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**JOURNALS**  
OF THE  
**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
OF THE  
**PROVINCE OF CANADA.**



HIS EXCELLENCY  
THE RIGHT HONORABLE CHARLES THEOPHILUS BARON METCALFE, G.C.B.  
GOVERNOR GENERAL,  
&c. &c. &c.

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BEING THE FIRST SESSION  
OF THE  
**SECOND PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT,**  
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OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.



PROVINCE OF }  
*Canada.* } **C. T. METCALFE.**

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

To our beloved and faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of our said Province, summoned and called to a meeting of the Provincial Parliament of our said Province, at our Township of *Kingston*, on the fifteenth day of the month of January instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

### A PROCLAMATION.

**WHEREAS**, on the ninth day of December, now last past, we thought fit to prorogue our Provincial Parliament to the fifteenth day of January instant, at which time, at our Township of *Kingston*, 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 Saturday, the twenty-fourth day of February, now next ensuing, you meet us, in our Provincial Parliament, at our Township of *Kingston*, 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 to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at our Government House, at *Kingston*, in our Province of *Canada*, this twelfth day of January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the seventh year of our Reign.

C. T. M.

By Command,  
**FELIX FORTIER,**  
 C. C. C.



PROVINCE OF }  
*Canada.* } **C. T. METCALFE.**

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

To our beloved and faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Canada*, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve

Proclamation of the 23rd February continuing the Parliament to 4th April.

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 Township of *Kingston*, on the twenty-fourth day of the month of February instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS, on the twelfth day of January, now last past, we thought fit to prorogue our Provincial Parliament to the twenty-fourth day of February instant, at which time, at our Township of *Kingston*, you were held and constrained to appear: Now Know Ye, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of our loving subjects, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of our Executive Council, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that, on Thursday, the fourth day of April, now next ensuing, you meet us, in our Provincial Parliament, at our Township of *Kingston*, 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 to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at our Government House, at *Kingston*, in our Province of *Canada*, this twenty-third day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the seventh year of our Reign.

C. T. M.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER, C. C. C.



PROVINCE OF

Canada.

C. T. METCALFE.

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

To our beloved and faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Canada*, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of our said Province, summoned and called to a meeting of the Provincial Parliament of our said Province, at our Township of *Kingston*, on the fourth day of the month of April, now next ensuing, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

Proclamation of the 27th March continuing the Parliament to 14th May.

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS, on the twenty-third day of February, now last past, we thought fit to prorogue our Provincial Parliament to the fourth day of April, now next ensuing, at which time, at our Township of *Kingston*, 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 Tuesday, the fourteenth day of May, now next ensuing, you meet us, in our Provincial Parliament, at our Township of *Kingston*, 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 to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General

of

of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at our Government House, at *Kingston*, in our Province of *Canada*, this twenty-seventh day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the seventh year of our Reign.

C. T. M.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,

C. C. C.



PROVINCE OF }  
Canada. }

C. T. METCALFE.

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

To our beloved and faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Canada*, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of our said Province, summoned and called to a meeting of the Provincial Parliament of our said Province, at our Township of *Kingston*, on the fourteenth day of the month of May instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

## A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the twenty-seventh day of March now last past, we thought fit to prorogue our Provincial Parliament to the fourteenth day of May instant, at which time, at our Township of *Kingston*, you were held and constrained to appear: And whereas, in and by an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, made and passed in the Session held in the third and fourth years of our reign, and intituled, "*An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government*

*of Canada*," it is among other things enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor of our Province of *Canada* for the time being, to fix such place or places within any part of our said Province, and such times for holding the first and every other Session of the Legislative Council and Assembly of our said Province, as he may think fit, such times and places to be afterwards changed or varied as the said Governor may judge advisable and most consistent with general convenience and the public welfare, giving sufficient notice thereof; as in and by the said Act reference being thereunto had may more fully 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 and place aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that, on Monday, the twenty-fourth day of June, now next ensuing, you meet us, in our Provincial Parliament, in our City of *Montreal*, 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 to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at our Government House, at *Kingston*, in our said Province of *Canada*, the tenth day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the seventh year of our Reign.

C. T. M.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,

C. C. C.

PROVINCE



PROVINCE OF }  
Canada. } C. T. METCALFE.

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

Proclamation  
25th May pro-  
mulgating the  
Royal Assent  
to Legislative  
Assembly In-  
dependence  
Bill.

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

GREETING :

**W**HEREAS, at a Session of the Parlia-  
ment of *Canada*, holden at *Kingston*, in  
our said Province, on the twenty-eighth day  
of September, one thousand eight hundred and  
forty-three, and prorogued on the ninth day of  
December then next ensuing, in the seventh  
year of our Reign, a certain Bill intituled,  
“ *An Act for better securing the independence  
of the Legislative Assembly of this Province,*”  
was passed in the Legislative Council and  
Assembly, and was at the prorogation of the  
said Session on the ninth day of December  
aforesaid, presented to the Right Honorable  
Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, 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 Parlia-  
ment of *Great Britain and Ireland*, passed in  
the third and fourth years of our Reign, inti-  
tuled, “ *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of  
Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Go-  
vernment of Canada,*” and according to his  
discretion then and there declared that he re-  
served the aforesaid Bill for the signification  
of our pleasure thereon : Now Know Ye, that  
the aforesaid Bill, intituled, “ *An Act for bet-  
ter securing the independence of the Legisla-  
tive Assembly of this Province,*” having been  
laid before us in Council, on the seventeenth  
day of April now last past, we have been  
pleased to Assent to the same ; And we do by  
these presents, and according to the provisions  
of the said Act of Parliament of *Great Britain  
and Ireland*, passed in the third and fourth  
years of our Reign, Assent to the said Bill, of  
which all our loving subjects will take notice  
and govern themselves accordingly.

In testimony whereof, we have caused  
these our Letters to be made Pa-  
tent, and the Great Seal of our

said Province of *Canada* to be  
hereunto affixed : Witness, our  
right trusty and well beloved the  
Right Honorable Sir *Charles The-  
ophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, G.C.B.,  
one of our Most Honorable Privy  
Council, Governor General of  
British *North America*, and Cap-  
tain 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 Govern-  
ment House, at *Kingston*, in our  
said Province of *Canada*, this  
twenty-fifth day of May, in the  
year of our Lord, one thousand  
eight hundred and forty-four, and  
in the seventh year of our Reign.

C. T. M.

By Command,

D. DALY,  
Secretary.



PROVINCE OF }  
Canada. } C. T. METCALFE.

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

To our beloved and faithful the Legislative  
Councillors of the Province of *Canada*, and the  
Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to  
serve in the Legislative Assembly of our said  
Province, summoned and called to a meeting  
of the Provincial Parliament of our said Pro-  
vince, in our City of *Montreal*, on the twenty-  
fourth day of the month of June instant, to  
have been commenced and held, and to every  
of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS, on the tenth day of May now  
last past, we thought fit to prorogue our  
Provincial Parliament to the twenty-fourth day  
of June instant, at which time, in our City of  
*Montreal*,

Proclamation  
of the 15th  
June continu-  
ing the Parlia-  
ment to 3rd  
August.

*Montreal*, 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 Saturday, the third day of August, now next ensuing, you meet us, in our Provincial Parliament, in our City of *Montreal*, 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 to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at our Government House, at *Kingston*, in our said Province of *Canada*, the fifteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the seventh year of our Reign.

C. T. M.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,

C. C. C.



PROVINCE OF }  
*Canada*. } C. T. METCALFE.

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

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

GREETING :

Proclamation  
27th June, pro-  
mulgating the  
Royal Assent  
to Banque du  
Peuple Incor-  
poration Bill.

WHEREAS, at a Session of the Parliament of *Canada*, holden at *Kingston*, in our said Province, on the twenty-eighth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and prorogued on the ninth day of December then next ensuing, in the seventh year of our Reign, a certain Bill, intituled, "*An Act to incorporate certain persons carrying on the business of Banking in the City of Montreal under the name of 'La Banque du Peuple,'*" was passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was, at the prorogation of the said Session, on the ninth day of December aforesaid, presented to the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, 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 *Great Britain and Ireland*, passed in the third and fourth years of our Reign, intituled, "*An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada,*" and according to his discretion then and there declared that he reserved the aforesaid Bill for the signification of our pleasure thereon: Now Know Ye, that the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "*An Act to incorporate certain persons carrying on the business of Banking in the City of Montreal, under the name of 'La Banque du Peuple,'*" having been laid before us in Council, on the twenty-third day of May now last past, we have been pleased to Assent to the same; And we do by these presents, and according to the provisions of the said Act of Parliament of *Great Britain and Ireland*, passed in the third and fourth years of our Reign, Assent to the said Bill, of which all our loving subjects will take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

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In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province of *Canada* to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, G.C.B., one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at our Government House, in our City of *Montreal*, in our said Province of *Canada*, this twenty-seventh day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the eighth year of our Reign.

C. T. M.

By Command,

D. DALY,  
Secretary.



PROVINCE OF }  
*Canada*. } C. T. METCALFE.

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

Proclamation  
27th June, promulgating the  
Royal Assent  
to Church Societies Incorporation Bill.

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

GREETING :

WHEREAS, at a Session of the Parliament of our Province of *Canada*, holden at *Kingston*, in our said Province, on the twenty-eighth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and prorogued on the ninth day of December then next en-

suing, in the seventh year of our Reign, a certain Bill, intituled, "*An Act to incorporate the Church Societies of the United Church of England and Ireland in the Dioceses of Quebec and Toronto*," was passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was, at the prorogation of the said Session, on the ninth day of December aforesaid, presented to the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, 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 *Great Britain and Ireland*, passed in the Session held in the third and fourth years of our Reign, intituled, "*An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*," and according to his discretion then and there declared that he reserved the aforesaid Bill for the signification of our pleasure thereon: Now Know Ye, that the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "*An Act to incorporate the Church Societies of the United Church of England and Ireland in the Dioceses of Quebec and Toronto*," having been laid before us in Council, on the twenty-third day of May now last past, we have been pleased to Assent to the same; And we do by these presents, and according to the provisions of the said Act of Parliament of *Great Britain and Ireland*, passed in the said Session held in the third and fourth years of our Reign, Assent to the said Bill, of which all our loving subjects will take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province of *Canada* to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, G.C.B., one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at our Government House, in our City of *Montreal*, in our said Province of *Canada*, this twenty-seventh day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand



thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the eighth year of our Reign.

C. T. M.

By Command,

D. DALY,

Secretary.



PROVINCE OF }  
Canada. }

C. T. METCALFE.

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

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

GREETING :

WHEREAS, at a Session of the Parliament of our Province of Canada, holden at Kingston, in our said Province, on the twenty-eighth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and prorogued on the ninth day of December then next ensuing, in the seventh year of our Reign, a certain Bill, intituled, "*An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Bank of the Niagara District, by providing for the extension of the time limited for the paying up of the Stock of the said Bank,*" was passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was, at the prorogation of the said Session, on the ninth day of December aforesaid, presented to the Right Honorable Sir Charles Theophilus Metcalfe, 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 Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the Session held in the third and fourth years of our Reign, intituled, "*An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada,*" and according to his discretion then and there declared that he reserved the aforesaid Bill for the signification of our pleasure thereon: Now Know Ye, that the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "*An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Bank of the Niagara District, by providing for the extension of the*

*time limited for the paying up of the Stock of the said Bank,*" having been laid before us in Council, on the twenty-third day of May now last past, we have been pleased to Assent to the same; And we do by these presents, and according to the provisions of the said Act of Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the said Session held in the third and fourth years of our Reign, Assent to the said Bill, of which all our loving subjects will take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir Charles Theophilus Metcalfe, Baronet, G.C.B., one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at our Government House, at Montreal, in our said Province of Canada, this twenty-seventh day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the eighth year of our Reign.

C. T. M.

By Command,

D. DALY,

Secretary.



PROVINCE OF }  
Canada. }

C. T. METCALFE.

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

To our beloved and faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and the Knights,

Proclamation  
31st July continuing  
Parliament to  
12th September.



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, in our City of *Montreal*, on the third day of the month of August next, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS, on the fifteenth day of June now last past, we thought fit to prorogue our Provincial Parliament to the third day of August next, at which time, in our City of *Montreal*, you were held and constrained to appear: Now Know Ye, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of our loving subjects, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of our Executive Council, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that, on Thursday, the twelfth day of September, now next ensuing, you meet us, in our Provincial Parliament, in our City of *Montreal*, 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 to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at our Government House, at our City of *Montreal*, in our said Province of *Canada*, the thirty-first day of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the eighth year of our Reign.

