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable James Skead was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs Matheson and Shaw.

The Honorable John Simpson was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs Seymour and Moore.

The Honorable Members just introduced then came to the table, and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by Law, which was administered by the Clerk of this House, and took their seats accordingly.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of Edward M. Hopkins and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Moore; of the Reverend M. Townsend and others, of St. George de Clarenceville, in the County of Missisquoi.

By the Honorable Mr. Crawford ; of Joseph P. Slack.

By the Honorable Mr. Proulx; of the Ladies of L'Asile de la Providence, of Montreal; of the Ladies administering the General Hospital of Montreal; and of Charles Allard and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Skead; of the Community, General Hospital, Alms House, and Seminary of Learning, of the Sisters of Charity, at Ottawa.

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier ; of the Ottawa and Prescott Railway Company.

By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; of His Lordship the Roman Catholic Bishop of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Christie; of the Corporation of the Village of Caledonia; of Matthew Gash and others, of the Village of Dunnville; of the Corporation of the Village of Clinton; of P. R. Jarvis and others, of the Town of Stratford; of the Corporation of the Village of Fort Eric; of the Hamilton and Port Dover Railway Company; of Messieurs Moore and Adam; and two Petitions of the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Statement of the Assests and Liabilities of the Queen Insurance Company, *Montreal*, made up to the 31st August, 1864.

Also, a Return of the Provident Life Assurance and Investment Company, for 1863-4.

Also, a Return of the Beaver Mutual Insurance Association; for the year ending 30th April, 1864.

Also, a Return of the City and District Savings Bank, of *Montreal*, for the year ending 31st December, 1864.

Also, a Return of the Canada Life Assurance Company, for the year ending 30th April, 1864.

Also, a Return of the Crown Lands Department, shewing that no Commutation of Tenure has been effected in any of the *Censives* heretofore belonging to the late Order of

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Jesuits, nor in the Seigniory of Lauzon, nor Censives of the Crown Domain, Quebec or Three Rivers.

Also, a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District and County of Gaspé, for the year 1863.

And also, a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the County of *Berthier*, for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and they are as follow :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*, for the adoption of the first paragraph of the Resolution for an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, in answer to His Excellency's Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Session.

After a further long Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was unanimously resolved in the affirmative.

The remaining paragraphs of the said Resolution being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were unanimously agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Macpherson, Bossé, and the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, be appointed a Committee to draft an Address founded on the said Resolution

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché reported an Address prepared by the Committee, as follows:

To His Excellency 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 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 Legislative Council of Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled, respectfully thank Your Excellency for Your Gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session.

Speech at the opening of the present Session. We cordially unite with Your Excellency in expressing thankfulness to a beneficent Providence for the general prosperity and contentment of the people of this Province, and the continuance to us of the inestimable blessing of Peace.

We desire to express to Your Excellency the regret with which we havelearned that outrages have been committed on the commerce and territory of the United States of America by persons who, after the perpetration of these acts, have sought refuge on Canadian soil.

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We thank Your Excellency for the information that the Commissioners appointed under the provisions of the second chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada to frame a Civil Code, and also a Code of Civil Procedure for Lower Canada, have completed the former part of their duty, and that the Code of Civil Procedure is in a very advanced state; and also for your assurance that the result of the labours of the Commissioners shall be laid before this House.

We agree with Your Excellency in the opinion that the completion of the Codification of the Civil Law, in both French and English, cannot fail to be of great benefit to the inhabitants of *Lower Canada*, by enabling the people of all origins to read, in their own languages, the Civil Law under which they live, and which hitherto has only been accessible in a language which is not the mother tongue of a portion of the people whose civil rights are regulated by it.

We recall with satisfaction Your Excellency's statement at the close of the last Session of Parliament, that it was your intention, in conjunction with your Ministers, to prepare and submit to Parliament a measure for the solution of the constitutional problem, the discussion of which has for some years agitated this Province.

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We unite with Your Excellency in fervently praying that in the discussion of an issue of such moment, our minds may be guided to conclusions which shall redound to the honor of our Sovereign, and to the welfare of Her subjects.

Which said Address being read by the Clerk, was unanimously agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed, and that the same be signed by the Honorable the Speaker of this House.

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General, humbly to know what time His Excellency will please to appoint to be attended with the said Address.

The flonorable Sir E. P. Taché reported that he had, according to Order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General, to know what time His Excellency would please to appoint to be attended with the Address of this House, and that His Excellency had appointed to-morrow, at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, at the Government House in this city.

The Honorable Mr. Alexander presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act "further to amend the Act respecting Joint Stock Companies for the construction of "Roads and other Works in Upper Canada."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché,

The House adjourned

Wednesday, 25th January, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins, Alexander, Allan, Archambault, Armund, Armstrong, Belleau, Sir N. F., Bennett, Blake	Campbell, Chaffers, Christie, Cormier, Crawford, Curric, De Beaujeu, Duchesnay, E. H. J., Dumouchel		Price, Proulx, Prud'homme, Reesor, Ross, Ryan, Sanborn, Seymour, Shan
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Blake,	Dumouchel,	Mills,	Shaw,
Bossé,	Foster,	Moore,	Simpson,
Boulton,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Skead,
Bull,	Guévremont,	Panet,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Perry.	Vidal.
Burnham,	Lacoste,		,

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Shaw; of John Lorn McDougall and others, of Renfrew and Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Foster; of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Montrcal, Metropolitan, and the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Quebec.

By the Honorable Mr. Lacoste ; of Henri Louis and others, of the City of Montreal ; of L'Union St. Joseph de Montréal ; and of L'Union St. Jacques de Montréal.

By the Honorable Mr. Vidal; two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of Lambton.

By the Honorable Mr. Simpson; of the Reverend A. Macnab, D.D., Rector, and others, of Bowmanville.

By the Honorable Mr. Ryan; of Françoise Geneviève Bouthillier and others, Directresses of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Price; of the Corporation of Pilots for and above the Harbor of Quebec; of Jacob Bouchard and others, of the Parish of St. Louis de l'Isle aux Coudres, in the County of Charlevoix; and of the Richelieu Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell; of the Corporation of the City of Kingston.

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

Of the Director and Professors of the Deaf and Dumb Institution of Montreal; of

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the Sisters of Charity du Bon Pasteur, of Montreal; of the Corporation of l'Asile de la Providence, of Montreal; of the Reverend V. Rousselot, Director of l'Asile St. Joseph, of Montreal; and of the Rev. V. Rousselot as Director of l'Asile de Nazareth, of Montreal; of M. O'Brien and others, Trustees of the St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum, of Montreal; and of l'Asile du Bon Pasteur of Quebec; severally praying for aid.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Sandwich West; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm a certain survey of a portion of the said Township, made by Edwin R. Jones, of the Town of Sarnia, Esq., D.P.L.S.

Of William Howard and others, of the Township of Amherst Island; praying that the said Township may be separated from the Counties of Lennox and Addington, and annexed to the County of Frontenac for all purposes.

And three Petitions of the Corporation of the City of Quebec; praying for certain amendments to the Acts of Incorporation of the said City, and for the consolidation of said Acts, as amended ;—also, praying for certain amendments to the Acts relating to the Water Works of the said City, for the consolidation of the said Acts as amended, and for * power to issue certain new Water Works Debentures ;—and also praying for certain amendments to the Acts relating to the Recorder's Court of the said City, and for the consolidation of the said Acts, as amended.

The Honorable Mr. Foster presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to "amend 'An Act respecting Railways.""

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Friday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* presented to the House the Report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, for the half-year ending on the 30th June, 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The House was adjourned during pleasurc. After some time, the House was resumed.

The Honorable the Speaker reported that the House did, this day, wait on His Excellency the Governor General with their Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech from the Throne, to which His Excellency was pleased to return the following most gracious Reply :--

Mr. Speaker and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

I thank you for your Address. I am convinced that you will apply yourselves to the consideration of the important matters that will be laid before you, in a calm and dispassionate spirit.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, in answer to His Excellency's Speech from the Throne, together with His Excellency's Reply thereto, be printed and published in both languages, for the use of Members.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Tuché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was ·

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Alexander, Armand, Boulion, Christie, Lacoste, Letellier de St. Just, Malhiot, McMaster, Mills, Perry, Ross, Seymour, Shaw, and Sir E. P. Taché, be appointed a Committee to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session. On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Aikins, Allan, Belleau Sir N. F., Blair Fergusson, Bossé, Burcau, Campbell, Currie, Ferrier, Macpherson, McCrea, Olivier, Ross and Sanborn, be appointed a Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, with power to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to the said Committee; to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, and to send for persons, papers and records:

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Allan, Archambault, Belleau Sir N. F., Bull, Crawford, Ferrier, Hamilton (Kingston), Hamilton (Inkerman), Macpherson, McMaster, Moore, Price, Ryan, Simpson and Vidal, be appointed a Committee on Banking and Commerce for the present Session, to whom shall be referred all Bills on those subjects.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Armstrong, Bennett, Blake, Chaffers, Duchesnay A. J., Flint, Foster, Gingras, Guévremont, Leonard, Leslie, Matheson, Proulx, Prud'homme, Read and Skead, be appointed a Committee to peruse and perfect the Journals of this and former Sessions of the Provincial Parliament.

On motion of the IIonorable Sir E. P. Tuché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Aikins, Alexander, Burnham, Christie, Cormier, Duchesnay E. H. J., Dumouchel, Foster, McDonald, Reesor, and Simpson, be appointed a Committee to superintend the Printing of this House during the present Session.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Resolved, That the Honorable Mr. Allan, the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, the Honorable Messieurs Fergusson Blair, Campbell, DeBeaujeu, Moore, Olivier, Panet, Quesnel, Ross, Ryan, and Sir E. P. Taché, be appointed a Committee to assist His Honor the Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act on behalf of this House as members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

Ordered, That the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Legislative Assembly by one of the Masters in Chancery.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché,

The House adjourned.

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26th JANUARY.

Thursday, 26th January, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEFH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Campbell,	Lacoste,	Perry,
Alexander,	Chaffers,	Leslie,	Price,
Allan,	Christic,	Letellier de St. Just,	Proulx,
Archambault,	Cormier,	Mc Crea,	Prud'homme,
Armand,	Crawford,	McDonald,	Reesor,
Armstrong,	Curric,	McMaster,	Ross,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	De Beaujeu,	Macpherson,	Ryan,
Bennett,	Dickson,	Malhiot,	Sanborn,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Mills,	Simpson,
Boulton,	Foster,	Moore,	Skead,
Bull,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Guévremont,	Panet,	Vidal.
Burnham,	Hamilton (Kingston),		

PRAYERS.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Clerk's Accounts and Vouchers from the 16th June to the 31st December, 1864, both days inclusive, as numbered from 1 to 257.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Macpherson; of W. B. Brown and others, of the Township of Culross.

By the Honorable Mr. Skead ; of the Corporation of the City of Ottawa.

By the Honorable Mr. Currie; of J.W. Bowlby and others, Members of the Bar of Upper Canada.

By the Honorable Mr. Ryan; of the Montreal Ladies' Benevolent Society; of Mary Fulford and others, Directresses of the Montreal House of Refuge.

By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; of Alexandre Maurice Delisle, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Simpson; of Jonathan Brand and others, of the Township of Hope, in the County of Durham.

By the Honorable Mr. Panet; of the Ladies composing the Managing Committee of the Male Orphan Asylum, Quebec, in connection with the Church of England.

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

Of Edward M. Hopkins and others, of the City of Montreal; praying to be incorporated as the "Montreal Investment Company."

Of the Reverend *M. Townsend* and others, of *St. George de Clarenceville*, in the County of *Missisquoi*; praying for an Act of Incorporation as the "Clarenceville Academy."

Of Charles Allard and others, of the City of Montreal; praying to be incorporated as "La Société de l'Union St. Michel des Saints de Montréal."

Of Joseph P. Slack; praying for compensation for the loss of his land, and improvements thereon, which was patented to him by the Government, but had been previously patented to another party, now in possession.

Of the Ladies of L'Asile de la Providence, of Montreal; praying for aid.

Of the Ladies administering the General Hospital of *Montreal*; praying for the continuance of their annual grant.

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

Of the Ottawa and Prescott Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act confirming a certain agreement made by the said Company with their creditors and Bondholders, for the purpose of accommodating the business of the said Railroad.

Of His Lordship the Roman Catholic Bishop of Montreal; praying for aid for the St. Patrick's Hospital of Montreal.

Of the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company; of the Corporations of the Villages of Caledonia, Clinton and Fort Erie; of Matthew Gash and others, of the Village of Dunnville; and of P. R. Jarvis and others, of the Town of Stratford; severally praying for the passing of an Act confirming and legalizing the agreements entered into between the said Buffalo and Lake Huron and the Grand Trunk Railway Companies, respecting their amalgamation.

Of the Hamilton and Port Dover Railway Company; of the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company; and of Messieurs Moore and Adam; severally praying for the extension of the time for going into operation of the said Hamilton and Port Dover Railway, for one year.

The Honorable Mr. Currie presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to "enable the Church Societies and Incorporated Synods" of the Church of England "Diocesses in Canada, to sell the Rectorial Lands in the said Diocesses."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Aikins presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to "amend the Municipal Act of Upper Canada, by restricting the class of Voters on By-"laws for the creation of debt."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Currie presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to "amend the Act for the better Assignment of Dower in Upper Canada."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

The same was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows :

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The Governor General lays before the Legislative Council the "Civil Code of Lower Canada," as framed by the Commissioners under the second chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, together with the Reports, Correspondence and other papers connected therewith.

Government House,

Quebec, January, 1865.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Sir *E. P. Taché* acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

The same was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows :

MONCK.

The Governor General informs the Honorable the Legislative Council, that he has granted leave to the Honorable F. A. Quesnel to be absent from his place in the House during the present Session.

Government House,

Quebec, 25th January, 1865.

The Honorable Mr. Bull presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act to provide "for obtaining Statistical Returns from Insurance Companies."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Bull presented to the House a Bill intitutled: "An Act to pro-"vide for the punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of minor offences."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kinyston), seconded by the Honor able Sir E. P. Taché,

The House adjourned.

Friday, 27th January, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Burnham,	Guévremont,	Panet,
Alexander,	Campbell,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
Allan,	Chaffers,	Lacoste,	Proulx,
Archambault,	Christie,	Leslie,	Prud'homme,
Armand,	Cormier,	Letellier de St. Just,	Reesor,
Armstrong,	Crawford,	Mc Crea,	Ross,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	Curric,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Bennett,	De Beaujeu,	McMaster,	Sanborn,
Blair, Fergusson,	Dickson,	Macpherson,	Shaw,
Blake,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Matheson,	Simpson,
Bossé,	Dumouchel,	Mills,	Skead,
Boulton,	Foster,	Moore,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bull,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Vidal.
Bureau,			

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PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table ;---

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell; of Joseph Watson and others, of the Township of Portland, in the County of Frontenac.

By the Honorable Mr. Christie; of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.

By the Honorable Mr. Chafters; of Isaac Hogle and others, of the Parishes of St. George of Clarenceville and St. George of Henryville.

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

Of John Lorn McDougall and others, of Renfrew and Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act to empower them, as Trustees of the Estate of the late John Lorn McDougall, in his lifetime of Renfrew, to wind up the affairs of the said Estate, to sell the lands and to invest the proceeds.

Of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Montreal*, Metropolitan, and the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Quebec*; praying for certain amendments to the laws regulating the Registration of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials, and the issue of Marriage Licenses, and the Educational Laws of Lower Canada.

Of Henri Louis and others, of the City of Montreal; praying to be incorporated as "L'Union St. Roch de Montréal."

Of L'Union St. Joseph de Montréal; and of L'Union St. Jacques de Montréal; praying for the amendment of their respective Acts of Incorporation.

Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of Lambton; praying for certain amendments to the 16th section of Cap. 32 Consolidated Statutes of Canada,—and also praying for the repeal of sections 147 and 148 of the 66th Cap. of Consolidated Statutes of Canada.

Of the Reverend A. MacNab, D.D., Rector, and others, of Bowmanville; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the sale of the Glebe lands of St. John's Church, Bowmanville, and for the investment of the money arising from such sale.

Of Françoise Geneviève Bouthillier and others, Directresses of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of Montreal; praying for aid.

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

Of Jacob Bouchard and others, of the Parish of St. Louis de l'Isle aux Coudres, in the County of Charlevoix; praying for the amendment of the Militia Laws.

Of the *Richelieu* Company; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

And of the Corporation of the City of Kingston; praying for certain amendments to the Municipal and Assessment Laws of Upper Canada.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Kingston General Hospital, for year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows:

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable the Speaker, from the Committee appointed to consider of the Orders and Customs of this House, and Privileges of Parliament, reported that no Life Member of this House had departed this life since last Session.

The Honorable Mr. Currie presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act " to amend the Act intituled 'An Act respecting County Courts."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

The same was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows:

MONCK.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council, a copy of the Resolutions relative to the proposed Union of British North America, adopted by the Conference of Delegates at Quebec, and copies of a Correspondence on the subject with Her Majesty's Government, and the Governors of the several Provinces.

Quebcc, 19th January, 1865.

Lord Monck to Mr. Cardwell.

(Copy, No. 135.)

Quebec, 23rd September, 1864

SIR,-Referring to my Despatches, No. 124, of August 26th, and No, 129, of September 1st, I have the honor to transmit a copy of an approved Minute of the Executive Council of Canada, requesting me to invite the Governments of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland, to send Representatives to a Conference with the Ministers of Canada at Quebcc, to be held for the purpose of considering the question of the Union of these Provinces, and to digest a practical plan for the realization of the idea which should be submitted for your approval.

The desire for a closer union amongst these Colonies than has hitherto existed appears to be very generally felt, both in Canada and in the Lower Provinces.

It appears to me that the mode of proceeding suggested in this Minute is the only one in which the views entertained by the leading politicians of the British North American Colonies, on this important subject, can be brought intelligibly and in a practical form before your attention.

This course is also, I think, that which was pointed out by the Duke of Newcastle in his Despatch to Lord Mulgrave (Nova Scotia, No. 182), of July 6, 1862, transmitted to me for my information, on the same day, as that which ought to be pursued in the circumstances.

I have therefore had no hesitation in complying with the request of my Executive Council, and I have addressed identical communications-of which I enclose a copy to the Lieutenant Governors of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, and to the Governor of Newfoundland, -- inviting them to nominate deputations to represent these respective Provinces at the proposed Conference.

I have, &c., Monck.

The Right Hon. E. Cardwell, &c.

27th JANUARY.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General on the 23rd September, 1864.

The Committee of Council has the honor to inform Your Excellency that the Deputation from the Executive Council who met the Delegates from the Maritime Provinces, at *Charlottetown*, on the 1st instant, in accordance with the Order in Council of the 29th ultimo, have reported that such Conference duly met, and that the question of a Confederation of the *British North American* Colonies was discussed at length, and such progress made that it was thought desirable by the Conference that the subject should be resumed in a formal and official manner, under the authority of the Governments of the several Provinces.

The Committee have, therefore, the honor to advise and submit for Your Excellency's approval, that the several Governments of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland be invited to appoint Delegates under the authority of the Despatch of the Secretary for the Colonies to the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, dated 6th July, 1862, and communicated by the Colonial Office to Your Excellency by a Despatch of the same date, to confer with the Canadian Government on the subject of a Union or Federation of the British North American Provinces.

The Committee beg leave further to recommend that *Quebec* be selected as the place, and the 10th of October next the time, for the meeting, as they have ascertained that such time and place will meet the views and convenience of the several Governments.

> (Certified,) WM. H. LEE, C. E. C.

Lord Monck to Lieut.-Governors of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland.

(Copy.)

Quebec, 23rd September, 1864.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit a copy of an approved Minute of the Executive Council of *Canada*, respecting the proposal to hold a Conference of Delegates from the Colonies of *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, *Prince Edward Island* and *Newfoundland*, with the Ministers of *Canada*, to consider the question of a Union of these Colonies, and to digest a scheme for the practical realization of the idea which may be submitted as embodying the joint opinions of the Governments of the several Provinces to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, with a view to obtaining his sanction for legislation on the subject.

In conformity with the request contained in this Minute, I have the honor to invite you to name a deputation to represent your Province in the approaching Conference which will meet at *Quebec* on the 10th October.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

Monck.

(Copy, Canada, No. 79.)

DOWNING STREET, 14th October, 1864.

My LORD,---I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Lordship's Despatch (No. 135) of the 23rd of September, reporting that you had invited the Lieutenant Governors of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, together with the Governor of Newfoundland, to send Delegates to Quebec to attend a Conference on the subject of the proposed Union of the British North American Provinces.

I approve of the course Your Lordship has taken in the matter.

I have, &c., (Signed,) EDWARD CARDWELL.

Governor Viscount Monck.

Lord Monck to Mr. Cardwell.

(Copy, No. 168.)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Quebec, November 7, 1864.

SIR,—Referring to my despatch (No. 135) of the 23rd of September, in which I have informed you that I had invited the Lieutenant Governors of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, and the Governor of Newfoundland, to send Representatives to confer with the Members of the Canadian Government on the feasibility of effecting a Union between the Colonies of British North America, and to my despatches of the 14th October (No. 151), and the 2nd November (No. 165), in which I enclosed to you the answer received to that invitation, I have the honor to report that the several gentlemen named in the communications above referred to, as representatives of those Colonies respectively, arrived at Quebec on Monday, the 10th October, the day named for the assembling of the Conference.

They immediately proceeded to the consideration of the important question, the discussion of which constituted the object of their meeting, having appointed Sir *E. P. Taché*, Prime Minister of *Canada*, as Chairman, to preside over their deliberations.

Their sittings began on the 10th October, and continued de die in diem until the 28th of the same month.

I have now the honor to transmit the Resolutions agreed to by the Conference, for which I would ask the favorable consideration of yourself and Her Majesty's Government.

I may state that an extended intercourse with the Members of the Conference enabled me to assure you that they were one and all actuated by the strongest feelings of loyalty to the Queen, the most earnest desire to maintain the connection with *England*, and the wish to make the proposed Union work so as to strengthen that connection, by enabling the Provinces to take upon themselves more largely the responsibilities of a self-governing community.

I do not enter into any argument to prove that a consolidation of these Provinces is desirable, if it can be effected on principles which will give guarantees for strength and durability.

The advantages of a well-considered plan of Union, whether looked at from the point of administration, commerce or defence, appear to me so obvious that it would be a waste of time to state them, and the fact that the most eminent public men of all the Provinces concur in desiring such a Union, appears to me to go a long way in superseding the necessity for any abstract arguments in its favor.

The plan which has been adopted by the Conference, you will observe, is the Union of all the Provinces on the monarchical principle under one Governor to be appointed by the Crown with Ministers responsible, as in *England*, to a Parliament consisting of two Houses, one to be nominated by the Crown and the other elected by the people.

To this central Government and Legislature will be committed all the general business of the United Provinces and its authority on all such subjects will be supreme, subject of course to the rights of the Crown and of the Imperial Parliament.

For the purpose of local administration it is proposed to have in each Province an Executive Officer to be appointed by the Governor and removable by him for cause to be assigned, assisted by a Legislative body, the constitution of which it is proposed to leave to the decision of the present local Legislatures, subject to the approbation of the Imperial Government and Parliament.

To these local bodies are to be entrusted the execution of certain specified duties of a local character, and they are to have no rights or authority beyond what is expressly delegated to them by the Act of Union.

To the general Government it is proposed to reserve the right of disallowing Acts passed by the local Legislatures.

I think this will be found a fair general outline of the constitutional portion of the proposed scheme of Union, and I trust it will be found of such a nature as to mcrit the general approbation of Her Majesty's Government.

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I do not allude to the proposed financial arrangements between the different members of the proposed Union, as these relate to questions exclusively affecting the Provinces, and upon which I presume they may safely be allowed to adopt any course which they may

themselves think conducive to their interests. In transmitting these Resolutions for your consideration, I venture to state my opinion that the desire for a consolidation of *British North America* has taken strong hold of the minds of the most earnest and thoughtful men in these Provinces, and I trust, whether on the plan suggested by these Resolutions, or on some modification of it, a Union may be effected which will satisfy the aspirations of so loyal and influential a portion of Her Majesty's subjects.

> (Signed,) I have, &c., Monck.

The Right Honorable E. Cardwell, M.P.

REPORT of Resolutions adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and the Colonies of Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, held at the City of Quebec, 10th October, 1864, as the basis of a proposed Confederation of those Provinces and Colonies.

1. The best interests and present and future prosperity of *British North America* will be promoted by a Federal Union under the Crown of *Great Britain*, provided such Union can be effected on principles just to the several Provinces.

2. In the Federation of the British North American Provinces, the system of Government best adapted under existing circumstances to protect the diversified interest of the several Provinces, and secure efficiency, harmony and permanency in the working of the Union, would be a general Government, charged with matters of common interest to the whole country; and Local Governments for each of the Canadas, and for the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, charged with the control of local matters in their respective sections. Provision being made for the admission into the Union, on equitable terms, of Newfoundland, the North West Territory, British Columbia and Vancouver.

3. In framing a Constitution for the General Government, the Conference, with a view to the perpetuation of our connection with the Mother Country, and to the promotion of the best interests of the people of these Provinces, desire to follow the model of the *British* Constitution, so far as our circumstances will permit.

4. The Executive Authority or Government shall be vested in the Sovereign of the Jnited Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, and be administered according to the wellunderstood principles of the *British* Constitution, by the Sovereign personally, or by the Representative of the Sovereign duly authorized.

5. The Sovereign or Representative of the Sovereign shall be Commander-in-Chief of the Land and Naval Militia Forces.

6. There shall be a General Legislature or Parliament for the Federated Provinces, composed of a Legislative Council and a House of Commons.

7. For the purpose of forming the Legislative Council, the Federated Provinces shall be considered as consisting of three divisions: 1st, Upper Canada; 2nd, Lower Canada; 3rd, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island; each division with an equal representation in the Legislative Council.

8. Upper Canada shall be represented in the Legislative Council by 24 members, Lower Canada by 24 members, and the three Maritime Provinces by 24 members, of which Nova Scotia shall have 10, New Brunswick 10, and Prince Eduard Island 4 members.

9. The Colony of *Newfoundland* shall be entitled to enter the proposed Union, with a representation in the Legislative Council of 4 members.

10. The North West Territory, British Columbia and Vancouver shall be admitted into the Union on such terms and conditions as the Parliament of the Federated Provinces shall deem equitable, and as shall receive the assent of Her Majesty; and in the case of the Province of British Columbia or Vancouver, as shall be agreed to by the Legislature of such Province.

11. The Members of the Legislative Council shall be appointed by the Crown under the Great Seal of the General Government, and shall hold office during life : if any Legislative Councillor shall, for two consecutive sessions of Parliament, fail to give his attendance in the said Council, his seat shall thereby become vacant.

12. The members of the Legislative Council shall be British subjects by birth or naturalization, of the full age of thirty years, shall possess a continuous real property qualification of four thousand dollars over and above all incumbrances, and shall be and continue worth that sum over and above their debts and liabilities, but in the case of Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island the property may be either real or personal. 13. If any question shall arise as to the qualification of a Legislative Councillor, the

same shall be determined by the Council.

14. The first selection of the Members of the Legislative Council shall be made, except as regards Prince Edward Island, from the Legislative Councils of the various Provinces, so far as a sufficient number be found qualified and willing to serve; such Members shall be appointed by the Crown at the recommendation of the General Executive Government, upon the nomination of the respective Local Governments, and in such nomination due regard shall be had to the claims of the Members of the Legislative Council of the opposition in each Province, so that all political parties may as nearly as possible be fairly represented.

15. The Speaker of the Legislative Council (unless otherwise provided by Parliament) shall be appointed by the Crown from among the Members of the Legislative Council, and shall hold office during pleasure, and shall only be entitled to a casting vote on an

equality of votes. 16. Each of the twenty-four Legislative Councillors representing Lower Cunada in the Legislative Council of the General Legislature, shall be appointed to represent one of the twenty-four Electoral Divisions mentioned in Schedule A of Chapter first of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, and such Councillor shall reside or possess his qualification in the Division he is appointed to represent. 17. The basis of Representation in the House of Commons shall be Population, as

determined by the Official Census every ten years; and the number of Members at first shall be 194, distributed as follows:

Upper Canada	82
Lower Canada	65
Nova Scotia	
New Brunswick	
Newfoundland	8
Prince Edward Island	5

18. Until the Official Census of 1871 has been made up, there shall be no change in the number of Representatives from the several sections.

19. Immediately after the completion of the Census of 1871, and immediately after every Decennial Census thereafter, the Representation from each section in the House of Commons shall be re-adjusted on the basis of Population.

20. For the purpose of such re-adjustments, Lower Canada shall always be assigned sixty-five members, and each of the other sections shall at each re-adjustment receive, for the ten years then next succeeding, the number of Members to which it will be entitled on the same ratio of representation to population as Lower Canada will enjoy according to the Census last taken by having sixty-five Members.

21. No reduction shall be made in the number of Members returned by any section, unless its population shall have decreased, relatively to the population of the whole Union, to the extent of five per centum.

22. In-computing at each decennial period the number of Members to which each section is entitled, no fractional parts shall be considered, unless when exceeding one-half

the number entitling to a Member, in which case a Member shall be given for each such fractional part.

23. The Legislature of each Province shall divide such Province into the proper number of constituencies, and define the boundaries of each of them.

24. The Local Legislature of each Province may, from time to time, alter the Electoral Districts for the purposes of Representation in such Local Legislature, and distribute the Representatives to which the Province is entitled in such Local Legislature, in any manner such Legislature may see fit.

25. The number of Members may at any time be increased by the general Parliament,-regard being had to the proportionate rights then existing.

26. Until provisions are made by the General Parliament, all the laws which, at the date of the Proclamation constituting the Union, are in force in the Provinces respectively, relating to the qualification and disqualification of any person to be elected, or to sit or vote as a Member of the Assembly in the said Provinces respectively; and relating to the qualification or disqualification of voters and to the oaths to be taken by voters, and to Returning Officers and their powers and duties,—and relating to the proceedings at Elections,—and to the period during which such elections may be continued,—and relating to the Trial of Controverted Elections, and the proceedings incident thereto, --- and relating to the vacating of seats of Members, and to the issuing and execution of new Writs, in case of any seat being vacated otherwise than by a dissolution-shall respectively apply to Elections of Members to serve in the House of Commons, for places situate in those Provinces respectively.

27. Every House of Commons shall continue for five years from the day of the return of the writs choosing the same, and no longer; subject, nevertheless, to be sooner prorogued or dissolved by the Governor.

28. There shall be a Session of the General Parliament once, at least, in every year, so that a period of twelve calendar months shall not intervene between the last sitting of the General Parliament in one Session, and the first sitting thereof in the next Session.

29. The General Parliament shall have power to make Laws for the peace, welfare and good government of the Federated Provinces (saving the Sovereignty of England), and especially laws respecting the following subjects :----

- 1. The Public Debt and Property.
- 2. The Regulation of Trade and Commerce.
- 3. The imposition or regulation of Duties of Customs on Imports and Exports, --except on Exports of Timber, Logs, Masts, Spars, Deals and Sawn Lumber from New Brunswick, and of Coal and other minerals from Nova Scotia.
- 4. The imposition or regulation of Excise Duties.
- 5. The raising of money by all or any other modes or systems of Taxation.
- The borrowing of money on the Public Credit.
 Postal Service.
- S. Lines of Steam or other Ships, Railways, Canals and other works, connecting any two or more of the Provinces together or extending beyond the limits of any Province.
- 9. Lines of Steamships between the Federated Provinces and other Countries.
- 10. Telegraphic Communication and the Incorporation of Telegraph Companies.
- 11. All such works as shall, although lying wholly within any Province be specially declared by the Acts authorizing them to be for the general advantage.
- 12. The Census.
- 13. Militia-Military and Naval Service and Defence.
- 14. Beacons, Buoys and Light Houses.
- 15. Navigation and Shipping.
- 16. Quarantine. 1 1 27 10 3
- 17. Sea Coast and Inland Fisheries. The two weather in the second s
- 18. Ferries between any Province and a Foreign country, or between any two. Provinces.
- 19. Currency and Coinage a transformed and the set of the second and we are the

- 20. Banking-Incorporation of Banks, and the issue of paper money.
- 21. Savings Banks.
- 22. Weights and Measures.
- 23. Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.
- 24. Interest.
- 25. Legal Tender.
- 26. Bankruptcy and Insolvency.
- 27. Patents of Invention and Discovery.
- 28. Copy Rights. 29. Indians and Lands reserved for the Indians.
- 30. Naturalization and Aliens.
- 31. Marriage and Divorce.
- 32. The Criminal Law, excepting the Constitution of Courts of Criminal Jurisdiction, but including the procedure in Criminal matters.
- 33. Rendering uniform all or any of the laws relative to property and civil rights in Upper Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edword Island, and rendering uniform the procedure of all or any of the Courts in these Provinces; but any Statute for this purpose shall have no force or authority in any Province until sanctioned by the Legislature thereof.
- 34. The Establishment of a General Court of Appeal for the Federated Provinces.
- 35. Immigration.
- 36. Agriculture.
- 37. And generally respecting all matters of a general character, not specially and exclusively reserved for the Local Governments and Legislatures.

30. The General Government and Parliament shall have all powers necessary or proper for performing the obligations of the Federated Provinces, as part of the British Empire, to Foreign Countries arising under Treaties between Great Britain and such Countries.

31. The General Parliament may also, from time to time, establish additional Courts, and the General Government may appoint Judges and Officers thereof, when the same shall appear necessary or for the public advantage, in order to the due execution of the laws of Parliament.

32. All Courts, Judges and Officers of the several Provinces shall aid, assist and chey the General Government in the exercise of its rights and powers, and for such purposes shall be held to be Courts, Judges and Officers of the General Government.

33. The General Government shall appoint and pay the Judges of the Superior Courts in each Province, and of the County Courts in Upper Canada, and Parliament shall fix their salaries.

34. Until the Consolidation of the Laws of Upper Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, the Judges of these Provinces appointed by the General Government, shall be selected from their respective Bars.

35. The Judges of the Courts of Lower Canada shall be selected from the Bar of Lower Canada.

36. The Judges of the Court of Admiralty now receiving salaries shall be paid by the General Government.

37. The Judges of the Superior Courts shall hold their offices during good behaviour, and shall be removable only on the Address of both Houses of Parliament.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

プロビアパリービー かいとうがたきが 行い 38. For each of the Provinces there shall be an Executive Officer, styled the Lieutenant Governor, who shall be appointed by the Governor General in Council, under the Great Seal of the Federated Provinces, during pleasure : such pleasure not to be exercised before the expiration of the first five years except for cause : such cause to be communicated in writing to the Lieutenant Governor immediately after the exercise of the pleasure as aforesaid, and also by Message to both Houses of Parliament, within the first week of the first Session afterwards. The first search and denote the first deal of the

39. The Lieutenant Governor of each Province shall be paid by the General Government. 40. In undertaking to pay the salaries of the Lieutenant Governors, the Conference does not desire to prejudice the claim of Prince Edward Island upon the Imperial Government for the amount now paid for the salary of the Lieutenant Governor thereof. 41. The Local Government and Legislature of each Province shall be constructed in such manner as the existing Legislature of each such Province shall provide. 42. The Local Legislature shall have power to alter or amend their constitution from time to time. 43. The Local Legislatures shall have power to make laws respecting the following subjects : 1. Direct taxation, and in New Brunswick the imposition of Duties on the Export of Timber, Logs, Masts, Spars, Deals and Sawn Lumber; and in Nova Scotia, of Coals and other minerals. 2. Borrowing money on the credit of the Province. 3. The establishment and tenure of local offices, and the appointment and payment of local officers. 4. Agriculture. 5 Immigration. 6. Education ; saving the rights and privileges which the Protestant or Catholic minority in both Canadas may possess as to their Denominational Schools, at the time when the Union goes, into operation. 7. The sale and management of Public Lands excepting Lands belonging to the General Government. 8. Sea Coast and Inland Fisheries. 9. The establishment, maintenance and management of Penitentiaries, and of Public and Reformatory Prisons. 10. The establishment, maintenance and management of Hospitals, Asylums, Charities, and Eleemosynary Institutions. : - , t ;." 11. Municipal Institutions. 12 Shop, Saloon, Tavern, Auctioneer and other Licenses. a set in grande has 13: Local Works. 14. The Incorporation of Private or Local Companies, except such as relate to matters assigned to the General Parliament. 15. Property and civil rights, excepting those portions thereof assigned to, the General Parliament. 16. Inflicting punishment by fine, penalties, imprisonment or , otherwise, for the breach of laws passed in relation to any subject within their jurisdiction. 17. The Administration of Justice, including the Constitution, maintenance and organization of the Courts, both of Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction, and including also the Procedure in Civil matters. 18. And generally all matters of a private or local nature, not assigned to the General Parliament. 44. The power of respiting, reprieving, and pardoning Prisoners convicted of crimes, and of commuting and remitting of sentences in whole or in part, which belongs of right to the Crown, shall be administered by the "Lieutenant" Governor of each Province in Council, subject to any "instructions he may, from time to time, receive from the General Government, and subject to any provisions that may be made in this bchalf by the General Parliament.

Denait by the General Lamancies in the protocol support and the form with the second state of the second s 45. In regard to all subjects over which jurisdiction belongs to both the General and Local Legislatures, the laws of the General Parliament shall control and supersede those made by the Local Legislature, and the latter shall be void so far as they are repugnant to, or inconsistent with, the former. If due to prove of the the the treated a stand of the 46. Both the English and French languages may be employed in the General Parlia-

ment and in its proceedings, and in the Local Legislature of Lower Canada, and also in the Federal Courts and in the Courts of Lower Canada.

47. No lands or property belonging to the General or Local Governments shall be liable to taxation.

48. All Bills for appropriating any part of the Public Revenue, or for imposing any new Tax or Impost, shall originate in the House of Commons or House of Assembly, as the case may be.

49. The House of Commons or House of Assembly shall not originate or pass any Vote, Resolution, Address or Bill for the appropriation of any part of the Public Revenue, or of any Tax or Impost to any purpose, not first recommended by Message of the Gover-nor General or the Lieutenant Governor, as the case may be, during the Session in which such Vote, Resolution, Address or Bill is passed.

50. Any Bill of the General Parliament may be reserved in the usual manner for Her Majesty's Assent, and any Bill of the Local Legislatures may, in like manner, be reserved for the consideration of the Governor General.

51. Any Bill passed by the General Parliament shall be subject to disallowance by Her Majesty within two years, as in the case of Bills passed by the Legislatures of the said Provinces nitherto; and, in like manner, any Bill passed by a Local Legislature shall be subject to disallowance by the Governor General within one year after the passing thereof.

52. The Scat of Government of the Federated Provinces shall be Ottawa, subject to the Royal Prerogative.

53. Subject to any future action of the respective Local Governments, the Seat of the Local Government in Upper Canada shall be Toronto; of Lower Canada, Quebec; and the Seats of the Local Governments in the other Provinces shall be as at present.

PROPERTY AND LIABILITIES.

54. All Stocks, Cash, Bankers' Balances and Securities for money belonging to each Province at the time of the Union, except as hereinafter mentioned, shall belong to the General Government.

55. The following Public Works and Property of each Province shall belong to the General Government, to wit :---

- Canals.
 Public Harbours.
- 3. Light Houses and Piers.
- 4. Steamboats, Dredges and Public Vessels.
- 5. River and Lake Improvements.
- 6 Railway and Railway Stocks, Mortgages and other debts due by Railway Companies.
- 7. Military Roads.
- 8. Custom Houses, Post Offices and other Public Buildings, except such as may be set aside by the General Government for the use of the Local Legislatures and Governments.
- 9. Property transferred by the Imperial Government and known as Ordnance Property.
- 10. Armories, Drill Sheds, Military Clothing and Munitions of War, and
- 11. Lands set apart for public purposes.

56. All lands, mines, minerals and royalties vested in Her Majesty in the Provinces, of Upper Canada, Lower Canuda, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, for the use of such Provinces, shall belong to the Local Government of the territory in which the same are so situate; subject to any trusts that may exist in respect to any of such lands or to any interest of other persons in respect of the same.

57. All sums due from purchasers or lessees of such lands, mines or minerals at the time of the Union, shall also belong to the Local Governments.

58. All assets connected with such portions of the public debt of any Province as are assumed by the Local Governments shall also belong to those Governments respectively.

59. The several Provinces shall retain all other Public Property therein, subject to the

right of the General Government to assume any Lands or Public Property required for Fortifications or the Defence of the Country.

60. The General Government shall assume all the Debts and Liabilities of each Province.

.61. The Debt of Canada, not specially assumed by Upper and Lower Canada respec-tively, shall not exceed, at the time of the Union, \$62,500,000; Nova Scotia shall enter the Union with a debt not exceeding \$8,000,000; and New Brunswick with a debt not exceeding \$7,000,000.

62. In case Nova Scotia or New Brunswick do not incur liabilities beyond those for which their Governments are now bound, and which shall make their debts at the date of Union less than \$8,000,000 and \$7,000,000 respectively, they shall be entitled to interest at five per cent. on the amount not so incurred, in like manner as is hereinafter provided for Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island; the foregoing resolution being in no respect intended to limit the powers given to the respective Governments of those Provinces, by Legislative authority, but only to limit the maximum amount of charge to be assumed by the General Government; provided always, that the powers so conferred by the respective Legislatures shall be excreised within five years from this date, or the same shall then lapse.

63. Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, not having incurred Debts equal to those of the other Provinces, shall be entitled to receive, by half-yearly payments, in advance, from the General Government, the Interest at five per cent. on the difference between the actual amount of their respective Debts at the time of the Union, and the average amount of indebtedness per head of the Population of Canada, Nova Scotta and New Brunswick.

64. In consideration of the transfer to the General Parliament of the powers of Taxation, an annual grant in aid of each Province shall be made, equal to eighty cents per head of the Population, as established by the Census of 1861; the population of Newfoundland being estimated at 130,000. Such aid shall be in full settlement of all future demands upon the General Government for local purposes, and shall be paid half-yearly in advance to each Province.

65. The position of New Brunswick being such as to entail large immediate charges upon her local revenues, it is agreed that for the period of ten years, from the time when the Union takes effect, an additional allowance of \$63,000 per annum shall be made to that Province. But that so long as the liability of that Province remains under \$7,000,000, a deduction equal to the interest on such deficiency shall be made from the \$G3,000.

66. In consideration of the surrender to the General Government by Newfoundland of all its rights in Mines and Minerals, and of all the ungranted and unoccupied Lands of the Crown, it is agreed that the sum of \$150,000 shall each year be paid to that Province, by semi-annual payments; provided that that Colony shall retain the right of opening, constructing and controlling Roads and Bridges through any of the said Lands, subject to any Laws which the General Parliament may pass in respect of the same. 67. All engagements that may before the Union, be entered into with the Imperial

Government for the defence of the Country, shall be assumed by the General Government.

68. The General Government shall secure, without delay, the completion of the Intercolonial Railway from Rivière du Loup, through New Brunswick, to Truro in Nova Scotia.

69. The communications with the North Western Territory, and the improvements required for the development of the Trade of the Great West with the Seaboard, are regarded by this Conference as subjects of the highest importance to the Federated Provinces, and shall be prosecuted at the earliest possible period that the state of the Finances will permit. 3. - 3. - 1 - 71

70. The sanction of the Imperial and Local Parliaments shall be sought for the Union of the Provinces, on the principles adopted by the Conference. 71. That Her Majesty the Queen be solicited to determine the rank and name of the

Federated Provinces.

rated Provinces. 72. The proceedings of the Conference shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Delegates, and submitted by each Delegation to its own Government, and the Chairman is authorized to submit a copy to the Governor General for transmission to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

[Copy, Canada, No. 93.]

Downing Street, 3rd December, 1864.

My LORD.—Her Majesty's Government have received with the most cordial satisfaction your Lordship's despatch of the 7th ultimo, transmitting for their consideration the Resolutions adopted by the Representatives of the several Provinces of British North America, who were assembled at Quebec.

With the sanction of the Crown, and upon the invitation of the Governor General, men of every Province, chosen by the respective Lieutenant Governors, without distinction of party, assembled to consider questions of the utmost interest to every subject of the Queen, of whatever race or faith, resident in those Provinces: and have arrived at a conclusion destined to exercise a most important influence upon the future welfare of the whole community.

Animated by the warmest sentiments of loyalty and devotion to their Sovereign, earnestly desirous to secure for their posterity, throughout all future time, the advantages which they enjoy as subjects of the British Crown, steadfastly attached to the Institutions under which they live,—they have conducted their deliberations with patient sagacity, and have arrived at unanimous conclusions on questions involving many difficulties, and calculated under less favorable auspices to have given rise to many differences of opinion.

Such an event is in the highest degree honorable to those who have taken part in these deliberations.

It must inspire confidence in the men by whose judgment and temper this result has been attained, and will ever remain on record as an evidence of the salutary influence exercised by the Institutions under which these qualities have been so signally developed.

Her Majesty's Government have given to your despatch and to the Resolutions of the Conference, their most deliberate consideration. They have regarded them as a whole, and as having been designed by these who framed them, to establish as complete and perfect an Union of the whole, into one Government, as the circumstances of the case, and a due consideration of existing interests would admit. They accept them, therefore, as being in the deliberate judgment of those best qualified to decide upon the subject, the best framework of a measure to be passed by the Imperial Parliament for attaining that most desirable result.

The point of principal importance to the practical well-working of the scheme is the accurate determination of the limits between the authority of the Central and that of the Local Legislatures, in their relation to each other. It has not been possible to exclude from the Resolutions some provisions which appear to be less consistent than might. perhaps, have been desired with the simplicity and unity of the system. But, upon the whole, it appcars to Her Majesty's Government, that precautions have been taken which are obviously intended to secure to the Central Government the means of effective action throughout the several Provinces, and to guard against those evils which must inevitably arise, if any doubt were permitted to exist as to the respective limits of Central and Local authority. They are glad to observe that, although large powers of Legislation are intended to be vested in local bodies, yet the principle of central control has been steadily kept in The importance of this principle cannot be over-rated. Its maintenance is essential view. to the practical efficiency of the system and to its harmonious operation, both in the General Government and in the Governments of the several Provinces. A very important part of this subject is the expense which may attend the working of the Central and the Local Her Majesty's Government cannot but express the earnest hope that the Government. arrangements which may be adopted in this respect, may not be of such a nature as to increase,-at least in any considerable degree,-the whole expenditure, or to make any material addition to the taxation, and thereby retard the internal industry, or tend to impose new burdens on the commerce of the country.

Her Majesty's Government are anxious to lose no time in conveying to you their general approval of the proceedings of the Conference. There are, however, two provisions of great importance which seem to require revision. The first of these is the provision contained in the 44th Resolution, with respect to the exercise of the Prerogative of Pardon. It appears to Her Majesty's Government that this duty belongs to the Repre-

sentative of the Sovereign, and could not with propriety be devolved upon the Lieutenant Governors, who will, under the present scheme be appointed, not directly by the Crown, but by the Central Government of the United Provinces.

The second point which Her Majesty's Government desirc should be reconsidered is the Constitution of the Legislative Council. They appreciate the considerations which have influenced the Conference in determining the mode in which this Body, so important to the Constitution of the Legislature, should be composed. But it appears to them to require further consideration whether, if the members be appointed for life, and their number be fixed, there will be any sufficient means of restoring harmony between the Legislative Council and the popular Assembly, if it shall ever unfortunately happen that a decided difference of opinion shall arise between them.

These two points, relating to the Prerogative of the Crown and to the Constitution of the Upper Chamber, have appeared to require distinct and separate notice. Questions of minor consequence and matters of detailed arrangement may properly be reserved for a future time, when the provisions of the Bill intended to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament shall come under consideration. Her Majesty's Government anticipate no serious difficulty in this part of the case, since the Resolutions will generally be found sufficiently explicit to guide those who will be entrusted with the preparation of the Bill. It appears to them, therefore, that you should now take immediate measures, in concert with the Lieutenant Governors of the several Provinces, for submitting to their respective Legislatures this project of the Conference; and if, as I hope, you are able to report that those Legislatures sanction and adopt the scheme, Her Majesty's Government will render you all the assistance in their power for carrying it into effect. It will probably be found to be the most convenient course that, in concert with the Lieutenant Governors, you should select a deputation of the persons best qualified to proceed to this country, that they may be present during the preparation of the Bill, and give to Her Majesty's Government the benefit of their counsel upon any questions which may arise during the passage of the measure through the two Houses of Parliament.

I have, &c., (Signed,) EDWARD CARDWELL.

Governor Viscount Monck.

Honorable Arthur Gordon to Lord Monck.

[Copy.]

Frederickton, New Brunswick, 7th October, 1864.

MY LORD .- I have the honor to inform you that, in accordance with the request contained in your Lordship's despatch of the 23rd September, I have appointed the Honorable S: L. Tüley, Honorable W. H. Steeves, Honorable P. Mitchell, Honorable J. M. Johnson, Honorable E. B. Chandler, Honorable J. H. Gray, and Charles Fisher, E.q., to be Delegates to attend the Conference on the subject of a Federal Union of the British North American Colonies, to be held at Quebec, on the 10th of October, 1864.

> I have &c., (Signed,)

ARTHUR GOBDON.

Viscount Monck, &c., &c., &c.

Sir R. McDonnell to Lord Monck.

[Copy.]

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 3rd October, 1864.

My LORD.—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of the 23rd ult., which reached me on the 30th ult., transmitting a copy of an approved Minute of the Executive Council of *Canada*, dated the 23rd September, 1864, and inviting me to

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name a deputation to represent Nova Scotia in the approaching Conference at Quebec on the 10th instant.

In reply, I have the honor to state for your Lordship's information, that I have laid your despatch and its enclosure before my ministry, and I have appointed the Hon.Provincial Secretary, Hon. Atty General, Hon. R. B. Dickey, Hon. Jonathan McCully, and Adams G. Archibald, Esq., to form a deputation to meet the Delegates from the other British North American Provinces in Conference at Quebec on the 10th instant, as proposed in your Lordship's despatch.

> I have, &c., (Signed.) R

RICHARD GRAVES MCDONNELL, Lieutenant Governor.

His Excellency Viscount Monck, Governor General, &c., &c., &c.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Prince Edward Island, 6th October, 1864.

MY LORD,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt, this day, of your Despatch, dated 23rd September, transmitting to me, copy of an approved Minute of the Executive Council of *Canada*, respecting a proposal to hold, at *Quebec*, on the 10th Octber, a Conference of Delegates from the Maritime Provinces, with the Ministers of *Canada*, to consider the question of a Union of these Provinces.

Your Lordship invites me to name a deputation to represent *Prince Edward Island* at this approaching Conference.

I have accordingly, with the advice of my Ministers, named the following gentlemen, who will, I understand, proceed to-day to *Quebec*, in order to be present there on the 10th instant.

The Hon. J. H. Grey, Prince Edward Island; the Hon. E. Palmer, Attorney General; the Hon. N. H. Pope, Colonial Secretary; the Hon. A. A. McDonald, M. L. C.; the Hon. G. Coles, M.P.P.; the Hon. T. H. Haviland, M.P.P.; the Hon. Edward Whelan, M.P.P.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

GEORGE DUNDAS, Lieutenant Governor.

A. MUSGRAVE.

His Excellency the Viscount Monck.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Newfoundland, October 4, 1864.

My LORD,—I have had the honor to receive Your Lordship's letter of the 23rd September, with its enclosure respecting the proposal to hold a Conference of Delegates from the other North American Colonies with the Ministers of Canada, to consider the question of a Union of these Colonies.

I found, on my arrival here two days ago to assume the administration of this Government, that in anticipation of such a communication from Your Lordship as that which I now acknowledge, the Honorable *E. P. Carter*, the Speaker, and Mr. *Ambrose Shea*, a Member of the Assembly, had already been nominated on the part of this Government, and they have already proceeded to *Quebec*.

> I have, &c., (Signed,)

The Right Honorable Viscount Monck, Governor General.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was called :-

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The Honorable ULBIC JOSEPH TESSFER, Speaker, Present.

The Honorable Messieurs

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JOHN HAMILTON (Kingston) PHILIP H. MOORE	Present.
PHILIP H. MOORE	Present.
GEORGE J. GOODHUE	Absent.
	Absent.
TANKS GORDON	Absent.
TANES FEDRED	Absent.
RODERICK MATHESON	Present.
Cronger S Borress	Present_
GEORGE D. DOULTON	Present.
SIR ETIENNE P. TACHE	Present.
JAMES LESLIE	Fresent.
George S. Boulton - Sir Etienne P. Taché James Leslie - Frederick A. Quesnel -	Absent with leave of
	the Governor General. Present.
George Saveuse de Beaujeu John Ross	Present.
John Ross	Present.
Samuel Mills	Present.
LOUIS PANET	Present.
SIR NARCISSE F. BELLEAU	Present.
CHARLES WILSON	Absent.
BENTAMIN SEVMOUR	Absent.
DAVID M. ARMSTRONG	Present.
EDENEZED PEDRY	Present
EBENEZER PERRY	Present.
TOTOTER IL DICKSON	Present.
Joseph F. Armand	Present.
A B FOSTER	Present.
A. B. FOSTER	
A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR	Present.
HARCOURT BURLAND BULL	Present.
ALEXANDER CAMPBELL	Present.
	Present.
L. A. OLIVIER	Present. Present.
J. O. BUREAU	Present.
J. BTE. G. PROULX	Present.
Louis Renaud	Absent.
THOMAS BENNETT	Present.
DAVID CHRISTIE	Present.
George Alexander - Luc Letellier de St. Just - James C. Aikins - Lord Hautteny (Jakaman)	Present.
LUC LETELLIER DE ST. JUST	Present.
JAMES C. AIKINS	Present.
JOHN HAMILTON (Inkerman)	Absent.
CHARLES CORNIER	Present.
DANTE BEESOR	Present.
JAMES C. AIKINS JOHN HAMILTON (Inkerman) - CHARLES CORMIER DAVID REESOR ANTOINE JUCHEREAJ DUCHESNAY	
ANTOINE JUCHEREAJ DUCHESNAY	Absent.
	Present.
ELZÉAR H. J. DUCHESNAY E. LEONARD WM. MCMASTER	Absent.
E. LEONARD	Absent.
	Present.
LÉANDRE DUMOUCHEL	Present.
	Present.
ASA A. BURNHAM	Present.
JAMES GEORGE CURRIE	Present.
JOHN SIMPSON	Present.
ROBERT READ	Absent.
PIERBE URGEL ABOHAMBAULT	Present.
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The Honorable Messieurs

James Skead	-	-	-	Present.
EUSTACHE PRUD'HOMME, JUDT.	-	-	-	Present.
WILLIAM HENRY CHAFFERS -	-	-	-	Present.
DAVID LEWIS MACPHERSON -	-	-	-	Present.
JEAN BAPTISTE GUÉVREMONT -	-	-	-	Present.
CHARLES MALHIOT	-	-	-	Absent.
JEAN ELIE GINGRAS	-	-	-	Present.
ALEXANDER VIDAL	-	-	-	Present.
GEORGE CRAWFORD	-	-	-	Present.
DONALD MCDONALD	-	-	•	Present.
Oliver Blake	-	-	-	Present.
BILLA FLINT	-	-	-	Absent.
THOMAS RYAN	-	-	-	Present.
JOHN SEWALL SANBORN -	-	-	-	Present.
WALTER MCCREA	-	-	-	Present.
GEORGE WILLIAM ALLAN -	-	-	-	Present.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend an Act respecting Railways," On motion of the Honorable Mr. Foster, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford,

it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché,

The House adjourned until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Monday, 30th January, 1865.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEFH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Campbell,	Lacoste,	Price,
Alexander,	Chaffers,	Leslie,	Proulx,
Allan,	Christie,	Letellier de St. Just,	
Archambault,	Cormier,	Mc Crea,	Reesor,
Armand,	Crawford,	McDonald,	Ross,
Armstrong,	Currie,	McMaster,	Ryan,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	De Beaujeu,	Macpherson,	Sanborn,
Bennett,	Dickson,	Matheson,	Seymour,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Mills,	Shaw,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Moore,	Simpson,
Boulton,	Foster,		Skead,
Bull,	Gingras,	Panet,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Guévremont,	Perry,	Vidal.
Burnham,	Hamilton (Kingston),		· • •

PRAYEES.

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that there was a Member without ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable Billa Flint was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs Christie and McCrea.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Flint* came to the table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by the Clerk of this House, and took his seat accordingly.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Blake; of Cynthia McLaughlin, widow, and others, Executors of the Estate of the late Lawrence McLaughlin, of the Village of Iona, in the County of Elgin; and of Jacob Chapman, of the Township of Dereham, and others, holders of Debentures of the Township of Bayham.

By the Honorable Mr. Alexander; of the Corporation of the Town of Woodstock.

By the Honorable Mr. Skead; of J. M. Currier and others; and of Murgaret Coffin and others, of the City of Ottawa.

By the Honorable Mr. Currie; of George Thomas Webster, of the Town of Brantford; of the Niagara District Bank; and of the Hamilton Board of Trade.

By the Honorable Mr. Olivier; of the Corporation des Clercs de St. Viateur.

By the Honorable Mr. Crawford; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Augusta.

By the Honorable Mr. Bureau; of L. C. Carrier and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Price; of J. F. Sincennes and others, of the City of Montreal; of H. L. Routh and others, also of the City of Montreal; and of the Tudousac Hotel and Sea Bathing Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Ross; of Marcus Rossin, on behalf of the Directors for the reconstruction of "The Rossin House;" and the Mayor of the City of Toronto, on behalf of the citizens of Toronto.

By the Honorable Mr. Bull; of the North Wentworth Agricultural Society.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of Lennox and Addington.

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

Of W. B. Brown and others, of the Township of Culross; praying for certain amendments to the Act of last Session respecting the selection of the County Town of Bruce.

Of the Corporation of the City of Ottawa; praying for the passing of an Act con firming the agreements made by the Prescott and Ottawa Railway Company with their Creditors.

Of J. W. Bowlby and others, Members of the Bar of Upper Canada; praying to the passing of an Act to admit George [Thomas Webster to practice as an Attorney Solicitor and Barrister in Upper Canada. Of the Montreal Ladies' Benevolent Society; praying for the increase of their annual grant.

Of Mary Fulford and others, Directresses of the Montreal House of Refuge; praying for the continuance to the Montreal Ladies' Benevolent Society of the annual grant heretofore allowed to them.

Of Alexandre Maurice De Lisle, of the City of Montreal, Esquire; setting forth certain grievances, and praying for relief.

Of Jonathan Brand and others, of the Township of Hope, in the County of Durham; praying for the passing of an Act to empower them, as Executors under the Will of the late Thomas Tindall, to sell certain lands belonging to the estate of the said late Thomas Tindall, and to invest the proceeds of the said sale.

And of the Ladies composing the Managing Committee of the Male Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, in connection with the Church of *England*; praying for the continuance of their annual grant.

The Honorable Mr. Bull presented to the House a Return of the Real and Personal Property held by the Children's Industrial School of the City of *Hamilton*, and of their receipts and expenditure from the 30th June, 1864, to the 23rd January, 1865.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows:

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Statement respecting the Jesuits' Estates, made up to the 30th June, 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows:

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché presented to the House a Return of Bonds and Securities which have been recorded between the 19th February, 1864, and the 19th January, 1865.

And also, a Report on the State of the Militia of the Province of Canada.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and they are as follow:

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their First Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE, 30th January, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their First Report.

Your Committee met, and after mature deliberation have agreed to recommend that their quorum be reduced to five Members.

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that sufficient Notice has been given in each case, viz :--Of the Corporation of the *City of Quebec*, praying for an Act to consolidate and amend the several Acts of incorporation of the said City,--also for an Act to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the Water Works,-and also for an Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the Recorder's Court

of the said city; of *Charles Allard* and others, praying to be incorporated as "L'Union St. Michel des Saints de Montréal;" of the Reverend A. MacNab and others, of Bowmanville, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the sale of the Glebe Lands of St. John's Church, Bowmanville, and for the investment of the money arising from such sale; and of Edward M. Hopkins and others, of the City of Montreal, praying to be incorporated as "The Montreal Investment Company."

Your Committee have also examined the following Petitions:—Of the Ottawa and Prescott Railway Company, praying for the passing of an Act confirming a certain agreement made by the said Company with their Creditors and Bondholders, for the purpose of accommodating the business of the said Railroad; and of the Corporation of the Pilots for and above the Harbor of Quebec, praying for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation,—and find the Notice to be too general, which Notice covers amendments of a general nature only; but your Committee, however, recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule, as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom.

On the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Township of Sandwich West, praying for the passing of an Act to confirm a certaia survey of a portion of the said Township, made by Edwin Robert Jones, of the Town of Sannia, your Committee find that the two months' Notice required by the Rule are yet not fully expired; but your Committee recommend, however, the suspension of the 53rd Rule, as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to take up the question of insufficiency of Notice when the Bill itself comes before them.

The following Petitions—of L'Union St. Joseph de Montréal, praying for an amendment to their Act of incorporation; of L'Union St. Jacques de Montréal, praying for an amendment to their Act of incorporation; of Henri Louis and others, of the City of Montreal, praying to be incorporated as L'Union St. Roch de Montréal; and of the Rev. M. Townsend and others, of St. George de Clarenceville, in the County of Missisquoi, praying for an Act of incorporation as the Clarenceville Academy,—are not of a nature to require the publication of Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the quorum of the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills be reduced to five Members, as recommended by the said Committee in their Report just received.

The Honorable Mr. Simpson presented to the House a Bill intitude: "An Act to "authorize the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto to sell certain Glebe Lots of "Land in Darlington, and for other purposes."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. Price presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend "the Act intituled : 'An Act to regulate the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather.""

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Friday next.

The Honorable Mr. Alexander moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McDonald, That a Scleet Committee be appointed to enquire into the practical working and extent of the Volunteer and Militia organization of this Province; with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time.

After Debate,

The said motion was, by leave of he House, withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill initialed: "An "Act further to amend the Act respecting Joint Stock Companies for the construction of "Roads and other Works in Upper Canada."

The Honorable Mr. Alexander moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bull,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After a short Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and,

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Alexander, Bull, Reesor, Aikins, Curric, Fergusson Blair, and Allan, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Cauchon and others, in the following words:

> LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, Friday, 27th January, 1865.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, informing Their Honors that this House has appointed the Honorable Messieurs Attorney General Macdonald, J. S. Macdonald, Dorion, McGce, Cauchon, Alleyn, Brown, Langevin, Mc-Dougall, Rose, and Messieurs Dunkin and Joly, 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 the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Cauchon do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

WM. B. LINDSAY. Clerk, L. A.

And then they withdrew.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to enable the Church Societies and Incorporated Synods of the Church of *England* "Dioceses in *Canada* to sell the Rectorial Lands in the said Dioceses,"

The Honorable Mr. Currie moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McMaster,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Currie, Ross, Allan, Alexander, Campbell and McMaster, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to amend the Municipal Act of *Upper Canada*, by restricting the class of Voters on "By-Laws for the creation of Debt,"

The Honorable Mr. Aikins moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McMaster, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After a short Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Aikins, Ross, Christie, McMaster, Reesor and Currie, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act for "the better assignment of Dower in Upper Canada," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Currie, Boulton, Dickson, Ross, Aikins and Perry, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to provide for obtaining Statistical Returns from Insurance Companies,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross, it was Ordered, That the same be postponed until Friday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Biil intituled : "An "Act to provide for the punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of minor offences." On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Allan, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Friday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend an Act respecting Railways,"

The Honorable Mr. Foster moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Foster, Moore and Crawford, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Moore, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong,

The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 31st January, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULBIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Campbell,	Guévremont,	Perry,
Alexander,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
Allan,	Christie,		Prud'homme,
Archambault,	Cormier,		Reesor,
Armand,	Crawford,	Letellier de St. Just,	Ross,
Armstrong,	Currie,	Mc Crea,	Ryan,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	DeBeaujeu,	McDonald,	Sanborn,
	Dickson,	McMaster,	Seymour,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Macpherson,	Shaw,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Matheson,	Simpson,
Boulton,	Ferrier,	Mills,	Skead,
Bull,	Flint,	Moore,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Foster,	Olivier,	Vidal.
Burnham,	Gingras,	Panet,	Stranger 388

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PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Currie; of Hugh Burgess, at present of the City of Quebec.

By the Honorable Mr. Panet; of the Ladies conducting the affairs of the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum at Quebcc.

By the Honorable Mr. Skead; of Marianne Doyle, of the Village of Aylmer, in the County of Ottawa, widow of the late James Doyle.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell; of Ls. Sokontanontia and others, Chiefs and Warriors of the Iroquois Indians of Caughnawaga and the Seigniory of St. Louis.

By the Honorable Mr. Panet; of L'Hospice de St. Joseph de la Maternité de Québec

By the Honorable Mr. Bureau; of the Sisters of Providence, Directresses of the Institution established at Montreal for Deaf and Dumb females.

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

Of Joseph Watson and others, of the Township of Portland, in the County of Frontenac; praying for a re-survey of the said Township, and for compensation to the freeholders for losses sustained in consequence of the present side-lines having been incorrectly run.

Of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*; praying for the passing of an Act confirming and legalizing the agreements entered into between the said Company and the *Bufalo* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company respecting their amalgamation.

And of Isaac Hogle and others, of the Parishes of St. George of Clarenceville, and St. George of Henryville; praying for the amendment of the 49th Section of the 62nd Chapter of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, initialed: "An Act respecting Fisheries and Fishing," so that the same may apply to all kinds of fish, and extend to Lower as well as Upper Canada.

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that there was a Member without ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable Louis Renaud was introduced between the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché and the Honorable Mr. Campbell.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Renaud* came to the table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by the Clerk of the House, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. Foster, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend An Act respecting Railways," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Foster, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House tomorrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan, it was

Ordered, That the quorum of the Committee on Banking and Commerce be reduced to five members.

The Honorable Mr. Ferrier presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act to in-"corporate the 'Montreal Investment Association."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Flint* presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act to enable "County Councils to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases to sow their lands, " and for other purposes."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Friday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Reesor, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Sanborn, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Sanborn, Ryan, E. H. J. Duchesnay, McMaster, Macpherson, Ross and the Mover, be appointed a Committee to enquire into and report upon the Mining operations in Canada during the last few years, with a view of ascertaining how much has been done to develop the mines of Canada, and with what results—and of ascertaining, from well authenticated facts, how far they may already be regarded as a source of productive industry,—and further, what expectations may be encouraged as to the probable existence, extent, and nature of the mineral wealth of the Province yet undeveloped or partially developed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act "intituled : 'An Act respecting County Courts,'" was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Currie, McCrea, Dickson, Ross, and Aikins, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Chaffers,

The House adjourned.

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IST FEBRUARY.

Wednesday, 1st February, 1865.

The Members convened were :---

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	Chaffers,	Lasoste,	Proulx,
Allan,	Cormier,	Leonard,	Prud'homme,
Archambault,	Crawford,	Leslie,	Read,
Armand,	Currie,	Letellier de St. Just,	Reesor,
Armstrong,	De Beaujeu,	McCrea,	Renaud,
Bellcau, Šir N. F.,	Dickson,	McDonald,	Ross,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Mc Master,	Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,		Sanborn,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Matheson,	Seymour,
Boulton,	Ferrier,	Mills,	Shaw,
Bossé,	Flint,	Moore,	Simpson,
Bull,	Foster,	Olivier,	Skead,
Bnreau,	Gingras,	Panet,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Perry,	Vidal.
Campbell,	Hamilton (İnkerman)		

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; of Lewis White Ashley, on behalf of himself, his wife and minor children, all late of the County of Union, in the State of Illinois, one of the United States of America, but now of the Town of Windsor, Canada.

By the Honorable Mr. *McDonald*; three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*.

By the Honorable Mr. Vidal; of the Municipal Council of the County of Lambton.

By the Honorable Mr. Leonard; of the Ladies' Protestant House of Refuge, London

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum.

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

Of Cynthia McLaughlin, widow, and others, Executors of the estate of the late Lawrence McLaughlin, of the Village of Iona, in the County of Elgin; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the sale of the said Estate, and the investment of the proceeds thereof.

Of Jacob Chapman, of the Township of Dereham, and others, holders of Debentures of the Township of Bayham; praying for the passing of an Act confirming a certain By-Law of the Municipal Council of the Township of Bayham, initialed : "A By-law grant-"ing a Loan of Money to the Bayham, Richmond and Port Burwell Road Company."

Of the Corporation of the Town of *Woodstock*; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the issue of new Debentures in redemption of those now outstanding, and for which no Sinking Fund has been set aside.

Of J. M. Currier and others, of the City of Ottawa; praying for an Act of Incorporation as "The Ottawa Skating Club."

Of Margaret Coffin and others, of the City of Ottawa; praying to be incorporated as "The Home."

Of George Thomas Webster, of the Town of Brantford, in the County of Brant; praying for the passing of an Act to admit him to practise as a Barrister and Solicitor in the Superior Courts of Upper Canada.

Of the Niagara District Bank; praying for the passing of an Act extending the time for the subscription and payment of the Capital Stock of the said Bank.

Of the Hamilton Board of Trade; praying for the extension for one year of the time limited for the completion of the line of Railway from Caledonia to Hamilton.

Of the Corporation des Clercs de St. Viateur; praying for aid.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Augusta*; praying for aid to remove obstructions in the Channel of the *Petite Nation* River, running through the said Township.

Of L. C. Carrier and others, of the City of Montreal; praying to be incorporated as " La Société St. Ignace de Montréal."

Of J. F. Sincennes and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act giving to owners of tug-boats a lien on the ships, rafts and other craft towed by them, for the amount of such towage.

Of H. L. Routh and others, of the City of Montreal and vicinity; praying to be incorporated as "The Mount Royal Railway Company."

Of the *Tadousac* Hotel and Sea-Bathing Company; praying for the passing of an Act conferring on the said Company certain additional powers to issue preferential stock and for other purposes.

Of Marcus Rossin, on behalf of the Directors for the reconstruction of the Rossin House,—and the Mayor of the City of Toronto, on behalf of the Citizens of Toronto; praying for the passing of an Act empowering the Corporation of *I oronto* to exempt the hotel portion of the said Rossin House from taxation for a period of five years.

Of the North Wentworth Agricultural Society; praying for the amendment of the Agricultural Act of Upper Canada.

And of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of Lennox and Addington; praying against the separation of the Township of Amherst Island from the said Counties, and for other purposes.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Ætna Insurance Company, made up to the 1st day of January, 1865.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Second Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE, 1st February, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Second Report.

Yeur Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that sufficient Notice has been given in each case, viz. :--Of Jonathan Brant and others, of the Township of Hope, in the County of Durham, praying for the passing of an Act to empower them, as Executors under the will of the late Thomas Tindall, to sell certain lands belonging to the Estate of the late *Thomas Tindall*, and to invest the proceeds of the sale; and of *Josep'* Watson and others, of the Township of *Portland*, in the County of *Frontenac*, praying for a re-survey of the said Township, and for compensation to the Freeholders for losses sustained in consequence of the present side-lines having been incorrectly run.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Currie, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Municipal Act of Upper Canada, by restricting the " class of Voters on By-Laws for the creation of Debt," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Currie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. Currie, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act intituled : 'An Act respecting County Courts,' " reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Currie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McCrea, it R'85

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton), and others, in the following words :

> 11-1 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, Tuesday, 31st January, 1865.

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, namely: Hon. Mr. Brown, Hon. Mr. Chapais, Hon. Mr. Evanturel, and Messrs. Bell, Brousseau, Dorion (Drummond and Arthabaska), McKellar, Mackenzie (Lambton), Perrault, Stirton, and Webb, will act as members of the said Joint Committee on Printing.

Ordered, That Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton) do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

WM. B. LINDSAY, Clerk, L.A.

And then they withdrew.

The Messengers were again called in, and informed that the Legislative Council will send an answer by a Messenger of their own.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Printing, appointed on the 25th day of January last, viz.: the Honorable Messieurs Aikins, Alexander, Burnham, Christie, Cormier, E. H. J. Duchesnay, Dumouchel, Foster, McDonald, Reesor and Simpson, be instructed to act on behalf of this House with the Committee of the Legislative Assembly as a Joint Committee of both Houses, as desired in their Message of this day.

Ordered, That the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Legislative Assembly by one of the Masters in Chancery.

The Honorable Mr. Campbell presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act to "make better provision for the Official Inspection of Fish and Fish Oils."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time this day week.

The Honorable Mr. Campbell presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act to " amend Chapter Sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, and to provide for " the better regulation of Fishing and the protection of Fisheries."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time this day week.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An 'Act to authorize the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto* to sell certain Glebe lots 'of Land in *Darlington*, and for other purposes,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Currie, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill initialed: "An Act to amend "An Act respecting Railways," and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on cach, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Foster, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong,

· The House adjourned.

Thursday, 2nd February, 1865

The Members convened were :---

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER; Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Christie,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Proulx,
Alexander,	Cormier,	Lacoste,	Prudhomme,
Allan,	Crawford,	Leonard,	Read,
Archambault,	Currie,	Leslie,	Reesor,
Armand,	De Beaujeu,	Letellier de St. Just,	Renaud,
Armstrong,	Dickson,	Mc Crea,	Ross,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McMaster,	Ryan,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Macpherson,	Sanborn,
Blair, Fergusson,	Dumcachel,	Matheson,	Seymour,
Blake,	Ferrier,	Mills,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Flint,	Moore,	Simpson,
Bull.	Foster,	Olivier,	Skead,
Bureau,	Gingras,	Panet,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Perry,	Vidal,
Chaffers,	Hamilton (Ínkerman)	Price,	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Armand; of L'Association de St. François Xavier de Montréal.

By the Honorable Mr. Macpherson; of the Corporation of the Town of Owen Sound, in the County of Grey.

By the Honorable Mr. Sanborn; of C. W. De Cazes and others, proprietors and occupants of Nos. 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29, in the Township of *Tingwick*, in the County of Arthabaska.

By the Honorable Mr. Seymour; of A. L. Smith and J. S. Smith, surviving Executors and Trustees of the Estate of John David Smith, late of Port Hope, Esquire, deceased.

By the Honorable Mr. Olivier; of Pierre Coutu and others, of the Township of Brandon.

By the Honorable Mr. Price; two Petitions of C. J: Brydges and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Alexander; of the East Middlesex Agricultural Society.

By the Honorable Mr. Currie; of the Corporation of the Village of Lanark.

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

Of Hugh Burgess, at present of the City of Quebec; prsying for the passing of an Act authorizing the issue of Letters Patent for a certain discovery in the manufacture of Paper Pulp.

2nd FEBRUARY.

Of the Ladies conducting the Affairs of the Protestant Fomale Orphan Asylum at *Quebec*; praying for the continuance of their annual grant.

Of Marianne Doyle, of the Village of Aylmer, County of Ottawa, widow of the late James Doyle; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize her to convey certain lands held in trust by her late husband.

Of Ls. Sokontonontia and others, Chiefs and Warriors of the Iroquois Indians of Caughnawaga and Seigniory of St. Louis; praying for an Act to prevent persons with only a small admixture of Indian blood from settling on Indian Lands; and for other purposes.

Of L'Hospice de St. Joseph de la Maternité de Québec ; praying for aid.

And of the Sisters of Providence, Directresses of the Institution established at Montreal for Deaf and Dumb females; praying for the increase of their annual grant.

The Honorable Mr. Currie presented to the House a Bill intituled ; "An Act relative " to Summary Convictions."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Clerk read over the Alphabetical List of the Names of the Members of the Legislative Council, prepared pursuant to the 46th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, as follows:

ALPHABETICAL LIST of the Names of the Members of the Legislative Council, prepared pursuant to the forty-sixth section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections.

NAMES OF MEMBERS.	Remarks.
AIKINS, James C ALEXANDER, George	•
ALLAN, George W ARCHAMBAULT, Pierre U	
ARMAND, Joseph F ARMSTRONG, David M BELLEAU, Sir Narcisse F	
BENNETT, Thomas	
BLAKE, Oliver Boulton, George S.	
Bossé, Joseph N. Bull, Harcourt B.	
BUREAU, J. O BURNHAM, Asa A	· · · ·
CAMPBELL, Alexander. CHAFFERS, William H. CHRISTIE, David	· · · · ·
CORMIER, Uharles	
CRAWFORD, George CUBRIE, James G. DEBEAUJEU, George S.	

ALPHABETICAL LIST of the Names of the Members, &c.-Continued.

NAMES OF MEMBERS.	REMARKS.
DICKSON, Walter H.	
DUCHESNAY, Antoine J	
DUCHESNAY, Elzéar H. J.	
DUMOUCHEL, Léandre	
FERRIER, James	
FLINT, Billa	
FOSTER, Asa B	
GINGRAS, Jean E	
GOODHUE, George J	
GORDON, James	
GUÉVREMONT, Jean B.	
HAMILTON, John (Inkerman)	
HAMILTON, John (Kingston)	
LACOSTE, Louis	
LEONARD, E	
LESLIE, James	
LEDITE, UNICONTRACTOR LINO	
LETELLIER DE ST. JUST, Luc McCREA, Walter	
McDonald, Donald	
MCDONALD, Donald. MCMASTER, William	
MACDUTEDSON David L	1
MACPHERSON, David L	
MALHIOT, Onalies	
MATHESON, Roderick	
MILLS, Samuel	
Moore, Philip H	
MORRIS, James.	
OLIVIER, L. A.	
PANET, Louis	
PERRY, Ebenezer	
PRICE, David E	
PROULX, J. B. George	
PRUD'HOMME, Eustache QUESNEL, Frederick A	
QUESNEL, Frederick A	Absent with leave of the Gov. General.
READ, Robert	
REESOR, David	
RENAUD, Louis	
Ross, John	
RYAN, Thomas	
SANBORN, John S	
SEYMOUR, Benjamin	
SHAW, James	
SIMPSON, John	
SKEAD, James	
TACHÉ, Sir Etienne P	
TESSIER, Ulric J	Speaker.
VIDAL, Alexander	
WILSON, Charles	

Legislative Council Office, Quebec, 2nd February, 1865.

(Attest,)

J. F. TAYLOR, Clerk, Legislative Council.

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Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend An Act "respecting Railways," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Investment Association,"

On motion of Honorable Mr. Ferrier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leske, it was Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Simpson, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, presented their first Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

COMMITTEE ROOM, 2nd February, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Legislative Printing beg leave to make the following as their first Report :

The Committee recommend that their quorum be reduced to seven Members. All which is respectfully submitted.

> J. SIMPSON, Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Seymour, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill initialed: "An Act to amend "the Municipal Act of *Upper Canada*, by restricting the class of Voters on By-laws for "the creation of Debt," and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Aikins*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McMaster*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Olerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Sanborn,

The House ajourned.

Friday, 3rd February, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Price,
Alexander,	Christie,	Lucoste,	
Allan,	Cormier,	Leonard,	Prud'homme,
Archambault,	Crawford,	Leslie,	Read,
Armand,	Currie,	Letellier de St. Just,	Reesor,
Armstrong,	DeBeaujeu,	Mc Crea,	Renaud,
Belleau, Šir N. F.	Dickson,	McDonald,	Ross,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Mc Master,	Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,		Sanborn,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Matheson,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Mills,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Flint,	Moore,	Simpson,
Bull,	Foster,	Olivier,	Skead,
Bureau,	Gingras,	Panet,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Perry,	Vidal.
Campbell,	Hamilton (Ínkeaman)),),	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Skead; of P. Baskerville and others, servants of the Ottawa and Prescott Railway Company; of David Airth and others, President and Directors of the Renfrew Agricultural Society; and of the Corporation of the Ottawa College.

By the Honorable Mr. Sanborn; of James Montgomery and others, of the Township of Kingsey, in the County of Drummond: and of Goodman Randall and others, of the Counties of Richmond and Wolfe.

By the Honorable Mr. Bossé; of Joseph Labadie and others, of the Town of Lévis.

By the Honorable Mr. Ryan; three Petitions of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for Lower Canada.

By the Honorable Mr. Moore; two Petitions of the Reverend Thos. W. Mussen and others, of West Farnham.

By the Honorable Mr. Price; of the Municipal Council of the Village of Chicoutimi; of Xavier Brassard and others, of the Township of Jonquière, in the County of Chicoutimi; of the Reverend Jos. Hudon and others, of the Parish Notre Dame de Laterrière, in said County; and of the Reverend A. Chouinard and others, of the Township of St. Denis, in the County of Rimouski.

By the Honorable Sir E. P. Iaché; of the Rev. F. M. Fournier and others, occupants of lots of land in the Township of Begon, in the County of Temiscouata; and of the Canadian Land and Emigration Company.

By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; of Wm. Taietsiaronsere de Lorimier and others, Indians of Caughnawaga.

By the Honorable Mr. Simpson; of Frances Sylvester and others, widow, creditors and friends of the late Boyd Sylvester.

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

Of Lewis White Ashley, on behalf of himself, his wife and minor children, all late of the County of Union, in the State of Illinois, one of the United States of America, but now of the Town of Windsor, Canada; praying for the passing of an Act to naturalize them as subjects of Her Majesty, and for other purposes.

Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*; praying for the amendment of the Act intituled: "An Act respecting the Bureau "of Agriculture and Agricultural Societies";—also, praying for certain amendments to the Division Courts Act;—and also praying that further provision may be made for the accommodation of Lunatics by providing larger Asylums.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Lambton; praying against the passing of any measures to amalgamate the Grand Trunk Railway Company with the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company, or with any other Railway Company in the Province.

Of the Ladies' Protestant House of Refuge, of London; praying for aid.

And of the *Montreal* Protestant Orphan Asylum; praying for the continuance of their annual grant.

The Honorable Mr. Burnham presented to the House a statement of the Northumberland and Durham Savings Bank, made up to 1st December, 1864. Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :---

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Third Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE, 3rd February, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Third Report.

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that sufficient Notice has been given in each case, viz :--Of J. M. Currier and others, of the City of Ottawa, praying for an Act of Incorporation as "The Ottawa Skating Club"; of H. L. Routh and others, of the City of Montreal and vicinity, praying to be incorporated as "The Mount Royal Railway Company"; of Jacob Chapman, of the Township of Dereham, and others, holders of Debentures of the Township of Bayham, praying for the passing of an Act confirming a certain By-law of the Municipal Council of the said Township of Bayham, initialet: "A By-law granting a loan of money to the Bayham, Richmond and "Port Burwell Road Company"; and of Cynthia McLaughlin, widow, and others, Executors to the Estate of the late Lawrence McLaughlin, of the Village of Iona, in the County of Elgin, praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the sale of the said Estate, and the investment of the proceeds thereof.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the Niagara District Bank, praying for the passing of an Act extending the time for the subscription and payment of the Capital Stock of the said Bank, and find that the Notice has not been published for the required length of time; but your Committee recommend, however, the suspension of the 53rd Rule, as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom.

On the Petition of the Tadousac Hotel and Sea Bathing Company, praying for the passing of an Act conferring on the said Company certain additional powers to issue Preferential Bonds and for other purposes, your Committee find that no mention is made in the Notice of the issuing of Preferential Bonds as prayed for in the Petition; they therefore recommend that the Notice be considered sufficient with regard to the increasing of their Capital Stock only, as expressed in the said Notice; and also on the Petition of Marianue Doyle, of the Village of Aylmer, in the County of Ottawa, widow of the late James Doyle, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize her to convey certain lands held in trust by her late husband, your Committee find that, though regularly published in Upper Canada, the Notice has not been given for the full length of time in a paper published in Lower Canada in the locality affected; but inasmuch as the Ottawa, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule, as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Privates Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom. With regard to the Petition of Thomas Rossin on behalf of the Directors for the con-

With regard to the Petition of Thomas Rossin on behalf of the Directors for the construction of the Rossin House, and the Mayor of the City of Toronto on behalf of the Citizens of Toronto, praying for the passing of an Act empowering the Corporation of Toronto to exempt from taxation the Hotel portion of the said Rossin House for a period of five years, your Committee find that no Notice has been given; but inasnuch as the matter is of public notoriety, having been fully discussed in the City Council of Toronto, whose proceedings are published in the papers of the locality, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule, as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom.

provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom. The Petitions of Margaret Coffin and others, of the City of Ottawa, praying to be incorporated as "The Home;" and of L. C. Carrier and others, of the City of Montreal, praying to be incorporated under the name of "La Soviété St: Ignace 'de Montréal," are not of a nature to require the publication of Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted:

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,

Chairmon.