C. T. M.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER, C. C. C.



PROVINCE OF }  
Canada. }

C. T. METCALFE.

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

To our beloved and faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Canada*, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of our said Province, summoned and called to a meeting of the Provincial Parliament of our said Province, in our City of *Montreal*, on the twelfth day of the month of September instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

Proclamation  
8th September  
continuing  
Parliament to  
22nd October.

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS, on the thirty-first day of July now last past, we thought fit to prorogue our Provincial Parliament to the twelfth day of September instant, at which time, in our City of *Montreal*, 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 Tuesday, the twenty-second day of October, now next ensuing, you meet us, in our Provincial Parliament, in our City of *Montreal*, 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 to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor

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nor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at our Government House, at our City of *Montreal*, in our said Province of *Canada*, the sixth day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the eighth year of our Reign.

C. T. M.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,

C. C. C.



PROVINCE OF }  
Canada.

C. T. METCALFE.

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

To our beloved and faithful the Legislative Councillors of our Province of *Canada*, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses of the Legislative Assembly of our said Province, called and chosen to our present Parliament of our said Province, and to all our loving subjects, to whom these presents shall come, or whom the same may concern,—

GREETING :

**WHEREAS**, we have thought fit, by and with the advice and consent of our Executive Council of our Province of *Canada*, to dissolve the present Provincial Parliament, of our said Province, which stands prorogued to the twenty-second day of October, now next ensuing : Now Know Ye, that we do for that end publish this our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby dissolve the said Provincial Parliament accordingly ; and the Legislative Councillors, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses of the Legislative Assembly, are discharged from their meeting and attendance on the twenty-second day of October, now next ensuing.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed : Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, G. C. B., one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. : at *Montreal*, this twenty-third day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the eighth year of our Reign.

FELIX FORTIER,

C. C. C.



PROVINCE OF }  
Canada.

C. T. METCALFE.

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

To all to whom these presents shall come,—

GREETING :

**WHEREAS** we are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet our people of our Province of *Canada*, and to have their advice in Provincial Parliament; we do make known our Royal Will and Pleasure to call a Provincial Parliament, and do further declare that by the advice of our Executive Council, we have this day given orders for issuing our writs in due form for calling a Provincial Parliament in our said Province, which writs are to bear date on the twenty-fourth day of September instant, and to be returnable on the twelfth day of November next.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these

Proclamation  
23d September, for issuing writs for calling a Parliament.

Proclamation  
22nd September, dissolving the Parliament.

these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed : Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, G. C. B., one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at *Montreal*, this twenty-third day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the eighth year of our Reign.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.



PROVINCE OF }  
Canada. } C. T. METCALFE.

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

Proclamation  
for summoning  
Parliament on  
12th November.

To all to whom these presents shall come,—

GREETING :

**K**NOW Ye, that we being desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet our People of our Province of *Canada*, and to have their advice in Provincial Parliament, do hereby, by and with the advice of our Executive Council of our said Province, summon and call together the Legislative Assembly, in and for our said Province, to meet at our City of *Montreal*, in our said Province, on Tuesday, the twelfth day of November next, then and there to have conference and treaty with the great men and Legislative Council of our said Province.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Pa-

tent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed : Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, G. C. B. one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at *Montreal*, this twenty-third day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the eighth year of our Reign.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.



PROVINCE OF }  
Canada. } C. T. METCALFE.

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

To our beloved and faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Canada*, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of our said Province, summoned and called to a meeting of the Provincial Parliament of our said Province, at our City of *Montreal*, on the twelfth day of the present month of November, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

Proclamation  
7th November,  
convoking Par-  
liament on the  
28th Novem-  
ber.

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS for divers urgent and arduous affairs, us, the state and defence of our said Province, concerning, we did summon and command you, on the day and at the place aforesaid, to be present, to treat, consent and conclude upon those things which in our said Provincial

Provincial Parliament should then and there be proposed and deliberated upon; we, for divers causes and considerations, us to this especially moving, have thought fit to prorogue our said Provincial Parliament until the twenty-eighth day of the present month of November, so that you nor any of you, on the said twelfth day of the present month of November, at our said City to appear, shall in no wise be held or constrained, for we do will that you and each of you be as to us in this matter entirely exonerated; commanding and by these presents firmly enjoining you and every of you and all others in this behalf interested, that on the said twenty-eighth day of the present month of November, at our City of *Montreal*, 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 to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., at our Government House, in the City of *Montreal*, in our said Province, the seventh day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the eighth year of our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.



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## OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Parliament convened.

**T**HURSDAY, the twenty-eighth day of November, in the 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 first Session of the second 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 Provincial Legislature in the City of *Montreal*, were—

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*Peter McGill,*  
*William Morris,*  
*Alexander Fraser,*  
*Barthelemy Joliette,*  
*Adam Fergusson,*  
*John Macaulay,*  
*John Hamilton,*  
*François P. Bruneau,*  
*Adam Ferrie,*  
*Paul H. Knoulton,*  
*Thomas McKay,*  
*Gabriel Roy,*  
*Philip H. Moore,*  
*Robert Dickson,*  
*Joseph Dionne,*  
*William Henry Draper,*  
*J. Æmilus Irving,*  
*Pierre Boucher de Boucherville.*

The House is informed that Commissioners are appointed and attending to administer the oath prescribed by Law:—

Commissioners administer the oath to Members.

Who being introduced, were *John Fennings Taylor*, the elder, and *Gustavus William Wicksteed*, Esquires.

Then the following Members of the House took and subscribed the oath prescribed by Law:—

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker

The Honorable Messieurs

*Peter McGill,*  
*William Morris,*  
*Alexander Fraser,*  
*Barthelemy Joliette,*  
*Adam Fergusson,*  
*John Macaulay,*  
*John Hamilton,*  
*François P. Bruneau,*  
*Adam Ferrie,*  
*Paul H. Knoulton,*  
*Thomas McKay,*  
*Gabriel Roy,*  
*Philip H. Moore,*  
*Robert Dickson,*  
*Joseph Dionne,*  
*William Henry Draper*  
*J. Æmilus Irving,*  
*Pierre Boucher de Boucherville.*

Then the Commissioners withdrew.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, being seated in the Chair on the Throne, 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."

The Governor General comes to the House and commands the attendance of the Assembly.

Who being come, the Speaker of this House said: The Assembly attend.

Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly: The Assembly directed to choose a Speaker.

His Excellency the Governor General does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning the present Provincial Parliament un-

til a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly shall have been chosen according to Law, but after such Speaker shall have been chosen, His Excellency will declare the causes of his calling this Parliament. Then His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to retire, and the Legislative Assembly withdrew.

His Excellency retires, and the Assembly withdraws.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at twelve o'clock at noon, the House so decreeing.

FRIDAY.

Friday, 29th November, 1844.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs      The Honorable Messieurs

*Mc Gill,*

*Knoulton,*

*Morris,*

*McKay,*

*Fraser,*

*Roy,*

*Joliette,*

*Moore,*

*Fergusson,*

*Dickson,*

*Macaulay,*

*Dionne, Joseph,*

*Hamilton,*

*Draper,*

*Bruneau,*

*Irving,*

*Ferrie,*

*de Boucherville.*

The House was adjourned during pleasure. After some time the House was resumed.

The Governor General comes to the House and commands the attendance of the Assembly.

His Excellency the Governor General having come down to the House, and being seated in the Chair on the Throne, 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."

The Assembly attend.

Who being come,

Sir *Allan Napier McNab*, said :

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

Sir A. N. McNab informs His Excellency that the Assembly have chosen him to be their Speaker.

In the exercise of their undoubted right and privilege, the Legislative Assembly have proceeded to the election of a Speaker, and I have the honor to state that their choice has fallen on me.

If in the performance of the important duties of my station, I should at any time fall into error, I trust that the fault will be imputed, not to the Assembly, whose servant I have the honor to be, but to myself, and that they may be properly empowered to discharge their duty to Her Majesty and their Country, I do, in their name and on their behalf, lay claim by humble Petition, to all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of Speech in their debates; access

to Your Excellency's Person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from Your Excellency, the most favorable interpretation.

Then the Speaker of this House said :

MR. SPEAKER,

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

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

Then His Excellency the Governor General was please to open the Session by a gracious Speech to both Houses.

The choice of the Assembly confirmed by His Excellency.

His Excellency opens the Session by a gracious Speech to both Houses.

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly.*

I have assembled you at the earliest period that the completion of the recent General Election would allow, and I have high satisfaction in meeting you, in order that we may devote ourselves to the care of the great interests committed to our charge.

The season of the year being unfavourable for the prosecution of those avocations in which many of you are engaged, you will be enabled, I trust with less inconvenience, to attend to the discharge of the important functions which you have to perform.

I have the happiness to announce to you that the Birth of a Prince has gladdened the hearts of the subjects of our gracious Queen throughout Her vast dominions in every quarter of the globe, and Her Majesty's continued safety and health demand our gratitude to the Almighty Giver of all Good.

Many subjects in which the welfare of the Province is deeply involved will be entitled to your earnest consideration. None can be more important than the improvement of the education of the people, which is one of the most urgent duties of the State; and I anxiously hope that in addition to such other amendments of existing Laws on this momentous question as may be required in either section

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tion of the Province, your wisdom may be able to devise some arrangement respecting the University of King's College, that may receive the sanction of the Crown, and give general satisfaction in the Colony.

The Municipal Institutions of the Province, the provisions for which have, in Lower Canada, proved, to a great extent, nugatory, will, no doubt, engage your attention, as well as the state of the Prisons and the want of Lunatic Asylums: The amelioration of the means of communication throughout the Province, on which its prosperity mainly depends,—for production is unavailing, if means do not exist, of reaching a Market,—also deserves consideration. The *Eastern Townships of Lower Canada* are peculiarly destitute in this particular; and the Town of *Kingston*, in *Upper Canada*, which has unavoidably suffered much by the removal of the Seat of Government, is devoid of a Road through the Inland Territory, towards the *Ottawa*, which is essential for the prosperity of that neighbourhood.

The Militia Law of *Lower Canada* having expired, the substitution of another seems to be requisite, and it may be desirable at the same time to revise the existing Militia Law of *Upper Canada*, and to frame a General Law for both Sections of the Province.

It affords me great pleasure to be able to inform you that the flourishing state of the Revenue forms a fit subject for congratulation. There is reason to believe that it may be further improved by wise Legislation; and that judicious economy may contribute to the same result.

Her Majesty has most graciously received the Address from the Legislative Assembly of the last Parliament on the subject of the Civil List.

Although the only objects sought by the Imperial Legislature in making provision for a Civil List were to give stability and security to the great Civil Institutions of the Province; to provide for the adequate remuneration of able and efficient Officers in the various Public Departments; and to enable Her Majesty to make moderate provision for the declining years of those whose best days had been devoted to a faithful discharge of public duties, or who by eminent services, might have merited the favor of the Crown; Her Majesty is nevertheless fully persuaded of the concurrence of Her faithful subjects in *Canada* in effecting these objects; and would gladly owe the means of obtaining them to the sponta-

neous liberality of Her Canadian People. Whenever, therefore, due and adequate provision shall have been made for them by the Legislature of *Canada*, Her Majesty will be prepared to recommend to the Imperial Parliament the Repeal of so much of the Act of Union as relates to this subject. Until the Imperial Parliament shall have assented to such a recommendation, Her Majesty, equally with all Her Subjects, is bound by the provisions of an Enactment to which Her Sanction has been given.

*Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,*

The financial accounts of the Province for 1843, will be immediately laid before you, and those for 1844 as soon as they can be prepared after the completion of the year. The Estimates likewise will be submitted to you at an early period.

Notwithstanding the unavoidable expences attendant on the removal of the Seat of Government from *Kingston* to *Montreal*, and other claims to be submitted for your consideration, a considerable surplus Revenue will remain, affording the means of making some provision towards the liquidation of the public debt.

I entertain no doubt of your willingness to provide for the exigencies of the Public Service, and you may rely on my exertions to diminish expenditure by all practicable economy. I have availed myself of several opportunities for retrenchment that have presented themselves, and shall continue to pursue the same course whenever reduction may appear to be consistent with efficiency.

*Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,*

You will, I am sure, concur with me in desiring that the welfare of United *Canada* may be promoted by our joint labours. To that great end I invite your earnest efforts, and you may be assured of my hearty co-operation in every measure that may be calculated to secure peace and prosperity, justice and happiness to this Province.

The charge entrusted to me by our Sovereign I shall continue to administer according to the acknowledged principles of our Provincial Constitution, and with a view to the wants and wishes of the community.

On the occurrence of vacancies in several of the most important offices of administration, I immediately endeavoured to fill them by the appointment of Gentlemen supposed to possess the



the confidence of the People. Extraordinary obstacles produced a delay in the accomplishment of that purpose, notwithstanding my incessant exertions to effect it.