The Honorable the 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 then read by the Clerk, as follows :

> SPEAKER'B ROOMS, LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

In pursuance of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentry Elections, I do hereby appoint the Honorable John Ross, the Honorable Luc Letellier de St. Just, Member for the Electoral Division of Grandville; the Honorable Sir Narcisse F. Belleau, the Honorable James Currie, Member for the Electoral Division of Niagara; the Honorable John S: Sanborn, Member for the Electoral Division of Wellington, and the Honorable Walter McCrea, Member for the Electoral Division of Western, to be Members of the General Committee of Elections for the present Session.

Given under my hand, this 3rd day of February, 1865.

U. J. TESSIER, Speaker

The Honorable Mr. Currie presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act to " amend the Acts relating to the Niagara District Bank."

The said Bill was read for the first time,

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, That an humble Address be: presented to Her. Majesty, praying that She may be: graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on sthe following: Resolutions, which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the tenth of October, 1864 :----

1. The best interests and present and future prosperity of British North America, will be promoted by a Federal Union under the Crown of Great Britain, provided such Union can be effected on principles just to the several Provinces.

2. In the Federation of the British North American Provinces, the system of Government best adapted under existing circumstances to protect the diversified interest of the several Provinces, and secure efficiency, harmony and permanency in the working of the Union, would be a general Government, charged with matters of common interest to the whole country; and Local Governments for each of the Canadas, and for the Provinces of Nova Scotio, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, charged with the control of local matters in their respective sections. Provision being made for the admission into the Union, on equitable terms, of Newfoundland, the North West Territory, British Columbia and Vancouver.

3. In framing a Constitution for the General Government, the Conference, with a view to the perpetuation of our connection with the Mother Country, and to the promotion of the best interests of the people of these Provinces, desire to follow the model of the British Constitution, so far as our circumstances will permit.

4. The Executive Authority or Government shall be vested in the Sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and be administered according to the wellunderstood principles of the British Constitution, by the Sovereign personally, or by the Representative of the Sovereign duly authorized.

5. The Sovereign or Representative of the Sovereign shall be Commander in-Chief of the Land and Naval Militia Forces. فيحرفك ويترقد

6. There shall be a General Legislature or Parliament for the Federated Provinces, composed of a Legislative Council and a House of Commons. And the second state of the

7. For the purpose of forming the Legislative Council, the Federated Provinces shall be considered as consisting of three divisions : 1st, Upper Canada; 2nd; Lower Canada; 3rd, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island ; each division with an equal representation in the Legislative Council. 5. 3 pt. 15

8. Upper Canada shall be represented in the Legislative Council by 24 members; Lower Canada by 24 members, and the three Maritime Provinces by 24 members; of which Nova Scotia shall have 10; New Brunswick 10, and Prince Edward Island, 4 members-13

9. The Colony of Newfoundland shall be entitled to enter the proposed Union; with a representation in the Legislative Council of 4 members.

10. The North West Territory, British Columbia and Vancouver shall be admitted into the Union on such terms and conditions as the Parliament of the Federated Provinces shall deem equitable, and as shall receive the assent of Her Majesty; and in the case sof the Province of British Columbia or Vancouver; as shall be agreed, to by the Legislature ารา-รายาร์ต แก่ ค.ศระรุษณ์ มีรายาตรีราย ตระรังหรือหนึ่ง of such Province.

11. The Members of the Legislative Council shall be appointed by the Crown under the Great Seal of the General Government, and shall hold office during life : if any Legis. lative Councillor shall, for two consecutive sessions of Parliament, fail to give his attendance in the said Council, his seat shall thereby become vacantz hit is and the same
12. The members of the Legislative Council shall be British subjects by birth or naturalization, of the fulltage of thirty years, shall possess a continuous real-property qualification of four thousand dollars over and above all incumbrances, and shall be and continue worth that sum over and above their, debts and liabilities, but in the case of Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island the property may be either real or personalized

13. If any question shall arise as to the qualification of a Legislative Councillor, the same shall be determined by the Council. 14. The first selection of the Members of the Legislative Council shall be made,

except as regards *Prince Edward Island*, from the Legislative Councils of the various Provinces, so far as a sufficient number be found qualified and willing to serve; such Members shall be appointed by the Crown at the recommendation of the General Executive Government, upon the nomination of the respective Local Governments, and in such nomination due regard shall be had to the claims of the Members of the Legislative Council of the opposition in each Province, so that all political parties may as nearly as possible be fairly represented.

15. The Speaker of the Legislative Council (unless otherwise provided by Parliament) shall be appointed by the Crown from among the Members of the Legislative Council, and shall hold office during pleasure, and shall only be entitled to a casting vote on an equality of votes.

16. Each of the twenty-four Legislative Councillors representing Lower Canada in the Legislative Council of the General Legislature, shall be appointed to represent one of the twenty-four Electoral Divisions mentioned in Schedule A of Chapter first of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, and such Councillor shall reside or possess his qualification in the Division he is appointed to represent. 17. The basis of Representation in the House of Commons shall be Population, as

17. The basis of Representation in the House of Commons shall be Population, as determined by the Official Census every ten years; and the number of Members at first shall be 194, distributed as follows:

Upper Canada	82
Lower Canada	65
Nova Scotia.	
New Brunswick	
Newtoundland	
Prince Edward Island	

18. Until the Official Census of 1871 has been made up, there shall be no change in the number of Representatives from the several sections.

19. Immediately after the completion of the Census of 1871, and immediately after every Decennial Census thereafter, the Representation from each section in the House of Commons shall be re-adjusted on the basis of Population.

20. For the purpose of such re-adjustments, Lower Canada shall always be assigned sixty-five members, and each of the other sections shall at each re-adjustment receive, for the ten years then next succeeding, the number of Members to which it will be entitled on the same ratio of representation to population as Lower Canada will enjoy according to the Census last taken by having sixty-five Members

21. No reduction shall be made in the number of Members returned by any section, unless its population shall have decreased, relatively to the population of the whole Union, to the extent of five per centum.

22. In computing at each decennial period the number of Members to which each section is entitled, no fractional parts shall be considered, unless when exceeding one-half the number entitling to a Member, in which case a Member shall be given for each such fractional part.

23. The Legislature of each Province shall divide such Province into the proper number of constituencies, and define the boundaries of each of them.

24. The Local Legislature of each Province may, from time to time, alter the Electoral Districts for the purposes of Representation in such Local Legislature, and distribute the Representatives to which the Province is entitled in such Local Legislature, in any manner such Legislature may see fit.

25. The number of Members may at any time be increased by the general Parliament,—regard being had to the proportionate rights then existing.

26. Until provisions are made by the General Parliament, all the laws which, at the date of the Proclamation constituting the Union, are in force in the Provinces respectively, relating to the qualification and disqualification of any person to be elected, or to sit or vote as a Member of the Assembly in the said Provinces respectively; and relating to the qualification or disqualification of voters and to the oaths to be taken by voters, and to Returning Officers and their powers and duties,—and relating to the proceedings at

Elections,-and to the period during which such elections may be continued,-and relating to the Trial of Controverted Elections, and the proceedings incident thereto,-and relating to the vacating of seats of Members, and to the issuing and execution of new Writs, in case of any seat being vacated otherwise than by a dissolution-shall respectively apply to Elections of Members to serve in the House of Commons, for places situate in those Provinces respectively.

27. Every House of Commons shall continue for five years from the day of the return of the writs choosing the same, and no longer; subject, nevertheless, to be sooner prorogued or dissolved by the Governor.

28. There shall be a Session of the General Parliament once, at least, in every year, so that a period of twelve calendar months shall not intervene between the last sitting of the General Parliament in one Session, and the first sitting thereof in the next Session.

29. The General Parliament shall have power to make Laws for the peace, welfare and good government of the Federated Provinces (saving the Sovereignty of England), and especially laws respecting the following subjects :---

- 1. The Public Debt and Property.
- 2. The Regulation of Trade and Commerce.
- 3. The imposition or regulation of Duties of Customs on Imports and Exports, --except on Exports of Timber, Logs, Masts, Spars, Deals and Sawn Lumber from New Brunswick, and of Coal and other minerals from Nova Scotia.
- 4. The imposition or regulation of Excise Duties.
- 5. The raising of money by all or any other modes or systems of Taxation.
- 6. The borrowing of money on the Public Credit.
- 7. Postal Service.
- 8. Lines of Steam or other Ships, Railways, Canals and other works, connecting any two or more of the Provinces together or extending beyond the limits of any Province.
- 9. Lines of Steamships between the Federated Provinces and other Countries.
- 10. Telegraphic Communication and the Incorporation of Telegraph Companies."
- 11. All such works as shall, although lying wholly within any Province be spe-cially declared by the Acts authorizing them to be for the general advantage.
- 12. The Census.
- 13. Militia-Military and Naval Service and Defence.
- 14. Beacons, Buoys and Light Houses.
- 15. Navigation and Shipping.
- 16. Quarantine.
- 17. Sea Coast and Inland Fisheries.
- 18. Ferries between any Province and a Foreign country, or between any two Provinces.

- 19. Currency and Coinage
- 20. Banking—Incorporation of Banks, and the issue of paper money. 21. Savings Banks.

- Weights and Measures.
 Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes. - 5 - 2 - 1
- 24. Interest.
- 25. Legal Tender.
- 26. Bankruptcy and Insolvency.

- Patents of Invention and Discovery.
 Copy Rights.
 Indians and Lands reserved for the Indians.
- 30. Naturalization and Aliens.
- 31. Marriage and Divorce.
- 32. The Criminal Law, excepting the Constitution of Courts of Criminal Jurisdiction, but including the procedure in Criminal matters. 33. Rendering uniform all or any of the laws relative to property and civil rights in
- Upper Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, and rendering uniform the procedure of all or any of the Courts

in these Provinces; but any Statute for this purpose shall have no force or authority in any Province until sanctioned by the Legislature thereof.

- 34. The Establishment of a General Court of Appeal for the Federated Provinces.
- 35. Immigration.
- 36. Agriculture.
- 37. And generally respecting all matters of a general character, not specially and exclusively reserved for the Local Governments and Legislatures.

30. The General Government and Parliament shall have all powers necessary or proper for performing the obligations of the Federated Provinces, as part of the *British* Empire, to Foreign Countries arising under Treaties between *Great Britain* and such Countries.

31. The General Parliament may also, from time to time, establish additional Courts, and the General Government may appoint Judges and Officers thereof, when the same shall appear necessary or for the public advantage, in order to the due execution of the laws of Parliament.

32. All Courts, Judges and Officers of the several Provinces shall aid, assist and obey the General Government in the exercise of its rights and powers, and for such purposes shall be held to be Courts, Judges and Officers of the General Government.

33. The General Government shall appoint and pay the Judges of the Superior Courts in each Province, and of the County Court; in *Upper Canada*, and Parliament shall fix their salaries.

34. Until the Consolidation of the Laws of Upper Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, the Judges of these Provinces appointed by the General Government, shall be selected from their respective Bars.

35. The Judges of the Courts of Lower Canada shall be selected from the Bar of Lower Canada.

36. The Judges of the Court of Admiralty now receiving salaries shall be paid by the General Government.

37. The Judges of the Superior Courts shall hold their offices during good behaviour, and shall be removable only on the Address of both Houses of Parliament.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

38. For each of the Provinces there shall be an Executive Officer, styled the Lieutenant Governor, who shall be appointed by the Governor General in Council, under the Great Seal of the Federated Provinces, during pleasure : such pleasure not to be exercised before the expiration of the first five years except for cause : such cause to be communicated in writing to the Lieutenant Governor immediately after the exercise of the pleasure as aforesaid, and also by Message to both Houses of Parliament, within the first week of the first Session afterwards.

39. The Lieutenant Governor of each Province shall be paid by the General Government.

40. In undertaking to pay the salaries of the Lieutenant Governors, the Conference does not desire to prejudice the claim of *Prince Edward Island* upon the Imperial Government for the amount now paid for the salary of the Lieutenant Governor thereof.

41. The Local Government and Legislature of each Province shall be constructed in such manner as the existing Legislature of each such Province shall provide.

42. The Local Legislature shall have power to alter or amend their constitution from time to time.

43. The Local Legislatures shall have power to make laws respecting the following subjects :

1. Direct taxation, and in New Brunswick the imposition of Duties on the Export of Timber, Logs, Masts, Spars, Deals and Sawn Lumber; and in Nova Scotia, of Coals and other minerals.

2. Borrowing money on the credit of the Province.

3. The establishment and tenure of local offices, and the appointment and payment of local officers.

- 5] Immigration.
- 6. Education; saving the rights and privileges which the Protestant or Catholic minority in both *Canadas* may possess as to their Denominational Schools, at the time when the Union goes into operation.
- 7. The sale and management of Public Lands excepting Lands belonging to the General Government.
- 8. Sea Coast and Inland Fisheries.
- 9. The establishment, maintenance and management of Penitentiaries, and of Public and Reformatory Prisons.
- 10. The establishment, maintenance and management of Hospitals, Asylums, Charities, and Eleemosynary Institutions.
- 11. Municipal Institutions.
- 12. Shop, Saloon, Tavern, Auctioneer and other Licenses.
- 13. Local Works.
- 14. The Incorporation of Private or Local Companies, except such as relate to matters assigned to the General Parliament.
- 15. Property and civil rights, excepting those portions thereof assigned to the General Parliament.
- 16. Inflicting punishment by fine, penalties, imprisonment or otherwise, for the breach of laws passed in relation to any subject within their jurisdiction.
- 17. The Administration of Justice, including the Constitution, maintenance and organization of the Courts,—both of Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction, and including also the Procedure in Civil matters.
- 18. And generally all matters of a private or local nature, not assigned to the General Parliament.

44. The power of respiting, reprieving; and pardoning Prisoners convicted of crimes, and of commuting and remitting of sentences in whole or in part, which belongs of right to the Crown, shall be administered by the Lieutenant Governor of each Province in Council, subject to any instructions he may, from time to time, receive from the General Government, and subject to any provisions that may be made in this behalf by the General Parliament.

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45. In regard to all subjects over which jurisdiction belongs to both the General and Local Legislatures, the laws of the General Parliament shall control and supersede those made by the Local Legislature, and the latter shall be void so far as they are repugnant to, or inconsistent with, the former.

46. Both the English and French languages may be employed in the General Parliament and in its proceedings, and in the Local Legislature of *Lower Canada*, and also in the Federal Courts and in the Courts of *Lower Canada*.

47. No lands or property belonging to the General for Local Governments shall be liable to taxation. 2 Sec. 2 10 262 (2000) and a sector structure through the sector of t

48. All Bills for appropriating any part of the Public Revenue, or for imposing any new Tax or Impost, shall originate in the House of Commons or House of Assembly, as the case may be any be any standard and the transformation of the standard and the standard a

49. The House of Commons or House of Assembly shall not originate or pass any Vote, Resolution, Address or Bill for the appropriation of any part of the Public Revenue, or of any Tax or Impost to any purpose, not first recommended by Message of the Governor General or the Lieutenant Governor, as the case may be, during the Session in which such Vote, Resolution, Address or Bill is passed.

50. Any Bill of the General Parliament may be reserved in the usual manner for Her Majesty's Assent, and any Bill of the Local Legislatures may; in like manner, be reserved for the consideration of the Governor General.

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51. Any Bill passed by the General Parliament shall be subject to disallowance by Her Majesty within two years, as in the case of Bills passed by the Legislatures of the said provinces hitherto; and, in like manner, any Bill passed by a Local Legislature shall be subject to disallowance by the Governor General within one year after the passing thereof.

52. The Seat of Government of the Federated Provinces shall be Ottawa, subject to the Royal Prerogative.

53. Subject to any future action of the respective Local Governments, the Seat of the Local Government in Upper Canada shall be Toronto; of Lower Canada, Quebcc; and the Seats of the Local Governments in the other Provinces shall be as at present.

PROPERTY AND LIABILITIES.

54. All Stocks, Cash, Bankers' Balances and Securities for money belonging to each Province at the time of the Union, except as hereinafter mentioned, shall belong to the General Government.

55. The following Public Works and Property of each Province shall belong to the General Government, to wit:---

- Canals.
 Public Harbours.
- 3. Light Houses and Piers.
- 4. Steamboats, Dredges and Public Vessels.
- 5. River and Lake Improvements.
- 6 Railway and Railway Stocks, Mortgages and other debts due by Railway Companies.
- 7. Military Roads.
- 8. Custom Houses, Post Offices and other Public Buildings, except such as may be set aside by the General Government for the use of the Local Legislatures and Governments.
- 9. Property transferred by the Imperial Government and known as Ordnance Property.
- 10. Armories, Drill Sheds, Military Clothing and Munitions of War, and
- 11. Lands set apart for public purposes.

56. All lands, mines, minerals and royalties vested in Her Majesty in the Provinces, of Upper Canada, Lower Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, for the use of such Provinces, shall belong to the Local Government of the territory in which the same are so situate; subject to any trusts that may exist in respect to any of such lands or to any interest of other persons in respect of the same.

57. All sums due from purchasers or lessees of such lands, mines or minerals at the time of the Union, shall also belong to the Local Governments.

58. All assets connected with such portions of the public debt of any Province as are assumed by the Local Governments shall also belong to those Governments respectively.

59. The several Provinces shall retain all other Public Property therein, subject to the right of the General Government to assume any Lands or Public Property required for Fortifications or the Defence of the Country.

60. The General Government shall assume all the Debts and Liabilities of each Province.

61. The Debt of Canada, not specially assumed by Upper and Lower Canada respectively, shall not exceed, at the time of the Union, \$62,500,000; Nova Scotia shall enter the Union with a debt not exceeding \$8,000,000; and New Brunswick with a debt not exceeding \$7,000,000.

62. In case Nova Scotia or New Brunswick do not incur liabilities beyond those for which their Governments are now bound, and which shall make their debts at the date of Union less than \$8,000,000 and \$7,000,000 respectively, they shall be entitled to interest at five per cent. on the amount not so incurred, in like manner as is hereinafter provided for Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island; the foregoing resolution being in no respect intended to limit the powers given to the respective Governments of those Provinces, by Legislative authority, but only to limit the maximum amount of charge to be assumed by the General Government; provided always, that the powers so conferred by the respective Legislatures shall be exercised within five years from this date, or the same shall then lapse.

63. Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, not having incurred Debts equal to those of the other Provinces, shall be entitled to receive, by half-yearly payments, in advance, from the General Government, the Interest at five per cent. on the difference between the actual amount of their respective Debts at the time of the Union, and the average amount of indebtedness per head of the Population of Canada, Nova Scotta and New Brunswick.

64. In consideration of the transfer to the General Parliament of the powers of Taxation, an annual grant in aid of each Province shall be made, equal to eighty cents per head of the Population, as established by the Census of 1861; the population of *New*-foundland being estimated at 130,000. Such aid shall be in full settlement of all future demands upon the General Government for local purposes, and shall be paid half-yearly in advance to each Province.

65. The position of New Brunswick being such as to entail large immediate charges upon her local revenues, it is agreed that for the period of ten years, from the time when the Union takes effect, an additional allowance of \$63,000 per annum shall be made to that Province. But that so long as the liability of that Province remains under \$7,000,000, a deduction equal to the interest on such deficiency shall be made from the \$63,000.

66. In consideration of the surrender to the General Government by Newfoundland of all its rights in Mines and Minerals, and of all the ungranted and unoccupied Lands of the Crown, it is agreed that the sum of \$150,000 shall each year be paid to that Province, by semi-annual payments; provided that that Colony shall retain the right of opening, constructing and controlling Roads and Bridges through any of the said Lands, subject to any Laws which the General Parliament may pass in respect of the same.

67. All engagements that may before the Union, be entered into with the Imperial Government for the defence of the Country, shall be assumed by the General Government.

68: The General Government shall secure, without delay, the completion of the Intercolonial Railway from *Rivière du Loup*, through *New Brunswick*, to *Truro* in *Nova Scotia*.

69. The communications with the North Western Territory, and the improvements required for the development of the Trade of the Great West with the Seaboard, are regarded by this Conference as subjects of the highest importance to the Federated Provinces, and shall be prosecuted at the earliest possible period that the state of the Finances will permit.

70. The sanction of the Imperial and Local Parliaments shall be sought for the Union of the Provinces, on the principles adopted by the Conference.

71. That Her Majesty the Queen be solicited to determine the rank and name of the Federated Provinces.

72. The proceedings of the Conference shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Delegates, and submitted by each Delegation to its own Government, and the Chairman is anthorized to submit a copy to the Governor General for transmission to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

After Debate,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Currie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That further debate on the said motion be postponed until Monday next, and that it do then stand as the first item upon the Orders of that Day.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Currie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That when the House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill

intituled: "An Act for the repression of outrages in violation of the Peace on the Frontier "of this Province, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *E. P. Iaché*, That the Forty-Fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be now read a second time.

After a short Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Then the Honorable Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then, according to Order, adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the Whole on the said Bill.

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston) reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *E. P. Taché*, That the said Bill be now read a third time.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché informed the House of the intention of His Excellency the Governor General to come down to this House on Monday next, at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of assenting in Her Majesty's name to the last mentioned Bill.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honor able Mr. Christie,

The House adjournod until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

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Monday, 6th February, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULBIC JOSEPH TESSIEE, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins, Alexander, Allan, Archambault, Armand, Armstrong, Belleau, Sir N. F., Bennett, Blair, Fergusson, Blake, Bossé, Bull, Burgan	Chaffers, Christie, Crawford, Currie, De Beaujeu, Dickson, Duchesnay, A. J., Duchesnay, E. H. J., Dumouchel, Ferrier, Flint, Foster,	Leonard, Leslie, Letellier de St. Just, Mc Crea, Mc Donald, Mc Master, Macpherson, Matheson, Mills, Moore,	Price, Proulx, Read, Reesor, Ross, Ryan, Sanborn, Seymour, Shaw, Simpson, Skead,
		Moore, Olivier, Panct,	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Allan; of the Corporation of the City of Toronto.

By the Honorable Mr. Olivier; of L'Abbé Millier, President of L'Hôpital du District de Richelieu.

By the Honorable Mr. Moore; of William Goodall and others, of the Parish of St. Louis de Gonzague.

By the Honorable Mr. Bossé; of the Corporation of the Town of Lévis; and of Pierre Brunelle and others, of St. Joseph de Lévis.

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

Of L'Association de St. François Xavier de Montréal ; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Corporation of the Tewn of Owen Sound, in the County of Grey; praying for aid for the improvement of the Harbor of Owen Sound.

Of C. De Cazes and others, proprietors and occupants of Lots Numbers 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29, in the Township of *Tingwick*, in the County of *Arthabaska*; praying that the said lots may be detached from the said Township of *Tingwick* and annexed to the Township of *Wotton*, for all purposes.

Of A. L. Smith and J. S. Smith, surviving Executors and Trustees of the Estate o

John David Smith, late of Port Hope, Esquire, deceased; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing them to wind up the affairs of the said Estate.

Of *Pierre Coutu* and others, of the Township of *Brandon*; praying that a certain portion of the said Township be annexed to the County and District of *Joliette*.

Two Petitions of C. J. Brydges and others, of the City of Montreal; praying to be incorporated as "The Montreal Warehousing Company," and also praying to be incorporated as "The Mechanics' Bank."

Of the Corporation of the Village of *Lanark*; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the sale of certain lots of land in the said Village, and the building of a Gaol with the proceeds of such sale.

And of the East *Middlesex* Agricultural Society; praying for certain amendments to the Agricultural Act of Upper Canada.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Fourth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,

6th February, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Fourth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petitions of the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company, praying for an Act confirming and legalizing the agreement entered into by the said Company with the Grand Trunk Railway Company, respecting the amalgamation of the said Companies; and of the Hamilton and Port Dover Railway Company, praying for an extension of the time for the completion of said Railroad for one year, and find that the Notice in each case has not yet been published for the full length of time required; but, as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule in each case.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of William Howard and others, of the Township of Amherst Island, praying that the said Township may be separated from the Counties of Lennox and Addington and annexed to the County of Frontenac for all purposes, and find that the Notice in the Canada Gazette is one week short; out they recommend, however, the suspension of the 53rd Rule, as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom.

With regard to the Petition of *Thomas Webster*, of the Town of *Brantford*, in the County of *Brant*, praying for the passing of an Act to admit him to practise as a Barrister and Solicitor in the Superior Courts of *Upper Canada*; and of *Hugh Burgess*, at present of the City of *Quebec*, praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the issue of Letters Patent for a certain Discovery in the manufacture of Paper Pulp, your Committee find that the Notice in each case has not yet been published for the full length of time required; but, as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

The Petition of Lewis White Ashley, on behalf of himself, his wife, and minor children, all late of the County of Union, in the State of Illinois, one of the United States of America, but now of the Town of Windsor, Canada; praying for the passing of an Act to naturalize them as subjects of Her Majesty, and for other purposes, is not of a nature to require the publication of Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An "Act further to amend the Law respecting Mutual Insurance Companies in Upper " Canada."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. McDonald moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bull,

That one thousand additional copies of the Resolution relative to a Federal Union of the British North American Provinces be printed in the English language.

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the negative.

The Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair,

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 Despatches and Correspondence between the Imperial and Provincial Governments on the subject of the passing of the Act 12 Victoria, Chap. 19, intituled: "An Act for the "better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the "United States of America for the apprehension and surrender of certain offenders," and of the Act 24 Vict., Cap. 6, intituled: "An Act to amend Chapter 89 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, respecting the extradition of fugitive felons from the United States of America," and also for copies of all the Proclamations published in this Province on the occasion of the passing of the said Acts. The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the

affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time, the House was resumed.

His Excellency 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 the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c., being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Honorable the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to let the Assembly know "It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House;"

Who being come with their Speaker,

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the title of a Bill to be passed, as follows : "An Act for the Prevention and Repression of Outrages in Violation of the Peace " on the Frontier of this Province, and for other purposes."

To this Bill the Royal Assent was pronounced by the Clerk of this House, in the words following ;

" In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General doth assent to this Bill."

The Legislative Assembly having withdrawn, His Excellency was pleased to retire.

The Honorable Mr. Currie moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie,

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 Statement shewing the amount contributed to the Common School Fund created by the Act 12 Victoria, Chapter 200, from the sales of land in Upper and Lower Canada respectively.

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The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend the Act to regulate the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Price, seconded by the Honorable Mr. E. H. J. Duchesnay, §it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to provide for "obtaining Statistical Returns from Insurance Companies," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messicurs Bull, Macpherson, Ryan, Ferrier and Ross, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to provide for the Punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of Minor Offences," On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross, it was Ordered, That the same be postponed until Friday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to enable County Councils to raise Money for assisting persons in certain cases to "sow their land, and for other purposes,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Flint, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Aikins, it was Ordered, That the same be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize the "Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto* to sell certain Glebe Lots of Land in *Dar*." *lington*, and for other purposes," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Seymour, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Investment Association,"

The Honorable Mr. Ferrier moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After a short Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act relative to Summary Convictions,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Currie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : " An " Act to amend the Acts relating to the *Niagara* District Bank,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Currie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be now read a second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché for an Address to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on the Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the 10th of October, 1864.

After further Debate,

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That further Debate on the said motion be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan,

The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 7th February, 1865.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable ULBIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Perry,
Alexander,	Christie,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
Allan,	Cormier,		Proulx,
Archambault,	Crawford,	Leonard,	Prud'homme,
Armand,	Currie,	Leslie,	Read,
Armstrong,	DeBeaujeu,	Letellier de St. Just,	Reesor,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Dickson,	Mc Crea,	Ross,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Mc Master,	Sanborn,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Macpherson,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Bull,	Flint,	Mills,	Simpson,
Bureau,	Foster,	Moore,	Skead,
Burnham,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Campbell,	Guévremont,	Panet,	Vidal,
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PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of John Barr, M.D., and others, of the Parish of Ste. Scholastique; of the Reverend James B. Bonnar, M.A., and others, of the City of Montreal; of Theodore Hart and others, of the said City of Montreal; of Alexander Purdy and others, of the Parish of St. Brigide; of Thomas Lett and others, of Calumet Island; and of James Park, senr., and others, of Ste. Marthe, Côte St. Henry.

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By the Honorable Mr. Chaffers; of the Sisters of Charity administering the Hôtel-Dieu of St. Hyacinthe.

By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; of the St. Lawrence Tow-Boat Company; and of the Quebec Marine Insurance Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Olivier; of François Lefebvre and others, of the Township of Brandon, in the County of Berthier.

By the Honorable Mr. Cormier; of James Huston and others, of Stanfold; and of W. King and others, of the Parishes of St. Sylvester, St. Giles and Ste. Agathe, in the County of Lotbinière.

By the Honorable Mr. Leonard; of John McKay and others, Trustees and Lot Holders of the St. Thomas cemetery.

By the Honorable Mr. Sanborn; of the Reverend F. P. Sym and others, of the Town of Beauharnois:

By the Honorable Mr. Lull; of James Kennedy and others, of Woodstock.

By the Honorable Mr. Skead; of the Ladies of the Orphan's Home, of the City of Ottawa.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell; of the Corporation of the Town of Napanee.

By the Honorable Mr. Allan; of the Grand Trunk, Great Western, and Northern Railway Companies of Canada.

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

Of *P. Baskerville* and others, servants of the *Ottawa* and *Prescott* Railway Company; praying for the amendment of the Bill for the relief of the *Prescott* and *Ottawa* Railway Company, in such a manner as to prevent the said Company from assigning shares to them as payment of wages due.

Of David Airth and others, President and Directors of the *Renfrew* Agricultural Society; praying that measures may be taken to place the said Agricultural Society on an equal scale of allowance with other Societies, as fixed by Act 20 Vic., cap. 32.

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

Of James Montgomery and others, of the Township of Kingsey, in the County of Drummond; praying that a certain portion of the said Township may be detached from the Township of Kingsey and annexed to the Township of Kingsey Falls.

Of Goodman Randall and others, of the Townships of Richmond and Wolfe; praying for aid to open and complete a certain road in the said Townships.

Of Joseph Labadie and others, of the Town of Lévis; praying to be incorporated as "Union St. Joseph de la Ville de Lévis."

Three Petitions of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for Lower Canada; praying for certain amendments to the Patent Laws; also praying for certain amendments to Chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada; and also praying for an increase to their annual grant.

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Two Petitions of the Reverend *Thomas W. Mussen* and others, of West *Farnham*; praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in *Lower Canada*; and also praying for aid for the *Yamaska* Dispensary.

Of the Municipal Council of the Village of *Chicoutimi*; praying for certain amendments to the Consolidated Municipal Act of *Lower Canada*.

Of Xavier Brassard and others, of the Township of Jonquière, in the County of Chicoutimi; praying that the said Township may be separated from the Township of Chicoutini, and erected into a separate Municipality.

Of the Reverend Jos. Hudon and others, of the Parish of Notre-Dame de Laterrière, in the said County of Chicoutimi; praying for aid for the construction of a Bridge over the River du Moulin.

Of the Reverend A. Chouinard and others, of the Township of St. Denis, in the County of Rimouski; praying for aid for the opening and continuation of certain Colonization Roads in the said Township.

Of the Reverend F. M. Fournier and others, occupants of lots of land in the Township of *Bégon*, in the County of *Témiscouata*; praying for aid for opening and improving certain Roads in the said County.

Of the Canadian Land and Emigration Company; praying for the passing of an Act confirming their Act of Incorporation, and for other purposes.

Of Wm. Taietsiaronsere de Lorimier and others, Indians of Caughnawaga; praying against the amendment of the Act 14 and 15 Vic., Cap. 59.

And of Frances Sylvester and others, widow, creditors and friends of the late Boyd Sylvester; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the sale of the Estate of the said late Boyd Sylvester.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Reesor, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Sanborn, it

was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Alexander be added to the Committee on Mining.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché for an Address to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on the Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the 10th of October, 1864.

After further Debate,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That further Debate on the said motion be postponed until to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Ross moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell,

That when the House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Powell and others, in the following words :

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, Tuesday, 7th February, 1865.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, requesting that Their Honors will give leave to the Honorable James Skead, one of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the contents of the Return to an Address of the 23rd of April, 1863, in relation to the Office of Supervisor of Cullers.

Ordered, That Mr. Powell do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

WM. B. LINDSAY, Clerk, L. A.

And then they withdrew.

The Messengers were again called in and informed that the Legislative Council will send an answer by a Messenger of their own.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Tuché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Resolved, That the Honorable Mr. Skead do have leave to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed to take into consideration the contents of the Return to an Address of the 23rd of April, 1863, in relation to the Office of Supervisor of Cullers, as prayed for in their Message of this day, if he thinks fit.

Ordered, That one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth give leave to the Honorable Mr. Skead to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee of that House appointed to take into consideration the contents of the Return to an Address of the 23rd of April, 1863, in relation to the Office of Supervisor of Cullers, if he thinks fit.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross,

The House adjourned.

Wednesday, 8th February, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Campbell,	Guévremont,	Panet,
Alexander,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (İnkerman)	Perry,
Allan,	Christie,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
Archambault,	Cormier,	Lacoste,	Proulx,
Armand,	Crawford,	Leonard,	Prud'homme,
Armstrong,	Curric,	Leslie,	Read,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	De Blaujeu,	Letellier de St. Just,	Recsor,
Bennett,	Dickson,	McCrea,	Ross,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, A. J,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Blake,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	McMaster,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Dumouchel,	Macpherson,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Simpson,
Bull,	Flint,	Mills,	Skead,
Burcau,	Foster,	Moore,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Burnham,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Vidal.

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PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of George Stephen and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Skead; of N. S. Blardell and others, of the City of Ottawa Judgment Creditors of the Ottawa and Prescott Railway Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Macpherson; of Jacques Oteronhiare, an Iroquois Indian of Caughnawaga.

By the Honorable Mr. Olivier; of the Administrators of Joliette College, members of La Corporation des Clercs de St. Viateur.

By the Honorable Mr. Bull; of The Canada West Farmers' Mutual and Stock Insurance Company.

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

Of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*; praying that a grant of land may be given to the proposed *Georgian* Bay Canal Company, to aid them in their enterprise.

Of L'Abbé Millier, President of L'Hopital du District de Richelieu; praying for the increase of the annual grant to the said Hospital.

Of William Goodall and others, of the Parish of St. Louis de Gonzague; praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of the Corporation of the Town of *Lévis*; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

And of *Pierre Brunelle* and others, of *St. Joseph de Lévis*; praying to be incorpo rated as "Société de L'Union St. Joseph de St. Joseph de Lévis."

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of Saguenay, for the year 1864.

And also certain Municipal Returns for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and they arc as follow :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Fifth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and the same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE, 8th February, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Fifth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of A. L. Smith and J. S. Smith, sarviving Executors and Trustees of the Estate of John David Smith, late of Port Hope, Esquire, deceased, praying for the passing of an Act authorizing them to wind up the affairs of the said Estate, and find the Notice sufficient.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the Richelieu Company, praying

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With regard to the Petitions of the Corporation of the Village of Lanark, praying for an Act authorizing the sale of certain lots of land in the said village, and the building of a gaol with the proceeds of such sale; of the Corporation of the Town of Woodstock, praying for an Act authorizing the issue of New Debentures in redemption of those now issued, for which no sinking fund has been set aside; and of John Lorn McDougall and others, of *Renfrew* and *Montreal*, praying for an Act to empower them, as Trustees of the Estate of the late John Lorn McDougall, in his lifetime of *Renfrew*, to wind up the affairs of the said Estate, and to sell certain lands, and invest the proceeds, and for other purposes, Your Committee find that the Notice in each case has not yet been published for the full length of time required; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule in each case.

On the Petition of C. J. Brydges and others, of the City of Montreal, praying to be incorporated as the "Montreal Warehousing Company," Your Committee find that no Notice has been given ; but inasmuch as no private rights shall be interfered with, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule, as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom.

Also, on the Petition of C. J. Brydges and others, of the City of Montreal, praying to be incorporated as "The Mechanics' Bank," Your Committee find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required; but inasmuch as it will be competent for the Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom the Bill will be referred, and to whom this report will be communicated by this Committee, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

The Petitions of Joseph Labadie and others, of the Town of Lévis, praying to be incorporated under the title of "L'Union St. Joseph de la ville de Lévis;" and of "L'Association St. François Xavier de Montréal," praying for an amendment to their Act of Incorporation, are not of a nature to require the publication of Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FEBGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Alexander, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act further to amend the Act respecting Joint Stock Companies "for the construction of Roads and other Works in Upper Canada," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Alexander, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House on Friday next, and that in the meantime the Bill, as proposed to be amended, be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. Price presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend "Chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, respecting Agricultural Societies, "the Board of Agriculture, and Agricultural Associations in Lower Canada." The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Friday next.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act

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"to amend the Act intituled: 'An Act containing special provisions concerning both "'Houses of the Provincial Parliament.'"

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Christie moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McCrea,

That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire and report what measures can be adopted for the advancement of Agriculture in this Province, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and that the said Committee be composed of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, and the Honorable Messieurs Aikins, Alexander, Armand, Blake, Burnham, E. H. J. Duchesnay, Letellier de St. Just, Olivier, Sanborn, Simpson, and the Mover.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to make better provision for the Official Inspection of Fish and Fish Oils,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill initialed: "An "Act to amend Chapter Sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and to provide "for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the same postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act relative to Summary Convictions,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Currie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché for an Address to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, New/oundland and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on the Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the zaid Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the 10th of October, 1864.

After continued Debate,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Allan, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Shaw, it was Ordered, That further Debate on the said motion be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Allan, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Shaw, The House adjourned.

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Thursday, 9th February, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Perry,
Alexander,	Christie,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
Allan,	Cormier,	Lacoste,	Proulx,
Archambault,	Crawford,	Leonard,	Prud'homme,
Armand,	Currie,	Leslie,	Read,
Armstrong,	DeBeaujeu,	Letellier de St. Just,	Recsor,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Dickson,	Mc Crea,	Ross,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McDonaid,	Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Mc Master,	Sanborn,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Macpherson,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Flint,	Mills,	Simpson,
Bull,	Foster,	Moore,	Skead,
Bureau,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Panet,	Vidal.
Campbell,		•	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of the Reverend John Crombie and others, of the Presbytery of Montreal; of P. D. Day and others, of the City of Montreal, on behalf of McGill College and University; and of the Reverend Samuel D. Rice, of the City of Hamilton.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell; of George Barr and others, Reeves and Members of the Municipalities of Townships of Loughborough and Bedford.

By the Honorable Mr. McCrea; three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of Kent.

By the Honorable Mr. Leonard ; of the Municipal Council of the County of Elgin.

By the Honorable Mr. Cormier; of Frs. D. Baril and others, of St. Chrystophe d'Arthabaska; and of Pre. Bruneau and others, of Blanford.

By the Honorable Mr. Flint; of the Municipal Council of the County of Hastings.

By the Honorable Mr. Simpson; of the Agricultural Society of the County of Victoria.

By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; of L'Union St. Pierre de Montréal; and of Thomas McGinn, late keeper of the Common Gaol of the District of Montreal.

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

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Of John Barr, M.D., and others, of the Parish of Ste. Scholastique; of the Reverend James B. Bonnar, M.A., and others, of the City of Montreal; of Theodore Hart and others, of the said City of Montreal; of Alexander Purdy and others, of the Parish of Ste. Brigide ; of Thomas Lett and others, of Calumet Island ; of James Park, senr., and others, of Ste. Marthe, Côte St. Henry; and of the Reverend F. P. Sym and others, of the Town of Beauharnois; severally praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of the Sisters of Charity, administering the Hôtel-Dieu of St. Hyacinthe; praying for the increase of their annual grant.

Of the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company; and of the Quebec Marine Insurance Company ; severally praying for the amendment of their Acts of Incorporation.

Of François Lefebvre and others, of the Township of Brandon, in the County of Berthier; praying that a certain portion of the said Township be detached from the County of Berthier, and annexed to the County and District of Joliette, for all purposes.

Of James Huston and others, of Stanfold; praying against the proposed Federation of the Provinces.

Of W. King and others, of the Parishes of St. Sylvester, St. Giles, and Ste. Agathe, in the County of Latbinidre; praying that the said Parishes may be erected into one Registration Division.

Of John McKay and others, Trustees and Lot holders of the St. Thomas Cemetery ; praying to be incorporated.

Of James Kennedy and others, of Woodstock ; praying to be incorporated as !! The Canada Free Baptist Missionary Society."

Of the Ladies of the Orphan's Home of the City of Ottawa ; praying for aid.

Of the Corporation of the Town of Napanee; praying for the passing of an Act confirming and legalizing a certain By-law of the late Village of Napanee, respecting the division of the same into Wards, and for other purposes.

And of the Grand Trunk, the Great Western, and the Northern Railway Companies of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm and legalize an agreement entered into between them in relation to their use of the Toronto Esplanade.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of L'Union St. Joseph de St. Jean d' Iberville for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. McDonald presented to the House a Bill intituled : "Assessment "Amendment Act, 1865."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Simpson, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, presented their Second Report. Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

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The Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing beg leave to make the following as their Second Report.

That they have carefully considered the subject of making arrangements for the printing of the Debates on the Resolutions upon the Confederation of the British North American Provinces, and having referred the same to a Sub-Committee, they beg herewith to submit their Report, which they recommend for the adoption of your Honorable House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON, Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM, 9th February, 1865.

The Sub-Committee of the Joint Committee on Printing, to whom was referred the subject of making arrangements for the printing the Debates on the Resolutions upon the Confederation of the British North American Provinces, beg leave to report :

That the Morning Chronicle newspaper offers to furnish 5000 copies in English of all the Speeches for £530.

That the Canadian newspaper offers to furnish 5000 copies in French of the same for the like amount.

The Sub-Committee have also had an offer from certain Reporters to furnish manuscript copy of the speeches at the rate of \$4 per newspaper column of printed matter; from certain Translators, to translate the same at 10s. per column; and from the Contractors of the Parliamentary Printing, to print the same at 37 cents per mille ems, and 20 cents per token of 250 impressions.

The Sub-Committee beg to recommend the latter arrangement, as, in their opinion, the best for the public interest.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON, Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Seymour, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the period for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to Friday, the 24th instant.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to amend the Law respecting Mutual Insurance Companies in Upper Canada,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair seconded by the Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché for an Address to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on the Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the 10th of October, 1864. After continued Debate,

The Honorable Mr. Sanborn moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau,

That the following words be added to the Resolution now under consideration, as an amendment, by substituting for the eighth Resolution the following :

"Upper Canada to be represented in the Legislative Council by 24 elective Members, and Lower Canada by 24 elective Members, and the Maritime Provinces by 24 Members, corresponding with the 24 elective Members in each section in Canada, of which Nova Scotia shall have ten, New Branswick ten, and Prince Edward Island shall have four, and the present Members of the Legislative Council of Canada, as well life Members as elective Members, shall be the Members of the first Legislative Council of the Federal Parliament, the appointed Members to remain for life, and the elective Members for eight years from the date of their election, unless removed by death or other cause; their successors to be elected by the same Divisions and Electors as have elected them; and it shall be permitted to the Maritime Provinces to appoint ten additional Members for life: four for New Branswick, four for Nova Scotia, and two for Prince Edward Island, to correspond with the present life Members from Canada, and that after the first appointment of Members in the Maritime Provinces, no new appointment shall be made, except to supply the places of vacancies by death or otherwise in the twenty-four Members appointed to correspond with the elective Members from the two sections of Canada."

And that in the eleventh Section, after the word "Council," in the first line, the following words be added: " in the Maritime Provinces."

And that Section fourteen be struck out.

After Debate,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan, it was

Ordered, That further Debate on the said motion be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bull,

The House adjourned.

Friday, 10th February, 1865.

The Members convened were :---

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIEB, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Perry,
Alexander,	Christie,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Price,
Allan,	Cormier,	Lacoste,	Proulx,
Archambault,	Crawford,	Leonard,	Prud'homme,
Armand,	Currie,	Leslie,	Read,
Armstrong,	DeBeaujeu,	Letellier de St. Just,	Reesor,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Dickson,	Mc Crea,	Ross,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	McMaster,	Sanborn,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Macpherson,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Flint,	Mills,	Simpson,
Bull,	Foster,	Moore,	Skead,
Burnham,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Campbell,	Guévremont,	Panet,	Vidal.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Moore; of George M. Loy and others, of Valleyfield.

By the Honorable Mr. Currie; of Peter Gibbon and others, of Port Collornc.

By the Honorable Mr. Matheson; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of Lanark and Renfrew; and of the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company.

By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; of La Société d'Education du District de Québec.

By the Honorable Mr. Panet; two Petitions of the Mayor and others of the Parish of St. Roch of Quebec, South.

By the Honorable Mr. Macpherson; of William K. Flesher and others.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell; of the Reverend John A. Mulock, Incumbent, and others, of St. Paul's Church, Kingston; and of the Reverend R. V. Rogers, M.A., and others, of St. James' Church in the said City.

By the Honorable Mr. Ryan; of J. L. Beaudry and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; of Les Sœurs de Miséricorde pour la régie de l'hospice de la Maternité de Montréal.

By the Honorable Mr. Leonard; of Edward Killan and others, of London.

By the Honorable Mr. Ross; of Edward Lewis Montizambert, Advocate, Law Clerk of the Honorable the Legislative Council.

By the Honorable Mr. Price; of the Corporation of the Finlay Asylum of Quebec; of Ed. Boudreau, M.D., and others, of the Parishes of Baic St. Paul, St. Irénée, St. Francois, and Isle aux Coudres; of Joseph Dasilva and others, of the Mary Grace Concescession, Parish of Malbaie, County of Charlevoix; and of Charles Rhéaume and others, of the Parish of Charlesbourg.

By the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair; of the Agricultural Society of the North Riding of the County of Wellington.

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

Of George Stephen and others, of the City of Montreal; praying to be incorporated as "The Sun Insurance Company of Montreal."

Of N. S. Blardell and others, of the City of Ottawa, Judgment Creditors of the Ottawa and Prescott Railway Company; praying against the passing of the Act to confirm the agreements entered into by the said Railway Company with the holders of first mortgages thereon, and for other purposes.

Of Jacques Oteronhiare, an Iroquois Indian of Caughnawaga; praying that a certain sum of money be granted him for discovering a channel through which steam vessels could be guided in safety down the Lachine Rapids.

Of the Administrators of Joliette College, members of La Corporation des Clercs de St. Viateur; praying for aid for the construction of certain buildings.

And of the Canada West Farmers' Mutual and Stock Insurance Company; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Marriages Baptisms and Burials for the County of *Richelicu*, for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Sixth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :--

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE, 10th February, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Sixth Report.

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that sufficient Notice has been given in each case, viz :--Of the Quebec Marine Insurance Company, praying for an amendment to their Act of Incorporation; of the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company, praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation; of John McKay and others, Trustees and lot-holders of the St. Thomas Cemetery, praying to be incorporated; and of the Canadian Land and Emigration Company, praying for the passing of an Act confirming their Act of Incorporation, and for other purposes. Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the Corporation of the Town of

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the Corporation of the Town of *Lévis*, praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation, and find the Notice too general, as no mention is made of the nature of the amendments prayed for; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

With regard to the Petition of *Irances Boyd Sylvester* and others, widow, creditors and friends of the late *Boyd Sylvester*, praying for an Act authorizing the sale of the Estate of the said late *Boyd Sylvester*, your Committee find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefore, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

The Petition of James Kennedy-and others, of Woodstock, praying to be incorporated as "The Canada Free Baptist Missionary Society;" is not of a nature to require the publication of Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FEEGUSSON BLAIE, Chairman.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to establish the validity of Acts performed in *Canada* by certain "Clergymen ordained in foreign parts, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

'On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Boulton be added to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Honorable Mr. Price moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay, 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 the correspondence addressed to the Registrars of the Counties of Chicoutimi and Charlevoix, respecting the enrollment of the Militia, where such enrollment did not take place or was only partially carried out.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Honorable Mr. Christic moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Currie,

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 correspondence which may have taken place between the Government of *Canada* and the Imperial Government, or with Her Majesty's Representatives at *Washington*, on the subject of the Reciprocity Treaty.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act "to regulate the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather," was read a second time. Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Hon-

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Price, Sir N. F. Belleau, Letellier de St. Just and Panet, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to provide for the punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of minor offences,"

The Honorable Mr. Bull moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Allan,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled; "An Act further to amend the Act respect-"ing Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads and other Works in *Upper* "*Canada*,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Alexander, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McMaster, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill initialed: "An "Act to amend Chapter Thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting "Agricultural Societies, the Board of Agriculture, and the Agricultural Association in "Lower Canada,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Price, seconded by the Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Brown and others, in the following words:---

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Tuesday, 7th February, 1865.

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, to enquire and report what measures can be adopted for the advancement of Agriculture in this Province, and informing their Honors that the Honorable Mr. Brown, Honorable Mr. McGee, Honorable Mr. Chapais, Mr. McKellar, Mr. Dunkin, Mr. Dorion (Drummond and Arthabaska), Mr. Perrault, Mr. Pope, Mr. Stirton, Mr. Wallbridge (North Hastings), Mr. Willson, and Mr. Dickson, will act as Members of the said Joint Committee on the part of this House.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Brown do carry the said Messsage to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

WM. B. LINDSAY, Clerk, L. A.

And then they withdrew.

The Messengers were again called in, and informed that the Legislative Council will send an answer by a Messenger of their own.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Christie, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was,

Resolved, That the Select Committee appointed by this House on the subject of Agriculture, be instructed to act on behalf of this House with the Committee of the Legislative Assembly, as a Joint Committee of both Houses, to enquire and report what measures can be adopted for the advancement of Agriculture in this Province, as desired by the Legislative Assembly in their Message of this day.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Christie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Alexander, it was,

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Moore and Allan be added to the said Committee.

Ordered, That the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Legislative Assembly by one of the Masters in Chancery.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Mr. Sanborn, in amendment to the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, to Resolve—That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on the Resolutions, which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the tenth of October, 1864:—

That the following words be added to the Resolution now under consideration, as an amendment, by substituting for the eighth Resolution the following:

"Upper Čanada to be represented in the Legislative Council by 24 elective Members, and Lower Canada by 24 elective Members, and the Maritime Provinces by 24 Members, corresponding with the 24 elective Members in each section of Canada, of which Nova Scotia shall have ten, New Brunswick ten, and Prince Edward Island shall have four, and the present Members of the Legislative Council of Canada, as well life Members as elective Members, shall be Members of the first Legislative Council of the Federal Parliament, the appointed Members to remain for life, and the elective Members for eight years from the date of their election, unless removed by death or other cause; their successors to be elected by the same Divisions and Electors as have elected them; and it shall be permitted to the Maritime Provinces to appoint ten additional Members for life; four for New Brunswick, four for Nova Scotia, and two for Prince Edward Island, to correspond with the present life Members from Canada, and that after the first appointment of Members in the Maritime Provinces no new appointment shall be made, except to supply the places of vacancies by death or otherwise in the twenty-four Members appointed to correspond with the elective Members from the two sections of Canada." And that in the eleventh Section, after the word "Council," in the first line, the following words be added: "in the Maritime Provinces."

And that Section fourteen be struck out.

After further Debate,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Reesor, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Sanborn, it was

Ordered, That further debate on the said motion be postponed until Monday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Reesor, The House adjourned until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Monday, 13th February, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Perry,
Alexander,	Christie,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
Allan,	Cormier,		Proulx,
Archambault,	Crawford,	Leonard,	Prud homme,
Armand,	Currie,	Leslie,	Read,
Armstrong,	De Beaujeu,	Letellier de St. Just,	Reesor,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	Dickson,	McCrea,	Ross,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McDonald,	Seymour,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	McMaster,	Shaw,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Macpherson,	Simpson,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Skead,
Boulton,	Flint,	Mills,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bull,	Foster,	Moore,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Wilson.
Campbell,	Guévremont,	Panet,	

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table ;---

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of the Medical Faculty of McGill University, Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Inkerman); of the Very Reverend James Lyster, Dean of Ontario and Rector of Kingston, and others, of St. George's Cathedral Church, Kingston.

By the Honorable Mr. Bull; of the Corporation of the Town of Ingersoll, in the County of Oxford.

By the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair; of the Corporation of the Town of Guelph.

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By the Honorable Mr. Foster; cf Alexander Allan and others, of St. Eustache; and of Roger Marshall and others, of the County of Laval.

By the Honorable Mr. Cormier; of Stan. Piché and others, of Bulstrode; and of G. Crépeau and others, of St. Norbert d'Arthabaska.

By the Honorable Mr. McMaster; of the Municipal Council of the County of Simcoe; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of York and Peel; and of F. H. Medcalf and others, of the Georgian Bay Canal Company.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*; of the Corporations of the Towns of *Barrie* and *Collingwood*; and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*.

By the Honorable Mr. McCrea; of the Municipal Council of the County of Kent.

By the Honorable Mr. Price; five Petitions of the Municipalité des Escoumains, in the County of Saguenay; of the Reverend Julien Rioux and others, of St. François Xavier, dite la Petite Rivière; and of the Reverend Archd. Henderson and others, of the Parish of St. Andrews, in the County of Argenteuil.

By the Honorable Mr. E. H. J. Duchesnay; of Wm. Henderson and others, of East Frampton, in the County of Dorchester.

By the Honorable Mr. Leonard; of the Board of Trade of the City of London.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell; of George H. Low and others, of the Parish of Darlington.

By the Honorable Mr. Aikins; of Rowland Burr, of the City of Toronto.

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

Of the Reverend John Crombie and others, of the Presbytery of Montreal; praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of P. D. Day and others, of the City of Montreal, on behalf of McGill College and University; praying for aid.

Of the Reverend Samuel D. Rice, of the City of Hamilton; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize Trustees of Church Property to lease, mortgage or sell the same for the uses of the Church.

Of George Barr and others, of the Townships of Loughborough and Bedford; praying for aid for the completion of a certain Road in the said Townships.

Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*; praying for certain changes in the system of appointing Coroners,—also praying for certain amendments to the Jury Laws, so as to abolish the second selection of Jurors,—and also praying for the passing of an Act to provide for the employment of criminals sentenced to imprisonment with hard labor, without the walls of the prisons.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Elgin*; praying that in the event of the liabilities incurred under the Segniorial Tenure Act in *Lower Canada* being assumed by the General Government, those incurred under the Municipal Loan Fund in *Upper Canada* may also be assumed by the General Government.

Of Frs. D. Baril and others, of St. Chrystophe d'Arthabaska; and of Pre. Bruneau M

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and others, of *Blanford*; severally praying against the proposed Federal Union of the B. N. American Provinces.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hastings*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize County Councils to borrow money for the purpose of buying seed grain to be sold to farmers.

Of the Agricultural Society of the County of Victoria; praying for certain amendments to the Agricultural Acts of Upper Canada.

Of L'Union St. Pierre de Montréal; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

And of *Thomas McGinn*, late keeper of the Common Gaol for the District of *Montreal*; setting forth certain grievances and praying for redress.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Hartford Insurance Company, made up to the 1st November, 1864.

Also, a Return of the Canadian Society of Joiners and Carpenters of *Montreal*, for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and they are as follow :---

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Simpson, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, presented their Third Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

COMMITTEE ROOM, 13th February, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Legislative Printing, beg leave to make the following as their Third Report,

The Committee recommend that in carrying out the arrangements for reporting the Debates, the respective speeches be reported in the order in which they have been delivered, after the plan of *Hansard's* Debates of the Imperial Parliament, and that each speaker be allowed 24 hours to make any correction he may desire after receiving the copy from the Reporter.

The Committee also recommend that the Accountant of each House be directed to open a special account, under the head of "Reporting," and that all charges connected therewith be paid by them on the certificate of the Clerk of the Joint Committee on Printing in the following proportions: the Honorable the Legislative Council paying one third, the Legislative Assembly paying two thirds; and that the said Debates be printed in the same form, and on the same system as *Hansard*'s Parliamentary Debates.—That each Member be furnished with 25 copies in English and 25 copies in French.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON, Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Seymour, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr Campbell presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to "separate the Township of Amherst Island from the County of Lennox and Addington, "and to annex the same to the County of Frontenac."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on this day week.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to encourage the planting of Timber, Fruit, Shade and Ornamental "Trees upon the Public Highways in this Province, and to give a right of property in such "trees to the owners of the soil adjacent to such highways," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Flint, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leonard, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act for the protection of Settlers in Lower Canada, in certain cases," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Olivier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Cormier, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend the Act intituled: 'An Act containing special provisions concerning both "Houses of the Provincial Parliament,"

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After a short Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow. 12. 1.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to make better provision for the Official Inspection of Fish and Fish Oils,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until this day week.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend Chapter Sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, and to provide "for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries,".

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until this day week.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act relative to Summary "Convictions." was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Currie, Campbell, Ross, McCrea and Dickson, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "As-" sessment Amendment Act of 1865,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. McDonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Alexander, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act further to amend the law respecting Mutual Insurance Companies in Upper Canada,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An Act to establish the validity of acts performed in *Canada* by certain Clergymen "ordained in foreign parts, and for other purposes," On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Friday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Bill intituled: "An "Act further to amend the Act respecting Joint Stock Companies for the construction of "Roads and other Works in Upper Canada," as proposed to be amended by the Select Committee, and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. Alexander moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McDonald, That the said amendments be agreed to.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thercon, the same was resolved in the affirmative.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Alexander, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Macpherson,

The said Bill was further amended.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend Chapter "32 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, respecting Agricultural Societies, the Board " of Agriculture, and the Agricultural Association in Lower Canada," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Price, seconded by the Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Agriculture.

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 6th February instant, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Despatches and Correspondence between the Imperial and Provincial Governments on the subject of the passing of the Act 12 Victoria, Chap. 19, intituled: "An Act for the better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of "America for the apprehension and surrender of certain offenders,"—and of the Act 24 Victoria, Chap. 6, initialed: "An Act to amend Chap. 89 of the Consolidated Statues " of Canada, respecting the extradition of fugitive felons from the United States of America" and also for a prime the United States of America," and also for copies of all the Proclamations published in this Province on the occasion of the passing of the said Acts.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows:

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Mr. Sanborn, in amendment to the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, to Resolve-That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that . She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia; New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on the Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the 10th of October, 1864, viz :--

That the following words be added to the Resolution now under consideration, as an amendment, by substituting for the eighth Resolution the following :

"Upper Canada to be represented in the Legislative Council by 24 elective Members, and Lower Canada by 24 elective Members, and the Maritime Provinces by 24 Members, corresponding with the 24 elective Members in each section of Canada, of which Nova Scotia shall have ten, New Brunswick ten, and Prince Edward Island shall have four, and the present Members of the Legislative Council of Canada, as well life Members as elective Members, shall be Members of the first Legislative Council of the Federal Parliament, the appointed Members to remain for life, and the elective Members for eight years from the date of their election, unless removed by death or other cause; their successes to be elected by the same Divisions and Electors as have elected them; and it shall be permitted to the Maritime Provinces to appoint ten additional Members for life: four for New Brunswick, four for Nova Scotia, and two for Prince Edward Island, to correspond with the present life Members from Canada, and that after the first appointment of Members in the Maritime Provinces no new appointment shall be made except to supply the places of vacancies by death or otherwise in the twenty-four Members appointed to correspond with the elective Members from the two sections of Canada."

And that in the eleventh Section, after the word "Council," in the first line, the following words be added : "in the Maritime Provinces."

And that Section fourteen be struck out.

The Honorable Mr. *Reesor* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, That further Debate on the said amendments to the foregoing Resolutions be postponed

until Thursday of next week.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :---

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Cormier,	Leslie,	Proulx,
Archambault,	Currie,	McDonald,	Recsor,
Armstrong,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Moore,	Seymour,
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The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	Campbell,	Gingras,	Panet,
Allan,	Christie,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Prud'homme,
Armand,	Crawford,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	DeBeaujeu,	Lacoste,	Ross,
Blair, Fergusson,	Dickson,	Mc Crea,	Shaw,
Blake,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	McMaster,	Skead,
Boulton,	Dumouchel,	Macpherson,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Vidal,
Bull,	Foster,	Mills,	Wilson37.
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So it was resolved in the negative.

Whereupon the House resumed the Debate on the Honorable Mr. Sanborn's motion.

At six o'clock P.M. the Honorable the Speaker left the Chair, and resumed the same at halt-past seven.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Moore, it was

Órdered, That further Debate on the said motion be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Moore, The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 14th February, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULBIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins, Alexander, Allan, Archambault, Armand, Armstrong, Belleau, Sir N. F., Bennett, Blair, Fergusson, Blake, Bossé, Boulton, Bull, Burgau	Duchesnay, A. J., Duchesnay, E. H. J., Dumouchel, Ferrier, Flint, Foster,	Letellier de St. Just, McCrea, McDonald, McMaster, Macpherson, Malhiot, Matheson, Mills,	Perry, Price, Proulx, Prud homme, Read, Reesor Ross, Seymour Shaw, Simpson, Skead, Taché, Sir E. P.,

PRAVERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of John L. Dier and others, of the City of Montreal; of W. J. Knox and others, of Lachine; and of Henry Porter and others, of the City of Montreal aforesaid.

By the Honorable Mr. Boulton; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Vespra, in the County of Simcoe.

By the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair; of W. H. Boulby and others, of the Village of Berlin, in the County of Waterloo.

By the Honorable Mr. Chaffers; of Charles Etienne Letetu and others, of St. Hilaire.

By the Honorable Mr. Gingras; of the Mayor and others of the Local Municipality of the Parish of Quebec.

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By the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Inkerman); of William Morrin and others, of Grande Frenidre, Petit Bralé, St. Joseph du Lac, County of Two Mountains.

By the Honorable Mr. Flint; of J. W. Fife and others, of Hastings, in the County of Peterboro'.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Sunnidale, in the County of Simcoe.

By the Honorable Mr. Skead; of William Graham and others interested in the Lumber Trade of Canada.

By the Honorable Mr. McMaster; of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Tecumseth* and *Essa*, and of the County of Simcoe; of the Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto*; and of the Honorable J. C. Aikins and others, Provisional Directors of the *Toronto* and *Georgian* Bay Canal Company.

By the Honorable Mr. McCrea; of the Corporation of the Town of Brantford; and of John D. R. MeLean and others, of Ridgetown, in the County of Kent.

By the Honorable Mr. Cormier; of James Henry and others, of the Township of Inverness.

By the Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just; of Louis Roy and others, of St Norbert du Cap Chat.

By the Honorable Mr. Leonard; of the Huron College.

By the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston); of the Board of Visitors of the Kingston Observatory.

By the Honorable Mr. Bull; of the Hamilton Agricultural Society.

By the Honorable Mr. Blake; of the Corporation of the Village of Berlin.

By the Honorable Mr. Christie; of James Weyms and another, of the Town of Brantford.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell; of J. C. Clark and others, of St. John's Church in the Village of Portsmouth.

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

Of George M. Loy and others, of Valleyfield; praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of Peter Gibbon and others, of Port Colborne; and of Edward Killan and others, of London; severally praying that the same Educational Privileges be extended to the Roman Catholic minority of Upper Canada, that are or will be extended to the Protestant minority in Lower Canada.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*; praying against the passing of any measures to make the Municipal Loan Fund Debt a Local Debt.

Of the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company; praying for an extension of the time for opening and completing that portion of the said Railway lying between Arnprior and Pembroke, and for other purposes.

Of La Société d'Education du District de Québec; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Two Petitions of the Mayor and others of the Parish of St. Roch of Quebec South ; praying against the amendments proposed to the Acts of Incorporation of the City of *Quebec*,—and also praying for the passing of an Act conferring certain powers on the Municipality of St. Roch of Quebec South.

Of William K. Flesher and others; praying for the passing of an Act for the construction of a Railroad from some point on the Northern Railroad to the Village of Durham, in the County of Grey.

Of the Reverend John A. Mullock, Incumbent, and others, of St. Paul's Church, Kingston; and of the Reverend R. V. Rogers, M.A., and others, of St. James' Church in the said City; severally praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the sale of the endowment of the Rectory of St. George's Church, Kingston.

Of J. L. Beaudry and others, of the City of Montreal; praying to be incorporated as " The Academy of Music of Montreal."

Of Les Sœurs de Miséricorde pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité de Montréal; praying for the continuance and increase of their annual grant.

Of Edward Lewis Montizambert, Advocate, Law Clerk of the Honorable the Legislative Council; praying for an increase of salary.

Of the Corporation of the Finlay Asylum of Quebec; praying for aid.

Of Ed. Boudreau and others, of the Parishes of Baie St. Puul, St. Irénée, St. Francois, and Isle aux Coudres; praying for aid for the construction of a certain Wharf, and for other purposes.

Of Joseph Dasilva and others, of the Mary Grace Concession, Parish of Malbaie, County of Charlevoix; praying for aid for the construction of certain roads.

Of Charles Rhéaume and others, of the Parish of Charlesbourg ; praying for certain amendments to the Militia Law.

And of the Agricultural Society of the North Riding of the County of Wellington; praying for certain amendments to the Agricultural Act of Upper Canada.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Marriages, Bap-

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Seventh Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows, viz :--

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,

14th February, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present, the following as their Seventh Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of George Stephen and others, of the City of Montreal, praying to be incorporated as The Sun Insurance Company of Montreal, and find the Notice sufficient.

Your Committee have also examined the Petitions of the Grand Trunk, the Great Western and the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*, praying for the passing of an Act to confirm and legalize an agreement entered into between them, in relation to their use of the *Toronto* Esplanade; and of the *Canada West* Farmers' Mutual and Stock Insurance Company, praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation, and find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule in each case.

With regard to the Petition of *W. King* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Sylvester*, *St. Giles*, and *Ste. Agathe*, County of *Lotbinière*, praying that the said Parishes may be re-united into one Registration Division, your Committee find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required in the District of *Arthabaska*, one of the localities affected, though regularly published in the other localities; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend therefore the suspension of the **5**3rd Rule.

With regard also to the Petition of the Corporation of the Town of Napanee, praying for an Act to confirm and legalize a certain By-law of the late Village of Napanee, respecting the division of the said Village into Wards, and for other purposes, your Committee find that no Notice has been given; but as these proceedings were rendered nccessary by the absence of any provision for such division in the Act of last Session incorporating the said Village as a Town, and inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefore, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

On the Petition of the Reverend Saml. D. Rice, of the City of Hamilton, praying for an Act to authorize the Trustees of real property of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada to sell the same for the uses of the Church, your Committee find that Notice has been given in the Canada Gazette only, and are of opinion that no local Notice is necessary in this case.

The Petition of L'Union St. Pierre de Montréal, praying for an amendment to their Act of Incorporation, is not of a nature to require the publication of Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Montreal Investment Association," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), from the Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Acts relating "to the Niagara District Bank," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Currie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dickson, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly. The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

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It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. Forrier presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to "enable the Trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada more freely to "manage and dispose of trust properties."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act further to amend the "Act respecting Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads and other Works in "Upper Canada," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Crdered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to encourage the "planting of Timber, Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees upon the Public Highways in "this Province, and to give a right of property in such trees to the owners of the soil "adjacent to such highways," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messicurs Flint, Moore, Leonard, DeBeaujeu, Seymour, and Letellier de St. Just, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the Whole ou the Bill initialed: "An Act to amend the Act "initialed: 'An Act containing special provisions concerning both Houses of the "Provincial Parliament,"

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* reported, from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Boulton, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "Assessment Amendment Act" of 1865," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messicurs McDonald, Campbell, Fergusson Blair, Ross, McCrea, Currie, Seymour, Vidal, Burnham, and Reesor, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act further to amend the "Law respecting Mutual Insurance Companies in Upper Canada," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messicurs Fergusson Blair, Mills, Currie, and McMaster, to meet and adjourn as they please.

14th FEBRUARY.

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Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Mr. Sanborn, in amendment to the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, to Resolve—That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Branswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on the Resolutions, which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the tenth of October, 1864, viz. :--

That the following words be added to the Resolution now under consideration, as an amendment, by substituting for the eighth Resolution the following :

"Upper Canada to be represented in the Legislative Council by 24 elective Members, and Lower Canada by 24 elective Members, and the Maritime Provinces by 24 Members, corresponding with the 24 elective Members in each section of Canada, of which Nova Scotia shall have ten, New Brunswick ten, and Prince Edward Island shall have four, and the present Members of the Legislative Council of Canada, as well life Members as elective Members, shall be Members of the first Legislative Council of the Federal Parliament, the appointed Members to remain for life, and the elective Members for eight years from the date of their election, unless removed by death or other cause; their successors to be elected by the same Divisions and Electors as have elected them; and it shall be permitted to the Maritime Provinces to appoint ten additional Members for life; four for New Brunswick, feur for Nova Scotia, and two for Prince Edward Island, to correspond with the present life Members from Canada, and that after the first appointment of Members in the Maritime Provinces no new appointment shall be made, except to supply the places of vacancies by death or otherwise in the twenty-four Members appointed to correspond with the elective Members from the two sections of Canada,"

And that in the eleventh Section, after the word "Council," in the first line, the following words be added : "in the Maritime Provinces."

And that Section fourteen be struck out.

After further Debate,

The Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrony,

That all the words after "That", in the first line thereof, be left out, and that the following words be inserted in lieu thereof, viz :---" the debate on motion for an Address to Her Majesty on the subject of a Union of the British North American Colonics be postponed until such time as the Government shall have made known to this House: 1st. The measure it intends to submit to the Legislature for the purpose of organizing the Local Governments and Legislatures in Upper and Lower Canada. 2nd. The Bill on the subject of Education which it intends to submit to the present Parliament for the protection of minorities in Upper and Lower Canado. 3rd. The correspondence between the Imperial Government and the Government of Canada, respecting the defence of the Province, and what measure the Government intends to submit to us for the same purpose. 4th. In what manner the Government intends to divide between the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada the balance of our present Provincial debt, after deducting the \$62,-500,000 rayable by the Federal Government, and which will be the items assigned to each of those Provinces. 5th. The Report of Mr. Fleming on the survey for the Intercolonial Railway." N 81

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So it was resolved in the negative.

Then the Honorable Mr. Letcllier de St. Just moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Blake,

That the Debate on the motion of the Honorable Mr. Sanborn, in amendment to the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché's Resolution, be postponed until to-morrow, and that this House do now adjourn.

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The Honorable the Speaker then declared the House continued until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Wednesday, 15th February, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Panet,
Alexander,	Christie,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
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PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*; of the Canadian Engine and Machinery Company; and of the *St. Lawrence* Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Chaffers; of A. Guénette and others, of L'Ange Gardien, in the County of Rouville.

By the Honorable Mr. Malhiot; of F. Larue and others, of the City of Three Rivers.

By the Honorable Mr. Christie; of the Board of Trade of the City of Hamilton; and of Morris C. Luty.

By the Honorable Mr. Cormier; of F. X. Beaudette and others, of Victoriaville.

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

Of the Medical Faculty of Mc Gill University of Montreal; praying for the continuance of their annual grant.

Of the Very Reverend James Lyster, Dean of Ontario and Rector of Kingston, and others, of St. George's Cathedral Church, Kingston; praying against any action being taken on the Petition of St. Paul's Church respecting the appropriation of the Rectory Lands of St. George's Cathedral.

Of the Corporation of the Town of *Ingersoll*, in the County of *Oxford*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the said Corporation to issue new Debentures in redemption of those already issued, and for which no sinking fund has been set aside.

Of the Corporation of the Town of *Guelph*; and of the Board of Trade of the City of *London*; severally praying against the passing of the Bill to amalgamate the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* and Grand Trunk Railway Companies.

Of Alexander Allan and others, of St. Eustache; of Roger Marshall and others, of the County of Laval; and of the Reverend Archd. Henderson and others, of St. Andrews, in the County of Argenteuil; severally praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of Stan. Piché and others, of Bulstrode; and of G. Crépeau and others, of St. Norbert d'Arthabaska; severally praying against the proposed Federation of the British North American Provinces.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Counties of Simcoe, and York and Peel; severally praying that a grant of land may be given to the proposed Georgian Bay Canal Company. Of F. H. Medcalf and others, on behalf, of the said Georgian Bay Canal Company;

praying for certain amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the said Company.

Of the Corporations of the Towns of *Barrie* and *Collingwood*; severally praying for the incorporation of "The Simcoc County Bank."

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Bruce; praying for the passing of an Act. declaring Paisley to be the County Town of Bruce.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Kent; praying for aid to assist in removing the bars obstructing the navigation of the River Thames and the Chenal Ecarté. Five Petitions of the Municipalité des Escoumains; praying for a free grant of land to the people living on the Tadousac and Portneuf Roads,—also praying for the erection of a Light-House at Portneuf (en bas),—also praying for aid for the completion of certain roads,—also praying for the appointment of a Coroner for the County of Saguenay,—and also praying for certain amendments to the Fishery Laws, so as to allow proprietors to erect fisheries on their properties, free.

Of the Reverend Julien Rioux and others, of St. François Xavier dite la Petite Rivière; and of Wm. Innderson and others, of East Frampton, in the County of Dorchester; severally praying for aid for the completion and opening of certain roads.

Of George H. Low and others, of the Parish of Darlington; praying against the pasing of the Bill for the sale of the Glebe lots of land in Darlington.

And of *Rowland Burr*, of the City of *Toronto*; praying for the amendment of the Grammar School Act, so that he may be paid the amount due him for the construction of the Grammar School House at *Weston*.

The Honorable the Speak r presented to the House a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials for the County of *Montcalm*, for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :--

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Sir *E. P. Tuché* acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

The same was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows :--

Monck.

Lord Monck. The Governor General transmits, for the information of the Le-29th Dec., 1864. gislative Council, the accompanying copies of Despatches relative to the Mr. Cardwell. Provincial Volunteer Force lately embodied for service on the Frontier.

23rd Jan., 1865.

Government House, Quebec, 13th February, 1865.

[Copy.]

QUEBEC, December 29th, 1864.

No. 199—Dec. 17th. SIR,—Referring to my Despatches, noted in the margin, I have the "202—"20th. honor to report, that in pursuance of the General Order of the 19th Decomber. the thirty Companies of Volunteers called out for duty have been

embodied in three Administrative Battalions of ten Companies cach, the Heud-quarters of which are stationed respectively at Windsor, Niagara and La Prairie.

The Companies are all sixty-five strong, exclusive of officers.

You will perceive by the copies of the several General Orders, that the Companies have been so selected as to give all parts of the Province an opportunity of contributing to the force embodied.

I have also so arranged that the Volunteers from Eastern Canada should, as much as possible, be stationed in Canada West, and vice vers \hat{a} .

These modes of proceeding caused some slight delay in getting the force to its destination, but I think it is not a little creditable to the Volunteers and to those who conducted the arrangements, that the first intimation the force received that their services would be required was by the General Order of December 19th, and that the three Battalions are now at their respective stations; some of the Companies of which they are composed having had to travel a distance of nearly seven hundred miles, in order to reach their destinations.

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If it had not been that I wished to allow the men to spend Christmas day with their families, the operation would have been performed in even a shorter time.

I have not heard of a single case of misconduct amongst the men in the course of their journey, and I am informed that everything was conducted with as much order and regularity as could have been expected, had the battalions been composed of regular troops.

I have had offers of service from numerous corps all over the Province, and I should have no difficulty, were it desirable, in raising a large force

General Order. I have the honor to transmit a copy of the Gazette containing a Gc-30th December, 1864. neral Order completing the embodiment of the force, and also one placing Gazette, December 31. 1864. — Page 4,270. it under the Military command of the Lieutenant-General commanding in British North America.

> I have, &c., (Signed,)

MONCK.

The Right Honorable E. Cardwell, M.P., &c., &c., &c.

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DOWNING STREET, 23rd January, 1865.

No. 199—Dec. 17, 1864. My LORD,—I have the honor to acknowledge your Des-"202—"20, "patches, noted in the margin, acquainting me with the various "213—"23, "steps which you are taking, with the advice of your Council, in order to secure the observance of a strict neutrality on the Frontier of the United States and Canada.

Her Majesty's Government entirely approve of all the measures which you have reported to me; and I have particular pleasure in noticing the excellent spirit and orderly conduct of the Canadian Volunteers. I hope you will take some fitting opportunity of informing them that the promptitude with which they have answered your appeal is appreciated by Her Majesty's Government.

I have, &c., (Signed,)

EDWARD CARDWELL.

Governor,

Viscount Monck, &c., &c. &c.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to provide for the punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of minor offences,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Allan, it was Ordered, That the same be postponed until Friday next.

Fursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled: "An Act to incor-"porate the *Montreal* Investment Association," and

The amendments being again read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. Ferrier moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie, That the said amendments be agreed to.

After a short Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence. Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Mr. Sanborn, in amendment to the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, to Resolve—That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying thatShe may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on the Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the 10th of October, 1864, viz :--

That the following words be added to the Resolution now under consideration, as an amendment, by substituting for the eighth Resolution the following :

"Upper Canada to be represented in the Legislative Council by 24 elective Members, and Lower Canada by 24 elective Members, and the Maritime Provinces by 24 Members, corresponding with the 24 elective Members in each section in Canada, of which Nova Scotia shall have ten, New Brunswick ten, and Prince Edward Island shall have four, and the present Members of the Legislative Council of Canada, as well life Members as elective Members, shall be the Members of the first Legislative Council of the Federal Parliament, the appointed Members to remain for life, and the elective Members for eight years from the date of their election, unless removed by death or other cause; their successors to be elected by the same Divisions and Electors as have elected them; and its shall be permitted to the Maritime Provinces to appoint ten additional Members for life: four for New Brunswick, four for Nova Seotia, and two for Prince Edward Island, to correspond with the present life Members from Canada, and that after the first appointment of Members in the Maritime Provinces, no new appointment shall be made, except to supply the places of vacancies by death or otherwise in the twenty-four Members appointed to correspond with the elective Members from the two sections of Canada."

And that in the eleventh Section, after the word "Council," in the first line, the following words be added : "in the Maritime Provinces."

And that Section fourteen be struck out.

At six o'clock, P. M., the Honorable the Specher left the Chair, and resumed the same at half-past seven.

When the Honorable Mr. Alexander moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Skead,

That it is proper that any Members of this House should be afforded an opportunity of recording their views in regard to the proposed change in the manner of appointing the Members of the Legislative Council. But that the way to effect this in the most satisfactory manner, without endangering the safety of the Confederation scheme as a whole, will be to enter a Memorial or Protest upon the Journals of this House, embodying their views upon this important detail of the Confederation.

A copy of such Memorial or Protest to be transmitted to the Imperial Government, along with the Resolutions now before this House.

On a Question of Order being raised,

His Honor the Speaker ruled the said motion out of order, because the right of entering a protest in regard to any vote taken in this House, is provided for by the 23rd Rule thereof.

The Honorable Mr. Sanborn enters.

The House again resumed the Debate on the motion of the Honorable Mr. Sanborn, in amendment to the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché.

The Honorable Mr. Bureau moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bossé,

That further Debate be postponed until to-morrow, and that this House do now adjourn. Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the negative.

After further Debate on the said motion in amendment,

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The Honorable Mr. Moore moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong,

That further Debate be postponed, and that this House do adjourn until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The Honorable the Speaker then declared this House continued until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Thursday, 16th February, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Price.
Alexander,	Christie,	Lacoste,	Prouĺx,
Allan,	Cormier,	Leonard,	Prud'homme,
Archambault,	Crawford,	Leslie,	Read,
Armand,	Curric,	Letellier de St. Just,	Reesor,
Armstrong,	De Beaujeu,	McCrea,	Ross,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	Dickson,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Mc Master,	Sanborn,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Macpherson,	Seymour,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Malhiot,	Shaw,
	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Simpson,
Boulton,	Flint,	Mills,	Skead,
Bull,	Foster,	Moore,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Panet,	Wilson.
Campbell,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Perry,	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Macpherson; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Nottawasaga; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Oro, in the County of Simcoe.

By the Honorable Mr. McMaster; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of York and Peel; of Samuel Gunn and others, of the City of Toronto; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Innisfil, in the County of Simcoe.

By the Honorable Mr. Foster; of David Dunkerley and others, of Durham, in the County of Drummond.

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By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; of the Canadian Board of Management of "The English and Canadian Mining Company;" and of the Honorable Charles Alleyn and others, Shareholders of the said English and Canadian Mining Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Vidal; of the Moore Agricultural Society of the County of Lambton.

By the Honorable Mr. Price; of the Municipal Council of the second Division of the County of Charlevoix; and of the Reverend J. Maurault and others, of the Parish of St. Thomas de Pierreville, in the County of Yamaska.

By the Honorable Mr. Currie; of Richard Atkinson Clarke, of the Town of St. Catharines, in the County of Lincoln.

By the Honorable Mr. Bull; of the Corporation of the City of Hamilton.

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of Henry Meyer and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Perry; of Patrick McGuire and others, of Cobourg.

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

Of John L. Dier and others, of the City of Montreal; of W. J. Knox and others, of Lachine; of Henry Porter and others, of the City of Montreal; and of William Morrin and others, of Grand Frenière Petit Bralt, St. Joseph dv Lac, County of Two Mountains; severally praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of Vespra, Sunnidale, Tecumseth, and Essa, all in the County of Simcoe; severally praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate "The Simcoe County Bank."

Of W. II. Bowlby and others, of the Village of Berlin, in the County of Waterloo; and of the Corporation of the said Village of Berlin; severally praying against any change in the corporate limits of the said Village.

Of Charles Etienne Letelu and others, of St. Hilaire; praying against the proposed Federal Union of the Provinces of British North America.

Of the Mayor and others, of the local Municipality of the Parish of Quebec; praying to be erected into a County Municipality.

Of J. W. Fife and others, of Hastings; and of John D. R. McLean and others, of Ridgetown; severally praying for the passing of measures to provide a more ample currency as speedily as possible.

Of William Graham and others, interested in the Lumber Trade of Canada; praying that in the event of a Federal Union of the British North American Provinces, the management of the Timber Trade of Canado be vested in the General Government.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Simcoe; praying for the repeal of all Acts authorizing the retail of intoxicating liquors in shops and stores, and for other purposes.

Of the Corporation of the Town of Brantford; praying for the passing of the Act to amalgamate the Buffulo and Lake Huron and Grand Trunk Railway Companies, under certain conditions.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto ; and of James Weyms and another, of

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the Town of *Brantford*; severally praying against the passing of the said Act to amalgamate the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* and Grand Trunk Railway Companies.

Of the Honorable J. C. Aikins and others, Provisional Directors of the Toronto and Georgian Bay Canal Company; praying to be relieved from their office as such Provisional Directors, and that other Directors be appointed in their stead.

Of James Henry and others, of the Township of Inverness; praying for aid for certain roads in the said Township.

Of Louis Roy and others, of St. Norbert du Cap Chat; praying that the whole of the said Parish be annexed to the County and District of Gaspé.

Of the Huron College; praying for aid.

Of the Board of Visitors of the Kingston Observatory; praying for the continuance of their annual grant.

Of the Hamilton Agricultural Society; praying for certain amendments to the Agricultural Acts of Upper Canada.

And of J. C. Clark and others, of St. John's Church, in the Village of Portsmouth; praying for the passing of an Act for the sale of the Rectory Lands of St. George's Church, Kingston.