Confidently believing that the several branches of the Legislature, in the full exercise of their constitutional powers, will maintain the harmony essential to the well being of the people for whose benefit alone these powers are conferred, I will not detain you from the important duties which await you further than to express my humble hope that the Almighty may bless our endeavours, and render them efficacious for the public good.

His Excellency retires and the Assembly withdraw.

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

#### PRAYERS.

A Bill read pro forma.

The Honorable Mr. *Morris* presented a Bill for the further encouragement of Education.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Speaker reports a copy of His Excellency's Speech.

The Honorable, the Speaker, reported His Excellency's Speech from the Throne.

And the same was read by the Clerk.

Committee of Privileges appointed.

*Ordered*, that all the Members present this day be appointed a Committee, to consider of the orders and customs of this House and privileges of Parliament.

Their Honors, or any five of them, to meet tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon, in the Legislative Council Chamber, and every Monday after, and to adjourn as they please.

Speech of His Excellency to be considered on Monday and

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

To be printed.

*Ordered*, that two hundred and fifty copies of the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General be printed in both languages, for the use of Members.

Committee on Journals appointed.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Messieurs *McGill*, *Joliette*, *Macaulay*, *Bruneau* and *Dickson*, be appointed a Committee to peruse and perfect the Journals of this and former Sessions of the Provincial Parliament.

Their Honors to meet when, where and as often as they please.

The Clerk to open an account with the Post Office.

*Ordered*, that the Clerk of this House be instructed to open an account with the Post Master, for the postage of letters to and from the Members during the Session, and to include the same in his contingent account.

The Honorable, the Speaker, informed the House that he had received a communication from the Honorable *George Pemberton*, stating his inability to attend the service of the House during the present Session.

Communications from the Honble. Mr. Pemberton, and

The Honorable, the Speaker, informed the House that he had also received a communication from the Honorable *William Walker*, stating his inability to attend the service of the House until after the opening of the present Session.

The Honble. Mr. Walker, for leave of absence, reported.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next at one o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Adjourn.

## Monday, 2d December, 1844.

MONDAY.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*McGill*,

*Knoulton*,

*Morris*,

*McKay*,

*Fraser*,

*Moore*,

*Joliette*,

*Dickson*,

*Fergusson*,

*Dionne, Joseph*,

*Macaulay*,

*Draper*,

*Hamilton*,

*Irving*,

*Bruneau*,

*de Boucherville*.

*Ferrie*,

#### PRAYERS.

The Honorable *Mr. Dickson* informed the House that he had received a communication from the Honorable *Levius P. Sherwood*, stating his inability to attend the service of the House during the present Session.

Communication from the Honble. Mr. Sherwood for leave of absence, reported.

*It was moved*, that during the Session of Parliament, Members of the Legislative Council shall be empowered to have the use, at their residences in *Montreal*, of any four volumes, not being of a Parliamentary nature or of general reference, and that Members availing themselves of this privilege shall, previous to receiving the books, grant a receipt for the same to the Librarian, and return them within one week in as good order as when received.

Members, during the Session to have the use of certain books from the library.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion, the same was agreed to by the House, and it was

*Ordered*, accordingly.

The Honorable, the Speaker, acquainted the House that there was a Member without, ready to be introduced,

When

The Honble.  
J. Morris in-  
troduced.

When the Honorable *James Morris* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *William Morris* and *Hamilton*.

Presents his  
writ of Sum-  
mons.

Then the Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented to the Speaker his Writ of Summons who delivered it to the Clerk, and it was read as follows :



PROVINCE OF }  
Canada. } C. T. METCALFE.

The writ.

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

To our trusty and well beloved *James Morris*, Esquire,

GREETING:

**K**NOW Ye, that as well for the especial trust and confidence We have manifested in you, as for the purpose of obtaining your advice and assistance in all weighty and arduous affairs which may the state and defence of our Province of *Canada* and the Church thereof concern, We have thought fit to summon you to the Legislative Council of our said Province, and We do command you, the said *James Morris*, that all difficulties and excuses whatsoever laying aside, you be and appear for the purposes aforesaid, in the Legislative Council of our said Province, at all times whensoever and wheresoever our Provincial Parliament may be in our said Province convoked and holden: and this you are in no wise to omit.

In testimony whereof, We have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province of *Canada* to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our said Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*,

*New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same. At our Government House in our City of *Montreal*, in our said Province of *Canada*, the twenty-seventh day of November, and in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty four, and in the eighth year of our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

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R. A. TUCKER,  
Registrar.

Then the Honorable Mr. *James Morris* came to the table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *John F. Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal, to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislature, and took his seat accordingly.

Sworn and  
takes his seat.

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the present Parliament.

Consideration  
of the  
Speech of His  
Excellency.

Whereupon the same was read by the Clerk.

*It was moved*, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, thanking Him for His Speech at the opening of the present Session.

Motion for  
an Address of  
thanks to His  
Excellency.

That this House is sensible of the convenience afforded, by comparative freedom from other occupations, for attending to the discharge of their important functions.

That, in common with the Subjects of our Gracious Queen throughout Her vast Dominions, in every quarter of the globe, they rejoice at the birth of another Prince, and humbly desire to express their gratitude to the Almighty Giver of all good for the continued safety and health of Her Majesty.

That they are sensible of the importance of improving the Education of the people, and recognize it as one of their most important duties; and will rejoice if, in addition to such other amendments of existing Laws on this momentous question as may be required, an arrangement can be devised respecting the University of King's College, that may receive the sanction of the Crown, and give general satisfaction in the Colony.

That

That the Municipal Institutions of the Province shall engage their attention, particularly with regard to Lower Canada, as well as the state of the Prisons and the want of Lunatic Asylums. They feel the necessity of considering the means of improving the internal communications throughout the Province, and among them particularly, those of the Eastern Townships of *Lower Canada*. The want of a road through the inland Territory, between *Kingston* and the *Ottawa River*, shall receive that consideration which its importance demands.

That their attention will be readily devoted to the state of the Militia Law, with a view to its improvement and uniformity in both sections of the Province.

That they are gratified to be informed that the Revenue is in a flourishing state, and that there is reason to believe it may be further improved by wise legislation and judicious economy.

They acknowledge, with satisfaction, Her Majesty's Gracious declarations on the subject of the Civil List, and while they concur in the enumeration by His Excellency, of the objects sought by the Imperial Legislature in making provision by the Civil List, they rejoice in the expression of Her Majesty's full persuasion of the concurrence of Her faithful Subjects in *Canada* for effecting those objects, and that Her Majesty would gladly owe the means of attaining them to the spontaneous liberality of Her Canadian people. They will gladly concur in such a provision as will enable Her Majesty to recommend to the Imperial Parliament to repeal so much of the Act of Union as relates to this subject, nothing doubting that Her Majesty's recommendation will receive that attention to which its constitutional importance will be so well entitled.

That they concur with His Excellency in desiring that the welfare of United *Canada* may be promoted by the joint labours of the Legislature, and are gratified at His assurance that He will cordially co-operate in every measure that may be calculated to secure peace and prosperity, justice and happiness to this Province.

That they receive with cordial acknowledgment the assurance that His Excellency will continue to administer the charge entrusted to Him by our Sovereign, according to the acknowledged principles of our Provincial Con-

stitution, and with a view to the wants and wishes of the community.

That they fully appreciate His Excellency's endeavours, on the occurrence of vacancies in several of the most important offices of administration, to fill them by the appointment of gentlemen supposed to possess the confidence of the country, and regret that extraordinary obstacles should have produced a delay in the accomplishment of that purpose, notwithstanding His Excellency's incessant exertions to effect it.

That they confidently trust that the several branches of the Legislature, in the full exercise of their Constitutional Powers, will maintain the harmony essential to the well-being of the people, for whose benefit alone these powers are conferred, and they will devote themselves to their important duties, uniting in His Excellency's humble hope, that the Almighty may bless their endeavours, and render them efficacious for the public good.

Which being objected to;

After debate,

*It was moved* that the further consideration of the main motion be postponed until tomorrow.

The question being put thereon;

*It was resolved* in the negative.

Then an amendment was proposed to be made to the original motion "that the tenth paragraph thereof be expunged."

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and

The same was resolved in the negative.

Dissentient—

*Because, We cannot concur in acknowledging His Excellency's intention to continue to administer the charge entrusted to him by our Sovereign according to the acknowledged principles of our Provincial Constitution and with a view to the wants and wishes of the community, convinced as we are firmly that a total abandonment of the Constitution, as recognised by the Resolutions of September 1841, has taken place within this Province, during the unprecedented period of more than eleven months, from the prorogation of Parliament upon 9th December 1843, to the 28th November, 1844.*

ADAM FERGUSSON,  
J. ÆMILIUS IRVING,  
PIERRE DE BOUCHERVILLE.

Same objected to.

Debates thereon.

Motion for postponement till tomorrow.

Same negated.

Amendment moved for expunging 10th paragraph.

Same negated.

Protest of the Hon. Messrs. Fergusson, Irving and de Boucherville thereon.

Main motion agreed to. *It was then moved* to agree to the said motion for an Address, as at first proposed.

The question being put thereon,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that the following Members be appointed a Committee to draft an Address to His Excellency the Governor General founded on the foregoing Resolution, viz.

The Honorable Messieurs *Mc Gill, Bruneau, Macaulay, Fraser* and *Dickson*; their Honors, or any three of them, to meet immediately in one of the Committee Rooms of the Legislative Council, and to adjourn as they please.

The House was adjourned during pleasure, and the Committee withdrew to prepare the Address.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson, Irving* and *de Boucherville* withdrew.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, from the Select Committee appointed to draft an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech from the Throne, reported an Address prepared by them, as follows:

*To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir CHARLES THEOPHILUS METCALFE, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the 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, humbly thank Your Excellency for Your Excellency's gracious Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Parliament.

We are sensible of the convenience afforded, by comparative freedom from other occupations at this season of the year, to enable us to attend to the discharge of the important functions which we have to perform.

We rejoice, in common with the Subjects of our Gracious Queen throughout Her vast Dominions, in every quarter of the globe, at

the birth of another Prince, and we humbly desire to express our gratitude to the Almighty Giver of all good for the continued safety and health of Her Majesty.

We are sensible of the importance of improving the Education of the people, recognizing it as one of our most important duties; and we will rejoice if, in addition to such other amendments of existing Laws on this momentous question as may be required, an arrangement can be devised respecting the University of King's College that may receive the sanction of the Crown, and give general satisfaction in the Colony.

We shall devote our attention to the Municipal Institutions of the Province, particularly with regard to Lower Canada, as well as the state of the Prisons and the want of Lunatic Asylums.

We feel the necessity of considering the means of improving the internal communications throughout the Province, and among them particularly the destitution in this respect of the Eastern Townships of *Lower Canada*. The want of a Road through the inland Territory, between *Kingston* and the *Ottawa River*, shall also receive that consideration which its importance demands.

We shall devote also our attention to the state of the Militia Law, with a view to its improvement and uniformity in both sections of the Province.

We are gratified to be informed that the Revenue is in a flourishing state, and that there is reason to believe it may be further improved by wise legislation and judicious economy.

We acknowledge with satisfaction Her Majesty's gracious declarations on the subject of the Civil List, and while we concur in the enumeration by Your Excellency of the objects sought by the Imperial Legislature in making provision by the Civil List, we rejoice in the expression of Her Majesty's full persuasion of the concurrence of Her faithful Subjects in *Canada* for effecting those objects, and that Her Majesty would gladly owe the means of attaining them to the spontaneous liberality of Her Canadian people. We will gladly concur in such a provision as will enable Her Majesty to recommend to the Imperial Parliament to repeal so much of the Act of Union as relates to this subject, nothing doubting that Her Majesty's recommendation will receive that attention to which its constitutional

Main motion agreed to.

A Committee appointed to prepare the Address.

Members withdraw.

Select Committee report an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech.

constitutional importance will be so well entitled.

We concur with Your Excellency in desiring that the welfare of United *Canada* may be promoted by the joint labours of the Legislature, and are gratified at Your Excellency's assurance that Your Excellency will cordially co-operate in every measure that may be calculated to secure peace and prosperity, justice and happiness to this Province.

We receive with cordial acknowledgment the assurance that Your Excellency will continue to administer the charge entrusted to Your Excellency by our Sovereign, according to the acknowledged principles of our Provincial Constitution, and with a view to the wants and wishes of the community.

We fully appreciate Your Excellency's endeavours, on the occurrence of vacancies in several of the most important offices of administration, to fill them by the appointment of gentlemen supposed to possess the confidence of the country, and regret that extraordinary obstacles should have produced a delay in the accomplishment of that purpose, notwithstanding Your Excellency's incessant exertions to effect it.

We confidently trust that the several branches of the Legislature, in the full exercise of their Constitutional Powers, will maintain the harmony essential to the well-being of the people, for whose benefit alone these powers are conferred, and we will devote ourselves to our important duties, uniting in Your Excellency's humble hope, that the Almighty may bless our endeavours, and render them efficacious for the public good.