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché presented to the House a Return to an Address dated 10th February, 1865, praying His Excellency to be pleased-to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence which may have taken place between the Government of Canada and the Imperial Government, or with Her Majesty's Representative at Washington, on the subject of the Reciprocity Treaty.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. McDonald, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "Assessment Amendment Act of 1865," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. McDonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Alexander, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Eighth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :--

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE, 16th February, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Eighth Report.

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find the Notice sufficient

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in each case, viz :---of J. L. Beaudry and others, of the City of Montreal, praying to be incorporated as the Academy of Music of Montreal; and of the Mayor, Councillors and Inhabitants of the Municipality of the Parish of St. Roch of Quebec, South, praying for power to grant Tavern Licenses, and to provide against fires.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of La Société d'Education de Québec, praying for an amendment to their Act of Incorporation, and find that no Notice has been given; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

On the Petitions of the Corporation of the Town of Ingersoll, in the County of Oxford, praying for an Act authorizing the suid Corporation to issue new Debentures in redemption of those already issued, and for which no sinking fund has been set aside; of William R. Flesher and others, praying for the passing of an Act for the construction of a Railroad from some point on the Northern Railroad to the Village of Durham, in the County of Gray; and of the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company, praying for an extension of the time for opening and completing that portion of the said Railway lying between *irmprior* and Pembroke, and for other purposes, Your Committee find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule in each case.

therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule in each case. And also on the Petition of the Corporation of the Town of *Barrie*, praying for an Act to Incorporate the *Simcoc* County Bank, your Committee find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required; but inasmuch as it will be competent for the Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom the Bill will be referred, and to whom this Report will be communicated by this Committee, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

With regard to the Petition of *James Montyomery* and others, of the Township of *Kingsey*, in the County of *Drummond*, praying that a certain portion of the said Township may be detached from the Township of *Kingsey* and annexed to the Township of *Kingsey Falls*, your Committee consider the Notice insufficient, inasmuch as the same has not been published in the *Canada Gazette*, in conformity with the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,

Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize the Church "Society of the Diocese of *Toronto* to sell certain Glebe Lots of Land in *Darlington*, and "for other purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr Currie, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to enable the Church Societies and incorporated Synods of the Church "" of England Dioceses, in Canada, to sell the Rectorial Lands in the said Dioceses," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to. On motion of the Honorable Mr. Currie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Gingras, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in regard to the Petition of La Société d'Education de. Québec, praying for an amendment to their Act of Incorporation.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Tuché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Cumpbell, it was

Ordered, That the period for receiving Private Bills be extended to the second day of March next.

Then the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An "Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Education Society of the District of Quebec."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Inkerman) moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford,

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 correspondence that may have passed between the Commissioners for the management of the *Beauport* Lunatic Asylum and the Government, during the last three years.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act for the protection of Settlers in *Lower Canada* in certain cases,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Olivier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Cormier, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next, and that it do then stand as the first item upon the Orders of that Day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to enable the Trustees "of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in *Canada* more freely to manage and dispose of "trust properties," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill initialed: "An Act to remove doubts as to the limits of certain Counties in Lower Canada," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armand, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Mr. Sanborn, in amendment to the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, to Resolve—That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on the Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the 10th of October, 1864, viz :--

That the following words be added to the Resolution now under consideration, as an amendment, by substituting for the eighth Resolution the following:

"Upper Canada to be represented in the Legislative Council by 24 elective Members, and Lower Canada by 24 elective Members, and the Maritime Provinces by 24 Members, corresponding with the 24 elective Members in each section of Canada, of which Nova Scotia shall have ten, New Brunswick ten, and Prince Edward Island shall have four, and the present Members of the Legislative Council of Canada, as well life Members as elective Members, shall be Members of the first Legislative Council of the Federal Parliament, the appointed Members to remain for life, and the elective Members for eight years from the date of their election, unless removed by death or other cause; their successors to be elected by the same Divisions and Electors as have elected them; and it shall be permitted to the Maritime Provinces to appoint ten additional Members for life: four for New Brunswick, four for Nova Scotia, and two for Prince Edward Island, to correspond with the present life Members from Canada, and that after the first appointment of Members in the Maritime Provinces no new appointment shall be made except to supply the places of vacancies by death or otherwise in the twenty-four Members appointed to correspond with the elective Members from the two sections of Canada."

And that in the eleventh Section, after the word "Council," in the first line, the following words be added : "in the Maritime Provinces."

And that Section fourteen be struck out.

At six o'clock, P. M., the Honorable the Speaker left the Chair, and resumed the same at half-past seven.

After continued Debate,

The question of concurrence being put on the Honorable Mr. Sanborn's amendment, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Cormier,	Letellier de St. Just,	Proulx,
Archambault,	Currie,	Malhiot,	Reesor,
Armstrong,	Flint,	Olivier,	Sanborn,
Bureau,	Leonard,	Perry,	Simpson18.
Chaffers,	Leslie,		-

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	Christie,	Guévremont,	Panet,
Allan,	Crawford,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	
Armand,	De Beaujeu,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Prud'homme,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Dickson,	Lacoste,	Read,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McCrea,	Ross,
Blair Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,		Ryan,
Boulton,	Dumouchel,	Mc Master,	Shaw,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Macpherson,	Skead,
Bull,	Foster,	Matheson,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Burnham,	Gingras,	Mills,	Vidal41.
Campbell,			

So it passed in the negative.

And the House then resumed the Debate on the Resolution proposed by the Honorable Sir E. P. Tache.

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. Dickson moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Currie,

That further Debate on the said motion be postponed until to-morrow, and that it do then stand as the first item upon the Orders of the Day.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Ailcins,	Burnham,	Flint,	Perry,
Archambault,	Campbelĺ,	Gingras,	Proulx,
Armstrong,	Chaffers,	Leonard,	Read,
Belleau, Sir N. F.	Christie,	Leslie,	Reesor
Bennett,	Cormier,	Letellier de St. Just,	Sanborn,
Blair, Fergusson,	Currie,	McDonald,	Seymour
Blake,	Dickson,	McMaster,	Simpson,
	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Malhiot,	Skead,
Bureau,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Olivier,	Vidal.—36.

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	DeBeaujeu,	Lacoste,	Price,
Allan,	Dumouchel,	Mc Crea,	Prud ⁱ homme,
Armand,	Ferrier,	Macpherson,	Ross,
Boulton,	Guévremont,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Bull,	Hamilton (Inkern	nan), Mills,	Taché, Sir E. P.
Crawford,	Hamilton (Kings	ton), Panet,	Wilson24.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell,

The House adjourned.

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Friday, 17th February, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Price.
Alexander,	Christie,	Lacoste,	Proulx.
Allan,	Cormier,	Leonard,	Prud homme,
Archambault,	Crawford,	Leslic,	Read,
Armand,	Currie,	Letellier de St. Just,	Reesor,
Armstrong,	DeBeaujeu,	McCrea,	Ross,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Dickson,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McMaster,	Sanborn,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.	, Macpherson,	Seymour,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Malhiot,	Shaw,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Simpson,
Boulton,	Flint,	Mills,	Skead,
Bull,	Foster,	Moore,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Burcau,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Panet,	Wilson.
Campbell,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	,Perry,	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; two Petitions of the Quebec Board of Trade.

By the Honorable Mr. Foster; of the Revd. W. M. Seaborn and others, of Kildare, Joliette and St. Alphonse, in the County of Joliette.

By the Honorable Mr. Foster ; of James Read and others, of Ramsay.

By the Honorable Mr Campbell; of John McGinness and others, of the Township of Amherst Island.

By the Honorable Mr. Bull; of Jos. Wright and others, of the County of Wentworth.

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of the Natural History Society of Montreal; of the Corporation of the City of Montreal; and of James L. Mathewson and others, of the said City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Skead; of John Supple and others, Provisional Directors of the Canada Central Railway Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Ryan; of the Lady Managers of the University Lying-in Hospital of Montreal.

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

Of the Canadian Engine and Machinery Company; praying for a new Act of Incorporation, under the Joint Stock Companies Clauses Consolidation Act. Of the St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company; praying for an Act to change the name of the said Company to "The St. Lawrence Dock Company," and for other purposes.

Of A. Guinette and others, of the Parish of Ange Gardien; and of F. X. Beaudette and others, of Victoriaville; severally praying against the proposed Federal Union of the British North American Provinces.

Of F. Larue and others, of the City of Three Rivers; praying for aid in favor of the Sceurs de la Providence des Trois-Rivières.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of *Hamilton*; praying for the passing of the Bill to amalgamate the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* and Grand Trunk Railway Companies, and for other purposes.

And of *Morris C. Luty* and others, of the Town of *Galt* and vicinity; praying to be incorporated as "The *Doon* and *Galt* Railway Company."

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act further to amend the Law respecting Mutual Insurance "Companies in Upper Canada," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Ross presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to relieve "the Rossin House Hotel Joint Stock Company [Limited] from payment of Taxes."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize the "Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto* to sell certain Glebe Lots of Land in *Darling* "ton, and for other purposes," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to establish the validity of Acts performed in *Canada* by certain Clergymen ordained "in Foreign Parts, and for other purposes,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to provide for the Punishment of Persons repeatedly convicted of Minor Offences," On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

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The Honorable Sir *E. P. Taché* informed the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

The same was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows :

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The Governor General informs the Honorable the Legislative Council that he has granted leave to the Honorable James Morris to be absent from his place in the House during the present Session.

Quebec, 17th February, 1865.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Dorion (Drummond, and Arthabaska) and others, in the following words:

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Friday, 17th February, 1865.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, requesting that their Honors will give leave to the Honorable J. Bte. Guévremont, one of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee of this House, appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election. and Return for the County of St. Hyacinthe.

Ordered, That Mr. Dorion [Drummond and Arthabaska] do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

WM. B. LINDSAY. Clerk, L. A.

And then they withdrew.

The Messengers were again called in and informed that the Legislative Council will send an answer by a Messenger of their own.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Resolved, That the Honorable Mr. *Guévremont* do have leave to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, as required in their Message of this day, if he thinks fit.

Ordered, That the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Legislative Assembly by one of the Masters in Chancery.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, to Resolve—That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on the Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the 10th of October, 1864.

And after farther Debate,

The Honorable Mr. Currie moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Sanborn,

To Resolve :-- That upon a matter of such great importance as the proposed Confederation of this and certain other British Colonies, this House is unwilling to assume the responsibility of assenting to a measure involving so many important considerations, without a further manifestation of the public will than has yet been declared.

At six o'clock, P. M., the Honorable the Speaker left the Chair, and resumed the same at half-past seven.

After continued Debate,

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just,

That the Debate be adjourned.

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the negative.

And the House resumed the Debate on the said motion in amendment. After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair,

That this House do now adjourn.

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Leslie,	Malhiot,
Archamboult,	Currie,	Letellier de St. Just,	Olivier,
Armstrong,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Mc Crea,	Proulx,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	McDonald,	Seymour,
Blake,	Flint,	McMaster,	Simpson22.
Bossé,	·Leonard,		-

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	Christie,		amilton (Inh				
Armand,	Crawford,	H	lamilton (Ki	ngston),	Ross,		:
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	DeBeaujeu,		acoste,	• ,.	Shaw,		
Bennett,	Dickson,	. M	rcpherson,		Skead, ···	• ,	5 1
Boulton,	Dumowchel,	∩M	atheson,	~ 1	Taché, Sir E.	P.,	5
Bull,	Foster,	. <i>M</i>	ills,	,	Vidal.		14 G
Burnham,	Gingras,	$\cdot \cdot \cdot P$	anet,	1.1.1	Wilson.—31.	. •	5-1.35
Campbell,	Guévremont,	$\cdot P$	rice,	•	,		. 15

So it passed in the negative.

After which, the Debate proceeded on the Honorable Mr. Currie's motion in amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Armstrong moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie, That the Debate be adjourned.

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:

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CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambault,	Duchesnay, E	. H.J., McDonald,	- Read,
Armstrong,	Flint,	Malhiot,	Recsor,
Blake,	Leonard,	Olivier,	Seymour,
Chaffers,	Leslie,	Perry,	Simpson,
Currie,	Mc Crea,	Proulx.	Vidal21.
Duchesnay. A. J.			

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Non-Contents.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	Christie,	Guévremont,	Panet,
Armand,	Crawford,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	De Beaujeu,	Hamilton (Kingston)	
Bennett,	Dickson,	Lacoste,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Dumouchel,	Macpherson,	Skead,
Bull,	Foster,	Mathcson,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Burnham,	Gingras,	Mills,	Wilson.—29.
Campbell,			

So it passed in the negative.

And the Debate on the said motion in amendment was again continued. The question of concurrence being put thereon, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Dickson,	Malhiot,	Reesor,
Archambault,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Olivier,	Seymour,
Armstrong,	Duchesnay, E. H. J	., Perry,	Simpson,
Chaffers,	Flint,	Proulx,	Vidal19.
Currie,	Leonard,	Read,	

Non-Contents.

The Hoporable Messieurs

Alexander,	Campbell,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	,Mills,	
Armand,	Christie,	Hamilton (Kingston),		-
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Crawford,		Ross,	
Bennett,	De Beaujeu,	Mc Crea,	Shaw,	
Blake,	Dumouchel,	McDonald,	Skead,	•
Boulton,	Foster,	McMaster,	Taché, Sir E. P.,	
Bull,	Gingras,	Macpherson,	Wilson.—31.	-
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Matheson,		

So it passed in the negative.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Aikins, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell,

The House adjourned until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

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Monday, 20th February, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Ailcins,	Campbell,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Perry,
Alexander,	Chaffers,	Lacoste,	Price,
Allan,	Christie,	Leonard,	Proulx, .
Archambault,	Crawford,	Leslie,	Read,
Armand,	Currie,	Mc Crea,	Reesor.
Armstrong,	De Beaujeu,	McDonald,	Ross,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Dickson,	Mc Master,	Ryan,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J,	Macpherson,	Seymour,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Malhiot,	Shaw,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Matheson,	Simpson,-
Bossé,	Flint,	Mills,	Skead,
Boulton,	Foster,	Moore,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bull,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Vidal,
Bureau,	Guévremont,	Panet,	Wilson.
Burnham,	Hamilton (Ínkerman)	,	~

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Skead; of R. W. Scott and others, of the City of Ottawa; and two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of Carleton.

By the Honorable Mr. Ryan; of the Montreal Corn Exchange Association.

By the Honorable Mr. McMaster; of the Corporation of the Village of Bradford, in the County of Simcoe.

By the Honorable Mr. Aikins; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.

By the Honorable Mr. Leonard; of the London Permanent Building and Savings Society, and the Huron and Hrie Savings and Loan Society.

By the Honorable Mr. Reesor; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of York and Peel.

By the Honorable Mr. Moore; of Joseph C. Bowman and others, of St. Valentine; of the Reverend W. R. Parker and others, of the Parish of Lacolle; and of Charles Cooper and others, of Chambly.

By the Honorable Mr. Allan; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.

By the Honorable Mr. Ryan; of James and John Miller, of the City of Montreal.

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

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Nottawasaga, in the County of Simcoe; praying for the amendment of the Assessment Laws of Upper Canada.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of Oro and Innisfil, in the County of Simcoe; severally praying for the incorporation of "The Simcoe County Bank."

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of York and Peel; of Sumuel Gunn and others, of the City of Toronto; and of the Corporation of the City of Hamilton; severally praying against the passing of the Act to amalgamate the Buffalo and Lake Huron, and Grand Trunk Railway Companies.

Of David Dunkerley and others, of Dunham, in the County of Drummond; praying for the redress of certain gricvances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of the Canadian Board of Management of "The English and Canadian Mining Company," [limited]; and of the Honorable *Charles Alleyn* and others, Shareholders of the said Company; severally praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the said Company in *Canada*.

Of the Moore Agricultural Society of the County of Lambton; praying for the amendment of the Agricultural Act of Upper Canada.

Of the Municipal Council of the Second Division of the County of *Charlevoix*; praying for aid for the repair of a certain road in the said County.

Of the Reverend J. Maurault and others, of the Parish of St. Thomas de Pierreville, County of Yamaska; praying for an Act to change the tenure of the lands held by the Abenakis Indians at St. François de Salles and for other purposes.

Of Richard Atkinson Clarke, of the Town of St. Catharines, in the County of Lincoln; praying for the payment of certain arrears of salary due to his late father, the Reverend James Clarke.

Of Henry Meyer and others, of the City of Montreal; praying to be incorporated as "The German Society of the City of Montreal."

And of *Patrick McGuire* and others, of *Cobourg*; praying that the Roman Catholic minority in *Upper Canada* may, in the event of a Federal Union of the British North American Provinces, be placed on the same footing in regard to Education: I subjects as the Protestant minority in *Lower Canada*.

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the sixth instant, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a Statement shewing the amount contributed to the Common School Fund created by the Act 12 Victoria, Chapter 200, from the sales of land in Upper and Lower Canada respectively.

"Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :---

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Ninth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :--

PEIVATE BILL OFFICE,

20th February, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Ninth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of The Canadian Engine and Machinery Company, praying for a new Act of Incorporation under the Joint Stock Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, and find the Notice sufficient.

Your Committee have also examined the following Petitions of the St. Lawrence Dock and Wharfage Company, praying for power to issue preferential shares and for other purposes; of *F. H. Medcalf* and others, of the *Georgian* Bay Canal Company, praying for certain amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the said Company; and of *Morris C. Luty* and others, of the Town of *Galt*, praying for power to construct a Railroad from *Doon* to *Galt*, and thence to some point on the line of the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company, as shall be found most expedient, and find the Notice given too general, which Notice covers amendments of a general nature only; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule in each case.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill initialed: "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the Inspection of Raw Hides and "Leather," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On. motion of the Honorable Mr. Price, seconded by the Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Wilson be added to the Committee on Banking and Commerce for the present Session.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Wilson be added to the Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session.

The Honorable Mr. *Proulx* presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act re-"specting Local Municipalities in *Lower Canada* situate partly in the Seigniories and "partly in the Townships."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act further to amend the "Law respecting Mutual Insurance Companies in Upper Canada," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

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The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to separate the Township of *Amherst* Island from the County of *Lennox* and *Ad*-"*dington*, and to annex the same to the County of *Frontenac*,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to make better provision for the Official Inspection of Fish and Fish Oils,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend Chapter Sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and to provide "for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries,"

"for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries," On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Education Society of the District of Quebec,"

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dickson, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to remove doubts as to "the limits of certain Counties in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bossé, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to relieve the Rossin "House Hotel Joint Stock Company (limited) from payment of Taxes," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, to Resolve—That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on the Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the 10th of October, 1864.

The Honorable Mr. Aikins moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau,

That the Legislative Councillors representing Upper and Lower Canada in the Legislative Council of the General Legislature, shall be elected as at present, to represent the forty-eight Electoral Divisions mentioned in Schedule A of Chapter first of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, and each such Councillor shall reside or possess the qualification in the Division he is elected to represent.

After a short Debate,

A Question of Order was raised as to whether the motion in amendment of the Honorable Mr. Sanborn, already decided by this House, is or is not substantially the same as the motion in amendment now under discussion.

The Honorable the Speaker decided in the affirmative, and therefore ruled the said motion in amendment out of order.

And the Debate on the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché proceeded.

When the Honorable Mr. Reesor moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau,

That the following words be added to the main motion :

" Provided, always, that His Excellency the Governor General be prayed to withhold " the transmission of the said Address until the said Resolutions shall have been approved " of by the electors of this Province, qualified to vote under the Act 22 Vict., Cap. 6, to " be signified by a direct vote on the said Resolution, to be taken in the various Munici-" palities throughout Upper and Lower Canada."

On a Question of Order being raised as to whether the said motion can be entertained, because in substance it has been disposed of with reference to the decision upon the Honorable Mr. Currie's motion of amendment,

After a short Debate,

The Honorable the Speaker ruled the said motion to be in Order.

Whereupon the Debate on the said motion in amendment proceeded.

And the question of concurrence being put on the said motion in amendment, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :---

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Leslie,	Reesor,
Archambault,	Currie,	Malhiot,	Seymour,
Armstrong,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Moore,	Simpson,
Bennett,	Flint,	Olivier,	Vidal.—19.
Bureau,	Leonard,	Proulx,	

- Non-Contents.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	Christie,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	,Panet,
Allan,	Crawford,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Price,
Armand,	De Beaujeu,	Lacoste,	Read,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Dickson,	Mc Crea,	Ross,
Blake,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Boulton,	Dumouchel,	Mc Master,	Shaw,
Bossé,	Foster,	Macpherson,	Skead,
Bull,	Gingras,	Matheson,	Tuché, Sir E. P.,
Campbell,	Guévremont,	Mills,	Wilson.—36.

So it passed in the negative.

Then the Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Malhiot,

That further Debate on the main motion be postponed until to-morrow.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the negative.

At six o'clock P.M., the Honorable the Speaker left the Chair, and resumed the same at half-past seven.

The Honorable Messieurs Leteliier de St. Just, Ferrier and Renaud enter.

After a long Debate,

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The question being put on the motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	Christie,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	,Panet,
Allan,	Crawford,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Price,
Armand,	De Beaujeu,	Lacoste,	Read,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Dickson,	Leonard,	Renaud,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Leslie,	Ross,
Blair Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	McCrea,	Ryan,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	McDonald,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Ferrier,	McMaster,	Skead,
Bossé,	Foster,	Macpherson,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bull,	Gingras,	Matheson,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Mills,	Wilson45.
Campbell,			

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Malhiot,	Reesor,
Archambault,	Currie,	Moore,	Seymour,
Armstrony,	Flint,	Olivier,	Simpson,-15.
Bureau,	Letellier de St. Just,	Proulx,	•

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair.

That a Select Committee be appointed to draft an Address founded on the said Resolution, and that the said Committee be composed of the Honorable Messieurs Campbell, Fergusson Blair, Ross, Christie, Sir N. F. Belleau, E. H. J. Duchesnay, and the Mover.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, from the said Committee, reported an Address prepared by them as follows :

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Sovereign :

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly approach Your Majesty for the purpose of praying that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, in one Government, with provisions based on the following Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the tenth of October, 1864, that is to say:—

(Here were inserted, verbatim, the Resolutions which appear on the Journal, pages 39 and seq.)

All which We, the Legislative Council of *Canada*, humbly pray Your Majesty to take into Your gracious and favorable consideration. Which said Address being read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Elair,

That the said Address be agreed to.

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

Ordered, That the said Address be signed by the Honorable the Speaker of this House. On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, in the following words:

To His Excellency 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 the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects. the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to approach Your Excellency with our respectful request that you will be pleased to transmit our Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the union of Her Majesty's Provinces of *British North America*, in such a way as to Your Excellency may seem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Honorable the Speaker do sign the last mentioned Address.

The Honorable Sir *E. P. Taché* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cumpbell*, That the said Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Governor General by the whole House.

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General, to know what time His Excellency will please to appoint to be attended with the said Addresses.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton [Kingston], seconded by the Hon orable Mr. Ross,

The House adjourned.

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Tuesday, 21st February, 1865.

The Members convened wcre :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Mamilton (Kingston),	Price,
Alexander,	Christie,	Lacoste,	Proulx,
Allan,	Cormier,	Leonard,	I'rud'homme,
Archambault,	Crawford,	Leslie,	Read,
Armand,	Currie,	Mc Crea,	Reesor,
Armstrong,	De Beaujeu,	McDonald,	Renaud,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	Dickson,	McMaster,	Ross,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Macpherson,	Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.		Seymour,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Bossé,	Ferricr,	Mills,	Simpson,
Boulton,	Flint,	Moore,	Skead,
Bull,	Foster,	Olivier,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Gingras,	Panet,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Perry,	Wilson.
Campbell,	Hamilton (İnkerman)		

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Ferricr; of B. Chamberlain and others, members of McGill University Society, and other graduates of that University; of the Reverend Henry A. Howe and others; and of Josiah Bruce and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Shaw; of John Doran and others, of the Town of Perth.

By the Honorable Mr. Macpherson; of Edward Webster and others, of the Townships of Nottawasaga and Sunnidale; and of A. Stinson and others, of Hamilton.

By the Honorable Mr. McDonald; of John J. E. Linton of the Town of Stratford, in the County of Perth.

By the Honorable Mr. Leonard; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Bayham.

By the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair; of Jacob M. Clemens and others; and of Jacob Y. Shantz and others.

By the Honorable Mr. Alexander; of Jacob Topping, Warden of the County of Oxford.

By the Honorable Mr. Simpson; two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of Ontario.

By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; of P. Garneau President, and others, of the Quebec Street Railway Company.

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

Two Petitions of the Board of Trade of the City of Quebec; praying that the Articles No. 44 of the Title of Obligation, and No. 1 of the Title of Sale, of the Civil Code of Canoda, may not become Law,—and also praying for certain amendments to the Bill to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the Water Works of the City of Quebec.

Of the Reversed W. M. Seaborn and others, of Kildare, Joliette, and St. Alphonse, in the County of Joliette; and of James Read and others, of Ramsay; severally praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of John McGuiness and others, of the Township of Amherst Island; praying against the passing of an Act to separate the said Township from the County of Lennox and Addington and annex the same to the County of Frontenac.

Of Joseph Wright and others, of the County of Wentworth; praying for certain amendments to the Fishery Laws.

Of the Natural History Society of the City of Montreal; praying for the continuance of their annual grant.

Of the Corporation of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act explaining and extending certain enactments of the Acts incorporating the said City, and for other purposes.

Of James L. Mathewson and others, of the City of Montreal; praying to be incorporated as "The Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of Montreal."

Of John Supple and others, Provisional Directors of the Canada Central Railway Company; praying for an Act defining their powers and extending the time for the commencement of the said Railway.

And of the Lady Managers of the University Lying-in-Hospital of *Montreal*; praying for the continuance of their annual grant.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House,—Returns of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Counties of *Soulanges* and *Chateauguay*, for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and they are as follow:

[Vide Sessional Papers.]

The Honorable Mr. *Flint*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to encourage the planting of Timber, Fruit, Shade and Ornamental "Trees upon the Public Highways in this Frovince, and to give a right of property in "such trees to the owners of the soil adjacent to such highways," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Flint, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leonard, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House on Friday next, and that in the meantime the Bill, as proposed to be amended, be printed for the use of Members. The Honorable Mr. Bull, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill iutituled: "An Act to provide for obtaining Statistical Returns from Insurance Com-"panies," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House tomorrow, and that in the meantime the said Bill, as proposed to be amended, be printed for the use of Members.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act for the protection of Settlers in Lower Canada in certain ccsps,"

The Honorable Mr. Olivier moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Archambault, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After a long Debate,

The IIonorable Mr. Boulton moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. deBeaujeu,

To leave out the word "now," and after "time" to insert "this day three months."

Which being also debated,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, the House divided ; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	Crawford,	Mc Crca,	Price,
Allan,	DeBeaujeu,	McDonald,	Read,
Belleau, Sir N. F.	Dickson,	McMaster,	Ross,
Bennett,	Ferrier,	Macpherson,	Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Flint,	Matheson,	Seymour
Boulton,	Foster,	Mills,	Shaw,
Bull,	Hamilton (Inker	man), Moore,	Skead,
Burnham,	Ilamilton (Kings	ton), Panet,	Wilson34.
Campbell,	Leslie,	··· · ·	

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Christic,	Gingras,	Perry,
Archambault,	Cormier,	Guévremont,	Proulx,
Armand,	Currie,	Lacoste,	Prud'homme,
Blake.	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Leonard,	Reesor?
Bureau,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Malhiot,	Simpson,
Chaffers,	Dumouchel,	Olivier,	Taché, Sir E. P24.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché reported that he and the Honorable Mr. Campbell had, according to Order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General, to know what

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time His Excellency would please to appoint to be attended with the Address of this House to Her Majesty, on the subject of the Union of the British North American Provinces, and the Address to His Excellency requesting him to transmit the same; and that His Excellency had appointed Thursday next, at half-past three of the clock in the afternoon, at the Government House in this city.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Christic, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Currie, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the application to incorporate the *Doon* and *Galt* Railway Company.

Then, the Honorable Mr. Christie presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act "to incorporate the *Doon* and *Galt* Railway Company."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. Armand presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to "amend Chapter Fifty-one of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respecting the "improvement of Water-Courses."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to establish the "validity of acts performed in *Canada* by certain Clergymen ordained in Foreign Parts, "and for other purposes," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Ross, Sir N. F. Belleau, Currie, Panet, McCrea and Campbell, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to provide for the punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of minor offences,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Macpherson, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow, and that it do then stand as the first item upon the Orders that Day.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill initialed: "An Act to amend the Act to regulate "the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armand, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Crawford, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross,

The House adjourned.

Wednesday, 22nd February, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULBIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Christie,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Price,
Alexander,	Cormier,	Lacoste,	Proulx,
Archambault,	Crawford,	Leonard,	Prud'homme,
Armand,	Currie,	Leslie,	Read,
Armstrong,	De Beaujeu,	McCrea,	Reesor,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Dickson,	McDonald,	Ross,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McMaster,	Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Macpherson,	Seymour,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Malhiot,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Simpson,
Bull,	Flint,	Mills,	Skead,
Bureau,	Foster,	Moore,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Burnham,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Vidal,
Campbell,	Guévremont,	Panet,	Wilson.
Chaffers,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Perry,	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier ; of W. Easton and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Shaw; of the Corporation of the Town of Prescott.

By the Honorable Mr. Moore; of John Simpson and others, of Lachute, in the County of Argenteuil; and of Edward Cole and others, of Papineauville, in the County of Ottawa.

By the Honorable Mr. McMaster; of the Municipal Council of the Township of West Gwillimbury, in the County of Simcoe.

By the Honorable Mr. McCrea; of D. D. Williston and others, of the Town of *Dresden*, in the County of Kent.

By the Honorable Mr. Cormier; of Joseph Connelly and others, of Wotton.

By the Honorable Mr. Flint; of the Agricultural Association of the County of Addington; and of John D. Ham and others, of the United Counties of Lennox and Addington.

By the Honorable Mr. Christie; of Thomas Dick, of the City of Toronto.

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

Of R. W. Scott and others, of the City of Ottawa; praying for the passing of the Act to confirm certain agreements entered into by the Ottawa and Prescott Railway Company with their creditors.

Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carleton*; praying for certain amendments to the Jury Laws,—and also praying for a grant in favor of certain Farmers of the Township of *Marlboro'*, in the said County, to assist in re-building their houses, &c., destroyed by fire in the year 1864.

Of the Montreal Corn Exchange Association; praying against the passing of the Act to incorporate "The Montreal Warehousing Company."

Of the Corporation of the Village of *Bradford*; praying for the incorporation of "The Simcoe County Bank."

Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of York and Peel; praying that measures be taken for the advancement of Agriculture in the Province, in manner set forth in their Petition,—also praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Laws of Upper Canada,—and also praying for the increase of the annual grant made in favor of the Toronto General Hospital.

Of the London Permanent Building and Savings Society, and the Huron and Erie Savings and Loan Society; praying to be amalgamated.

Of Joseph C. Bowman and others, of St. Valentine; of the Reverend W. R. Parker and others, of the Parish of Lacolle; and of Charles Cooper and others, of Chambly; severally praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

And of James and John Miller, of the City of Montreal; praying for an Act to incorporate them as "The Canada Bark Company."

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Tenth Report.

Oudered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,

22nd February, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Tenth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Honorable Charles Alleyn and others, shareholders of "The English and Canadian Mining Company (limited)," praying that the Company may be incorporated in *Canada*, and find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

The Petitions of James L. Mathewson and others, of the City of Monereal, praying to be incorporated as "The Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of Montreal;" and of Henry Meyer and others, of the City of Montreal, praying to be incorporated as "The German Society of the City of Montreal," are not of a nature to require the publication of Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Simpson, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the sub ject of the Legislative Printing, presented their Fourth and Fifth Reports.

Ordered, That they be received, and

The same were then read by the Clerk, as follow :---

COMMITTEE ROOM,

22nd February, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Legislative Printing, beg leave to make the following as their Fourth Report :---

The Committee have carefully examined the Documents referred to in the following Motions, viz:

By Mr. Bell:—Return to Address, for copies of all Reports made by C. L. de Bellefeuille, Inspector of Gold Mines, and of T. R. Gilman, also Inspector of Gold Mines.—The Committee recommend that the Reports alone be printed.

By Mr. Dunkin :- Return to Address, in reference to the status of Aliens in this Province.

By the Hon. Mr. Letellier de St. Just :--Return to Address, in regard to the Acts for the surrender of Fugitive Offenders, and extradition of Felous.

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By the Hon. Mr. Christie: — Return to Address, — Correspondence between the Government of Canada and the United States, &c., and of all Despatches from the Home Government and Orders in Council on the subject of the Reciprocity Treaty.— The Committee recommend that the above three Returns be printed for the use of Members.

By Mr. Street: -- Miscellaneous Statistics of Canada, for the year 1864. -- The Committee recommend that this Document be not printed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON, Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

22nd February, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, beg leave to submit, as their Fifth Report, the Report of their Sub-Committee on the Printing Accounts, together with the Report of the Clerk of the Committee on the Printing Services of the past year, the general satisfactory nature of which they respectfully recommend to the consideration of both Houses.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON, Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

21st February, 1865.

The Sub-Committee appointed to examine the Printing Accounts of both Houses, and to whom also was referred the Clerk's Report on the transactions of the past year, beg leave to submit the following as the result of their investigations :---

They have compared the "Printing Account Balance Sheet for 1864" with the Accounts as fyled in the Accountant's Office, and find it correct. They have also examined the Printing Accounts in detail, with the Vouchers verifying the same, and have certified them to be correct.

The Sub-Committee beg to express their satisfaction with the manner and system in which the several accounts are kept. Those accounts show the total cost of the Printing, Binding and Printing Paper for the year 1864, to have been—

For the Honorable the Legislative Council For the Legislative Assembly	
Being a total for the Legislature of Deducting the cost of replacing the burnt sheets	\$32,101 32 5, 3 36 03
Leaves the cost of the Printing proper for 1864, at	\$26,765 29

With regard to that portion of the Clerk's Report, which states that the Binding has been performed in an unsatisfactory manner, the Sub-Committee beg to report that they have examined the work, and find it as stated. The Contractor also appeared before them, admitted that the work was improperly done, and was willing to accept a reduction of ten per cent. on the amount of his contract work, which is recommended tor acceptance.

The Contract work amounted to Deduction of ten per cent		
Leaving		
Cash paid on account	555	87

Remaining as a charge on Printing and Binding for 1865............\$309 79 which the Sub-Committee recommend to be paid.

The Sub-Committee would also beg to draw attention to the saving effected in replacing the sheets destroyed by fire in the Bindery. They were composed principally of Departmental Reports. It tends to show that much economy might be exercised in the Printing of these Reports, especially in tabular matter, and it is again strongly recommended as a standing rule of the Joint Committee, that in all cases where practicable, one edition of tabular matter, with headings in English and French, should suffice for both languages, thus ensuring correctness, economy and despatch.

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All which is respectfully submitted.

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J. B. E. DORION, A. MACKENZIE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, 2nd February, 1865.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee on Printing.

GENTLEMEN,-In conformity with the order of the Committee, I now present the Accounts for Printing, Binding and Printing Paper for the year 1864.

Accompanying the former will be found, as vouchers, a complete fyle of the Documents printed, with the cost of each in detail, exactly stated on the endorse.

The vouchers are numbered, those of the Honorable the Legislative Council, from 1 to 445, and those of the Legislative Assembly, from 1 to 1476 inclusively, in all 1921 vouchers.

The contracts for the Printing and the Printing Paper have, I think, been fairly performed, but that for the Binding has been carried out so unsatisfactorily, that I have felt it my duty to withhold payment of a certain sum, subject to the decision of the Committee.

The annexed Balance Sheet shews that the Parliamentary Printing for the past year, including the replacing of the printed matter destroyed by fire in the Bindery on the 20th May last, has cost \$32,101.32. By deducting from this amount the cost of replacing the burnt sheets, viz., \$5,336.03, the cost of the Printing proper of the Legislature for 1864 is reduced to \$26,765.29.

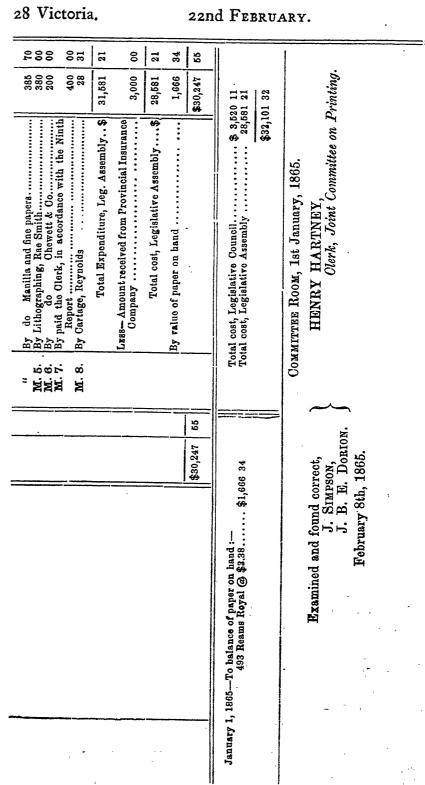
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I have also to report, that the several parties whose tenders for the Printing, Printing Paper and Binding were accepted last Session, have furnished the required sureties, and that contracts have been duly entered into with them.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HENBY HARTNEY, Clerk, Joint Committee on Printing

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On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Seymour, it was

Ordered, That the said Reports be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Simpson, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, presented their Sixth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :-

COMMITTEE ROOM,

22nd February, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, beg leave to submit, as their Sixth Report, the Second Report of their Sub-Committee appointed to make arrangements for the publishing the Debates on the Resolutions for the Confeder-ation of the British North American Provinces, and which they respectfully recommend for the adoption of both Houses. J. SIMPSON, Chairman.

All which is respectfully submitted.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

21st February, 1865.

The Sub-Committee appointed to make arrangements for the printing the Debates on Confederation, beg leave to make the following as their Second Report :

That the Third Report of the Joint Committee on Printing having recommended that each Mcmber be furnished with 25 copies in each language of the Debates on Confederation, but several of the Members having experienced difficulty in exchanging their copies for others in the language which they preferred, each Member was waited on with a request that he would state what number of copies in each language he would require, conditionally that the said number should not exceed 50 in all. To meet the views of the Members, it is thus found that there will be required 6,000 copies in the English language and 3,272 in the French language.

It is also recommended, for the preservation of these Debates, that they be considered as Sessional Papers, and be bound and distributed as such.

For the above purposes, as well as supplying the Newspapers, Library, Public Departments and Offices, an edition of 7,500 copies in English and 4,000 copies in French, will be required, which numbers are recommended to be printed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON, J. B. E. DORION, A. MACKENZIE, E. DUCHESNAY.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McCrea, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Lacoste, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to the Petition of the Honorable Charles Alleyn and others, Shareholders of "The "English and Canadian Mining Company [limited]," praying that the said Company may be incorporated in *Canada*, as recommended in the Tenth Report of the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of the Law Clerk of this House be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session.

The Honorable Mr. Guévremont presented to the House a Bill initialed: "An Act "to amend the Act respecting the Ordinary Procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts "for Lower Canada."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to provide for the " punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of minor offences," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Bull, Sir N. F. Belleau, Foster, Panet, Ross, McCrea, and Fergusson Blair, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to "incorporate the Education Society of the District of *Quebec*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Lacoste, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill initialed : "An Act to provide for obtaining Statistical "Returns from Insurance Companies,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross, it was Ordered, That the same be postponed until Friday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the "Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan, it was Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross,

The House adjourned.

Thursday, 23rd February, 1865.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Christie, ·	Hamilton (Kingston),	Perry,
Alexander,	Cormier,	Lacoste,	Price,
Archambault,	Crawford,	Leonard.	Proulx,
Armand,	Currie,	Leslie,	Prud'homme,
Armstrong,	De Beaujeu,	Mc Crea,	Read,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Dickson,	McDonald,	Reesor,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McMaster,	Ross,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,		Ryan,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Malhiot.	Seymour,
Boulton,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Bull,	Flint,	Mills,	Simpson,
Bureau,	Foster,	Moore,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Burnham,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Vidal,
Campbell,	Cuévremont,	Panet,	Wilson.
Chaffers,	Hamilton (Ínkerman)		

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of Charles Gillock and others, of Montreal; and of the Very Reverend John Bethune, Dean of Montreal, and others.

By the Honorable Mr. Lacoste; of John McCutcheon, of Chambly.

By the Honorable Mr. Bureau; of Louis Roussy and others, of La Grande Ligne, in the County of St. Jean.

By the Honorable Mr. Price; of Edouard Tremblay and others, of St. Etienne de la Malbaie; and of L. C. Clément and others, of the Parish of Eboulemens, in the County of Charlevoix.

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

Of B. Chamberlain and others, Members of the McGill University Society; and of the Reverend Henry A. Howe and others, of the City of Montreal; severally praying that a Permanent Endowment may be granted to the McGill College and University, Montreal, and for other purposes.

Of Josiah Bruce and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of John Doran and others, of the Town of *Perth*; praying that the Roman Catholic minority in *Upper Canada* may, in the event of a Federal Union of the British North American Provinces, be placed on the same footing in regard to Educational subjects, as the Protestant minority in *Lower Canada*.

Of Edward Webster and others, of the Townships of Nottawasaga and Sunnidale; praying for the construction of a line of Railway from some point on the Northern Railway to the Village of Durham.

Of A. Stinson and others, of Hamilton; praying for the passing of the Bill to amalgamate the Buffalo and Lake Huron and Grand Trunk Railway Companies, and for other purposes.

Of John J. E. Linton, of the Town of Stratford, in the County of Perth; praying that all moneys arising out of the sale of Licenses to sell Intoxicating Liquors be paid in to Government for general purposes, instead of to the Municipalities issuing the same, as at present.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Bayham*; praying against the passing of the Bill to legalize By-law No. 116 of the said Township.

Of Jacob M. Clemens and others, of the Village of Berlin; and of Jacob Y. Shantz and others, of the Township of Waterloo; severally praying for the passing of an Act to alter the corporate limits of the Village of Berlin aforesaid.