Adopted and ordered to be presented by the whole House.

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

*Ordered*, that the said Address be presented to His Excellency by the whole House.

Committee appointed to know at what time the same will be received

*Ordered*, that such Members of the Executive Council, who 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.

House informed of the resignation of the Honble. S. Washburn.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* 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 read as follows :

C. T. METCALFE.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Legislative Council, a Copy of a Letter addressed to him by the Honorable *Simcon Washburn*, resigning his seat in that House.

Government House,  
*Montreal*, 30th November, 1844.

(For Letter, Vide Appendix No. 1.)

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented three Petitions from the Municipal Council of the *Johnstown* District, praying for the endowment of District Grammar Schools; that the charge for the administration of Justice in *Upper Canada* may be defrayed as in *Lower Canada*, out of the general Revenues of the Province; that the whole amount raised by local Taxation may be placed at the disposal of the various District Councils; and generally, that a reduction may be effected in the Provincial Expenditure, by pursuing a just and economical system of administering public affairs; also praying that the Macadamized Road from *Brockville* to *St. Francis* may be completed and placed under the control of the Board of Works, and that the expense of its construction may be defrayed out of the Public Funds; and also praying that the Township of *Yonge* may be declared a separate and distinct Township, under the title of the Township of *Escott*.

Three Petitions from the *Johnstown* District Council, for Grammar Schools;

For the completion of the *Brockville* and *St. Francis* Road, and

That the Township of *Yonge* may be a separate Township;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *Antoine Duransaux* and others, inhabitants of the City of *Montreal* and its vicinity, praying that the Macadamized Road from *Montreal* to *Lachine* may be completed, and included in the *Montreal* Turnpike Trust.

From A. Duransaux and others of *Montreal*, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* laid before the House the Report of the Librarian on the subject of the Library.

Librarian's Report on the Library presented.

(For Report, Vide Appendix No. 2.)

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House the Report of the Acting Law Clerk on Expired and Expiring Laws.

Law Clerk's Report on Expiring Laws presented.

(For Report, Vide Appendix No. 3.)

The Honorable, the Speaker, informed the House that he had received a communication

Communications from the Managing Committee of

from the Committee of Management of St. Paul's Church in this City, instructing him to place at the disposal of the Legislative Council one of the Pews in that Church, for the accommodation of such Members as may be desirous of attending Divine Service in a Church in connexion with the Established Church of Scotland.

The Honorable, the Speaker, informed the House that he had received a communication from the Churchwarden in Office of the Roman Catholic Parish Church in the City of Montreal, announcing that arrangements are now making for the convenient accommodation of such Members of the Legislature as may be desirous of attending Divine Service in the said Parish Church, and that until those arrangements shall have been completed, any of those gentleman may have seats in the Pews, on application to any of the Beadles in the Church.

The Honorable, the Speaker, informed the House that he had received a communication from the Honorable Robert S. Jameson, praying that the House will be pleased to excuse his non-attendance at the call on Friday the sixth instant, and until Her Majesty's pleasure upon the subject of a certain Bill passed by the two Houses during the last Session, and which may affect him as a Member of this House, shall be made known.

The Honorable, the Speaker, informed the House that he had received a communication from the Honorable Christopher Widmer, stating his inability to attend the service of the House during the present Session.

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented a Petition from A. J. Wolff, of the Parish of St. Antoine in the District of Quebec, praying to be indemnified for advances made by him as Superintendent of Works in opening the Metis and Kempt Road; also a Petition from the Honorable R. E. Caron, Mayor of the City of Quebec, praying for an Act to authorise the Corporation of the City of Quebec to erect one or more Toll Bridges over the River St. Charles, near that City.

**Ordered,** that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Draper presented a Petition from the Home District Municipal Council, praying that the Common School Act may be amended and explained—that the Office of Assistant Superintendent of Education may be abolished—also that the District Council Act may be amended by extending the sitting

of the Councils to eleven days, and authorising them to assemble only twice in each year—that they may have the power of trying contested Elections—that they may have the entire control of the District Revenues—that they may have the power of taxing property according to its real value, to be fixed at certain periods—that they may have the appointment of their own Officers and Servants, and the election of their own Warden; also, that a Law may be passed authorising the Treasurer of the Simcoe District to pay over the Taxes collected on Wild Lands to the Treasurer of the Home District—that all doubts may be removed on the subject of the payment of the expenses of elections in Upper Canada; and also that the charge for the administration of Justice in Upper Canada may be defrayed as in Lower Canada, out of the general Revenues of the Province; and also a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Newcastle District, praying that the Municipal Council Act may be amended, by altering the periods for the sittings of the Councils—that the Poll Lists and all Documents relating to the District Assessments may be deposited among their own Records, in the Office of the Clerk—that the Warden or some of the Councillors be authorised to administer the oath in certain cases, and the Clerk empowered to summon witnesses—and also that the duties of the Councils, with respect to the erection and repair of Public Buildings, may be more clearly defined.

**Ordered,** that the same do lie on the Table.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

**Tuesday, 3rd December, 1844.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable René E. Caron, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

- Mc Gill,
- Morris, William.
- Fraser,
- Joliette,
- Fergusson,
- Macaulay,
- Hamilton,
- Bruneau,
- Ferrie,

The Honorable Messieurs

- Knoulton,
- McKay,
- Roy,
- Moore,
- Dickson,
- Dionne, Joseph,
- Irving,
- de Boucherville,
- Morris, James.

PRAYERS.

St. Paul's Church;

Also from the Churchwarden of the Roman Catholic Church, reported.

Communication from the Hon. R. S. Jameson, and

From the Hon. C. Widmer, for leave of absence reported.

Petitions,

From A. J. Wolff, of the District of Quebec;

From the Mayor, on behalf of the Corporation of Quebec;

From the Home District Council; and

From the Newcastle District Council, presented.

Adjourn.

TUESDAY



PRAYERS.

Return from the Agricultural Society of the County of Chambly, presented.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a return from the Agricultural Society of the County of *Chambly*.

The same was then laid on the Table, and it is as follows :

(*Vide Sessional Papers, Letter V.*)

Return from the Champlain and St. Lawrence Rail-Road Company, presented.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a return from the *Champlain and Saint Lawrence* Rail-Road Company.

The same was then laid on the Table, and is as follows :

(*Vide Sessional Papers, Letter D.*)

Communication from the Exchange and News Room, reported.

The Honorable, the Speaker, informed the House that he had received a communication from the Chairman of the Committee of Management of the Exchange and News Room in this City, transmitting a copy of a Resolution adopted by the Institution, whereby a free admission thereto is tendered to the several Members of the Provincial Legislature during the present Session.

Communication respecting the Clerks' leave of absence reported.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a letter received by him from the Honorable Mr. Secretary *Daly*, informing him that by the command of His Excellency the Governor General, the leave of absence of the Clerk of the Legislative Council had been extended to the first of May next.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Petitions, From H. Smith, Warden of the Penitentiary ;

The Honorable Mr. *Fraser* presented a Petition from *Henry Smith*, Warden of the Provincial Penitentiary, praying for an increase of salary.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From John Yule, Junr. of Chambly;

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from *John Yule*, Junr., of *Chambly*, praying for an Act authorising him to erect a Bridge over the River *Richelieu*, at some point between *Perrault's* Paper Mill and *Hatt's* Mill, at *Ste. Thérèse*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From the Rev. T. Phillips, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from the Revd. *Thomas Phillips* D.D., late Chaplain to the Legislative Council of *Upper Canada*, praying for a pension on account of the loss of his Office.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Address in answer to the Speech, to be presented to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* reported that the Honorable Mr. *Draper* and himself had, according to order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General to know

what time His Excellency would be pleased to appoint to be attended with the address of this House, and that His Excellency had appointed tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the Government House in this City.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *C. T. Arnoldi*, M. D., and others, of the Medical School in the City of *Montreal*, praying for an Act of Incorporation to the said College of Medicine and Surgery.

Petitions, From C. T. Arnoldi, M. D. and others, of Montreal;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore*, presented a Petition from *P. H. Moring* and others, inhabitants of the Town and Township of *Sandwich*, praying that speedy remuneration may be afforded to them on account of losses during the late Rebellion in *Upper Canada*.

From P. H. Moring, and others, of Sandwich ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from *Alexandre Dorval*, and others, Licensed Cullers of Quebec, praying for the amendment of the Timber Inspection Regulation Law.

From A. Dorval and others, of Quebec ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*, presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Rimouski*, praying for aid towards the construction of Bridges over the Rivers *Grand Rimouski*, *Blanche* and *Tartigan*, the completion of the Road between *Metis* and *Mutane*, and the construction of wharves at *St. Germain* and *Trois Pistoles* ; also a Petition from the inhabitants of *St. Pierre*, *Ste. Famille*, *St. François*, *St. Jean* and *St. Laurent*, in the Island of *Orleans* and County of *Montmorency*, praying for the removal of the Registry Office for that District from *Château Richer* to *Ste. Famille*, or that a separate Registry Office be established on the Island of *Orleans* ; also a Petition from *Joseph Donegani*

From the Rimouski District Council ;

From the Inhabitants of the Island of Orleans ;

From J. Donegani, of Montreal ;

of *Montreal*, praying for an Act to confirm him in the possession of certain real property bequeathed to him ; also a Petition from the Committee of Management of the *Charles Street* Infant School of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid ; also a Petition from *John Teed* of *Quebec*, praying for indemnification for certain losses by him sustained in consequence of his arrest by the Civil authorities in 1837 ; and also a Petition from *John F. Waterson* and others, Deal Cullers of *Quebec*, praying that the Clauses in the Timber inspection Act regulating the Culling of Pine and Fir Deals may be amended.

From the Charles Street Infant School, Quebec ;

From J. Teed, of Quebec ;

From J. F. Waterson, and others, of Quebec ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The

From C. Cunningham, and others, of the Gaspé Fishing Company ;

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from *Charles Cunningham*, and others, Members of a Company for carrying on the the Fishery in the *Gaspé* District and Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, and Coal Mining in the said District, praying for the passing of a Provincial Act in conformity with the terms of the Imperial Statute, which authorises the formation of the Company incorporated by an Act passed in the last Session of the Provincial Parliament, for carrying on the Fishery in the *Gaspé* District and Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, and Coal Mining in the said District.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Quebec Infant School ;

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Ladies' Committee of the *Quebec* Infant School, praying for pecuniary aid ; also a Petition from *John G. Gilman*, and others, inhabitants of *Stanstead*, praying that four Terms of the Circuit Court may be held at that place during the year ; also two Petitions from *C. P. Elkins*, Clerk of the Circuit Court of *Stanstead*, praying to have certain expenses refunded to him, and praying for a salary ; and also a Petition from *A. T. Galt* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*, praying to be incorporated as a Cotton Factory Company.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

By-Laws Publication Bill presented ;

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* presented to the House a Bill intituled, " An Act to provide for the due publication of all By-Laws of the District Councils of that portion of this Province heretofore called *Upper Canada*, imposing rates or assessments upon " real property."

The said Bill was read the first time.

Second reading on Thursday ;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

To be printed.

*Ordered*, that one hundred copies of the said Bill be printed in the English and French Languages, for the use of Members.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

WEDNESDAY.

Wednesday, 4th Dec. 1844.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*McGill*,

*Morris, William*,

The Honorable Messieurs

*McKay*,

*Roy*,

*Fraser*,  
*Joliette*,  
*Macaulay*,  
*Hamilton*,  
*Bruneau*,  
*Ferrie*,  
*Knoulton*,

*Moore*,  
*Dickson*,  
*Dionne, Joseph*,  
*Draper*,  
*de Boucherville*,  
*Morris, James*.

#### PRAYERS.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

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 Answer:—

His Excellency's Answer to the Address of thanks ;

*Honourable Gentlemen*,

I thank you cordially for this Address.

I confidently rely upon your support and co-operation in the promotion of every measure that may be calculated to advance the real interests of the Province, and to secure the happiness and prosperity of the People.

*Ordered*, that the said Address, together with His Excellency's Answer thereto, be forthwith printed and published in both languages, for the use of Members.

To be printed.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the *Midland* District, praying that the charge of the Macadamized Road from *Kingston* to *Napanee* may assumed by the Board of Works, and that the expenses of its construction may be defrayed out of the Provincial Funds, and that the sum collected from individuals, in commutation of Statute Labour, may not be wholly expended on the Macadamized Roads; and also a Petition from *Richard Ham* and others, being elders and deacons of the Lutheran Churches in *Fredericksburgh* and *Ernesttown*, in the *Midland* District, praying for the passing of an Act to naturalize the Revd. *J. W. Champlin*.

Petitions, From the Midland District Council ;

From Richard Ham, and others, Lutherans, of Fredericksburgh ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from the District Council of *St. Hyacinthe*, for amendments to the Municipal Council Acts.

From the St. Hyacinthe District Council ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* presented a Petition from the Revd. *P. Archambault* and others, of the Parish of *Vaudreuil*, praying

From Rev. P. Archambault, and others, of Vaudreuil ;

for



for a grant to enable them to complete the Building occupied as a School House in that Parish; also a Petition from the President, Directors and Members of the *Quebec Mercantile Library Association*, praying for an Act of Incorporation; also a Petition from *Thomas Horne* and others, batteau-men of the Port of *Quebec*, praying against the imposition of any tax upon them under any Act which may be passed for regulating the Trinity House of that Port; also a Petition from the Directresses of the Charitable Association of the Roman Catholic Ladies of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid; also a Petition from the Revd. *P. Huot*, Curé of *St. Foy*, and others, of the same Parish, praying for a grant of money to improve the road leading from *St. Foy* to *Caprouge*, and also the road called "*Route de l'Eglise*;" also a Petition from *R. Harrower* and others, of *Sorel* and *Yamaska*, praying for the enactment of a law to prevent the destruction of wild ducks and muskrats at improper periods; also a Petition from *Peter Lynch* and others, inhabitants of *Lachine*, *Pointe Claire* and *Ste. Anne*, praying for the construction of a Turnpike road from *Lachine* to *Ste. Anne*, in continuation of that from *Montreal* to *Lachine*; also a Petition from *Charles Hebert* of *Quebec*, praying for an indemnity for his services as Messenger and Door Keeper to the District Council of *Quebec* since 1841; and also a Petition from the Honorable *Gabriel Roy* and others, of *St. Laurent*, praying for an Act to confer authority upon the *Montreal* Turnpike Trustees to improve two miles of highway between the *Saint Laurent* and *Sault au Recollet* Turnpike Road.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the Report of the Librarian, presented during the present Session, be now read;

And the same being read by the Clerk accordingly, it was

*Ordered*, that the Catalogue of the Books prepared by the Librarian, be printed as soon as practicable.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Messieurs *McGill*, *William Morris*, *Joliette*, *Bruneau* and *Ferrie*, be appointed a Committee to superintend the printing of this House during the present Session.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

From the Quebec Mercantile Library Association;

From Thomas Horne, and others, batteau-men of Quebec;

From the Charitable Association of Quebec;

From Rev. P. Huot, and others, of St. Foy;

From R. Harrower, and others, of Sorel;

From Peter Lynch and others, of Lachine;

From C. Hebert, of Quebec; and

From the Hon. Gabriel Roy, and others, of St. Laurent, presented.

Librarian's Report read, and

A Catalogue of the books to be printed.

Committee on printing appointed.

Adjourn.

Thursday, 5th December, 1844.

THURSDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

- McGill*,
- Morris, William*,
- Fraser*,
- Joliette*,
- Macaulay*,
- Hamillon*,
- Bruneau*,
- Ferrie*,
- Knoulton*,

The Honorable Messieurs

- McKay*,
- Roy*,
- Moore*,
- Dickson*,
- Dionne, Joseph*,
- Draper*,
- Irving*,
- de Boucherville*,
- Morris, James*.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Sullivan* came to the Table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by Law, which was administered by *John F. Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislature.

Hon. Mr. Sullivan takes the oath prescribed by Law.

*Ordered*, that the Order of Sitting of the Members of this House be referred to the Committee on privileges.

The order of sitting referred to Committee of Privilege.

*Ordered*, that all the Members who have taken their seats since the opening of the present Session be added to the Committee on Privileges.

Members added to Committee.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a general statement of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Montreal* during the year 1843.

Statement of the Baptisms, &c. in the District of Montreal, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows:

*For Statement, Vide Sessional Papers, Letters R. R. R.*

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from the Right-Reverend *Patrick Phelan*, and the Very-Reverend *Angus McDonnell*, praying that an Act may be passed authorizing the Corporation of the College of Regiopolis to acquire and hold real and personal estate to a limited extent; and also a Petition from the Very-Reverend *Angus McDonnell*, Roman Catholic Chaplain to the Penitentiary at *Kingston*, praying that a salary may be given him.

Petitions, From the Right Rev. P. Phelan and Rev. A. McDonnell;

From the Rev. Angus McDonnell, of Kingston;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented a Petition from *Charles Berczy* and others, inhabitants

From Charles Berczy, and others, of Toronto;

bitants of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to confer upon the Corporation of *Toronto* authority to continue *Colborne Street* through certain property belonging to private individuals.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *J. Anderson*, and others, of the Townships of *Melbourne* and *Durham* in the Counties of *Sherbrooke* and *Drummond*, praying that no aid from the public funds may be given to *McGill College*, except for the support of the Medical School, and that its constitution, as well as that of the University of King's College, *Toronto*, may be altered and modified; and also a Petition from the Committee of the British and Canadian School Society, *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid.

*Ordered*, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from *Newton Bosworth*, and others, representing the *Toronto Baptist Union*, praying for the amendment of the Charter of the University of King's College, *Toronto*.

*Ordered*, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from *William Arms*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Ascott* and its vicinity, praying that no aid from the public funds may be given to *McGill College* except for the support of the Medical School, and that its constitution as well as that of the University of King's College, *Toronto*, may be altered and modified.

*Ordered*, That the same do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that a Select Committee of five Members be appointed to examine and report upon the contingent accounts of the Legislative Council, for the present Session.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McGill*, *Joliette*, *Bruneau*, *Dickson* and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *Alfred Hawkins* of *Montreal*, author of an engraved plan of the Naval and Military Operations before *Quebec* in the year 1759, praying that the Council may concur in any Act which may be passed for his benefit by the other branches of the Legislature.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the due pub-

lication of all By-Laws of the District Councils of that portion of this Province heretofore called *Upper Canada* imposing rates or assessments upon real property," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McGill*, *Macaulay* and *Knoulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

## Friday, 6th December, 1844.

FRIDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*McGill*,  
*Sullivan*,  
*Morris, William*,  
*Fraser*,  
*Joliette*,  
*Macaulay*,  
*Hamilton*,  
*Bruneau*,  
*Ferrie*,

The Honorable Messieurs

*Knoulton*,  
*McKay*,  
*Roy*,  
*Dickson*,  
*Dionne, Joseph*,  
*Irving*,  
*de Boucherville*,  
*Morris, James*.

### PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, informed the House that he had received a communication from the Honorable *John McDonald*, stating his inability, from sickness, to attend the service of the House, and praying to be excused for absenting himself on this day.

Communication from the Honorable *J. McDonald*, for leave of absence, reported.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House the Copy of the Census Returns for *Lower Canada*, prepared in compliance with the Provisions of the Act 7th Victoria cap. 24.

Census Returns of Lower Canada, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :

(For Returns, Vide Sessional Papers, Letter G.)

The Honorable *William Morris*, presented a Petition from the Presbytery of *Montreal*, praying that an Act of Indemnity may be passed in favour of certain Ministers of the Church of Scotland, to relieve them from the payment of the penalty to which they have unknowingly subjected themselves, by voting at some of the late elections.

Petition, From the Presbytery of *Montreal*, presented.

*Ordered*,

From *J. Anderson*, and others, of the Township of *Melbourne*, &c.;

From the British and Canadian School Society, *Montreal*;

From *N. Bosworth*, and others, of the *Toronto Baptist Union*, and

From *W. Arms*, and others, of the Township of *Ascott*, presented.

Committee on Contingent Accounts appointed.

Petition,

From *A. Hawkins*, of *Montreal*, presented.

By-Laws publication Bill read second time.



*George J. Goodhue*.....Excused,  
until the  
1st January  
next.

*Levius P. Sherwood*.....Excused,  
*William H. Draper*.....In Town,  
but excu-  
sed for this  
day.

*J. Æmilius Irving*.....Present,  
*Christopher Widmer*.....Excused,  
*Jean B. Tâché*.....Excused,  
*Louis Massue*.....Excused  
for this day  
*William Walker*.....Excused  
for this day.

*Pierre B. De Boucherville*....Present.  
*James Morris*.....Present.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

MONDAY.

**Monday, 9th December, 1844.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs	The Honorable Messieurs
<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Knoulton.</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>McKay,</i>
<i>Morris, William,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph,</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Irving,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>Morris, James,</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	

PRAYERS.

Communica-  
tion from the  
Protestant  
Parish Church-  
wardens, re-  
ported.

The Honorable, the Speaker, informed the House that he had received a communication from the Churchwardens of the Protestant Episcopal Parish Church in this City, stating that provision will be made during the Session for those Members who may desire to attend Divine Service in the said Church.

Return from  
the Quebec  
Trinity House,  
presented.

The Honorable the Speaker, laid before the House certified copies of the receipts and expenditure of the Trinity House at Quebec for the year ended 31st December, 1843, agreeably to the provisions of the Provincial Act 4th and 5th Vict. ch. 15.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and they are as follow :

(*For Returns vide Sessional Papers, Letter E.*)

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a Statement of Bonds and other Securities registered in the Office of the Provincial Registrar between the 28th September, 1843, and the 29th November, 1844.

Registrar's  
Statement of  
Bonds and Se-  
curities pre-  
sented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :

(*For Statement vide Sessional Papers, Letter F.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a Petitions, Petition from the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of Quebec, praying for the passing of an Act From the Cor-  
poration of  
Quebec ;  
authorising the Corporation to purchase a certain piece of ground in the said City, which formerly belonged to the late Order of Jesuits, for the purpose of enlarging the Market and the opening of several main Streets in the Upper Town of Quebec.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a From Very  
Revd. Angus  
McDonell,  
presented.  
Petition from the Very Reverend *Angus McDonell*, formerly residing at *Sandwich*, but now of the Town of *Kingston*, praying for the payment of a certain sum of money due to him for rent of, as well as for damages done to a House belonging to him, which was occupied as a Barrack by Her Majesty's Forces in the year 1838.

*Ordered*, that the last mentioned Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly. Last Petition  
read.

*Ordered*, that the Petition do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petitions,  
From J. Dean,  
and others, of  
Quebec ;  
Petition from *James Dean*, and others, of *Quebec*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate them under the name and style of the *Quebec Forwarding Company* ; also a Petition From the Que-  
bec Female  
Orphan Asy-  
lum ;  
from the Ladies conducting the affairs of the *Quebec Female Orphan Asylum*, praying for pecuniary aid ; also a Petition from the *Montreal Ladies' Benevolent Society*, praying for pecuniary aid ; also a Petition from the Com- From the Mon-  
treal Ladies'  
Benevolent So-  
ciety ;  
From the Que-  
bec National  
School ;  
mittee of Management of the *Quebec National School*, praying for pecuniary aid ; also a From Wm.  
Evans, of the  
Agricultural  
Journal ;  
Petition from *William Evans*, proprietor of a Newspaper called the *Agricultural Journal*, praying for pecuniary aid to assist him in publishing the same ; and also a Petition from the Revd. *John Merlin*, Minister of the Presbyte- From the Rev.  
John Merlin,  
of Hemming-  
ford ;  
rian Church in the Town of *Hemmingford*, praying that an Act may be passed to indemnify him from the consequences of having voted at one of the recent Elections, not knowing at

at the time that he was disqualified from voting by an Act of the Legislature of this Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From John Glen, and others, Trustees of the Chambly Turnpike Road;

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from *John Glen*, and others, Trustees of the *Longueuil* and *Chambly* Turnpike Road, praying for the exclusive privilege of plying a Ferry from the City of *Montreal* to *Longueuil*, that a certain portion of the Beach on each side of the River may be secured to them for the purposes of the said Ferry, that they may be allowed to borrow a further sum of £5000, and that their powers, with respect to the erection of Toll Gates and collection of Tolls, may be amplified and extended; and also a Petition from the Ladies of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid.

From the Montreal Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From the Ursuline Convent of Three Rivers;

The Honorable Mr. *Joseph Dionne* presented a Petition from the Superior, Assistants and others, of the Community of the Ursuline Ladies of *Three Rivers*, praying for the passing of an Act confirming them in the legal possession of certain Land, and that they may have authority to acquire and hold Real Estate and other descriptions of property to a certain amount; and also a Petition from *Francis Cottrell*, and others, Freeholders of the Seigniority of *Saint Antoine* of *La Baye* in the County of *Yamaska*, praying that the common of *La Baye St. Antoine* may be divided amongst the Censitaires of the said Seigniority, under certain limitations and restrictions.