Of Jacob Topping, Warden of the County of Ontario; praying for the passing of measures to make general provision for the poor and destitute, and to make the said measures compulsory on the various Counties.

Two Petitions of the Muncipal Council of the County of Ontario; praying that in the event of a grant being given for the survey of a route for the proposed Ship Canal from Lake Ontario to Lake Erie, the said survey be made through the County of Ontario, and also praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the sale of non-resident lands for Taxes And of *P. Garneau*, President, and others, of the *Quebec* Street Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the Trustees of the North Shore Tarnpike Roads to allow the said Railway Company to lay down certain tracks, and for other purposes.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Clarenceville* Academy," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Society called *La Société St. Ignace de Montréal,*" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bureau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Orphan's Home, of the City of Ottawa," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Shaw, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Alexander, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act respecting Local "Municipalities in *Lower Canada*, situated partly in the Seigniories and partly in the "Townships," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Proulx, Sir N.F. Belleau, and Bureau, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable the Speaker reported that the House did, this day, wait on His Excellency the Governor General with their Address to Her Majesty the Queen, on the subject of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island in one Government, with provisions based on the Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the suid Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the 10th of October, 1864 ;--and also, the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting him to transmit the same to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, in order that the said Address to Her Majesty may be laid at the foot of the Throne, and that His Excellency was pleased to return the following gracious Reply:--

Mr. Speaker and Honorable Gentlemen:

I shall have much satisfaction in transmitting your Address to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, in order that it may be, by him, laid before Her Majesty the Queen.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to incorporate the *Doon* and *Galt* Railway Company,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Christie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

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The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An 'Act to amend Chapter Fifty-one of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respecting "the improvement of Water-Courses,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Armand, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Guévremont, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Scleet Committee to the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the "Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armand, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Leslie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Moore, The House adjourned.

Friday, 24th February, 1865.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	, Olivier,
Alexander,	Christie,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Panet,
Archambault,	Cormier,	Lacoste,	Perry,
Armand,	Crawford,	Leonard,	Price,
Armstrong,	Currie,		-Proulx,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	De Beaujeu,	Letcllier de St. Just,	Prud'homme,
Bennett,	Dickson,	Mc Crea,	Read,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, A. J,	McDonald,	Reesor,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	McMaster,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Macpherson,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Flint,	Malhiot,	Simpson,
Bull,	Foster,	Matheson,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Gingras,	Mills,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Moore,	Wilson.
Campbell,	·		

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Seymour; of the Corporation of the Town of Port Hope; and of Elizabeth Macdonell, of the City of Ottawa.

By the Honorable Mr. Leonard; of the Corporation of the City of London; and of Daniel Row and others, of the Township of Bayham.

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of the Directors of the High School, being also the Royal Grammar School, of Quebec; and of the Governors of Morrin College, Quebec. By the Honorable Mr. McDonald; of the Municipal Council of the County of Perth.

By the Honorable Mr. Blake; of Michael McDonald and others, Catholics of Upper Canada.

By the Honorable Mr. Guévremont; of the Reverend J. Lauzon and others, of the Townships of Wexford, Abercrombie, and Kilkenny.

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

Of W. Easton and others, of the City of Montreal; of John Simpson and others, of Lachute, in the County of Argenteuil; and of Edward Cole and others, of Papineauville, in the County of Ottawa; severally praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of the Corporation of the Town of *Prescott*; praying against the passing of the Bill for the relief of the Ottawa and Prescott Railway Company.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of West Gwillimbury, in the County of Simcoe; praying for the Incorporation of the Simcoe County Bank.

- Of D. D. Williston and others, of the Town of Dresden, in the County of Kent; praying for the passing of measures to provide a more ample Currency as speedily as possible.

Of Joseph Connolly and others, of Watton; praying against the proposed Federal Union of the British North American Provinces.

Of the Agricultural Association of the County of Addington; and of John D. Ham and others, of the United Counties of Lennox and Addington; severally praying for the passing of an Act to authorize County Councils to borrow money to purchase seed grain to be sold to farmers.

And of *Thomas Dick*, of the City of *Toronto*; praying against the passing of the Act to exempt the *Rossin* House Hotel Company from taxation for a period of five years.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Bluir, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Eleventh Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,

24th February, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Eleventh Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of Jacob Y. Shantz and others, of the Township of Waterloo, praying for the passing of an Act to alter the limits of the Village of Berlin, in the said County of Waterloo, and find the Notice sufficient.

Your Committee have also examined the Petitions of John Supple and others, Provisional Directors of the Canada Central Railway Company, praying for an Act defining their powers and extending the time for the commencement of the said Railway; and of The London Permanent Building and Savings Society, and the Huron and Erie Savings and Loan Society, praying to be amalgomated, and find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule in each case.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Proulx, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Local Municipalities in Lower Canada situeted partly in "the Seigniories and partly in the Townships," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendment was then read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Proulx, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the said amendment be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next, and that in the meantime the said Bill, as proposed to be amended, be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. Bull, form the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to provide for the punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of minor "offences," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next, and that in the meantime the said Bill, as proposed to be amended, be printed for the use of Members.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Christie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of Thomas Dick, of the City of Toronto, be referred to the Committe on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Camp*bell*, it was

Ordered, That the period for receiving Petitions for Private 72:11's be extended to Friday, the tenth day of March, 1865.

The Honorable Mr. Campbell presented to the House a Bill entitaled : "An Act to " legalize certain By-laws of the United Counties of Frontenac and Leanux and Addington."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Tuesday noxt.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : " An Act to incorporate the Society called '? Union St. Michel des Saints de " Montréal," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bureau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. deBeaujeu, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to empower the Executors and Executrix of Thomas Tindal to sell his " Real Estate to pay his Debts," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Seymour, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McCrea, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Society called L'Union St. Joseph de St. " Joseph de Lévis," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bossé, seconded by the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Upper Canada* Free Baptist Missionary Society," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. McCrea, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society called '*l'Union St. Joseph de la Ville de* "Lévis," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. deBeaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled: "An Act to encourage the planting of "Timber, Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees upon the public highways in this Province, "and to give a right of property in such trees to the owners of the soil adjacent to such "highways,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Flint, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leonard, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to amend the Act respecting the Ordinary Procedure in the Superior and Circuit "Courts for Lower Canada,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Guévremont, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armand, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled : "An Act to provide for obtaining Statis-"tical Returns from Insurance Companies,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Macpherson, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend "the Act to regulate the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather."

After Debate,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Price, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be printed, as amended, and be taken into consideration by the House on Wednesday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton [Kingston], seconded by the Honorable Mr. McDonald,

The House adjourned until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Monday, 27th February, 1865.

The Members convened were :---

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Perry,
Alexander,	Christie,	Lacoste,	Price,
Armand,	Cormier,	Leonard,	Proulx,
Armstrong,	Crawford,	Leslie,	Prud'homme,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	Currie,	Letellier de St. Just,	Read,
Bennett,	DeBeaujeu,	McCrea,	Reesor,
Blair, Fergusson,	Dickson,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Blake,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McMuster,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Macpherson,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Dumouchel,	Matheson,	Simpson,
Bull,	Ferrier,	Mills,	Skead,
Bureau,	Gingras,	Moore,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Olivier,	Wilson.
Campbell,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	,Panet,	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Frice; of the Municipal Council of Roberval, in the County of Chicoutimi; and of C. Hébert and others, of the Townships of Signaï, Labarre, Caron, Mesy and L'Isle d'Alma.

By the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Inkerman); of the Board of Trade of the City of Ottawa.

By the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*; of *Pierre Leblanc* and others, of the Parish of La **Visi**tation de Champlain.

By the Honorable Mr. Moore; of A. P. Bishop and others, of Dudswell, in the County of Wolfe; of Thomas McCaig and others, of the Township of Wickham; and of David Brown and others, of Napierville.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*; of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of the said Diocese.

By the Honorable Mr. Shaw; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of Lanark and Renfrew.

By the Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just; of the Reverend F. Paradis and others, of Dégélé, Seigniory of Madawaska, in the County of Temiscouata; and of Herménégilde Boucher and others, of St. Jean de Dieu, in the said County of Temiscouata.

By the Honorable Mr. Christie; of J. W. Cameron and others, of the County of Brant.

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By the Honorable Mr. Aikins; of the Peel General Manufacturing Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Panet; of the Honorable Edward Bowen, D.C.L., Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Superior Court for Lower Canada, and others, Electors of the City of Quebec.

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

Of Charles Gillock and others, of the City of Montreal; of the Very Reverend John Bethune, Dean of Montreal, and others; and of Louis Roussy and others, of La Grande Ligne, in the County of St. Jean; severally praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of John McCutcheon, of Chambly; praying for the Federation of the British North American Provinces, under certain provisos.

Of Edouard Tremblay and others, of St. Etienne de la Malbaie; and of L. C. Clément and others, of the Parish of Eboulemens ; severally praying against the passing of the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Fisheries Act, and to prohibit the wanton " destruction of Small Fish."

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House,-Returns of the Baptisms, Mar riages and Burials in the Counties of Vaudreuil, Yamaska, and L'Assomption, for the year 1864.

And also, a Statement of the Richelieu Company, dated 8th February, 1865. Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and they are as follow :----

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Twelfth Report. Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,

27th February, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Twelfth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of P. Garneau and others, of the Quebee Street Railway Company, praying for an Act authorizing the Quebec North Shore Turnpike Trust to allow the Company to lay a Railway Track in St. Valier Street, and for other purposes, and find that though sufficient in all other respects, no mention is made in the Notice of the Provision contained in the Petition for power to provide for the conveyance of passengers until the Railway shall be constructed, and to run stages, omnibuses, and sleighs in or upon any of the streets of Quebec, adjoining municipalities and turnpike roads leading from the said city, in certain special cases; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall

arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule in this case. The Petition of *Pierre Brunelle* and others, praying to be incorporated as L'Union St. Joseph de St. Joseph de Lévis, is not of a nature to require the publication of Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to remove doubts as "to the limits of certain Counties in Lower Canada," reported that they had gone through

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the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bossé, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bossé. it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as in relates to the Petition of P. Garneau and others, of the City of Quebec.

The Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau then presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend the Act incorporating the Quebec Street Railway Company."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. Olivier presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act to "amend the Act respecting abuses prejudicial to Agriculture."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. Currie, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to establish the validity of Acts performed in Canada by certain " Clergymen ordained in Foreign Parts, and for other purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Currie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it W88

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. Simpson, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Legislative Printing, presented their Seventh Report. Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :----

COMMITTEE ROOM,

27th February, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, beg leave to make the following as their Seventh Report.

The Committee have carefully examined the Document referred to in the following

motion for Printing, viz :-By Mr. Mc Giverin,-Return to Address-Information respecting Trade, Revenue and Expenditure, etc., of the Maritime Provinces, for the year 1863.-The Committee recommend that this Return be printed.

On the reference back to the Committee, by the Legislative Assembly, of that portion of their Fourth Report which recommended as not to be printed "The Miscellaneous Statistics of Canada for 1864, Part I," for their re-consideration, the Committee now beg leave to recommend that the said Document be printed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON, Chairman. On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Seymour, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into consideration by the House on Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to separate the Township of Amherst Island from the County of Lennox and "Addington, and to annex the same to the County of Frontenac,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to make better provision for the Official Inspection of Fish and Fish Oils,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend Chapter Sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, and to provide "for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries," On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Thursday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the Fourth and Fifth Reports of the Joint Committee on Printing; and

The same being again read by the Clerk,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson. seconded by the Honorable Mr. Seymour, it was

Ordered, That the said Reports be adopted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Clarenceville Academy," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Moore, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Society called 'La Société St. Ignace de Montréal,'" was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bureau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate 'The "' Orphans' Home, of the City of Ottawa,'" was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Skead, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Shaw, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Doon and Galt Railway Company," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Christie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Currie, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill initialed : "An Act respecting Local Municipalities "in Lower Canada, situated partly in the Seigniories and partly in the Townships,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Proulx, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Bill intituled : "An Act "to provide for the punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of minor offences," as proposed to be amended by the Select Committee,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Society called L'Union St. Michel des Saints de Montréal," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bureau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to empower the Executors and Executrix of *Thomas Tindall* to sell his Real Estate "to pay his Debts,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Seymour, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McCrea, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Society called L'Union St. Joseph de St. Joseph de Lévis," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bossé, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau, it was Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the "Upper Canada Free Baptist Missionary Society," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Mc Orea, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Currie, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the "Society called L'Union St. Joseph de la Ville de Lévis," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Moore, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong,

The House adjourned.

28th FEBRUARY.

Tuesday, 28th February, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messicurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Price,
Alexander,	Christie,	Lacoste,	Proulx,
Armand,	Cormier,	Leonard,	Prud homme,
Armstrong,	Crawford,	Leslie,	R:ad,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Currie,	Letellier de St. Just,	Reesor,
Bennett,	DeBeaujeu,	Mc Crea,	Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Dickson,	Mc Master,	Seymour,
Blake,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Macpherson,	Shaw,
Bossé,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Matheson,	Simpson
Boulton,	Dumouchel,	Mills,	Skead,
Bull,	Ferrier,	Moore,	Tache, Sir E. P.,
Burcau,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Panet,	Wilson.
Campbell,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Perry,	

PEAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Leslie; of the Montreal City Passenger Railway Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Currie; of the Reverend T. B. Fuller, D.D., D.C.L., and others, of the City of Toronto.

By the Honorable Mr. Skead; of Flavien Rochon and others, of the City of Ottawa

By the Honorable Mr. Price; of the Reverend A. Bernier and others, of the Townships of Tadousac and Colbert, in the County of Saguenay.

By the Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay; of Lieut. Col. Joseph Laurin, President of the Agricultural Society of the County of Quebec.

By the Honorable Mr. McCrea; of Rufus Stephenson, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Chatham.

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

Of the Corporation of the Town of *Port Hope*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize an agreement entered into by the said Corporation with the Bank of *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes.

Of *Elizabeth McDonell*, of the City of Ottawa, widow of the late Donald McDonell, Colonel and Deputy Adjutant General of Militia; praying for a gratuity in consideration of the services of her late husband.

Of the Corporation of the City of London; praying that in the event of Central Prisons being established in the Province, one may be established in the said City of London.

Of Daniel Row and others, of the Township of Bayham; praying against the passing of an Act to legalize By-law No. 116 of the said Township.

Of the High School, being also the Royal Grammar School, of Quebec ; and of the Morrin College, also of Quebec; severally praying for annual grants.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Perth; praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Laws of Upper Canada.

Of Michael McDonald and others, Catholics of Upper Canada; praying that the Roman Catholic minority in Upper Canada may, in the event of a Federal Union of the British North American Provinces, be placed on the same footing, in regard to Educational subjects, as the Protestant minority in Lower Canada.

And of the Reverend J. Lauzon and others, of the Townships of Wexford, Abercrombie, and Kilkenny; praying for aid for certain Colonization Roads.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Grand Temple of the independent Order of Good Tempiars of Canada.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend Chapter fifty-one of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respect-"ing the Improvement of Water-Courses,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Armand, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Guévremont, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday, the fifteenth March next.

The Honorable Mr. Olivier presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act to "facilitate prosecution under the Act respecting Tavern-Keepers and the sale of Intoxica-" ting Liquors."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to legalize certain By-laws of the United Counties of Frontenac, Lennox and " Addington,"

The Honorable Mr. Compbell moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston),

That the Fifty-eight Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled : "An Act to encourage the planting of " Timber, Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees upon the public highways in this Province, " and to give a right of property in such trees to the owners of the soil adjacent to such " highways,"

The Honorable Mr. Seymour moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Simpson,

That the said amendments be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow. After Debate, 1. 1.13

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The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act " respecting the ordinary procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts for Lower Canada," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Guévremont, Sir N. F. Belleau, Olivier, Bossé, and E. H. J. Duchesnay, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled : "An Act to provide for obtaining Statistical "Returns from Insurance Companies," On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it

was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled : "An Act to provide for the punishment of "persons repeatedly convicted of minor offences,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was Ordered, That the same be postponed until Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to empower the Executors and Executrix of Thomas Tindall to sell his Real Estate " to pay his Debts,"

The Honorable Mr. Seymour moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Simpson,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After a short Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Leonard, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Blake, it Was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the Petition of The London Permanent Building and Savings Society, and the Huron and Erie Savings and Loan Society.

Then the Honorable Mr. Leonard presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act " to enable the London Permanent Building and Savings Society to amalgamate with The " Huron and Erie Savings and Loan Society."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Friday next.

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 16th February, 1865, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence that may have passed between the Commissioners for the management of the Beaupert Lunatic Asylum and the Government, during the last three years.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Campbell presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to "authorize a re-survey of part of the Township of Portland, in the County of Frontenac." The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Friday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the onor able Sir E. P. Taché, The House adjourned.

Wednesday, 1st March, 1865.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Lucoste,	Perry,
Alexander,	Christic,	Leonard,	Price,
Armand,	Cormier,	Leslie,	Prouĺx,
Armstrong,	Crawford,	Letellier de St. Just,	
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	Currie,	McCrea,	Read,
Bennett,	DeBeaujeu,	McDonald,	Reesor,
Blair, Fergusson,	Dickson,	McMaster,	Seymour,
Blake,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Macpherson,	Shaw,
Bossé,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Matheson,	Simpson,
Boulton,	Dumouchel,	Mills,	Skead,
Bull,	Gingras,	Moore,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Cuévremont,	Olivier,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Panet,	Wilson.
Campbell,	Hamilton (Kingston),	· ·	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*; cf the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*.

By the Honorable Mr. Leslie; of J. A. Mathewson and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Proulx; of Napoléon Bédard and others, of St. Guillaume.

By the Honorable Mr. Gingras; of Fierre Giguère and others, of Quebec.

By the Honorable Mr. McCrea; of E. B. Wood and another, of the Town of Brantford; and two Petitions of the Corporation of the Town of Chatham.

By the Honorable Mr. Vidal; of Samuel Hitchcock and others, Fishermen, of the County of Lambton.

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

Of the Municipal Council of *Roberval*, in the County of *Chicoutimi*; praying for aid for opening and completing certain roads, and for other purposes.

Of C. Hébert and others, of the Townships of Signaī, Labarre, Caron, Mésy and L'Isle d'Alma; praying for aid for certain Colonization Roads.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of *Ottawa*; praying for the amendment of the Law regulating the measuring and culling of Timber, Deals, and other Lumber, and for other purposes.

Of *Pierre Leblanc* and others, of the Parish of *La Visitation de Champlain*; praying against the proposed Federal Union of the British North American Provinces.

Of A. P. Bishop and others, of Dudswell, in the County of Wolfe; praying that no new privileges be granted to the British American Land Company, in the said Township of Dudswell.

Of Thomas McCaig and others, of the Township of Wickham; and of David Brown and others, of Napierville; severally praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*; and of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of the said Diocese; praying for power to sell certain lands in the said Diocese.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of Lanark and Renfrew; praying for an Act to facilitate the separation of the said Counties, and for other purposes.

Of the Reverend F. Paradis and others, of Dégely; praying for aid for certain Colonization Roads.

Of *Herménégilde Boucher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean de Dieu*; praying for aid to purchase seed grain and to support their families till next harvest.

Of J. W. Cameron and others, of the County of Brant; praying for an Act to require Medical Practitioners to register their names and places of residence in the offices of the Clerks of the Peace in the various Counties, and otherwise to prevent unlicensed men from practising.

Of the *Peel* General Manufacturing Company; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

And of the Honorable *Edward Bowen*, D.C.L., Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Superior Court of *Lower Canada*, and others, Electors of the City of *Quebec*; praying against the passing of Bills Nos. 106, 121 and 122, relating to the Corporation of the said City, and also that the Corporation be deprived of their present powers, and that the same be vested in Commissioners to be named by the Crown.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House,—Returns of the Marriages, Baptisms and Burials for the Counties of *Beauce* and *Megantic*, during the years 1863 and 1864.

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

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The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Thirteenth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE, 1st March, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Thirteenth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Corporation of the Town of *Port Hope*, praying that an Act may be passed to legalize a certain Agreement entered into by the said Corporation with the Bank of *Upper Canada*, and find that no Notice has been given; but as the Agreement in question was submitted to the Rate-payers of the said Town, and approved by them, and inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule in this case.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Clarence-"ville Academy," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Page 1, line 16-After "Academy" insert "for the purposes of general education."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence pnt thereon, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Moore, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong, it was

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Upper "Canada Free Baptist Missionary Society," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:

Page 1, line 20-After "Society" insert "for the purposes above mentioned."

Page 1, line 23—After "occupation" insert "not exceeding, in the case of real estate, the annual value of two thousand dollars."

Page 1, line 33-After "Corporation" insert "as aforesaid."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put . on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill initialed: "An Act to incorporate the "Society called 'La Société St. Ignace de Montréal,'" reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Page 2, line 26-After "Legislature" insert Clause A.

Clause A.

"No sum of money granted by the said Corporation, under its Constitution or any of its By-Laws, by way of aid or assistance to any of its members when sick, or to any widow or orphan child of a deceased member, shall be liable to seizure, either before or after judgment, provided always that nothing in this section contained shall in any manner affect the right of any creditor in respect of any sum of money due by the said Corporation to any of its members, by reason of any contract or undertaking between the said Corporation and such member."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bureau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill initialed: "An Act to incorporate the "Society called 'L'Union St Michel des Saints de Montréal,'" reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Page 2, line 29-After "Legislature" insert Clause A.

Clause A.

"No sum of money granted by the said Corporation, under its Constitution or any of its By-Laws, by way of aid or assistance to any of its members when sick, or to any widow or orphan child of a deceased member. shall be liable to seizure, either before or after judgment; provided always that nothing in this section contained shall in any manner affect the right of any creditor in respect of any sum of money due by the said corporation to any of its members, by reason of any contract or undertaking between the said corporation and such member."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bureau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Fergesson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill initialed: "An Act to incorporate the "Society called L'Union St. Joseph de la Ville de Lévis," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:

Page 1, line 16-After " Levis" insert " for the purposes aforesaid." .

Page 2, line 26-After "Legislature" insert Clause A.

Clause A.

"No sum of money granted by the said corporation, under its Constitution or any of U

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"its By-Laws, by way of aid or assistance to any of its members when sick, or to any "widow or orphan child of a deccased member, shall be liable to seizure, either before or "after judgment; provided always that nothing in this section contained shall in any "manner affect the right of any creditor in respect of any sum of money due by the said "corporation to any of its members by reason of any contract or undertaking between "the said corporation and such member"

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society "called L'Union St. Joseph de St. Joseph de Liévis," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read, by the Clerk, as follow:

Page 1, line 22-After "Lévis" insert "for the purposes aforesaid."

Page 2, line 31-After "Legislature" insert Clause A.

Clause A.

"No sum of money granted by the said corporation, under its Constitution or any of "its By-Laws, by way of aid or assistance to any of its members when sick, or to any "widow or orphan child of a deceased member, shall be liable to seizure, either before or "after judgment; provided always that nothing in this section contained shall in any "manner affect the right of any creditor in respect of any sum of money due by the said "corporation to any of its members, by reason of any contract or undertaking between the "said corporation and such member."

The suid amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the "Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled: "An Act to "establish the validity of acts performed in *Canada* by certain Clergymen ordained in "Foreign Parts, and for other purposes;" and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Currie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the Seventh Report of the Joint Committee on Printing, and

The same being again read by the Clerk,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. (hristic, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled : "An Act respecting "Local Municipalities in *Lower Canada*, situated partly in the Seigniories and partly in "the Townships;" and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Proulx, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the Whole on the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled : "An Act to encourage the planting of Timber, Fruit, Shade and Orna-"mental Trees upon the Public Highways in this Province, and to give a right of pro-"perty in such trees to the owners of the soil adjacent to such highways."

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. Armand reported from the said Committee, that they had taken the said Bill and amendments into consideration, had made some progress therein, and had directed him to recommend that the said Bill and amendments be referred back to the same Select Committee.

Ordered, That the Report be received.

Ordered, That the said Bill and amendments be referred back to the same Select Committee to which the said Bill was formerly referred, for further amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Seymour, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Curric, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Letellier de St. Just and Christie be added to the said Committee.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Moore, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong,

The House adjourned.

Thursday, 2nd March, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Lacoste,	Price,
Alexander,	Christie,	Leonard,	Proulx,
Armand,	Cormier,	Leslie,	Prud'homme,
Armstrong,	Crawford,	Letellier de St. Just,	
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	Currie,	McCrea,	Reesor,
Bennett,	De Beaujeu,	McDonald,	Sanborn,
Blair, Fergusson,	Dickson,	McMaster,	Seymour,
Blake,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Macpherson,	Shaw,
Bossé,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Matheson,	Simpson,
Boulton,	Dumouchel,	Mills,	Skead,
Bull,	Gingras,	Moore,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Guévremont,	Olivier,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Panet,	Wilson.
Campbell,	Hamilton (Kingston),		•

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Leslie; of J. Johnston and others, of L'arnham Centre.

By the Honorable Mr. Macpherson; of the Reverend W. Taylor, D.D., and another, of the City of Montreal; and of the Reverend James Elliott and others, of the said City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau; of "The Quebec Marine Insurance Company."

By the Honorable Mr. Bureau; of the School Commissioners of the City of St. Hyacinthe.

By the Honorable Mr. Vidal; of W. S. Brown and others, of Erie, Ashtabula, and New York, in the United States, and of Henry C. Shannon, of the township of Enniskillen, in the County of Lambton.

By the Honorable Mr. Sanborn; of the Reverend James A. McLeod and others, of the Town of *Iberville*; and of the Reverend N. V. Fenn and others, of Sabrevois.

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

Of the *Montreal* City Passenger Railway Company; praying that if an Act is granted to a Railway Company to build a Railway round the Mountain, nothing may be contained in that Act infringing on the rights of the City Passenger Railway Company.

Of the Reverend T. B. Fuller, D.D., D.C.L., and others, of the City of Toronto; praying for the passing of the Bill to authorize the sale of Rectorial Lands, with certain amendments.

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Of Flavien Rochon and others, of the City of Ottawa; praying that the Roman Catholic minority in Upper Canada may, in the event of a Federal Union of the British North American Provinces, be placed on the same footing, in regard to Educational subjects, as the Protestant minority in Lower Canada.

Of the Reverend A. Bernier and others, of the Townships of Tadousac and Colbert; praying for aid for certain Colonization Roads in the said Townships.

Of Lieutenant Colonel Joseph Laurin, President of the Agricultural Society of the County of Quebec; praying for the passing of an Act declaring that the Agricultural Exhibitions for Lower Canada be held alternately at certain places in the said Petition mentioned.

And of *Rufus Stephenson*, Mayor, and others, of the Town of *Chatham*; praying against the amendment of that portion of the Municipal Law of *Upper Canada* which relates to the Elections of Mayors.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Northern Railway Company, for the year ending 31st December, 1864.

And also, a Return of the Marriages, Baptisms and Burials for the County of Drummond, for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and they are as follow :-

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Skead presented to the House the Report of L'Union of St. Joseph of Ottawa, made up to 31st January, 1865.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :--

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Fourteenth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE, 2nd March, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Fourteenth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the *Peel* General Manufacturing Company, praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation, and find the Notice too general, which Notice covers amendments of an ordinary nature only; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule in this case.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the "' Orphans' Home of the City of Ottawa," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow :

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Page 1, line 10-After "Eaton" insert "Louise Burritt, Minerva Thorp Bate."

Page 1, line 14-After "Ottawa" insert "for all each and every of the purposes " mentioned in the Preamble of this Act."

Page 1, line 43—Leave out from "Corporation" to the end of the clause. In the Preamble, page 1, line 1—Leave out from "the" to the second "and" in line 2, and insert "relief, support and education of orphans and other destitute children, and " the relief and support of destitute widows."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Skead, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Shaw, it was Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act to "incorporate the Education Society of the District of Quebec," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendment being twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was acreed to. On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr.

Gingras, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to enable the Executors of the late Lawrence McLaughlin to sell " certain Real Estate of the said Testator," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Blake, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leonard, it 7799

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act passed in the twenty-sixth year of the Reign of "Her Majesty, relating to the Hamilton and Port Dover Railway Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Mills, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Matheson, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : " An Act for the Sale or other Disposition of the Lands belonging to the Estate " of the late John Lorn McDougall," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Shaw, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Skead, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Ottawa Skating and Curling Club," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

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The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Shaw, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Skead, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize the admission of George Thomas Webster, as an Attorney, "Solicitor and Barrister, in Upper Canada," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong, it was

Crdered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Inkerman), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford, it was

Ordered, That the Return to an Address relative to the Beauport Lunatic Asylum, be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the period for receiving Private Bills by the Legislative Council be extended to the 16th day of March, 1865.

The Honorable Mr. Bureau moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Chaffers,

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-

1st. Copies of all complaints made against Commissioners for the summary trial of Small Causes in Lower Canda, since the first day of July 1862.

2nd. Morcover, the names and residences of those of the said Commissioners who have been dismissed during the above period; with the dates of their dismissals, and the correspondence which has taken place on this subject.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Honorable Mr. Aikins presented to the House a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend "the Act incorporating the Peel General Manufacturing Company."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Local "Municipalities in Lower Canada, situated partly in the Seigniories and partly in the "Townships," was read a third time.

The Honorable Mr. Proulz moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Lettellier de St. Just,

That the following Clauses be added to the said Bill ;---

"4. No judicial proceeding pending at the time when this Act comes into force, and "arising from any such By-law, shall be affected by this Act." "5. This Act shall be a Public Act."

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The question was then put whether this Bill, with the amendments, shall pass? It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Clarenceville Academy," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Upper Canada Free Baptist Missionary Society," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the "Society called La Société St. Ignace de Montréal," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Society called 'L'Union St. Michel des Saints de Montréal,'" was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, when an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the "Society called 'L' Union St. Joseph de la Ville de Lévis," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the "Society called 'L'Union St. Joseph de St. Joseph de Lévis,'" was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend the Act incorporating the Quebec Street Railway Company,"

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to amend the Act respecting abuses prejudicial to Agriculture,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Olivier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Lacoste, it was Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to amend Chapter Sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, and to provide "for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled : "An Act to provide for the punishment " of persons repeatedly convicted of minor offences,"

The Honorable Mr. Bull moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), That the said Bill, and amendments, be committed to a Committee of the whole

House presently. The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then, according to Order, adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the Whole on the said Bill, and amendments.

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. Wilson reported, from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and amendments, and had directed him to report the same for the adoption of the House, together with several further amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said further amendments being twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence being put on each, they were severally agreed to. Ordered, That the amendments of the Select Committee be also agreed to. Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was then put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act to regulate "the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather;" and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. Price moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau,

That the said amendments be agreed to.

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. Simpson moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau,

To leave out the words "agreed to" and insert "further considered this day three months."

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :---

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Bureau,		Matheson,
Alexander,	Chaffers,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Moore,
Armand,	Christie,	Leonard,	Olivier,
Armstrong,	Cormier,	Mc Crea,	Sanborn,
Blake,	Currie,	Mc Master,	Simpson21.
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The Honorable Messieurs

Bellean, Sir N. F.,	Campbell,	Macpherson,	Skead,
Bennett,	Crawford,	Price,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bull,	Dickson,	Read,	Vidul.—14.
Burnham,	Hamilton (Kings	st on),	

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Urdered accordingly.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Hn orable Mr. McCrea, The Hunce edimerand

The House adjourned.

Friday, 3rd March, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Campbell,	Lacoste,	Perry,
Alexander,	Chaffers,	Leonard,	Proulx,
Armand,	Christie,	Leslie.	Pud'homme,
Armstrong,	Cormier,	Letellier de St. Just,	Recsor,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Crawford,	Mc Crea,	Sanborn,
Bennett,	De Beaujeu,	McDonald,	Seymour,
Blair Fergusson,	Dickson,	McMaster,	Shaw,
Blake,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Macpherson,	Simpson,
Bossé,	Dumouchel,	Matheson,	Skead,
Boulton,	Gingras,	Mills,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bull,	Guévremont,	Moore,	Vidal,
Eureau,	Hamilton (Inkerman)		Wilson,
Burnham,	Hamilton (Kingston),		·

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The following Petition was brought up and laid on the table :---

By the Honorable Mr. Proulz; of Joseph Paradis and others, of St. Germain, in the County of Drummond.

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

Of the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of Bruce ; praying for the repeal of the Act of last Session, Cap. 77, and for an Act legalizing the measures taken for the crection of County Buildings at Walkerton, and for other purposes.

Of J. A. Mathewson and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for an Act of Incorporation as the " Montreal Homeopathic Association."

Of Napoléon Bédard and others, of St. Guillaume; praying against the proposed Federal Union of the British North American Provinces.

Of Pierre Gigudre and others, of Quebec; praying for certain amendments to the Bill to amend and consolidate the several Acts incorporating the City of Quebec.

Of E. B. Wood and another, of the Town of Brantford; praying that the Corporation of Brantford may be authorized to appropriate certain lands for the purpose of erecting a Drill Shed.

Two Petitions of the Corporation of the Town of Chatham; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the employment of Criminals sentenced to hard labour, without the walls of the prisons; and also praying for aid to remove the "Bar" at the mouth of the River Thames.

And of Samuel Hitchcock and others, Fishermen, of the County of Lambton ; praying for certain amendments to the Bills now before the Legislature, for the amendment of the Fishery Laws of Upper Canada.

The Honorable Mr. Gingras presented to the House a Statement of the operations of La Caisse d'Economie de Notre Dame de Québec, for the year ending on the 31st May, 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House,-Returns of the Baptisms, Mar riages and Burials in the Counties of Beauharnois and Huntingdon, for the year 1864. Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and they are as follow:

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Simpson, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Legislative Printing, presented their Eighth Report. Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

COMMITTEE ROOM.

3rd March, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing beg leave to make the following as their Eighth Report.

The Committee have carefully examined the Documents referred to in the following Motions for Printing, viz. :

By Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry),—Return exhibiting the expenses incurred by the several Committees of the Legislative Assembly, appointed to consider subjects of special interest during certain Sessions. The Committee recommend that this Return be printed.

By Hon. Mr. Evanturel,-Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly appointed to inquire into the nature and progress of the work which has been done with the view of opening a direct Colonization Road from Quebec to Lake St. John, &c. The Committee recommend that the Report alone be published, without the accompanying Evidence.

The Committee also beg leave to report the following Resolution as a Recommendation :

Resolved, That the Committee regret to find that the rule laid down with regard to printing the reported Debates on Confederation, requiring Members to deliver the copy to the reporters for the printers within twenty-four hours after receiving the same for correction, has not been observed, and beg now to recommend that in future the printers shall not wait for Members who do not correct within the time prescribed, but proceed to print as near the order of delivery as can be carried out.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christic, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Tuché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the period for receiving Reports of Standing or Select Committees on Private Bills be extended to the sixteenth day of March, 1865.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to enable the London Permanent Building and Savings Society to amalgamate with "the Huron and Erie Savings and Loan Society,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Leonard, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Reesor, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to authorize a re-sur-"vey of part of the Township of Portland, in the County of Frontenac," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to enable the Executors of the late Lawrence McLaughlin to sell certain real estate " of the said Testator,"

The Honorable Mr. Blake moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bull,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to an end the Act "incorporating the Quebec Street Railway Company," was read a second time.

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On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Gingras, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Wilson,

The House adjourned until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Monday, 6th March, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSIPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Burnham,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Olivier.
Alexander,	Campbell,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
Armand,	Christie,	Lacoste,	Price,
Armstrong,	Cormier,	Leonard,	Proulx,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	Crawford,	Leslie,	Reesor,
Bennett,	De Beaujeu,	Letellier de St. Just,	Sanborn,
Blair, Fergusson,	Dickson,	McCrea,	Seymour,
Blake,	Duchesnay, A. J,	Mc Master,	Shaw,
Bossé,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Macpherson,	Simpson,
Boulton,	Dumouchel,	Matheson,	Vidal,
Bull,	Gingras,	Mills,	Wilson.
Bureau,	Guévremont,	Moore,	
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PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Sanborn; of J. P. Wilson and others, of the Municipality of St. Germain de Grantham, in the County of Drummond.

By the Honorable Mr. Christic; of J. McMurrich and others, of the City of Toronto.

By the Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just; two Petitions of Abraham Dubé and others, of the Parish of Détour du Lac, in the County of Témiscouata.

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

Of J. Johnston and others, of Farnham Centre; of the Reverend James Elliott and others; of the City of Montreal; of the Reverend James A. McLeod and others, of the Town of Iberville; and of the Reverend N. V. Fenn and others, of Sabrevois; severally praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of the Reverend W. Taylor, D.D., and another, of the City of Montreal; praying for an Act of Incorporation for "The Presbyterian College of Montreal."

Of the Quebec Marine Insurance Company; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the School Commissioners of the City of St. Hyacinthe; praying for certain amendments to the School Laws of Lower Canada.

And of W. S. Brown and others, of Erie, Ashtabula, and New York, in the United States, and of Henry C. Shannon, of the Township of Enniskillen, in the County of Lambton, in Lpper Canada; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the sale and conveyance of the Real Estate of the late William E. Sanborn, and for other purposes.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House,-Returns of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of *Chicoutimi* and *Three Rivers*, and in the Counties of Bonaventure and Arthabaska, for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and they are as follow :---

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Northern Railway Company, for the year 1864. Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :---

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Fifteenth Report. Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :--

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,

6th March, 1865.

The Committee on Standing ()rders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Fifteenth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of J. A. Mathewson and others, of the City of Montreal, praying for an Act of Incorporation as the Montreal Homeopathic Association, and find the Notice sufficient.

Your Committee have examined also the Petition of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of Lanark and Renfrew, praying for an Act to facilitate the separation of the said counties, and for other purposes, and find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required ; but inastauch as it will be competent for then, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule. With regard to the Petition of E. B. Wood and others, of the Town of Brantford,

praying that the Corporation of Brantford may be authorized to apprepriate certain lands for the purpose of erecting a Drill Shed, Your Committee find that no Notice has been given; but as no private rights will be thereby affected, and inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau presented to the House a Bill intituled : " An Act " for granting additional facilities in Commercial transactions."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. Simpson presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act for "the relief of the representatives of the late Boyd Sylvester."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Seymour, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. Leonard presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to "amend Chapter Fifty-two of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. Campbell presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 10th February, 1865, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House. Copies of the correspondence addressed to the Registrars of the Counties of *Chicoutimi* and *Charlevoix*, respecting the enrollment of the Militia, where such enrollment did not take place, or was only partially carried out.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Campbell presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 7th June, 1864, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies—containing the date, price and terms of payment—of the original sale of *Port Whitby* Harbour and Road, and the total amount paid to Government on said sale.

Also, —Copies of all Orders in Council, correspondence, petitions, statements, bonds, and telegraphs, between said Company, or any person or corporation, and the Government, or any individual Member thereof.

Also,—Date of resumption of said Works by Government, names of all officers in charge of said work-, with salaries paid to same; together with a detailed statement of all moneys collected by such officers, and how disposed of.

Also,—Date of Writ of Extent issued by Government against said Company, with a detailed statement of all sums realized under said writ, and costs of executing the same, and to whom paid.

Also,—Copies of the advertisement calling for tenders for the re-sale of said works; of the tenders received, and correspondence and telegraphs connected with said tenders, to what individual or companies sold, for what amount, sum paid, and terms of payment for the balance,—and all correspondence with said Companies to this date.

Also,—Copy of the Report made by Mr. Zewager and Mr. Brunel to the Government, on the state of the repair and value of said works, before said last sale by Government.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows ;---

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate 'The "Orphans' Home of the City of Ottawa," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An

"Act to separate the Township of Amherst Island from the County of Lennox and "Addington, and to annex the same to the County of Frontenac,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Macpher son, it was

Ordered. That the same be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to make better provision for the Official Inspection of Fish and Fish Oils,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Macpherson, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : " An Act to facilitate prosecu-"tions under the Act 'respecting Tavern-keepers and the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Olivier, Sanborn, Bossé, E. H. J. Duchesnay, and Letellier de St. Just, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled : "An Act to provide for obtaining Statistical "Returns from Insurance Companies,"

The Honorable Mr. Bull moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell,

That the said Bill and amendments be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirma

tive, and The House was then, according to Order, adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the Whole on the said Bill and amendments.

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. Alexander reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill and amendments, and had directed him to report the said amendments for the adoption of the House, together with several further amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said further amendments being twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the amendments of the Select Committee he also agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Bill, with the amendments, be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was then put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act "passed in the twenty-sixth year of the Reign of Her Majesty, relating to the Hamilton "and Port Dover Railway Company," was read a second time. On motion of the Honorable Mr. Mills, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Perry, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act for the sale or "other disposition of the Lands belonging to the Estate of the late John Lorn McDougall," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Shaw, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Matheson, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the "Ottawa Skaking and Curling Club," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Shaw, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Matheson, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Peel* General Manufacturing Company,"

The Honorable Mr. Aikins moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McMaster,

That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend the Act respecting abuses prejudicial to Agriculture,"

The Honorable Mr. Olivier moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Lacoste,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs Olivier, Moore, deBeaujeu, Armand, Arms'rong, E. H. J. Duchesnay, Lacoste, Letellier de St. Just, Bureau, and Sanborn, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend Chapter Sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, and to provide "for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Cumpbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Alexander, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An Act to enable the *London* Permanent Building and Savings Society to amalgamate "with the *Huron* and *Erie* Savings and Loan Society,"

The Honorable Mr. Leonard moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Blake,

That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

After a short Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Leslie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Mills, The House adjourned.

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Tuesday, 7th March, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Campbell,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Olivier,
Alexander,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
Armand,	Christie,	Lacostc,	Price,
Armstrong,	Cormier,	Leonard,	Proulx,
Bellsou, Sir N. F.,	Crawford,	Leslie,	Reesor,
Bennett,	De Beaujeu,	Letellicr de St. Just,	Sanborn,
Blair, Fergusson,	Dickson,	Mc Crea,	Seymour
Blake,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McDonald,	Shaw,
Bossé,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	McMaster,	Simpson,
Boulton,	Dumouchel,	Macpherson,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bull,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Vidal,
Burcan,	Gingras,	Mills,	Wilson.
Burnham,	Guévremont,	Moore,	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. McMaster; of George Worthington and others, of the City of Hamilton.