From F. Cottrell, and others, of the Seigniority of St. Antoine;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From the Rt. Rev. P. Phelan, and the Rev. Angus McDonald;

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented a Petition from the Right Reverend *Patrick Phelan*, and the Very Reverend *Angus McDonnell*, praying for pecuniary aid to complete Regiopolis College at *Kingston*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From the Board of Police of the Town of Cobourg;

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from the President and Board of Police of the Town of *Cobourg*, praying for various amendments to the Act which establishes a Board of Police in the said Town; also a Petition from the *Gore* District Municipal Council, praying that the School Act may be amended, by abolishing the Office of Township Superintendents of Education; and also a Petition from *Gilbert McMicking*, Esquire, of *Chippawa*, praying that the License of Occupation formerly granted of certain land in the Township of *Willoughby*, in the *Niagara* District, maybe continued to him.

From the Gore District Council;

From G. McMicking, of Chippawa;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Andrew Balfour*, master of a Grammar School at *Waterloo*, in the County of *Shefford*, praying for aid.

From Rev. A. Balfour, of the County of Shefford;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from the *Victoria* Municipal District, praying that the Bridge over the *Salmon* River at *Shannonville*, the Bridge over *Mul* Creek, and also the Bridge over *Tucker* Creek, may be rebuilt under the direction of the Board of Works; also a Petition from *Edward L. Hayden*, of *William Henry*, praying that the Legislature will purchase the copyright to a "Concise Grammar of the English Language," compiled by him for the use of Schools; also a Petition from the Reverend *M. Townsend* and others, inhabitants of the southern part of the County of *Rouville*, praying for pecuniary aid to complete a suitable building for an Academy at *Clarenceville*, as well as for the support of a Classical Teacher; and also a Petition from the Directors of the *Quebec* High School, praying for pecuniary aid.

From the Victoria District Council;

From Edward L. Hayden, of William Henry;

From the Rev. M. Townsend, and others, of the County of Rouville; and

From the Quebec High School, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the Index to the Expired and Expiring Laws, prepared by the Law Clerk and submitted to this House on the second instant, be referred to a Select Committee of three Members, to report thereon, by Bill or otherwise.

Index to Expiring Laws, referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bruneau*, *Ferrie* and *Irving*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Adjourn.

**Tuesday, 10th December, 1844.** TUESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*McGill*,

*Knoulton*,

*Sullivan*,

*McKay*,

*Morris, William*,

*Dickson*,

*Fergusson*,

*Dionne, Joseph*,

*Macaulay*,

*Irving*,

*Bruneau*,

*Morris, James*.

*Ferrie*,

PRAYERS

PRAYERS.

Petition,  
From Wm. Henry Harris, Capt. 24th Regt. to dissolve his marriage, offered to be presented.

A Petition of *William Henry Harris*, a Captain in Her Majesty's 24th Regiment, at present stationed with the said Regiment in Ireland, praying their Honors "that leave may be given to bring in a Bill to dissolve his marriage with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, and to enable him to marry again," being offered to be presented to the House,

F. Griffin, Esq. attends, and

The House was informed that *Frederick Griffin*, Esquire, was attending.

He was ordered to be called in;

Delivers a copy of the proceedings in the case of *Harris vs. David*.

And being called in accordingly, and sworn at the Bar, delivered a copy of the proceedings had in the Court of King's Bench for the District of *Montreal*, and the Judgment of that Court, rendered on the 19th June, 1841, in the cause of *Harris* against *David*, which he said he had examined with the originals, and that the same were true copies, and also an affidavit made by the said *Frederick Griffin*, to the intent that the several rules of this House relative to divorce had been complied with in the present case.

And then he withdrew.

Affidavit read.

*Ordered*, that the said affidavit be now read.

The same was then read accordingly by the Clerk.

*Ordered*, that the said proceedings and affidavit do lie on the Table.

Petition presented and read.

Then the said Petition was presented and read.

Bill to be brought in next day.

*Ordered*, that leave be given to bring in a Bill according to the Prayer of the said Petition, on the next sitting day.

Petitions,  
From H. Lowe, and others, saw-millers;

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *Hamilton Lowe*, and others, saw-millers and dealers in sawed wood, praying that various restrictions imposed by the Law regulating the inspection of Timber may be removed; also a Petition from *John Fry*, and others, being the Committee of Management to the *Canada Baptist Missionary Society*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the said Society.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From the Montreal County Fire Insurance Company, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from the President and Directors of the Fire Insurance Company of the County of *Montreal*, praying for various amendments to the Acts under which they are established.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented six Petitions from the *Niagara District Municipal Council*, praying for the passing of an Act to regulate the manner in which Fish shall be taken in the *Twenty-Mile Pond* in the Township of *Louth*, in the said District of *Niagara*; also praying that the expense and management of the macadamized road from *Queenston* to *Grimsby* may be assumed by the Government; also praying either that the charges for the administration of Justice be defrayed out of the public revenues, or that the amount collected for Tavern and other Licences may be placed at the disposal of the Municipal Council to be appropriated towards the payment of such particular expenses; also praying for the passing of an Act compelling the Proprietors of all Temperance and other Houses, who may solicit the calls of travellers by a public sign, to have suitable accommodation for those requiring the same: also praying for the passing of an Act authorising the District Council to impose a tax upon all dogs owned within the said District; and also praying for the passing of an Act to compel the owners or occupiers of wild land to make a return of the same to the District Treasurers for the purposes of assessment; and also a Petition from *Charles Richardson*, and others, inhabitants of the Town and District of *Niagara*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate them under the style and title of the *Niagara and Ten Mile Creek Plank Road Company*.

From the Niagara District Council;

For regulating the Fishing in the Twenty-Mile Pond;

Respecting the Queenston and Grimsby road;

Respecting the charge for administering Justice;

For regulating Temperance Houses;

For imposing a Tax on Dogs;

For regulating wild lands;

From C. Richardson, and others, of Niagara;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Talbot*, praying for the identification of the limit between the Township of *Walpole* and the Townships of *Woodhouse* and *Townsend*, in the Districts of *Niagara* and *Talbot*; also a Petition from *William M. Wilson*, and others, inhabitants of *Woodhouse*, in the District of *Talbot*; also a Petition from *Flint L. Keys*, of *Simcoe* in the said District, severally praying for an extension of the provisions of the Provincial Act for securing to Aliens the civil and political rights of natural born British Subjects; and also a Petition from the *Baron Grant de Longueuil*, and others, inhabitants of the Town of *Dorchester*, commonly called *Saint Johns*, in the District of *Montreal*, praying for various amendments to the Judicature Act of *Lower Canada*, and that the administration of Justice may be facilitated.

From the Talbot District Council;

From W. Wilson, and others, of Woodhouse;

From Flint L. Keys, of Simcoe;

From Baron Grant de Longueuil, and others, of Dorchester;

*Ordered*,



*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. E. Crevier, of St. Hyacinthe;

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Edouard Crevier*, Curé of *St. Hyacinthe*, praying for pecuniary aid in favor of an Hospital by him established in that Parish, and known by the name of the Hotel-Dieu of *St. Hyacinthe*; also a Petition from *J. B. Duberger*, and others, of the County of *Saguenay*, praying for grants of money to make a road from the Great Bay of *Ha Ha* to the Bay *St. Paul*; to improve the roads of the Capes leading from *Ste. Anne* to Bay *St. Paul*, and to make a road from the *Black River* in *Mount Murray*, to the *Pointe au Bouleaux*, near *Tadousac*, on the *Saguenay*; also a Petition from *Léon Charles Clement*, Notary Public, of *Eboulements*, praying for an indemnity to remunerate him for his extra labours and services in taking the Census for the County of *Saguenay*; and also a Petition from *Charles Turgeon*, of the City of *Quebec*, praying for indemnity for the rent of a house and the use of the furniture therein occupied by the Municipal Council of the District of *Quebec*.

From J. B. Duberger, and others, of the County of Saguenay;

From L. C. Clement, of the County of Saguenay;

From C. Turgeon, of Quebec;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Reid, and R. Shepherd, Contractors on St. Lawrence Canal;

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *John Reid* and *Robert Shepherd*, Contractors on the *St. Lawrence Canal*, praying for the settlement of their claim on account of work done on the said Canal.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From the Directors of the Shefford Academy;

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Directors of the *Shefford Academy*, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support of that Institution; also a Petition from *Joseph Elier*, and others, inhabitants of *Shefford Mountain*, praying that a survey may be made of the land on the said Mountain; also a Petition from the Reverend *L. Doolittle*, and others, of the District of *Saint Francis*, praying for aid for the support and care of the insane in the said District; also a Petition from *C. L. Richardson*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Potton*, *Bolton*, *Brome*, *Drummond* and *Farnham*, in the District of *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid to alter and repair the road from Lake *Memphremagog* to *Mount Johnson*; also a Petition from *Aaron A. Adams*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Barnston* and *Barford*, praying for pecuniary aid to enable them to alter and improve the road leading from the Province Line through the said Townships of *Barnston* and *Barford* to *Montreal*; also a Petition from *Aaron A.*

From J. Elier, and others, of Shefford Mountain;

From Rev. L. Doolittle, and others, of the District of St. Francis;

From C. L. Richardson, and others, of Potton, Bolton, &c.;

From A. A. Adams, and others, of Barnston, &c.;

From A. A.

*Adams*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Barnston* and *Barford*, praying for aid to establish an Academy at *Barnston*; also a Petition from the Trustees of the *Charleston Academy*, praying for pecuniary aid; also a Petition from the *Stanstead Seminary*, praying for pecuniary aid; also a Petition from *Alvan Williams*, and others, inhabitants of *West Bolton*, in the County of *Stanstead*, praying for the passing of an Act to attach the said West part of *Bolton* to the Township and County of *Shefford*; also a Petition from *Henry Carter*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Shefford* and *Granby*, praying that the road from *Stukely*, where it intersects the *Sherbrooke* road, to the Village of *Granby*, may be completed.

Adams, and others, of Barnston and Barford; From the Trustees of Charleston Academy;

From Alvan Williams, and others, of West Bolton;

From Henry Carter, and others, of the Township of Shefford, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Adjourn.

Wednesday, 11th Dec. 1844.

WEDNESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

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| The Honorable Messieurs | The Honorable Messieurs |
| <i>Mc Gill,</i>         | <i>Knoulton,</i>        |
| <i>Sullivan,</i>        | <i>McKay,</i>           |
| <i>Morris, William,</i> | <i>Dickson,</i>         |
| <i>Fergusson,</i>       | <i>Dionne, Joseph,</i>  |
| <i>Macaulay,</i>        | <i>Draper,</i>          |
| <i>Bruneau,</i>         | <i>Irving,</i>          |
| <i>Ferrie,</i>          | <i>Morris, James.</i>   |

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from the Reverend *C. Jackson*, and others, Clergymen of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, praying that they may not be deprived of the right to vote at Elections; also a Petition from the *Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum*, praying for pecuniary aid; also a Petition from the Ladies, Sisters of the Congregation de Notre Dame of *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid for the Schools by them established in this Province; and also a Petition from the Reverend Mr. *Ducharme*, Curé, and others, inhabitants of the Parishes of *St. Martin*, *Ste. Rose*, *Ste. Thérèse* and *St. Jérôme*, in the County of *Terrebonne*, praying that the Registry Office may be removed from *Terrebonne* to *Ste. Thérèse de Blainville*.

Petitions, From the Rev. C. Jackson, and others, Clergymen of the Church of England;

From the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum; From the Ladies of the Congregation of Notre Dame of Montreal; From Rev. W. Ducharme, and others, of St. Martin, &c.;

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Oliver Berois, and others, of St. Antoine de la Baie du Febvre;

The Honorable Mr. *Joseph Dionne* presented a Petition from *Olivier Berois*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Antoine de la Baie du Febvre*, praying for the continuation, with amendments, of the Act regulating the Common of that Seigniory, and in opposition to another Petition from the same vicinity relating to the same subject; also a Petition from *Louis Richer Laflèche* and *Louis Guillet*, praying to be indemnified for losses by them sustained as Commissioners for the erection of a Bridge over the River *Ste. Anne* in the County of *Champlain*, under the Act 6 William IV., c. 41; also a Petition from *Edouard Normand*, of Cap de la *Magdeleine*, for the exclusive privilege of having a Steam Ferry Boat from *Three Rivers* to the opposite side of the River *St. Lawrence*, for five years, and for a grant of money to erect a free bridge over the River *Godfroy*; and also a Petition from *William Henry Lemoine*, Returning-Officer of the County of *Montmorency*, praying that certain expenses incurred by him during the recent Election may be paid.

From L. R. Lathéche, and L. Guillet, Commissioners for erecting a Bridge;

From E. Normand of Cap de la Magdeleine;

From Wm. H. Lemoine, Returning-Officer of Montmorency;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From B. Burland, L. C. Vardel, and Wm. Leggett, of St. John's;

The Honorable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a Petition from *Benjamin Burland*, gauger, at the Port of *St. Johns*, and of *Louis C. Vardel* and *William Leggett*, landingwaiters, at the said Port, praying for an increase of salary; also a Petition from *Charles Poston*, and others, of *Quebec*, praying that the Quarantine Station at *Grosse Isle* may be discontinued; and also a Petition from *J. Ble. Tousignant*, and others, of the Parishes of *St. Louis de Lotbinière* and *St. Jean Deschaillons*, praying for a grant of money towards erecting a bridge over the *Rivière du Chêne*.