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of Donald McKinnon and others, of Ste. Julie de Somerset; and of James Hurdman and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Aikins; of the Corporation of the Village of Streetsville; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of York and Peel; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Toronto.

By the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair; of John F. Taylor and others, officers and servants of the Honorable the Legislative Council.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read :---

Of Joseph Paradis and others, of St. Germain, in the County of Drummond; praying against the proposed Federal Union of the British North American Provinces.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Parish of *St. Michel des Saints*, in the County of *Berthier*; also, a similar Return from the County of *Iberville*; and also, a similar Return from the District of *Quebec*, for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and they are as follow:

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Sixteenth Report. Ordered, That it be received, and The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :----

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE, 7th March, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Sixteenth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of W. S. Brown and others, of Erie, Ashtabula and New York, in the United States; and of Henry C. Shannon, of the Township of Enniskillen, in the County of Lambton, in Upper Canada, praying for an Act to authorize the sale and conveyance of Real Estate of the late William E. Sanborn, and for other purposes, and find that the Local Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the Quebec Marine Insurance Company, praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation, and find the Notice too general, which Notice covers amendments of an ordinary nature only; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

The Petition of the Reverend W. Taylor, D.D., and others, of the City of Montreal, praying for an Act of Incorporation for the Presbyterian College of Montreal, is not of a nature to require the publication of Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill initialed: "An Act to enable the "Executors of the late Lawrence McLaughlin to sell certain Real Estate of the said "Testator," reported that they had examined the said Bill, and had directed him to report that they find the Preamble not proved, inasmuch as no sufficient evidence has been shewn to them of the necessity for Legislative interference in the matter.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to empower the "Executors and Executrix of *Thomas Tindall* to sell his Real Estate to pay his Debts," reported that they had examined the said Bill, and had directed him to report that they find the Preamble not proved, inasmuch as no sufficient evidence has been shewn to them of the necessity for Legislative interference in the matter.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Doon "and Galt Railway Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and the said amendments being twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Christie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that

House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. Olivier, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to facilitate Prosecutions under the Act respecting Tavern-keep-"ers and the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and the said amendment being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Olivier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Cormier, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Guévremont*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the ordinary procedure in the "Superior and Circuit Courts for *Lower Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Guévremont, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armand, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. Simpson, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Legislative Printing, presented their Ninth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

COMMITTEE ROOM,

7th March, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, beg leave to make the following as their Ninth Report.

The Committee have carefully examined the following Documents, and recommend that they be printed :

Return to Address,—Statement of the lands purchased by the Indian Department in trust for the Oneida Indians in the Township of Delaware.

Return to Address,—Statement of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Province of Canaga for the half-yea: from 1st July to 31st December, 1864:

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Commissioners for the Beaupor Lunatic Asylum and the Government, during the last three years.

The Committee also recommend that the following Documents be not printed :

Return to Address,-Information respecting obstructions in River Richelieu.

General Statement of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, &c., in certain Districts in Lower Canada.

Return to Address,—Receipts and Expenditure on the Works known as the Whitby Road and Harbor.

Municipal Returns for Lower Canada.

Return to Address,—Information respecting certain Custom House Officers in the Districts of *Montmogny*, &c.

Return to Address relative to the claims of the proprietors of Bridges on the River des Prairies, and to the settlement by arbitration of such claims.

Return to Address,-List of all persons employed, either temporarily or permanently. in the Public Departments.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON, Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into consideration by the House on Friday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to enable certain County Councils in Upper Canada to raise money " for assisting persons in certain cases to sow their lands," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché. it was

Órdered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Vidal presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to " authorize the sale or other disposition of the lands belonging to the late William E. " Sanborn."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Vidal, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time on Friday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to authorize the admission of George Thomas Webster, as an Attorney, Solicitor and "Barrister, in Upper Canada,"

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

After a short debate, The said motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Honorable Mr. Christie then moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché,

The House adjourned.

8th March.

Wednesday, 8th March, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Lacoste,	Panet,
Alexander,	Christie,	Leonard,	Perry,
Armand,	Cormier,	Leslie,	Price,
Armstrong,	Crawford,	Letellier de St. Just,	
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	De Beaujeu,	McCrea,	Ross,
Bennett,	Dickson,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnoy, A. J.,	McMaster,	Sanborn,
Blake,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Macpherson,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Dumouchel,	Malĥiot,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Simpson,
Bull,	Gingras,	Mills,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Guévremont,	Moore,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Hamilton (Inkerman)		Wilson.
Campbel!,	Hamilton (Kingston),		

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. McCrea; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Orford, in the County of Kent.

By the Honorable Mr. Ryan; two Petitions of the Montreal Board of Trade.

By the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Inkerman); of Robert Bell and others.

By the Honorable Mr. E. H. J. Duchesnay; of the Reverend Od. Paradis and others. of St. Edouard de Frampton, in the County of Dorchester.

By the Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just; of Jean Savard and others, Squatters, of the Township of Callidre, in the County of Charlevoix.

By the Honorable Mr. Sanborn; of the Reverend H. Hamelin and others, of Wotton.

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of the Directors of the British and Canadian School Society of Montreal.

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

Of J. P. Wilson and others, of St. Germain de Grantham, in the County of Drum, mond; praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of J. McMurrich and others, of the City of Toronto; praying against the passing of the Bill to relieve the Rossin House Hotel Company from payment of Taxes for the next five years.

Two Petitions of Abraham Dubé and others, of the Parish of Détour du Lac, in the County of Témiscouata; praying for aid for certain roads in the said County of Témiscouata.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusion Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to legalize certain By-"Laws and Debentures of the United Counties of Frontenac and Lennox and Addington," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concnrrepce.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act "passed in the twenty-sixth year of the Reign of Her Majesty, relating to the Hamilton "and Port Dover Railway Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Mills, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Perry, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Ottawa Skating and Curling Club," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Shaw, seconded by the Honoroble Mr. Crawford, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Christie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau, it was

Ordered, That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Peel General "Manufacturing Company."

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dickson, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it

relates to the application for the passing of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating The *Quebec* Marine Insurance Company, as recommended by the Sixteenth Report of the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Honorable Mr. Olivier presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to "provide for ascertaining who are the co-proprietors of certain Commons in Lower Ca-"nada."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Orphans' Home of the City of Ottawa," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendments.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act for the relief of the representatives of the late *Boyd Sylvester*,"

The Honorable Mr. Simpson moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and,

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend Chapter Fifty-two of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Leonard, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Blake, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend "the Act respecting the ordinary Procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts for *Lower* "*Canada*;" and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bossé, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to enable certain "County Councils in *Upper Canada* to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases to "sow their lands," was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then, according to Order, adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the Whole on the said Bill.

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* reported, from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Moore, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time to-moraow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Leonard, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Aikins, it was

Ordered, That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the Bill intituled: "An Act to enable the London Permanent Building and "Savings Society to amalgamate with the Huron and Erie Savings and Loan Society."

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross, The Honse adjourned.

Thursday, 9th March, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Lacoste,	Panet,
Alexander,	Christie,	Leonard,	Perry,
Armand,	Cormier,	Leslie,	Proulx,
Armstrong,	Crawford,	Letellier de St. Just,	Reesor,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	De Beaujeu,	McCrea,	Ross,
Bennett,	Dickson,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Mc Master,	Sanborn,
Blake,		Macpherson,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Malhiot,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Gingras,	Matheson,	Simpson,
Bull,	Cuévremont,	Mills,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	,Moore,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Olivier,	Wilson.
Campbell,		· ·	\$

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. McMaster; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Tossorontio, in the County of Simeos; and of Thomas R. Ferguson and others, of the said County of Simcoe.

By the Honorable Mr. Simpson; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Reach, in the County of Ontario.

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

Of George Worthington and others, of the City of Hamilton; praying against the passing of the Bill to amalgamate the Buffalo and Lake Huron, and Grand Trunk Railway Companies.

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Of Donald McKinnon and others, of Ste. Julie de Somerset; and of James Hardman and others, of the City of Montrcal; severally praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of the Corporation of the Village of Streetsville; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of York and Peel; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Toronto; severally praying for the passing of the Bill to amend the Act of Incorporation of the "Peel General Manufacturing Company."

And of John F. Taylor and others, Officers and Servants of the Honorable the Legislative Council; praying for relief.

The Honorable The Speaker presented to the House,—Municipal Returns for Lower Canada, for 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and they are as follow :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honcrable The Speaker presented to the House a Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of Ottawa, for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bossé, it was

Ordered, That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Quebec Street "Railway Company."

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills. to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act "incorporating the Quebec Street Railway Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bossé, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armstrong, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of John F. Taylor and others, Officers and Servants of the Legislative Council, be reterred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session.

The Honorable Mr. Bossé moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau,

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 correspondence between the Government of this Province and the proprietors of the Lunatic Asylum at *Beauport*. The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Honorable Mr. Boulton moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Perry,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleazed to cause to be laid before this House, copies of the correspondence between the Crown Land Department and any person or persons, on the subject of the application of the *Stadacona* Mining Company and others, for certain mining lands in the Township of *Watford*.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act "respecting the ordinary Procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts for *Lower Can*-"ada," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to enable certain 'County Councils in *Upper Cana la* to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases "to sow their land," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act for granting additional facilities in Commercial transactions,"

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend Chapter Sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and to provide "for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries,"

The Honorable Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After a long Debate,

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That further Debate on the said motion be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bull, The House adjourned.

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Friday, 10th March, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Chaffers,	Lacoste,	Perry,
Alexander,	Christie,	Leonard,	Price,
Armand,	Cormier,	Leslie,	Proulx,
Armstrong,	Crawford,	Letellier de St. Just,	
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	DeBeaujen,	McCrea,	Reesor,
Bennett,	Dickson,	McDonald,	Ross,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Mc Master,	Ryan,
Blake,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Macpherson,	Sanborn,
Bossé,	Dumouchel,	Malhiot,	Seymour,
Boulton,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Bull,	Gingras,	Mills,	Simpson
Bureau,	Guévremont,	Moore, .	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Burnham,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	, Olivier,	Vidal.
Campbell,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Panet,	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. McMaster; of the Corporation of the City of Toronto; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Adjala, in the County of Simcoe.

By the Honorable Mr. Crawford; of the Reverend John R. Meade and others, of the County of Dundas; of the Reverend J. S. O'Connor and others, of the Parish of Cornwall; of R. J. Fitzgerald and others, of the County of Prince Edward; of William Lehane and others, of the Township of Emily, in the County of Victoria; of James Doyle and others, of the Town of Gananoque; of the Very Reverend Angus MacDonell, Vicar General, and others, of Westport; and of William Lynn Smart, of the City of Toronto.

By the Honorable Mr. Shaw; of the Very Reverend Angus McDonell, Vicar General, and others, of Asphodel, Seymour and Percy; and of Wm. J. Carty and others, of Kemptville.

By the Honorable Mr. Macpherson; of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of Flos, Tiny and Tay, Medonte, Orillia and Nottawasaga, in the County of Simcoe.

By the Honorable Mr. Bureau; of Laurent Godin and others, of Ste. Marguerite de Blairfindie, in the County of St. Jean.

By the Honorable Mr. McCrea; of A. B. MacIntosh and others, of Chatham, in the County of Kent; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Anderdon, in the County of Essex.

By the Honorable Mr. Sanborn; of Eli W. Goff and others, of the Township of Magog.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell; of the Very Reverend Angus MacDonell, Vicar General, and others, of Kingston; of the Reverend Michael Mackey and others, of the South half of the Township of Tyendinaya; of J. O. Reilly and others, of Napanee; of Thomas O'Connor and others, of the Town of Brockville; of the Reverend H. Brettaryh and others, of the Village of Trenton; of the Reverend Michael Stafford and others, of the Township of Wolfe Island; of P. McMullen and others, of Sheffield; and of the Reverend Michael Brennan and others, of Belleville.

By the Honorable Mr. Boulton; of the Reverend James Farrelly and others, of the Town of Lindsay and Township of Ops; of the Reverend Oliver Kelly and others, of the Town of Peterborough; and of the Reverend Michael Lynch and others, of the Township of Douro.

By the Honorable Mr. Crawford; of His Lordship the Roman Catholic Bishop of Toronto, and others, of Toronto.

By the Honorable Mr. Bennett; of the Reverend J. J. McCarthy and others, of the Parish of Williamstown, Glengarry; of the Reverend George A. Hay and others, of the Parish of St. Andrews, in the County of Stormont; of the Reverend James J. Chisholm and others, of the Village of Alexandria; of the Very Reverend John Macdonald, Vicar General, and others, of the Parish of St. Raphaëls; and of the Reverend Alexander Mc-Donell and others, of the Mission of St. Alexander, in the Townships of Lochiel and Kenyon, in the County of Glengarry.

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

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Orford, in the County of Kent; of the Reverend Od. Paradis and others, of Si. Edouard de Frampton, in the County of Dorchester; of Jean Savard and others, Squatters, of the Township of Callière, in the County of Charlevoix; and of the Reverend F. Hamelin and others, of the Township of Wotton, in the County of Wolfe; severally praying for aid for opening and repairing certain Roads in their several Petitions mentioned.

Two Petitions of the *Montreal* Board of Trade; praying against the passing of the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* Warehousing Company,—and also, praying against the amendment of the Act incorporating the Pilots for and above the Harbor of *Quebec*.

Of *Robert Bell* and others; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate a Company to construct a Railway from some point at or near Lake *Temiscaming* to some point on Lake *Huron*.

And of the Directors of the British and Canadian School Society of *Montreal*; praying for the amcudment of their Act of Incorporation.

The Honorable The Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the County of *Maskinongé*, for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize the "admission of Georye Thomas Webster as an Attorney, Solicitor and Barrister in Upper "Canada," reported that they had examined the said Bill, and had directed him to report that they find the Preamble not proved, inasmuch as no sufficient evidence had been shewn them of the necessity for Legislative interference in the matter.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to enable the London "Permanent Building and Savings Society to amalgamate with the Huron and Erie "Savings and Loan Society," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment. On motion of the Honorable Mr. Leonard, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Blake, it

was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the period for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to Monday, the twentieth instant.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. McMaster, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Reesor, it was

Ordered, That the Order to refer the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act in-" corporating the Peel General Manufacturing Company," be discharged, and that the fees paid on the said Bill be refunded to the Petitioners.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Mr. Compbell for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend Chapter Sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, and to provide "for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries."

And after further long Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thercon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to authorize the sale or other disposition of the Lands belonging to the late William " E. Sanborn,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Vidal, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Burnham, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Ninth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton [Kingston], seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton [Kingston], seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross,

The House adjourned until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

13th MARCH.

Monday, 13th March, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Campbell,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Panet,
Alexander,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
Allan,	Christie,		Price,
Armand,	Cormier,	Leonard,	Proulx,
Armstrong,	Crawford,	Leslie,	Prud homme,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	De Beaujeu,	Letellier de St. Just,	Reesor,
Bennett,	Dickson,	McCrea,	Ross,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Blake,	Duchesnay, E. II. J.,	Macpherson,	Sanborn,
Bossé,	Dumouchel,	Malhiot,	Seymour,
Boulton,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Bull,	Foster,	Mills,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Gingras,	Moore,	Vidal,
Burnham,	Guevremont,	Olivier,	Wilson,

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Gingras; of C. Narcisse Hamel and others; of Z. Lavasseur and others; of Charles Cinq-Mars and others; of Charles Hough and others; of Arthur Gognon and others; of G. O'Kill Stuart and others; of John Durlington and others; and of W. Sealy Duffett and others, all Municipal Electors of the City of Quebec.

By the Honorable Mr. Matheson; of the Provisional Council of the County of Renfrew.

By the Honorable Mr. Olivier; of Charles Sevigny and others, of the Parish of St. Barthélemy.

By the Honorable Mr. Ryan; of T. B. Anderson and others, of the City of Montreal, proprietors and residents on Sherbrooke Street and vicinity.

By the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Inkerman); of John McGillivray and others, of the Township of Lochaber, in the County of Ottawa; and of Messieurs Thompson & Co., and others, of Buckingham.

By the Honorable Mr. Sanborn; of John McDonald and others, of the Parish of St. Anicet; of W. R.Doak and others; of E. S. White and others, of Barnston; of Thomas Newington and others, of St. Paul d'Abbotsford; and of Horace Lyman and others, of Granby.

By the Honorable Mr. Moore; of P. P. Halley and others, of the Township of Stanbridge.

By the Honorable Mr. Allan; of the Corporation of the City of Toronto.

By the Honorable Mr. Price; of the Reverend N. Doucet and others, of the County of Charlevoir.

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of the Reverend G. Werner and others; and of S. P Girard and others, of the City of Montreal.

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

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Tossorontio*, in the County of Simcoe; and of *Thomas R. Ferguson* and others, of the said County of Simcoe; severally praying for the incorporation of "The Simcoe County Bank."

And of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Reach*, in the County of *Ontario*; praying that a survey of the route of the proposed Canal from the *Georgian* Bay to Lake *Ontario* be made through the said County of *Ontario*.

The Honorable The Speaker presented to the House a Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials for the District of *Montmagny*, for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows:

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Seymour, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and. report upon the Contingent Accounts for the present Session, presented their First Report. Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, COMMITTEE ROOM, March, 1865.

The Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts * of the Legislative Council for the present Session, beg leave to make their First Report.

Your Committee have examined the Clerk's Accounts from the 15th day of June last, being the date to which the last audit of his accounts extended, to the 31st day of December last.

On the first-mentioned day there was a balance in the Clerk's hands, to the credit of Your Honorable House, of thirteen thousand four hundred and twenty-nine dollars twentyeight cents (\$13,429.28), in addition to which he has since received eighty-four thousand four hundred and twenty-nine dollars seventy-two cents (\$84,429.72), making in all the sum of ninety-seven thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine dollars (\$97,859), which form the debit side of the Clerk's accounts for the period above referred to.

The credit side of the same account is composed of sums disbursed by the Clerk to the amount of fifty thousand nine hundred and twenty-one dollars sixty-eight cents (\$50,921.68). for the expenditure of which he has accounted to the satisfaction of Your Committee, by vouchers numbered from 1 to 257 inclusive, leaving a balance of forty-six thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight dollars twenty-two cents (\$46,938.22) to the credit of Your Honorable House on the 31st December last.

Your Committee have also examined the Clerk's Accounts from the 1st day of January last, to the 28th day of February last.

During that period the Clerk received a sum of five hundred and seventy-one dollars fifty cents (\$571.50), making with the balance to the credit of Your Honorable House on the 31st December last, a total of forty-seven thousand five hundred and nine dollars seventy-two cents (\$47,509 72), and paid as per satisfactory vouchers, numbered from 258 to 390 inclusive, a sum of thirteen thousand eight hundred and three dollars sixty cents (\$13,803.60), leaving to the credit of Your Honorable House a balance of thirty-three thousand seven hundred and six dollars twelve cents (\$33,706.12), on the 28th of February last.

Your Committee beg leave to renew the recommendation of the Contingent Committee at the last Session of Parliament to the effect, "that all moneys drawn or received by the "Clerk, on Warrant or otherwise, be deposited in the Bank in which the Government "Account is kept, to the credit of the Legislative Council, to be disbursed only by the "cheque of the Clerk upon corresponding vonchers duly authorized."

Petitions have been presented to Your Committee from Mrs. Angèle Chamberland, widow of the late Olivier Vallerand, in his lifetime Sergeant-at-Arms to Your Honorable House,—Mrs. Catherine Walsh, widow of the late John Young,—and Mrs. Margaret Farrel, widow of the late John Hanley, in their lifetime Messengers to Your Honorable House, praying to be granted the usual allowance of three months' salary of their late husbands, respectively.—Your Committe recommend that the prayer of the Petitioners be granted.

Your Committee would further recommend that the Clerk be authorized, on the decease of any officer, clerk or servant of Your Honorable House, leaving a widow, or a minor child, or minor children, to pay a gratuity equal to one fourth of the annual salary, or of the Sessional allowance, as the case may be, of such officer, clerk, or servant, to such widow, or to some person duly authorized on behalf of such child or children.

On the Petition of Mr. Neil W. McLean, English Writing Clerk to Your Honorable House, your Committee recommend that, in addition to his former duties, Mr. McLean be appointed Assistant Clerk of Committees, with a salary of six hundred dollars (\$600.00) per annum.

On the Petition of Mr. John Walsh, Sessional Clerk to Your Honorable House, praying to be appointed permanently as English Writing Clerk, your Committee recommend that Mr. Walsh be appointed as an additional Writing Clerk, with a salary of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per annum, from the date of the adoption of this Report.

Your Committee also recommend that the Postmaster, in consideration of his arduous and responsible duties, receive a salary of eight hundred and fifty dollars (\$\$50.00) per annum, and that the same sum be paid to the present Acting Postmaster, J. B. Myrand, until an appointment is permanently made by His Honor the Speaker.

On the Petition of *Peter Dunn*, praying for an increase of salary, your Committee recommend that the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) be added to his salary as Assistant Housekeeper.

A Petition has been presented from Frederic Gilbert and Napoléon Boulet, two of the servants of Your Honorable House, praying to be appointed as Permanent Messengers.

On this Petition your Committee recommend that they be appointed as such, at a salary of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per aunum.

The whole respectfully submitted.

B. SEYMOUB, Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Seymour, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into consideration by the House on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Seventeenth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:---

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,

13th March, 1865

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Seventeenth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Robert Eell* and others, praying for an Act to incorporate a Company to construct a Railway from some point at or near Lake *Temiscaming* to some point on Lake *Huron*, and find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required; but inasmuch as it will be competent for

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them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule in this case.

The Petition of the Directors of the British and Canadian School Society of *Montreal*, praying for the amendment of their Act of Incorporation, is not of a nature to require the publication. of Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to enable the Trustees of "the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada more freely to manage and dispose of Trust "Properties," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr., Christie, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, presented their tenth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

COMMITTEE ROOM,

11th March, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature, beg leave to make the following as their tenth Report.

The Committee have carefully examined the Documents referred to in the following motions for Printing, viz:

By Mr. *Fowell*,—Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly appointed to examine into the contents of the Return relative to the Office of Supervisor of Cullers.

The Committee recommend that this Report be printed, but without the accompanying evidence.

By Mr. *Dunkin*,—Return to Address relative to Railway Tariffs; and also, Return to Address—By-laws of Railway Companies, &c., which may heretofore have been submitted for the approval of the Governor in Council.

The Committee recommend that the above Returns be not printed.

The Committee also recommend that the Returns of the Names of the Shareholders of the several Chartered Banks in this Province, be printed.

The Committee also recommend that the Return to an Address respecting the Medical Board of *Upper Canada*, be not printed.

The Committee also beg leave to submit the following Resolution as a recommendation : Resolved, That in the event of an Order being passed that any further proceedings upon every Bill which has been presented to either House in the present Session, shall be suspended on the day on which Parliament shall be prorogued, in order that the promoters thereof may proceed with the same Bills in the next Session of Parliament, that such Fills shall be re-printed during the Recess, to be in readiness to be proceeded with on the re-assembling of Parliament; and in order that no difficulty may arise in the numbering of the Bills, it is recommended they shall be brought in in the order in which they now stand.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. CHRISTIE, Acting Chairman, pro tempore.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Christie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McCrea, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into consideration by the House on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize a re-survey "of part of the Township of *Portland*, in the County of *Frontenac*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Orderrd, That the report be now received, and

The said amendment being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to make better provision for the official inspection of Fish and Fish Oils,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to provide for ascertaining who are the Co-proprietors of certain Commons in Lower "Canada,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Olivier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Laroste, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend Chapter Sixty-"two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and to provide for the better regulation of "Fishing and protection of Fisheries."

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu reported from the said Committee, that they had taken the said Bill into consideration, and had agreed to certain amendments thereto, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them; and that the Committee had also directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Committee have leave to sit again, and that the said Bill, with the proposed amendments, be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to authorize the sale or other disposition of the lands belonging to the late William "E. Sanborn,"

The Honorable Mr. Vidal moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Burnham, That the said Bill be now read a second time. After Debate, The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the ninth Report of the Joint Committee on Printing, and

The same being again read by the Clerk,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. E. H. J. Duchesnay, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Aikins, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Moore, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bennett,

The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 14th March, 1865.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Burnham,	Guévremont,	Olivier,
Alexander,	Campbell,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Panet,
Allan,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
Archambault,	Christie,	Lacoste,	Price,
Armand,	Cormier,	Leonard,	Proulx,
Armstrong,	Crawford,	Leslic,	Prud'homme,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	De Beaujeu,	Letcllier de St. Just,	Reesor,
Bennett,	Dickson,	Mc Crea,	Ross,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Blake,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Macpherson,	Sanborn,
Bossé,	Dumouchel,	Malhiot,	Seymour
Boulton,	Flint,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Bull,	Foster,	Mills,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bureau,	Gingras,	Moore,	Vidal.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Gingras; of Joseph Knight Boswell and others; and of Pierre Patoine and others, of the City of Quebec.

By the Honorable Mr. Moore; of Henry Dobell and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. McCrea; of the Reverend P. D. Lament and others, of Amherstburg.

By the Honorable Mr. McDonald; of Parker William Freeland, by his Agent, Weymouth Schrieiber.

By the Honorable Mr. Allan; of the Kingston Sabbath Reformation Society.

By the Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just; of the Municipal Council of the Parish of St. Arsene, in the County of Temiscouata; and of the Municipal Council of the said County of Temiscouata.

By the Honorable Mr. Bull; of H. R. O'Reilly and others, of the County of Wentworth.

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

Of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*; praying for certain amendments to the Municipal and Assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes.

Of William Lynn Smart, of the City of Toronto; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the Law Society of Upper Canada to call him to the Bar of Her Majesty's Courts of Law and Equity in Upper Canada.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of Adjala, Flos, Tiny and Tay, Medonte, Orillia, and Notiawasaga, all in the County of Simcoe; severally praying for the incorporation of "The Simcoe County Bank."

Of Laurent Godin and others, of Ste. Marguerite de Blairfindie, in the County of St. Jean; and of Eli W. Goff and others, of the Township of Magog; severally praying against the proposed Federal Union of the British North American Provinces.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Anderdon, in the County of Essex; praying that the prayer of the Petition of Joseph H. Morgan and others, of the said Township of Anderdon, be granted.

Of the Reverend John R. Meaile and others, of the County of Dundas; of the Reverend J. S. O'Connor and others, of the Parish of Cornwall; of R. J. Fitzgerald and others, of the County of Prince Edward; of William Lehane and others, of the Township of Emily, in the County of Victoria; of James Doyle and others, of the Town of Gananoque; of the Very Reverend Angus MacDonell, Vicar General, and others, of Westpert; of the Very Reverend Angus MacDonell and others, of Asphodel, Seymour and Percy; of Wm. J. Carty and others, of Kemptville; of A. B. MacIntosh and others, of Chatham, in the County of Kent; of the Very Reverend Angus MacDonell, Vicar General, and others, of Kingston; of the Reverend Michael Mackey and others, of Thomas O'Connor and others, of the Town of Brockville; of the Reverend H. Brettargh and others, of the Village of Trenton; of the Reverend Michael Stafford and others, of the Township of Wolfe Island; of P. McMullen and others, of Sheffield; of the Reverend Michael Brennan and others, of Belleville; of the Reverend Oliver Kelly and others, of the Town of Lindsay and Township of Ops; of the Reverend Oliver Kelly and others, of the Town of Lindsay and Township of Ops; of the Reverend Oliver Kelly and others, of the Town of Lindsay and Township of Ops; of the Parish of St. Andrews, in the County of Stormont; of the Reverend Michael Lynch and others, of the Township of Douro; of His Lordship the Roman Catholic Bishop of Toronto, and others of Toronto; of the Reverend George A. Hay and others, of the Parish of St. Andrews, in the County of Stormont; of the Reverend Alames J. Chisholm and others, of the Villages of Alexanderia; of the Very Reverend Alames J. Chisholm and others, of the Parish of St. Raphaels; and of the Reverend Alexander McDonell and others, of the Parish of St. Alexander, in the Townships of Lochiel and Kenyon, in the County of Glengarry; severally praying that the Roman Catholic minority in Upper Canada may, in the event of a Federal Union of the British North American Provinces, be placed on the same footing, in regard to Educational subjects, as the Protestant minority in *Lower Canada*.

The Honorable The Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the County of *St. Jean*, for the year 1864. *Ordered*, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :---

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Eighteenth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE, 14th March, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Eighteenth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of W. B. Brown and others, of the Township of *Culross*, praying for certain amendments to the Act of last Session, respecting the selection of the County Town of *Bruce*, and find the Notice sufficient.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Inkerman) moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Foster,

That the Return to the Address of this House to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 16th February last, and the Return to the Address of this House of the 9th March instant, on the subject of the management of the *Beauport* Lunatic Asylum, be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau and the Honorable Messieurs Bossé, Christie, Vidal and the mover. The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. Moore moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Sanborn,

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, all correspondence between Her Majesty's Government of *Great Britain* and the Government of *Canada*, on the subject of erecting Fortifications for defences in this Province.

After a long Debate,

The said motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act for granting additional facilities in Commercial transactions,"

The Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An

"Act to provide for ascertaining who are the Co-proprietors of certain Commons in Lower "Canada,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Olivier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Archambault, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché,

The House adjourned.

Wednesday, 15th March, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULBIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Campbell,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	Panet.
Alexander,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Kingston),	
Allan,	Christie,		Price,
Archambault,	Cormier,	Leonard,	Proulx,
Armand,	Crawford,	Leslie,	Prud'homme,
Armstrong,	De Beaujeu,	Letellier de St. Just,	Reesor.
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	Dickson,	McCrea,	Ross,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	McDonald,	Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Macpherson,	Sanborn,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Malhiot,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Flint,	Mills,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bull,	Foster,	Moore,	Vidal,
Bureau,	Gingras,	Olivier,	Wilson.
Burnham,	Guévremont,	-	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair; of James Glennie, of the Township of Woolwich, in the County of Waterloo.

By the Honorable Mr. Flint; of Rufus Holden, Mayor of the Town of Belleville; and of William Bell and others, of the Town of Peterborough.

By the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché; of Thomas Roy and others, of the Township of Woodbridge, in the County of Kamouraska.

By the Honorable Mr. Cormier; of the Reverend J. W. Truesdell and others, of Warwick.

By the Honorable Mr. Moore; of François Gareau and others, of Grenville; and of James Allan and others, of Pointe aux Trembles.

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

Of C. Narcisse Hamel and others; of Z. Levasseur and others; of Charles Cing-Mars and others; of Charles Hough and others; of Arthur Gagnon and others; of G. O'Kill Stuart and others; of John Darlington and others; and of W. Sealy Duffett and others, all Municipal Electors of the City of Quebec; severally praying that the affairs of the said City may be placed, for a period of five years or more, in the hands of Commissioners to be appointed by the Crown.

Of the Provisional Council of the County of *Renfrew*; praying for a Special Act authorizing the separation of the said County from the County of *Lanark*, so soon as certain conditions are complied with.

Of Charles Sévigny and others, of the Parish of St. Barthélemy; of W. R. Doak and others; and of E. S. White and others, of the Township of Barnston; severally praying against the proposed Federation of the British North American Provinces.

Of T. B. Anderson and others, of the City of Montreal, proprietors and residents on Sherbrooke Street and vicinity; praying that no such power as that asked for by the proposed Mount Royal Railway Company be granted, but that, on the contrary, the power to lay a track on Sherbrooke Street and run cars thereon, propelled by steam power, be absolutely forbidden.

Of John McGillivray and others, of the Township of Lochaber, in the County of Ottawa; praying against F. Samuel McKay, as Clerk of the Circuit Court at Papineauville, in the said County.

Of Messieurs Thompson and Co. and others, of Buckingham; of John McDonald and others, of the Parish of St. Anicet; of Thomas Newington and others, of Abbottsford; of Horace Lyman and others, of Granby; of P. P. Halley and others, of the Township of Stanbridge; of the Reverend J. Wenner and others, of the City of Montreal; and of S. P. Girard and others, of the same place; severally praying for the redress of certain grievauces connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*; praying for the passing of an Act author izing the collection of taxes on certain lands in the said city, and for other purposes.

And of the Reverend N. Doucet and others, of the County of Charlevoix; praying that the wharf at Malbaic, in the said County, may be lengthened and improved.

The Honorable The Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the County of *Gaspé*, and also a similar Return from the District of *Redford*, for the year 1864.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and they are as follow :---

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the *Clarenceville* Academy."

Also, the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Society called L'Union St." "Michel des Saints de Montréal."

Also, the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Upper Canada Free Baptist "Missionary Society."

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Also, the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Society called L'Union St " Joseph de St. Joseph de Lévis."

Also, the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Society called L'Union St." " Joseph de la ville de Lévis."

And also, the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society called La Société "St. Ignace de Montréal," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bills, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Quebec Street Railway Com-"pany," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

Page 1, line 37-After "exacted" insert "But they shall not lay any railway track "on any such street, or on any such road, without the consent of the Corporation, " Municipality, or Trustees of the North Shore Turnpike Road, as the case may be."

The said amendment being read a second time,

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Panet, it was

Ordered, That the same be agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendment made to the last mentioned Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Niagara District Bank," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:

Page 1, line 10—Leave out "five" and insert "two." "1 "11—Leave out from "the" to the end of the line, and insert "12th "day of May next."

The said amendments being read a second time,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston). seconded by the Honorable

Mr. Crawford, it was *Ordered*, That the said amendments be agreed to. *Ordered*, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the last mentioned Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Seymour, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session, presented their Second Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

COMMITTEE ROOM,

March, 1865.

The Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session, beg leave to present their Second Report.

A communication has been made to Your Committee by the Clerk of Your Honorable House, drawing their attention to the fact that during the Session of 1862 an account has been overdrawn to the amount of one hundred and ninety dollars eighty cents (\$190.80), and praying that the said sum be permitted to be passed to his credit with Your Honorable House. Your Committee recommend that the consideration of the said Petition be postponed until the next Session of Parliament. the production of the

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A Fetition has been presented from the Law Clerk of Your Honorable House, praying for an increase of salary. Your Committee recommend that the prayer of the said Petition be not entertained.

A Petition has also been presented from the Officers, Clerks and Servants of Your Honorable House, praying that the money received from them in repayment of the loan granted to them in 1858 be refunded, in case neither the Officers of the House of Assembly nor those of the Executive be called upon to repay such loan. Your Committee recommend that no action be taken on the said Petition until the next Session of Parliament.

The whole respectfully submitted.

B. SEYMOUR, Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Seymour, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into consideration by the House at the next sitting thereof.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Nineteenth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE, 15th March, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Nineteenth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of William Lynn Smart, of the City of Toronto, praying for an Act authorizing the Law Society of Upper Canada to call him to the Bar of Her Majesty's Courts of Law and Equity in Upper Canada, and find that no Local Notice has been given in this case; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the Corporation of the City of Montreal, praying for an Act explaining and extending certain enactments of the Acts incorporating the soid City, and for other purposes, and find that no Notice has been given; but inasmuch as the subject matter of the said Petition is of public notoriety, having been fully discussed in the Council of the City of Montreal, whose proceedings are published in the local papers, and as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they therefore recommend the suspension of the 52rd Rule.

With regard to the Petition of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal and Assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes, Your Committee find that the said Petition is more of a Public than a Private or Local character, and not of the class of Petitions on which Your Committee feel it their duty to report.

On the Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of Bruce, praying for the passing of an Act declaring Paisley to be the County Town of Bruce; and of Chs. De Cazes and others, proprietors and occupants of lots Nos. 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29, in the Township of Tingwick, in the County of Arthabaska, praying that the said lots may be detached from the said Township of Tingwick, and annexed to the Township of Wotton, for all purposes, no Notice has been given.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLATE, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Ross moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, That the money received since the 30th April last from the Officers and Servants of

the Legislative Council, in re-payment of the balance of the loan granted to them in 1858, be refunded, in case that neither the Officers of the House of Assembly, nor those of the Executive, have been called upon to refund before the end of the present Session.

On a question of order being raised as to whether the said motion should be considered by this House, on account of its involving a money grant,

A Debate ensued, and

His Honor the Speaker being appealed to, he declared the said motion in order.

Whercupon the House proceeded to the consideration of the Honorable Mr. Ross' motion.

And after further Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow: -

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So it was resolved in the affirmative.

DISSENTIENT.

Because it is a grant of money to several Officers, Clerks and Servants of this House without the authority of Parliament, and not for services rendered, but as a gratuity which the Committee on Contingencies refused to sanction.

Because it will be an infringement upon the rights and privileges of the other House to appropriate moneys of the people without the consent of their Representatives, unless for the contingent expenses of this House.

G. S. BOULTON.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth *Victoria*, Chapter "twenty, respecting the appointment of Magistrates in remote parts of the Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to enable the Town of Woodstock to consolidate the Debt of the " Town, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Blake, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leonard, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill he read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intitu'ed : "An Act to extend the powers of the Local Municipality of St. Roch of Quebec "South," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Gingras, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Société de l'Union St. Pierre de " Montréal," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill ke read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Act to incorporate ' l'Union St. Joseph de Montréal," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the sail Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate l'Union St. Jacques de Montréal," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Com-" pany," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Bel'eau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bossé, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Consolidated Statute respecting the Court of Chancery," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill

intituled : "An Act respecting Police Magistrates," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr Campbell, it was

Ordered, That until the end of this Session, every sitting of this House shall be considered as a distinct sitting.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to enable the Trustees "of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in *Canada* more freely to manage and dispose of "their trust properties," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to amend Chapter Fifty-one of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, "respecting the Improvement of Water Courses,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Armand, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Fanct, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the First Report of the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council, and

The same being again read by the Clerk,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Seymour, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the Tenth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature, and

The same being again read by the Clerk,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Christie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to provide for ascertaining who are the Co-Proprietors of certain Commons in Lower "Canado,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Olivier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Lacoste it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the Canadian Engine and Machinery Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Boulton, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Olivier, The House adjourned until eight c'cleak this evening

The House adjourned until eight o'clock this evening.

At eight o'clock, P. M., the House met, and

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambault,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Price,
Armund,	Christie,	Leonard,	
Armstrony,	Cormier,	Letcllier de St. Just,	Prud'homme,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	Crawford,	McCrea,	Reesor,
Bennett,	De Beaujeu,	McDonald,	Ross,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, A. J,	Macpherson,	Ryan,
Bluke,	Duchesnoy, E. H. J.,	Malhiot,	Sanborn,
Bull,	Dumouchel,	Olivier,	Seymour,
Bureau,	Foster,	Panet,	Taché, Sit E. P.,
Burnham,	Gingras,	Perry,	Wilson.
Campbell,	Guévremont,		

PRAYERS.

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

Of Joseph Knight Boswell and others; and of Pierre Patoine and others, of the City of Quebec; severally praying that the affairs of the said City may be placed, for a period of five years or more, in the hands of Commissioners to be appointed by the Crown.

Of *Henry Dobell* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in *Lower Canada*.

Of the Reverend P. D. Lament and others, of Amherstburg; praying that the Roman Catholic minority in Upper Canada may, in the event of a Federation of the British North American Provinces, be placed on the same footing, in regard to educational subjects, as the Protestant minority in Lower Canada.

Of Parker William Freeland, by his Agent, Weymouth Schreiber; setting forth certain grievances in relation to Assessment, and praying for relief.

Of the *Kingston* Sabbath Reformation Society; praying for the passing of measures for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Municipal Council of the Parish of St. Arsène; praying for aid for a certain Road.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Temisconata*; and of *H. R. O'ReiVy* and others, of the County of *Wentworth*; severally praying for certain amendments to the Fishery Laws.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to enable Mrs. *Marianne Doyle* to convey certain lands held in "trust by her late husband," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Macpherson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bull it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society of L'Union St. Roch de Montréal," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bull, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize the Corporation of the Village of *Lanark* to sell a "certain piece of land, and apply the proceeds to the erection of a Lock-up," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Association St. François Xavier "de Montréal," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Armand, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Malhiot, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Quebcc* Marine Insurance Com-"pany," to which they desire the concurrence of this flouse.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Foster, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Resolved—1. That any further proceeding upon every Bill which has been presented to this House in the present Session, shall be suspended on the day on which Parliament shall be prorogued, in order that the promoters thereof may proceed with the same Bills in the next Session of Parliament.

2. That an Alphabetical List of all such Bills, with a statement of the stage at which the same were suspended, shall be prepered by the Clerk of this House, and printed.

3. That a List of such Bills, with the certificate of the Clerk of the House of the stage at which proceedings were suspended, be laid upon the Table of the House in the next Session of Parliament, in the order in which they shall stand upon such list.

4. That in respect of every Bill so laid upon the Table, the Petition for the Bill shall be read, and thereupon such Bill shall be read a first time, and a second time (if the Bill shall have been read a second time previously to its being suspended); and if such Bill shall have been reported by any Committee in the present Session, the Order for referring the Bill to a Committee shall be dispensed with, and the Bill ordered to lic upon the Table, to be referred to a Committee of the whole House, or to be read a third time, as the case may be.

5. That all Petitions presented in the present Session for and against Private Bills, and which stood referred to the Committees on such Bills, shallstan I referred to the Committees on the same Bills in the next Session of Parliament.

6. That all instructions to Committees on Bills in the present Session, which shall be suspended previously to their being reported by any Committee, be instructions to the Committee on the same Bills in the next Session.

7. That the said Orders be considered Scssional Orders, to be in force till the end of next Session, and that the same be printed.

8. That the above Resolutions be communicated by Message to the Honorable the Legislative Assembly.

Ordered, That one of the Masters in Chancery do carry the said Message to the Legislative Assembly.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Second Report of the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Seymour, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armand, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Act " twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth Victoria, Chapter twenty, respecting the appointment " of Magistrates in remote parts of the Province," was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Cumpbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereou, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then, according to Order, adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the Whole on the said Bill.