From C. Poston, of Quebec;

From J. B. Tousignant, and others, of St. Louis de Lotbinière;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From the Faculty of Medicine of McGill College;

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented two Petitions from the Faculty of Medicine of the University of *McGill College*, praying for aid, and praying that no Act of Incorporation may be granted to an Association of five Physicians of *Montreal*, calling themselves a College of Medicine; also a Petition from *A. A. Papineau*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Hyacinthe*, praying for a grant of money to the College established in that place; also a Petition from *Joseph Bouchette*, of the Surveyor General's Department, praying for encouragement to a Map of Canada which he is about to publish; and also a Petition from *Thomas Mills*, and others, of *Chambly*, praying to be

From A. A. Papineau, and others, of St. Hyacinthe;

From J. Bouchette, of the Surveyor General's Department;

From T. Mills, and others, of Chambly;

incorporated as the *Chambly Cotton Manufacturing Company*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a Petition from *John Gilchrist*, praying that he may be reimbursed the amount of damages sustained by him in consequence of the Government having erected a Dam across the *River Trent* near *Crook's Rapids*; and also a Petition from the Venerable *George O'Kill Stuart*, Archdeacon of *Kingston*, and others, inhabitants and proprietors of Lot No. 24, praying that the said lot may not be incorporated with the said Town.

From John Gilchrist;

From the Arch-Deacon of Kingston, and others;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented a Petition from *William Gamble*, and others, inhabitants of the *Home District*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate them under the name and style of the *Humber Harbour and Road Company*; and also a Petition from *A. Chapman*, and others, landholders, residing on the shores of the *River Richelieu*, *South River*, and their tributary streams, above *St. Johns*, in the District of *Montreal*, praying that the beds of the said Rivers may be deepened in certain parts, to prevent the water from overflowing their lands.

From Wm. Gamble, and others, of the Home District;

From A. Chapman, and others, residing on the shores of the River Richelieu, presented.

*Ordered*, that the last mentioned Petition be now read.

Last Petition read.

The same was then read accordingly by the Clerk.

*Ordered*, that the said Petitions do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Draper* presented a Petition from *J. Egan*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Ottawa*, in the late Province of *Lower Canada*, praying that the said County may be declared an Inferior District, having a Superior Court of Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction; and also a Petition from *John Egan* and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Hull*, in the late Province of *Lower Canada*, praying for the construction of a Plank Road from the Suspension Bridge at *Bytown* to the wharf at *Aylmer*.

Petitions,

From J. Egan, and others, of the County of Ottawa;

From J. Egan, and others, of the Township of Hull;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from *Pierre de Guise*, of the Parish of *St. Thomas*, praying for the payment of his salary as Clerk of the Municipal Council of the District of *St. Thomas*; also a Petition from *Magloire Têtu* of the Parish of *St. Thomas*, praying for the payment of his salary as District

From P. de Guise, of St. Thomas;

From M. Têtu, of St. Thomas;

Treasurer;



From A. G. Couillard, and others, of the County of L'Islet;

From J. F. Duval, and others, of the Quebec Education Society;

From Rev. R. V. Hall, and others, of Stanstead;

From Rev. E. J. Sherrill, and others, of Eaton;

From A. Abbott, and others, of the County of Shefford;

From J. Merry, and others, of the County of Stanstead;

From Luke Hall, of New Ireland;

From W. Ritchie, Registrar of the County of Sherbrooke;

From W. Ritchie, and others, of the Sherbrooke Academy; From Solomon Steele, and others, of Stanstead;

From I. Rice, of the Township of Ham;

From I. B. Bellamy, and others, of the Counties of Chambly, &c.;

Treasurer; also a Petition from *Antoine G. Couillard*, and others, Freeholders of the Parishes of *St. Thomas, Cap St. Ignace* and *Crane Island*, in the County of *L'Islet*, praying for a law for the preservation of Wild Geese, Ducks and other birds frequenting the shores and marshes in that vicinity; also a Petition from *Jean François Duval*, and others, being the President, Vice Presidents and Officers of the Corporation of the Education Society of the District of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Rev. *R. V. Hall* and others, inhabitants of *Stanstead*, and a Petition from the Reverend *E. J. Sherrill*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Eaton*, respectively praying that no aid from the Public Funds may be given to *Mc Gill* College, except for the support of the Medical School, and that its constitution, as well as that of the University of *King's College, Toronto*, may be altered and modified;

also a Petition from *Augustus Abbott*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Shefford*, praying for the construction of a road from *Masawippi Lake*, in the Township of *Hatley*, to the line of the Township of *Stukely*; also a Petition from *Jonathan Merry*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Bolton* and *Hatley*, in the County of *Stanstead*, praying that from certain portions of the said Townships may be formed a new Township to be called the Township of *Rockport*; also a Petition from *Luke Hall*, of *New Ireland*, in the County of *Megantic*, praying for relief in consequence of losses sustained by him as a contractor on the *Gosford Road*;

also a Petition from *William Ritchie*, Registrar of the County of *Sherbrooke*, praying for reasonable compensation to enable him to make a complete set of Indexes to the Registry Books of the said County; also a Petition from *William Ritchie*, and others, Trustees of the *Sherbrooke Academy*, praying for pecuniary aid; also a Petition from *Solomon Steele*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Stanstead*, and its vicinity, praying for pecuniary aid, to enable them to rebuild the bridge over the river on the public mail route to the *United States*; also a Petition from *Israel Rice*, of the Township of *Ham*, in the District of *St. Francis*, praying for relief;

and also a Petition from *J. B. Bellamy*, and others, inhabitants of the Counties of *Chambly, Rouville, St. Hyacinthe, Shefford*, and other places, praying that the Plank Road from

*Longueuil* to *Chambly* may be continued to the Village of *Granby*.

*Longueuil* to *Chambly* may be continued to the Village of *Granby*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from the Reverend *P. M. Mignault*, Founder and Superior of the College of *Chambly*, praying for aid to his Institution.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

*It was moved*, that the Committee of Privileges, when not specially adjourned, shall hereafter meet one hour before the time to which the House may stand adjourned.

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

*Ordered*, accordingly.

Pursuant to leave granted yesterday, the Honorable Mr. *Mc Gill* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris, Esquire*, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday the twenty-sixth instant, and that notice thereof be affixed on the doors of this House, and their Honors be summoned, and that the said *Henry William Harris* may be heard by his Counsel at the said second reading, to make out the truth of the allegations of the Bill, and that the said *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, may have a copy of the Bill, and that notice be given her of the said second reading, and that she be at liberty to be heard by her Counsel, what she may have to offer against the said Bill at the same time.

*Ordered*, that *Henry William Harris, Esquire*, do attend this House on Thursday the twenty-sixth instant, in order to his being examined upon a second reading of the Bill, intituled, "An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris, Esquire*, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," if the House shall think fit, whether there has or has not been any collusion, directly or indirectly, on his part, relative to any act of adultery that may have been committed by his wife, or whether there be any collusion, directly or indirectly, between him and his wife

From Rev. P. M. Mignault, of the College of Chambly, presented.

Hour appointed for the meeting of the Committee of Privileges.

Harris' divorce Bill presented and read first time.

Second reading on Thursday 26th inst., and copies to be served, &c.

H. W. Harris, Esq., ordered to attend.

wife or any other person or persons, touching the said Bill of Divorce, or touching any action at law which may have been brought by him against any person for criminal conversation with his, the said *Henry William Harris'* wife; and also, whether, at the time of the adultery of which he complains, his wife was, by deed or otherwise, by his consent, living separate and apart from him, and released by him, as far as in him lies, from her conjugal duty; or whether she was, at the time of such adultery, cohabiting with him, and under the protection and authority of him as her husband.

*Ordered*, that the Census Returns for *Lower Canada*, prepared in compliance with the provisions of the Act 7th Vict. c. 24, and submitted to this House on the 6th instant, be referred to a Select Committee of three Members, to Report thereon.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bruneau, McKay* and *Joseph Dionne*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

*Ordered*, that the Report of the Librarian of this House, on the state of the Library, submitted on the second instant, be referred to a Select Committee of three Members, to Report thereon, with an instruction to the said Committee to suggest such means of adding to such Library as they may deem advisable.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Sullivan, Bruneau* and *Dickson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

**Thursday, 12th December, 1844.**

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*McGill,*  
*Sullivan,*  
*Morris, William,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Macaulay,*  
*Bruneau,*  
*Ferrie,*  
*Knoullon,*

The Honorable Messieurs

*McKay,*  
*Roy,*  
*Dickson,*  
*Dionne, Joseph,*  
*Draper,*  
*Irving,*  
*Morris, James.*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a Petitions, Petition from *William Cottingham*, of the Township of *Emily*, praying for compensation for the damage done to his property by the erection of a dam at the *Buckhorn Rapids*, in the *Colborne* District.

From Wm. Cottingham, of Emily;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Joseph Dionne* presented a Petition from the Reverend *T. Cooke*, Curé, and others, of the Town of *Three Rivers*, praying that the sum of £400, which has been granted at four annual periods by the Legislature, in support of a School in the said Town, may be paid, together with such further pecuniary aid as the Legislature may be disposed to grant; also a Petition from *Jane Pigott*, widow of the late *John Pigott*, of *Quebec*, praying that the sum of £50, intended by the late House of Assembly of *Lower Canada* as a reward to the said *John Pigott* for his invention and model of an improved paddle wheel, may be granted to her; also a Petition from *L. Vézina*, on behalf of the inhabitants of the Town of *Three Rivers*, praying that the Lunatic Asylum for *Lower Canada* may be erected at the aforesaid Town.

From Rev. T. Cooke, and others, of Three Rivers;

From Jane Pigott, of Quebec;

From L. Vézina, of Three Rivers;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from *Felix Fortier*, Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, praying that he may be compensated for the loss of those Fees to which his office has heretofore been entitled, and also that his salary may be increased; also a Petition from *Joseph Daoust*, and others, of the Island of *Montreal*, praying for the repeal of the Ordinance 3d Vict. c. 25, relating to the construction of winter vehicles, and for permission to use the vehicles formerly in use in *Lower Canada*, on condition of making and opening up the winter roads to a breadth of eight feet; also a Petition from *M. Houle*, and others, carters, of *Montreal*, praying that the provisions of the Ordinance of the Special Council of *Lower Canada*, 2d Vict. c. 34, relating to the construction of vehicles to be used on the winter roads, be revived, and extended to other parts of the Province, for the more convenient and expeditious transportation of passengers and merchandize; also a Petition from *John Clark*, and others, inhabitants and proprietors, of *Côte St. Martin, Long Pointe* and *Pointe aux Trembles*, praying that an investigation be made into the manner in which the *Montreal* Road Trustees have performed the duties of their

From F. Fortier, Clerk Crown in Chancery;

From J. Daoust, and others, of the Island of Montreal;

From M. Houle, and others, carters, of Montreal;

From J. Clark, and others, of Côte St. Martin, &c.;

Census Returns referred to a Select Committee.

Librarian's Report referred to a Select Committee.

Adjourn.