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. McCrea reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and Lad directed him to report the same to the House without any amenduent

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Compbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to enable the Town " of Woodstock to consolidate the Debt of the Town, and for other purposes," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Reesor, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Blake, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to extend the powers of the Local Municipality of St. Roch of Quebec South,"

The Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Gingras, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

15th MARCH.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

l'ursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act "to incorporate the Société de l'Union St. Pierre de Montréal," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. L'elleau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Parsuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act to "incorporate L'Union St. Jacques de Montréal," was read a second time.

. On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "Au Act to amend the Act to "incorporate L'Union St. Joseph de Montréal," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. dc Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to amend the Act incorporating the St Lawrence Tow Boat Company,"

The Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Wilson,

That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be now read a second time.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with for the remainder of the present Session.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Con-"solidated Statute respecting the Court of Chancery," was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Tache,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then, according to Order, adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the Whole on the said Bill.

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. McDonald reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment. 210

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On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P.
 Taché, it was Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a third time presently. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly. The question was put whether this Bill shall pass? It was resolved in the affirmative. Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that
House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.
Pursuant to the Urder of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Police "Magistrates," was read a second time.
The Honorable Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently. The question of concurrence being put thereou, the same was resolved in the affirma-
tive, and The House was then, according to Order, adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the Whole on the said Bill.
After some time, the House was resumed, and The Honorable Mr. <i>Crowford</i> reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.
On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P.
Taché, it was Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a third time presently. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly. The question was put whether this Bill shall pass? It was resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.
Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the "Canadian Engine and Machinery Company," was read a second time. On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P.
Taché, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.
A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act for the relief of the Trustees and Devisees of the late John David "Smith, and to enable the said Trustees to wind up the Trusts of the Estate," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. The said Bill was read for the first time. On motion of the Honorable Mr. Seymour, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross,
it was Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently. The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly. Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross, The House adjourned.

Thursday, 16th March, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULNIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Aikins,	Campbell,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	,Panet,
Alexander,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Perry,
Allan,	Christie,	Lacoste,	Price,
Archambault,	Cormier,	Leonard,	Proulx,
Armand, Armstrong,	Crawford,	Leslie,	Prud'homme,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	DeBeaujeu, Dickson,	Letellier de St. Just, McCrea,	Ross,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,		Ryan,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,		Sanborn,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Malhiot,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Flint,	Mills,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bull,	Foster,	Moore,	Vidal,
Bureau, Burnham,	Gingras, Cuévremont,	Olivier,	Wilson.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Burnham; of the Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company.

By the Honorable Mr. E. H. J. Duchesnay; of the Revorend L. Rousseau and others, of the Townships of Buckland and Frampton

By the Honorable Mr. Bureau; of the Municipal Council of the Parish of Notre Dame de la Grande Rivière.

By the Honorable Mr. Gingras; of L. E. Guay and others; and of Henri Pelletier and others, of the City of Quebec.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*; of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Greenock* and *Kilross*, in the County of *Bruce*.

By the Honorable Mr. Leonara, or Timothy Crowley and others, of Malahide.

By the Honorable Mr. Price; of William McLaren and others, of the Township of Saguenay, in the County of Saguenay; and of Narcisse Simard and others, of the Township of Callière, in the County of Charlevoix.

By the Honorable Mr. Sanborn; of S. A. Hurd and others, of Eaton.

By the Honorable Mr. Ferrier; of George Perry and others, of the City of Montreal

By the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Inkerman); of John Irvine and others, of Mille Isle.

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

Of James Glennie, of the Township of Woolwich, in the County of Waterloo; praying for the dissolution of his marriage with Jessie Ritchie.

Of Rufus Holden, Mayor of Belleville; praying that a grant of land, or other aid, be given to a Company for the purpose of building a Railway from the said Town of Belleville to the Murmora Iron Works, in the County of Hastings.

Of William Bell and others, of the Town of Peterborough; praying for the amendment of the Act 24 Vict., Cap. 61, in such a manner as to authorize a By-law, respecting the erection of the Town Hall, to be submitted to the Ratepayers for approval.

Of Thomas Ray and others, of the Township of Woodbridge, in the County of Kamouraska; 1 raying for aid in favor of J. B. Dionne, of St. Paschal, to assist him in rebuilding his saw-mill, destroyed by fire.

Of the Reverend J. W. Truesdell and others, of Warwick; praying for certain amendments to the Act creating certain new Municipalities by the name of Kingsey Falls, so as to include certain lots in said Petition mentioned.

Of François Gareau and others, of Grenville; and of James Allan and others, of Pointe-aux-Trembles; severally praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

The Ilonorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Twentieth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :--

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,

16th March, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Twentieth Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*, praying for an Act to authorize the collection of Taxes on certain lauds in the sold City, and for other purposes, and find the Notice sufficient.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,

Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the "Canadian Engine and Machinery Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Tuché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable M. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill initialed: "An Act to amend the Act "incorporating The St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company," reported that they had gone

through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act to in-"corporate l'Union St. Joseph de Montréal," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to enable the Town of "Woodstock to consolidate the Debt of the Town, and for other purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Alexander, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Macpherson, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to "incorporate l'Union St. Jacques de Montréal," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Houorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act for the relief of the "Trustees and Devisees of the late John David Smith, and to enable the said Trustees to "wind up the Trusts of the Estate," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Seymour moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross,

That the said Bill be now read a third time.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was, on a division, resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intitude: "An Act to amend the Act to 'incorporate the Société de l'Union St. Pierre de Montréal," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Bellcau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

. A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to grant certain additional powers to the *Canada* West Farmers' "Mutual and Stock Insurance Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Macpherson, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to legalize a By-Law of the Town of *Napanee*, for the division of the "said Town into Wards, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Sun Insurance Company of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the German Society of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslic, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend An Act to incorporate the High School of *Quebec*, and for "other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dickson, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the Church Society of the "Diocese of *Toronto*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Allan, it was Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Grey* and *Simcoe* Railway Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Macpherson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Alexander, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of *Ingersoll*," to which theydesire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Blake*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Academy of Music of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ryan, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross., it was Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this Honse be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Education Society of the "District of *Quebec.*"

And also, the Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize a re-survey of part of the Town-"ship of *Portland*, in the County of *Frontenac*," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bills, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto* to sell "certain Glebe Lots of Land in *Darlington*, and for other purposes," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:

Page 1, line 32—After "Bowmanville" insert "founded on a vote of the majority of "the vestry of the said church then taken, accepting an offer for the purchase of the said "land."

Page 1, line 40-After aforesaid" insert "and his successors."

Page 1, line 42—After "Act" insert "Provided always that if any portion of the "purchase money is not paid at the time of such sale, it may remain on mortgage on the said "glebe lands upon such terms and for such time as may be agreed upon between the "parties."

Page 1, line 2-After "Bowmanville" insert "and Township of Darlington."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the last mentioned Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend Chapter Seventy-five of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower* "Canada, respecting the division of *Lower Canada* into Counties, in so far as it relates "to the Counties of *Rimouski* and Gaspé," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Flint* presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to "amend the Act intituled: 'An Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of *Peter-*"borough, and to authorize the issue of Debentures on the security of Town property and "for other purposes,"

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Fiint* presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act to "continue and amend the Act incorporating the *Marmora* and *Belleville* Railway Com-"pany."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Ryan moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellancy the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a Return of all leases granted by the Department of Crown Lands for Fishing purposes, with the dates and conditions of such leases, the names of the lessees, stating those who have fulfilled the conditions of their leases, and of those in default; also a Return of the number of Stake and Brush Nets and other fixed machinery for catching fish existing within this Province, licensed by the Crown Lands Department.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled: "An Act to establish the validity of acts performed in Canada by certain " Clergymen ordained in Foreign parts, and for other purposes," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Montreal Investment Association," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow :

Page 1, line 20-After "rents" insert "but not."

Page 1, line 29-After "purpose" insert "provided that stock to the amount of "\$100,000 shall be subscribed and paid up before the Association shall go into operation."

Page 2, line 4-Leave out from "attached" to "no" in line 10, and insert "Pro-"vided that the aggregate of the sum or sums so borrowed shall not at any time exceed "the amount of the subscribed capital of the Association for the time being not paid " up, and."

Page 2, line 22-Leave out from "debt" to "The" in line 26.

Page 2, line 30-Leave out "ten" and insert "five," and leave out from "it" to "The" in line 37, and insert the following as Clause A:

CLAUSE A.

"The Association may have an office in London, England, for such purposes as the "Directors shall determine, and the bonds, coupons or dividends of the Association may "be made payable at any place in London aforesaid, and in sterling or currency."

Page 2, line 50—Leave out "Company" and insert "Association." Page 3, line 1—Leave out "Company" and insert "Association."

Page 3, line 37-After "eighth" insert " ninth."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the last mentioned Bill, without any amendment.

Gn motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the period for receiving Private Bills, and Reports of Standing or Select Committees on Private Bills, be extended to Saturday the 18th instant.

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The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to provide for ascertaining who are the Co-Proprietors of certain Commons in Lower " Canada," On motion of the Honorable Mr. Olivier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Lacoste, it was Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next. The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to enable Mrs. Morianne Doyle to convey certain Lands held in trust by her late " Husband," The Honorable Mr. Macpherson moved, seconded by the Honorable Alexander, That the said Bill be now read a second time. Aiter Debate, The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly. Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills. Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the " Society of L'Union St. Roch de Montréal," was read a second time. On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, s. conded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills. The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to authorize the Corporation of the Village of Lanark to sell a certain piece of land, " and apply the proceeds to the crection of a Lock-up," The Honorable Mr. Ross moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Matheson, That the 44th Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently. The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly. Ordered. That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills. Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act to "incorporate the Association St. François Xavier de Montréal," was read a second time. On motion of the Honorable Mr. Armand, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Gingras, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills. Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled ; "An Act to amend the Act "incorporating the Queber Marine Insurance Company," was read a second time. On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dickson, it was Ordered, That the Sixty-first Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a third time at the next sitting of the

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Second Report of the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session,

The Honorable Mr. Seymour moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armand,

House.

That the third paragraph of the said Report be expunged.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

Then the Honorable Mr. Seymour moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armand, That the said Report, as now amended, be adopted.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Urdered accordingly.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross,

The House adjourned until eight o'clock this evening.

At eight o'clock P.M., the House met, and

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	Burnham,	Gingras,	Price,
Allan,	Campbell,	Guévremont,	Proulx,
Archambault,	Chaffers,	Hamilton (Inkerman)	,Prud'homme,
Armand,	Cormier,	Hamilton (Kingston),	Reesor,
Armstrong,	Crawford,	Leonard,	Ross,
Belleau, Šir N. F.,	De Beaujeu,	Leslie,	Ryan,
Bennett,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Letellier de St. Just,	Sanborn,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnoy, E. H. J.,	Macpherson,	Seymour,
Blake,	Dumouchel,	Malhiot,	Shaw,
Bossé,	Ferrier,	Matheson,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Boulton,	Flint,	Olivier,	Vidal.
Bull,	Foster,	Panet,	

The following Petition was brought up and laid on the Table :---

By the Honorable Mr, Hamilton (Inkerman); of Peter Aylen and others, of the District of Ottawa.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Burnham, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Vidal, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of the Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Malhiot, it was

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Select Committee on the Contingent Accounts of this House be authorized to sign an order for the delivery of certain Parliamentary Books stored in the Emigrant Hospital, in conjunction with the Chairman of the Committee of the Legislative Assembly on Contingent Accounts. The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Grey "and Simcoe Railway Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate The "Sun Insurance Company of Montreal," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to in-"corporate the Association St. François Xavier de Montréal," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Armand, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Gingras, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Aca-"demy of Music of Montreal," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Society of L'Union St. Roch de Montréal," reported that they had goue through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled : "An Act to legalize certain By laws of the United Counties of Frontenac " and Lennox and Addington," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr Crawford, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of the Richelieu Company, and the "Act amending the same," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Bellcau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Proulx, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth and Sixty-first Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Hon-erable Sir N. F. Belleau, and the Honorable Messieurs Panet and Armand, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Then the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Proulx, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to legalize By-law No. 200 of the Corporation of the Town of Port " Hope, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Seymour, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Rill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : " An Act to incorporate the Presbyterian College of Montreal," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Montreal Homeopathic Association," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Allan, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, it was

Orlered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend and extend the provisions of Chapter Thirty of the Con-" solidated Statutes for Upper Canada, intituled : 'An Act respecting Interpleading,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of Montreal," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legeslative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled : " An Act to enable the London Permanent Building and Savings Society " to amalgamate with the Huron and Erie Savings and Loan Society," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

The said amendments was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

Page 2, line 41-After "months" insert the following as Clause A :

CLAUSE A.

"This Act shall be subject to, and shall not come into force or effect until approved of by a vote of two-thirds of the shareholders of each Society, present in person or by proxy, at a meeting to be specially called for that purpose."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendment made to the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill initialed: "An Act to incorporate the *Doon* and *Galt* Railway Company," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

Page 2, line 12-After "Act" insert the following as Clause A:

CLAUSE A.

"The capital stock of the said Company shall not exceed four hundred thousand dollars, to be divided into eight thousand shares of fifty dollars each, which amount may be raised by any of the persons hereinbefore named, or by such other persons or corporations as may be shareholders in such stock."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendment made to the said Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to grant certain "additional powers to the Canada West Farmers' Mutual and Stock Insurance Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:

Page 1, line 6,-Leave out from "follows" to "any" in line 16.

Page 1, line 21,-Leave out from "situate" to "This" in line 36.

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bull, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross, it was Ordered, That the said Bill, as amended, be read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence. The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to legalize By-law "No. 200 of the Corporation of the Town of *Port Hope*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Allan, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the afirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act of "Incorporation of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Allan, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill initialed: "An Act to incorporate the "German Society of Montreal," reported that they had gone through the saidBill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ferricr, seconded by the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to consolidate the "Debt of the Town of Ingersoll," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Blake, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leonard, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Presbyterian College of Montreal," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to authorize the Cor-" poration of the Village of Lanark to sell a certain piece of land, and apply the proceeds to " the erection of a Lock-up," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Shaw, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Matheson, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass 3

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society of l'Union St. Joseph of Three-Rivers," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to facilitate the conviction and punishment of persons enticing Her " Majesty's subjects to enter any foreign service, contrary to the provisions of the Foreign "Enlistment Act," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House. On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the Bill intituled : "An Act to separate the Township of Amherst "Island from the County of Lennox and Addington, and add it to the County of Fron-" tenac," be restored to the Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act "incorporating the Quebec Marine Insurance Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend Au Act to "incorporate the High School of Quebec, and for other purposes," was read a second time. On motion of the Honorable Sir N. N. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr.

Panet, it was

Ordered, That the sixty-first Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it CC

relates to this Bill, and that the same be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs Price, Panet, and Sir N. F. Belleau, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to legalize a By-law "of the Town of Napance, for the division of the said Town into Wards, and for other "purposes," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to amend Chapter Seventy-five of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, "respecting the division of Lower Canada into Counties, in so far as it relates to the " Counties of Rimouski and Gaspé,"

On motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Jacké, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time, the House was resumed.

The Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend 'An Act to incorporate the High School of Quebec," "and for other purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Olivier, it was

Crdered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the Town of Lévis," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. E. H.

J. Duchesnay, it was Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act respecting Ocean Mail Service," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House,

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of The Montreal "Warehousing Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

The Honorable Mr. Ross moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Crawford,

That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for de-"fraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the year 1865, and for certain "other purposes connected with the Public Service," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

The Honorable Sir E. P. Taché moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell,

That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to legalize and confirm an agreement made between the Grand Trunk "Railway Company of *Canada*, the Great Western Railway Company, and the Northern "Railway Company of *Canada*, relating to the *Toronto* Esplanade, and for other purposes "therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Allan, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act respecting "The Canadian Land and Emigration Company (Limited), "to facilitate proof of its incorporation, for the execution of Instruments, and for other "purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Macpherson, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate 'The Mechanics' Bank,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ailan, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled: "An Act further to amend the Act respecting Joint Stock Companies for "the construction of Roads and other Works in *Upper Canada,*" and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

Page 2, line 7-After "of" insert "Fifty."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendment made to the last mentioned Bill, without any amendment:

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ferrier,

The House adjourned.

Friday, 17th March, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs!

Alexander,	Burnham,	Guévremont,	Proulx,
Allan,	Campbell,	Leslie,	Pud'homme,
Armand,	Chaffers,	Letellier de St. Just,	
Armstrong,	Cormier,	Macpherson,	Ross,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	De Beaujeu,	Malhiot,	Ryan,
Blair Fergusson,	Dickson,	Matheson,	Sanborn,
Blake,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Olivier,	Seymour,
Bossé,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Panet,	Shaw,
Boulton,	Ferrier,	Perry,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Bull,	Flint,	Price,	Vidal,
Bureau,	Gingras,	·	•

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Shaw; of John Cunningham and others, of the County of Russell; and of the Reverend David Vaughan and others, of the County of Carleton.

By the Honorable Mr. Price; of Augustin Lemieux and others, of the Township of De Sales, in the County of Charlevoix; and of the Municipal Council of the County of Quebcc.

By the Honorable Mr. Sanborn; of Alexander Gibson and others, of Kingsey Falls; of the Municipal Council of South Durham; and of Henry J. Pennoyer and others, of Compton.

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

Of the Reverend L. Rousseau and others, of the Townships of Buckland and Frampton; praying for aid for a certain Road in the Township of Frampton.

Of the Municipal Council of the Parish of Notre Dame de la Grande Rivière ; praying for relief.

Of L. E. Guay and others, and of Henri Pelletier and others, all of the City of Quebec ; severally praying that the affairs of the City be placed, for five years or more, in the hands of Commissioners to be appointed by the Crown.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Greenock; praying against any alteration in the limits of the said Township.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Kilross; praying for the repeal of the Act of last Session respecting the selection of the County Town of the County of Bruce, and for other purposes.

Of Timothy Crowley and others, of Malahide; praying that the Roman Catholic minority in Upper Canada may, in the event of a Federation of the British North American Provinces, be placed on the same footing, in regard to Educational subjects, as the Protestant minority of Lower Canada.

Of William McLaren and others, of the Township of Saguenay, County of Saguenay; praying for aid to build a Bridge over the Rivière aux Canards.

Of Narcisse Simard and others, of the Township of Callidre; praying for aid for the purchase of seed grain.

Of S. A. Hurd and others, of Eaton; praying against the proposed Federal Union of the British North American Provinces.

And of George Perry and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Twenty-first Report. Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE, 17th March, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Twenty-first Report.

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find the notice sufficient in each case, viz :-- Of James Glennie, of the Township of Woolwich, in the County of Waterloo, and Province of Canada, praying for the dissolution of his marriage with Jessie Ritchie; and of the Cobourg and Peterboro' Railway Company, praying for such amendments to their Act of Incorporation as will allow them to build a Railway to connect with the Marmora Iron Works, and for other purposes.

On the Petition of the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*, praying for the repeal of the Act of last Session, Cap. 77, and for an Act legalizing the measures taken for the erection of County Buildings at *Walkerton* and for other purposes, no Notice has been given.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled; "An Act to extend the powers "of the Local Municipality of St. Roch of Quebec South," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow :

Page 2, line 2-After "or," where it occurs the second time, insert "other."

Page 2, line 19-After "Municipality" insert, as forming part of sub section five, "To impose taxes on the rate-payers of the said Municipality to an amount sufficient."

Page 2, line 48—After "Act" insert "Provided always that every lot of land over "five acres in superficies shall be exempt from taxation, under the fifth, seventh and "eighth sub sections of this section."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. A. J. Duchesnay, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armand, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of *Montreal*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ryan, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Henorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting 'The "Canadian Land and Emigration Company (Limited),' to facilitate proof of its incorpor" ation for the execution of instruments and for other purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had direct him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to legalize and " confirm an agreement made between the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, "the Great Western Railway Company, and the Northern Railway Company of Canada, " relating to the Toronto Esplanade, and for other purposes therein mentioned," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate " certain persons under the name of The Montreal Warehousing Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Ross moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ferrier,

That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. Ryan moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau,

To leave out all the words after "be," and insert "referred back to the said Committee " on Standing Orders and Private Bills, with an intruction to re-consider the fifth clause." Which being objected to,

After Debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to legalize a By-law " of the Town of Napance, for the division of the said Town into Wards, and for other " purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to enable Mrs. "Marianne Doyle to convey certain Lands held in trust by her late Husband," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report that they find the Preamble not proven, inasmuch as no sufficient evidence has been shewn to them of the necessity for Legislative interference in the matter.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate "the Montreal Homeopathic Association," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Allan, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Order made yesterday to refer the Bill intituled: "An Act to incor-"porate The Mechanics' Bank," to the Committee on Banking and Commerce, be rescinded, and that the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Honorable Mr. *Recsor*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, presented their Eleventh Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

COMMITTEE ROOM,

17th March, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature beg leave to make the following as their Eleventh Report.

The Committee have carefully examined the Documents referred to in the following motions for Printing, viz.:

By Mr. Bourassa,—Return to an Address—Statement of the Districts, Dioccess, Counties, &c., in Lower Canada, with their respective populations. The Committee recommend that this Return be published in the Sessional Papers only, and that one Edition suffice for both languages.

By Mr. *Perrault*,—Report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the means of promoting instruction in Special Schools of Agriculture, Commerce, Navigation and the Military Art. The Committee recommend that this Report be not printed.

By Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton),-Return to Address-Statement of money paid by Sheriffs in Upper Canada to the Canada Gazette, &c. The Committee recommend that this Return be printed in a condensed form.

By Mr. Bell,---Report of the Select Committee on the Gold Fields of Canada. The Committee recommend that this Report, together with the evidence and map, be published.

By Mr. Muckenzie (Lambton),—Return to Address—Fees and Emoluments of the Registrars of certain Countics in Upper Canada. The Committee recommend that this Return be printed in a condensed form in the Sessional Papers.

On the reference back to the Committee by the Legislative Assembly, for the re-consideration of that portion of their Tenth Report which recommended that the Report of the Select Committee appointed to examine into the contents of the Return relative to the Office of Supervisor of Callers be printed, but without the accompanying Evidence. The Committee now beg leave to recommend that the said Evidence be also published.

The Committee also recommend that the Return to Address-Sale and Transfer of the Hamilton and Port Dover Road, be not printed; and that the Return to Address -Correspondence between the Government and the Contractors for the Public Buildings at Ottawa, be printed in a condensed form.

Return to Address-Accidents on Grand Trunk Railway, and Tariffs of Freight since January, 1864. The Committee recommend that the Return of Accidents only be printed.

The Committee also recommend that the several Statements from certain Assurance Companies and Savings Banks be not published, being incomplete.

Report of the Superintendent of Education for Lower Canada, for 1864. The Committee recommend that the Report be published : the tabular matter with English and French headings, and that 500 copies extra in the English language be printed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Reesor, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau, it was Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend Chapter eleven of the Corsolidated Statutes for Lower "Canada, respecting Newspapers and other like. Publications," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dickson, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be now read a second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to define the right of property in swarms of Bees, and to exempt "them from seizure in certain cases," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

The Honorable Mr. Chaffers moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Sanborn,

That the Forty-fourth Bule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be now read a second time.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and The said Bill was then, read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Cartier and others, in the following words :---

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Thursday, March 16th, 1865.

Resolved, That all proceedings upon every Bill which has been introduced before this House in the present Session, shall be suspended on the day on which Parliamen shall be prorogued, in order that the promoters thereof may proceed with the same Bills in the next Session of Parliament.

Resolved, That an Alphabetical List of all such Bills, with a statement of the stage at which the same were suspended, shall be prepared by the Clerk of this House, and printed.

Resolved, That a List of such Bills, with the certificate of the Clerk of the House, of the stage at which proceedings were suspended, be laid upon the Table of the House in the next Session of Parliament, in the order in which they shall stand upon such list.

Resolved, That in respect of every Bill so laid upon the Table, the Petition for the Bill and the Order of leave to bring in the same in the present Session, shall be read, and thereupon such Bill shall be read a first time, and a second time (if the Bill shall have been read a second time previously to its being suspended); and if such Bill shall have been reported by any Committee in the present Session, the Order for referring the Bill to a Committee shall be dispensed with, and the Bill ordered to lie upon the Table, to be referred to a Committee of the whole House, or to be read a third time, as the case may be.

Resolved, That all Petitions presented in the present Session, for and against Private Bills, and which stood referred to the Committees on such Bills, shall stand referred to the Committees on the same Bills in the next Session of Parliament.

Resolved, That all instructions to Committees on Bills in the present Session, which shall be suspended previously to their being reported by any Committee, be instructions to the Committee on the same Bills, in the next Session.

Resolved, That the said Orders be considered Sessional Orders, to be in force till the end of next Session, and that the same be printed.

Resolved, That the above Resolutions be communicated by Message to the Honorable the Legislative Council.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Cartier do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

[Attest],

WM. B. LINDSAY, Clerk, L. J.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act for the relief of the *Ottawa* and *Prescott* Railway Company, and for "ensuring the efficient working of its Railway and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Shaw, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Burnham, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to regulate the business of Stevedores and Liners in the Harbor of "Montreal," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ryan, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act for the punishment of Persons selling Liquor without License, and "for other purposes therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was *Ordered*, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs Flint, Blake, Campbell, Alexander, and Vidal, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : "An Act to consolidate the "debt of the Town of *Peterborough*, and to authorise the issue of Debentures on the "security of Town property and for other purposes," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Flint, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Reesor, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to continue and amend the Act incorporating the Marmora and Belleville Railway "Company,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Reesor*, it was *Ordered*, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill initialed: "An Act to incorporate the "Society of 'L'Union St. Joseph of Three Rivers," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr Ryan, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Then the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the said Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate "the Society of 'L'Union St. Joseph of Three Rivers," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Page 1, line 22—After "Corporation" insert "not exceeding the annual value "of two thousand dollars."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill, as amended, be read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An "Act to facilitate the conviction and punishment of persons enticing Her Majesty's " subjects to enter any foreign service, contrary to the provisions of the Foreign Enlist-" ment Act."

The Honorable Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Ocean " Mail Service," was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then, according to Order, adjourned during pleasure, and put into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill.

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. Vidal reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendmont,

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : " An Act to amend and extend " the provisions of Chapter thirty of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada, initialed : "An Act respecting Interpleading," was read a second time. Ou motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bossé, it

was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Saint Thomas Cemetery Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Reesor, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Blake, it Was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the Weighing, Measuring and Gauging of certain "Articles of General Consumption," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ryan, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Reesor, it was Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently."

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs Ryan, Ferrier, Sir N. F. Belleau, Bureau, and Reesor, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled : "An Act to explain Chapter Seventy-five of the Consolidated Statutes for , Lower Canada, and to declare certain Islands to be in the County of Verchères, and " for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House:

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bureau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bossé, it was Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordercd, That the said Bill be read a third time presently. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to prevent the spreading of Canada Thistles in Upper Canada," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Shaw, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next!

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : " An Act to amend Chapter Sixty-eight of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower " Canada, respecting Mutual Insurance Companies," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Olivier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Cormier, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-forth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

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The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Olivier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Cormier, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

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The said Bill was read for the first time.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled: "An Act to extend the powers of the Local Municipality of *St. Rock* " of *Quebec* South," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that he had received a communication announcing the intention of His Excellency the Governor General to prorogue Parliament to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Flint, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Cormier The House adjourned until nine o'clock this evening.

At nine o'clock, P.M., the House met, and

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEFH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	Campbell,	Flint,		Ryan
Allan,	De Beaujeu,	Gingras,		Sanborn,
Armstrong,		Macpherson,		Seymour,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Panet,		Shaw,
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Reesor,		Taché, Sir L. P.,
Blake,	Ferrier,	Ross,	١	Vidal.
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Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of Peter Aylen and others, of the District of Ottawa; setting forth certain alleg-ations against the Honorable Aimé Lafontaine, Judge of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, in connection with the Crown Lands and the administration of Justice in the District of Ottawa, and praying for relief.

And of John Irvine and others, of Mille Isles; praying for the redress of certain g riev ances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

The Honorable Mr. Flint, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act for the punishment of persons selling liquor without license, and for " the purposes therein mentioned," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Flint, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Blake, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Twenty-second Report. Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :---

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,

17th March, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Twenty-second Report.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Reverend J. W. Truesdell and others, of Warwick, praying for certain amendments to the Act erecting cortain new Municipalities under the name of Kingsey Falls, so as to include certain lots into the said Municipalities, and find that, though regularly given in a local paper, the Notice has not been published in the Canada Gazette.

On the Petition of William Bell and others, of Peterborough, praying for the amendment of the 24 Vic., (hapter 61, in such a manner as to allow a By-law respecting the erection of the Town Hall, to be submitted for the approval to the Ratepayers of the said Town, no Notice has been given.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR, Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Eergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate The "Mechanics' Bank," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to regulate the business "of Stevedores and Liners in the Harbour of Montreal," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "St. Thomas Cemetery Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Reesor, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Gingras, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act for the relief of the "Ottawa and Prescott Railway Company, and for ensuring the efficient working of its "Railway, and for other purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Shaw, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ferrier, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, That the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting Attorneys," be now read a second time.

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:---

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Allan,	De Beaujeu,	Ferrier,	Ryan,
Belleau, Sir N. F.	Dickson,	Gingras,	Shaw,
Bureau,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Panet,	Taché, Sir E. P.,
Campbell,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,	Ross,	Vidal—16.

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,

Blair, Fergusson,

Blake,

So it was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs Fergusson Blair, Dickson, Vidal, and Shaw, to meet and adjourn as they please.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, it was

Ordered, That the Bill intituled : " An Act to facilitate the conviction and punish-" ment of persons enticing Her Majesty's subjects to enter any foreign service, contrary to "the provisions of the Foreign Enlistment Act," be now read a third time.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Ryan, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the weighing, measuring and guaging of certain articles of "general consumption," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ryan, seconded by the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, it was

Ordered. That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this. Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Allan, it was

Ordered, That the Bill intituled : "An Act to improve the Proceedings in Prohibition "and on Writs of Mandamus in Upper Canada," be read a second time on Monday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Ross, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

Ordered. That the Bill intituled ; " An Act for more effectually securing the Liberty " of the Subject," be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Campbell moved seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross,

That the Order for the second reading, on Monday next, of the Bill intituled : "An "Act to improve the proceedings in Prohibition and on Writs of Mandamus in Upper " Canada," be discharged, and that the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmaand The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly. tive, and

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative. Ordered, That the Clork do go down the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment and

The Honorable Mr. Reesor, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, presented their Twelfth Report.

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Ordered, that it be received, and The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

COMMITTEE ROOM,

17th March, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, beg leave to make the following as their Twelfth Report.

The Committee have carefully examined the following Document :

Report of David B. Read, Esquire, Commissioner in the matter of the Parliamentary Election for the County of Essex, and recommend that it be not printed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Reesor, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Bureau, it was Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Society of L'Union St. Joseph of Three Rivers," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Billi intituled : "An Act to enable the Trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in "Canada more freely to manage and dispose of trust properties," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

Page 2, line 13-Leave out from "desire" to "No" in line 19.

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendment made to the last mentioned Bill, without any amendment.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Sir E. P. Taché, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, The House adjourned until to-morrow at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Saturday, 18th March, 1865.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIEB, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,	Campbell,	Ginaras.	Punet,
Belleau, Sir N. F.,	De Beaujeu,		Price.
Blair, Fergusson,	Duchesnay, A. J.,	Letellier de St. Just,	Ryan,
Bull,	Duchesnay, E. H. J.,		Vidal.

PRAYERS.

Parsuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were severally read:

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Of John Cunningham and others, of the County of Russell; and of the Reverend Edward Vaughan and others, of the County of Carleton; severally praying that the Roman Catholic minority in Upper Canada may, in the event of a Federation of the British North American Provinces be placed on the same footing, in regard to Educational Subjects, as the Protestant minurity in Lower Canada.

Of Auguste Lemieux and others, of the Township of DeSales; praying for aid for certain Colonization Roads.

Of Alexander Gibson and others, of Kingsey Falls; praying that the new Municipality of Kingsey Falls may be separated from the County of Drummond and annexed to the County of Arthabaska.

Of the Municipal Council of South Durham; praying for aid for the improvement of certain Roads.

Of George E. Brown and others, of the Township of Compton ; praying against the proposed Federation of the British North American Provinces.

And of the Municipal Council of the County of Quebec; praying against the passing of the Bill to extend the powers of the Municipality of St. Roch of Quebec South, and for other purposes.

The Honorable Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Alexander,

That the Order of this House made yesterday, to refer the Bill intituled : "An Act " respecting Attornies," to a Select Committee, be rescinded, and that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then, according to Order, adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the Whole on the said Bill.

After some time, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. Matheson reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows : -

Page 2, line ult.-After "Law" leave out to the end of the Bill.

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

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A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled : " An Act respecting Attornies," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment. Sec. 1.

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His Excellency the Right Honorable CHARLES STANLEY, Viscoupt 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 the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c., being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Honorable the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House "It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him " immediately in this House."

Who being come with their Speaker,

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follow :-

An Act to incorporate the Ottawa Skating and Curling Club.

An Act to amend the Act passed in the twenty-sixth year of the Reign of Her Majesty, relating to the Hamilton and Port Dover Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate "The Orphans' Home of the City of Ottawa."

An Act to remove doubts as to the limits of certain Counties in Lower Canada.

An Act to enable certain County Councils in Upper Canada to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases to sow their land.

An Act to incorporate the Society called "l' Union St. Michel des Saints de Montréal."

An Act to incorporate the Society called "l'Union St. Joseph de St. Joseph de Lévis."

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Quebec Street Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate the Society called " La Société St. Ignace de Montréal."

An Act to incorporate the Society called "l' Union St. Joseph de la Ville de Lévis."

An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Niagara District Bank.

An Act to incorporate the Upper Canada Free Baptist Missionary Society. An Act to incorporate the Clarenceville Academy.

An Act respecting Police Magistrates.

An Act to amend the Consolidated Statute respecting the Court of Chancery.

An Act to amend the Act twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth Victoria, chapter twenty, respecting the appointment of Magistrates in remote parts of the Province.

An Act to establish the validity of acts performed in Canada by certain Clergymen ordained in Foreign parts, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the Montreal Investment Association.

An Act to authorize the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto to sell certain Glebe Lots of Land in Darlington, and for other purposes.

An Act further to amend the Act respecting Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads and other Works in Upper Canada.

An Act to enable the London Permanent Building and Savings Society to amalgamate with the Huron and Erie Savings and Loan Society.

An Act to incorporate the *Doon* and *Galt* Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate l'Union St. Jacques de Montréal.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Société de l' Union St. Pierre de Montréal.

An Act to amend "An Act to incorporate The High School of Quebec," and for other purposes.

An Act for the relief of the Trustees and Devisees of the late John David Smith, and to enable the said Trustees to wind up the Trusts of the Estate.

An Act to legalize certain By-laws and Debentures of the United Counties of Frontenac and Lennox and Addington.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Education Society of the District of Quebec.

An Act respecting the Canadias Engine and Machinery Company.

An Act to enable the Town of Woodstock to consolidate the debt of the Town, and for other purposes.

An Act to authorize a re-survey of part of the Township of Portland, in the County of Frontenac.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate l'Union St. Joseph de Montréal.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company.

An Act to incorporate the Society of l'Union St. Roch de Montréal.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Association St. François-Xavier de Montréal.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Quebec Marine Insurance Company. An Act to incorporate the Grey and Simcoe Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate "The Academy of Music of Montreal."

An Act to consolidate the Debt of the Town of Ingersoll.

An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto.

An Act to incorporate " The Sun Insurance Company of Montreal."

An Act to incorporate the Presbyterian College of Montreal.

An Act to incorporate the German Society of Montreal.

An Act to legalize By-law No. 200 of the Corporation of the Town of Port Hope, and for other purposes.

An Act to authorize the Corporation of the Village of Lanark to sell a certain piece of land, and apply the proceeds to the erection of a Lock-up.

An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned.

An Act to incorporate the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of Montreal.

An Act respecting the Weighing, Measuring, and Gauging of certain Articles of General Consumption.

An Act for the punishment of Persons selling Liquor without License, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An Act to amend Chapter Eleven of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respecting Newspapers and other like Publications.

An Act to amend Chapter Sixty-eight of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respecting Mutual Insurance Companies.

An Act to improve the proceedings in Prohibition and on Writs-of Mandamus in Upper Canada.

An Act to incorporate the Society of l'Union St. Joseph of Three Rivers.

An Act to extend the powers of the Local Municipality of St. Roch of Quebec South.

An Act to enable the Trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada more freely to manage and dispose of Trust Properties.

An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada respecting Houses of Correction, Court Houses and Gaols.

An Act to facilitate the conviction and punishment of persons enticing Her Majesty's Subjects to enter any foreign service, contrary to the provisions of the Foreign Enlistment Act.

An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the Richelieu Company, and the Act amending the same.

An Act to incorporate. The Mechanics' Bank.

An Act to legalize a By-law of the Town of Napanee, for the division of the said Town into Wards, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the Montreal Homeopathic Association.

An Act respecting Ocean Mail Service.

An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of "The Montreal Warehousing Company."

Au Act to amend and extend the provisions of Chapter Thirty of the Consolidated. Statutes for Upper Canada, intituled, "An Act respecting Interpleading."

An Act to incorporate the St. Thomas Cemetery Company.

An Act to regulate the business of Stevedores and Liners in the Harbor of Montreal.

An Act for the relief of the Ottawa and Prescott Railway Company, and for ensuring

the efficient working of its Railway, and for other purposes. An Act to legalize and confirm an agreement made between the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canuda, the Great Western Railway Company, and the Northern Railway. Company of Canada, relating to the Toronto Esplanade, and for other purposes therein mentioned. Robard

An Act respecting "The Canadian Land and Emigration Company (Limited)," to facilitate proof of its incorporation for the execution of instruments, and for other purposes.

An Act to define the right of property in Swarms of Bees, and to exempt them from seizure in certain cases. An Act to explain Chapter Seventy-five of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower

Conada, and to declare certain Islands to be in the County of Verchères for all purposes. An Act to amend the Act respecting Attorneys.

To these Bills the Royal Assent was severally pronounced by the Clerk of this House, in the words following :---

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General doth assent to this "Bill."

• The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly then addressed His Excellency as followeth ;

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

The Session of the Legislature which has now termina'ed will be ever memorable in the annals of this country, on account of the gravity and importance of the questions which have engaged the attention of Parliament.

The great project of a Federal Union of the British North American Provinces, the necessity of making adequate provision for our military defences, are measures of the greatest moment and of peramount consideration to the future welfare of *Canada*.

In ready response to Your Excellency's invitation, the Legislative Assembly have bestowed the most careful and patient attention upon these questions, and have willingly acquiesced in the premature close of the present Session, in order that the result of their deliberations may be transmitted to the Imperial Government with the least possible delay.

In making provision for the protection of our frontier from the designs of evil-disposed persons, who would willingly embroil us with the neighboring Republic, and in giving more ample powers to the Government for preventing persons who have availed themselves of the sacred right of asylum, which our Mother Country and her colonies extend to the oppressed of all nations, from making this Province a base for hostile demonstrations, rather than a place of refuge and rest,—we have given ample assurances that *Canada* is prepared to preserve to the uttermost the strict neutrality which Her Majesty has enjoined upon us, in the conflict now unhappily prevailing in that country.

In view of the urgency of public affairs at the present juncture, and the pressing need for immediate personal communication between the Members of Your Excellency's Administration and the Imperial authorities, the Legislative Assembly have consented to deviate from the ordinary course of Parliamentary Supply, and to authorize the advance of the sums required for the Public Service by a vote of Credit, instead of insisting upon the observance of the Constitutional rules which guard and regulate the appropriation of public money. The confidence which has been thus bestowed in the fidelity and moderation of Your Excellency's Government will, I am persuaded, meet with a due response, and in the expenditure of the moneys voted for the ordinary purposes of Government, as well as for the defence of the Province, the same regard will be had to the well-understood wishes of the Legislature, as if the Supplies had been granted in the usual manner.

Therefore, in the name and behalf of Her Majesty'a faithful and loyal subjects, the Commons of *Canada*, I beg to tender for Your Excellency's acceptance, a Bill intituled : "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying "certain expenses of the Civil Government for the year 1865, and for certain other pur-"poses connected with the Public Service."

The Clerk of this House did thereupon say :---

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

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His Excellency the Governor General was then pleased to deliver the following Speech :--

28 Victoria.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council : Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

In releasing you for the present from further attendance in Parliament, I rejoice that I am able to congratulate you upon having laid the foundation for a more intimate Union of Her Majesty's Possessions in *British North America*.

I am also happy to think that the course which you have adopted has been calculated to prove the sincerity and earnestness with which you adhere to the policy of Her Majesty in relation to Foreign Countries, and your readiness to pass any measures which may be found necessary for the enforcement of that policy within the Province.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

I thank you for the provision you have made for carrying on the Public Service of the Province.

The sum which has been entrusted to the Government by your vote for the permanent defence of the Province cannot fail to be regarded by our fellow-subjects in *England* as an earnest that Canadians are ready to accept the responsibilities whilst they claim the advantages of British connection.

Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen :

It has been considered advisable that a Deputation from the Government of *Canada* should proceed to *London* to confer with Her Majesty's Ministers on questions of great importance to the Colony.

When these Gentlemen shall have returned, I shall lose no time in again availing myself of your counsels and laying before you the result of their mission.

Then, the Honorable the Speaker of this House 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 Thursday, the Twenty-seventh day of April next, to be here holden; and this Provincial Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Thursday, the Twenty-seventh day of April next. APPENDIX.

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The CLERK in account with the Honorable the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, for various sums received and disbursed by him from the 1st January, 1865. . ک

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