THURSDAY.

their office; and also that they may be compensated for the grievances and losses to which they have been subjected; also a Petition from the Baron *Grant de Longueuil*, and others, of the Counties of *St. Hyacinthe*, *Richelieu* and *Chambly*, praying that the project of constructing a Rail-Road between *Montreal* and *Boston* may be favorably entertained; and also a Petition from the Reverend *T. Pepin*, and others, inhabitants of *Boucherville* and *Chambly*, praying for an amendment to the existing laws relative to winter roads, by directing the same to be made and opened out to the breadth of eight feet, and by granting permission to use any kind of vehicles on such roads.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *Thomas White*, and others, boot and shoe manufacturers, of *Montreal*, praying that a duty of thirty per cent may be imposed on all boots and shoes imported into this Province from the *United States*; also a Petition from *Robertson Masson*, and others, leather manufacturers, of the District of *Montreal*, praying that a duty may be imposed on manufactured leather when imported into this Province from the *United States*, equal in amount to the Crown duty prior to its reduction, and also that the Provincial Act imposing a duty on raw hides and skins may be repealed; also a Petition from the Committee of the Lying-in Hospital of *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid; also a Petition from the Religious Sisters of Charity, administrators of the General Hospital of *Montreal*, praying for a grant of money to enable them to pay off certain arrears of debt by them incurred in the support of foundlings; also a Petition from the Corporation of the College of *L'Assomption*, praying for a grant of money for the support of that Establishment; also a Petition from the Reverend *R. Gaulin*, Bishop of *Kingston*, praying for aid towards the completion and support of a Female Academy, under the charge of the Sisters of the Congregation in the Village of *L'Assomption*; and also a Petition from *Mary Anne Suell*, widow of the late *James Williams*, formerly Post Master of *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary assistance.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented three Petitions from the Municipal Council of the District of *Simcoe*, praying that an alteration may be made in the manner of taxing the

rateable property in the said District, and especially that the Lands of the Canada Company may not be exempted from taxation; also praying for the passing of an Act to remove all doubts as to the power of the Sheriff of the said District to expose for sale Lands in arrear for Taxes; and also praying that the office of the County Registrar may be removed from the *Holland Landing* to the Town of *Barrie*; also a Petition from Mr. *Chizenove*, and others, inhabitants of *Gananoque*, *Leeds* and *Lansdown*, praying that a Survey, under the direction of the Board of Works, may be made of the *Gananoque* and *Willsey* Waters, with the view of making them navigable for small steam vessels and other craft; also a Petition from the Reverend *John Cook*, and others, of Saint Andrew's Church, in the City of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid in support of the School in connexion with the said Church; and also a Petition from *A. T. Galt*, and others, inhabitants of the Counties of *Sherbrooke*, *Stanstead*, and other places, praying for the construction of a Rail-Road to communicate between *Montreal*, and either *Boston* or *Portland*, and that the said undertaking may be encouraged on the part of the Legislature.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from *Marie Françoise Bilodeau*, widow of the late *Jacques Langlois*, in his lifetime Chief Messenger and Librarian to the House of Assembly of Lower Canada, praying for a pension; also a Petition from *Pierre J. O. Chauveau*, President of the Canadian Society of Literary and Scientific Studies, praying for a grant of money in favour of that Institution; also a Petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *St. Hyacinthe*, praying for pecuniary aid in favour of the College established in that place; and also a Petition from *Pierre Allard*, and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying that the duty of five per cent on biscuit imported from the United States, may be increased to twenty-five per cent.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoullon* presented a Petition from *Herman Bangs*, of the Township of *Stanstead*, praying for pecuniary relief; also a Petition from *A. McKenny*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Shefford*, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support of the Academy in *Shefford Plain*; also a Petition from *Jeffery Hale*, and others, being the President and Members of the Quebec British and Canadian

Respecting the Sale of Lands in arrear for Taxes;

For the removal of the Registry Office;

From M. Chizenove, and others, of Gananoque;

From the Rev. J. Cook, and others, of St. Andrew's Church, Quebec;

From A. T. Galt, and others, of the Counties of Sherbrooke, &c.;

From Marie F. Bilodeau;

From Pierre J. O. Chauveau, President of the Canadian Literary Society;

From the St. Hyacinthe District Council;

From Pierre Allard, of Quebec;

From H. Bangs, of the Township of Stanstead;

From A. McKenny, and others, of the County of Shefford;

From J. Hale, and others, of the Quebec British and Canadian School Society;

From D. Wood, and others, of the Eastern Townships;

Canadian School, praying for pecuniary aid; also a Petition from *David Wood*, and others, inhabitants of the Eastern Townships, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate them as a Joint Stock Company to construct a Rail-Road from the Township of *Stanstead* to the City of *Montreal*; and also that the Government will assist the said undertaking by a public loan, and an annual grant for a limited period; also two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the District of *Sherbrooke*, praying for the amendment of the Road and School Acts; and also that the powers of the District Council may be sufficiently extended to enable them to collect the Taxes which they are authorised to assess; and praying for the construction of a Railway from the River *Saint Lawrence* to the boundary line of this Province, through the District of *Sherbrooke*; and also a Petition from *Loop Odell*, and others, of the County of *Huntingdon*, praying that they may be indemnified for their losses in consequence of their having been engaged in suppressing the late rebellion.

From the Sherbrooke District Council, for the amendment of the Municipal and School Acts;

For the construction of a Railway;

From L. Odell, and others, of the County of Huntingdon, and

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

From E. Beaubien, of the Parish of St. Benoit, presented.

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented a Petition from *E. Beaubien*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Benoit*, praying for an indemnification for losses sustained by the destruction of the Church and Presbytery of that Parish during the insurrection of 1837.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at half past three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

FRIDAY.

**Friday, 13th December, 1844.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*M<sup>r</sup> Gill,*

*M<sup>r</sup> Kay,*

*Sullivan,*

*Dickson,*

*Fergusson,*

*Dionne, Joseph,*

*Macaulay,*

*Draper,*

*Bruneau,*

*Irving,*

*Ferrie,*

*Morris, James,*

*Knoulton.*

**PRAYERS.**

Petitions,

From A. Smith, and others, shoemakers, of Kingston;

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a Petition from *Alexander Smith*, and others, boot and shoe manufacturers, of *Kingston*, praying that a duty of £25 or £30 per cent.

may be imposed upon boots and shoes when imported into this Province from the *United States*.

**Ordered** that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented a Petition from the Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto*, praying for an Act of Incorporation; also a Petition from the *Toronto* and *Lake Huron* Rail-Road Company, praying for such amendments to their Charter as will, at their option, empower them to construct a planked, or blocked road, instead of the said Rail-Road, and that the line of road may be selected at the discretion of the Company, and the period for its completion extended.

From the Toronto Board of Trade, and

From the Toronto and Lake Huron Rail-Road Company, presented.

**Ordered**, that the last mentioned Petition be now read.

Last Petition read.

The same was then read accordingly by the Clerk.

**Ordered**, that the said Petitions do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Joseph Dionne* presented a Petition from the Rev. Mr. *Orfroy*, and others, inhabitants of the Parishes of *St. Charles, Beaumont, St. Michel, St. Vallier, Berthier* and *St. François*, for the removal of the Register Office of the County of *Bellechasse* from the Parish of *St. Gervais* to *St. Michel*; and also a Petition from *J. Bte. Bellefeuille*, and others, ferrymen, of *Becancour*, praying that no exclusive privilege be granted to Mrs. *Norman*, to have a steam ferry-boat from *Three Rivers* to the opposite side of the River *St. Lawrence*.

Petitions,

From Rev. Mr. Orfroy, of the Parish of St. Charles, &c.;

From J. Bte. Bellefeuille, and others, ferrymen, of Becancour;

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a Petition from *William Bethel*, of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary assistance, in consequence of his severe losses as one of the contractors for building the *Valcartier* Bridge.

From Wm. Bethel, of Quebec;

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from the Rev. Mr. *Brassard*, Curé of the Parish of *Longueuil*, praying that a Convent erected by the Fabrique of that Parish, under the charge of the Sisters of the Holy names of *Jesus* and *Mary*, may be incorporated, for the purpose of holding and receiving certain endowments which certain persons are, or may be desirous of making in its favor; also, a Petition from the Rev. *R. Neyron*, Curé of *St. Benoit*, praying for an indemnity for the loss of the Church and Presbytery of that Parish, destroyed during the insurrection in 1837;

From Rev. Mr. Brassard, of Longueuil;

From Rev. R. Neyron, of St. Benoit;

also

From Rev. Mr. Ducharme, founder of the College of Ste. Thérèse de Blainville;

also two Petitions from the Rev. Mr. *Ducharme*, founder of the College of *Ste. Thérèse de Blainville*, praying that the said establishment may be incorporated, for the purpose of receiving and holding certain endowments which he and others are or may be desirous of making in its favor, and praying for pecuniary aid in favor of that establishment; and also a Petition from the Rev. *Jean Claude Léonard*, of Longueuil, member of the Community called the Reverend Pères Oblats of the Immaculate Conception of *Mary*, canonically established in the Dioceses of *Montreal*, *Quebec*, and *Kingston*, praying that the said Order or Community may be incorporated, for the purpose of acquiring and holding certain real and personal property, with which he is desirous to endow them, and other property that may be given, bequeathed or acquired by them for the support of their missions.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Right Rev. M. Power, and the Right Rev. P. Phelan;

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from the Right Rev. *Michael Power*, Roman Catholic Bishop of *Toronto*, and the Right Rev. *Patrick Phelan*, Bishop of *Carrhæ*, and administrator of the Diocese of *Kingston*, praying that the Roman Catholic Bishops of *Kingston* and *Toronto* may have power to acquire and hold real estate for religious purposes.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From W. G. Blanchard, and others, of Two Mountains;

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from *W. G. Blanchard*, and others, of the County of *Two Mountains*, praying for the removal of the District Court from *St. Benoit* to *St. Andrews*; also a Petition from *Zozime Maçon*, and others, of the County of *Two Mountains*, praying for a grant of money to make a Turnpike macadamized road from the River *Jesus* to *Lachapelle's* Bridge, and a bridge over the River *Jesus*; also, a Petition from *F. E. Globensky*, and others, of the County of *Two Mountains*, praying for the repeal of the law allowing the use of trains, and for a restriction in favor of sleighs on the winter roads; and also a Petition from *C. J. Forbes*, and others, of the County of *Two Mountains*, praying for the repeal of the Act passed in 1841, amending the Ordinance of the 2d Vict., regulating the winter roads in this Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Agricultural Duties Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney

*General Smith*, and others, with a Bill intitled, "An Act to continue for a limited time the Act for imposing duties on Agricultural Produce and Live Stock imported into this Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the forty-sixth rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as the same relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *M' Gill* presented a Petition from *Eugene Archambault*, Clerk of the Municipal Council of the District of *Leinster*, praying for the reimbursement of certain outlays by him made in that capacity; also, a Petition from *Marcus Child*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Stanstead*, *Hatley*, *Barnston*, and *Barford*, praying for pecuniary aid to complete the opening of the market road leading from the terminus of the *Chambly* plank road, via *Granby* and the outlet of Lake *Memphremagog*, through the Townships of *Hatley* and *Barnston*, to intersect the Government road from *Compton* to *Hereford*; also a Petition from *John M'Bean*, of the Township of *Lancaster*, in the Eastern District, praying for compensation for having constructed a Lock at *French's Reef*, (*Coteau-du-Lac*) in the River *St. Lawrence*; also, a Petition from *William Molson*, and others, inhabitants and proprietors of real estate in the Village of *Hochelaga*, and that part of the Parish of *Montreal* situated north of the City, on the *St. Mary's* or *Quebec* Road, praying for the passing of an Act to extend the northern boundary of the City of *Montreal* for at least one mile beyond its present limit; and also a Petition from the Rev. *Mark Willoughby*, Superintendent of the *Newfoundland* and *British American* School Society, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support of the said Institution.

*Ordered*, that the last mentioned Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petitions do lie on the Table.

The

46th rule dispensed with.

3rd reading on Monday.

Petitions,  
From E. Archambault, Clerk of the Leinster District Council;  
From M. Child, and others, of Stanstead, &c.;

From J. M'Bean, of Lancaster;

From William Molson, and others, proprietors in the village of Hochelaga, and

From Rev. M. Willoughby, presented.

Last Petition read.

Petition,  
From Loop Odell, and A. Mériszi, of Napierville, presented.

The Honorable Mr. Knoulton presented a Petition from *Loop Odell* and *Antoine Mériszi*, of the Village of *Napierville*, being the Commissioners appointed under an Act of the late Province of *Lower Canada* for erecting a Court House and Gaol in the said village, praying that the sum of £293, still due to the Contractor for constructing the said building, may be paid to him.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Public accounts for 1843, presented.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper*, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House the Public Accounts for the year 1843.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and they are as follow :

(For Accounts, vide Sessional Papers, Letter A.)

The Clerk directed to order newspapers;

*It was moved*, that during the Session the Clerk of this House be directed to order three copies of each of the public newspapers published in this City, and one copy of the same during the Recess; also, one copy of every other paper published in the Province, for the Session only; and during the year, one copy of the Royal Gazette, published by authority at *Montreal*;—the whole to be under the charge and direction of the Librarian.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion, the same was carried in the affirmative; and it was

*Ordered*, accordingly.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

Report of the Committee on the sitting of members, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay*, from the Committee of Privileges, to whom was referred the order of sitting of the Members of this House, presented their Report.

The same was read by the Clerk as follows:—

The Report.

The Committee on the Privileges of Parliament, to whom was referred the order of sitting in Your Honorable House, respectfully Report that they have taken the matter referred to them into consideration, and have agreed upon the following Orders, which they respectfully submit for the adoption of Your Honorable House:

1st, *Ordered*, That forasmuch as it belongeth to Her Majesty's Royal Prerogative to give such order for the placing and sitting of Legislative Councillors in this House, as to

Her Majesty shall seem fit, and forasmuch as Her Majesty, in giving order for the summoning to Parliament the Members of this House, hath not appointed any order of sitting therein, either as regards the Members of this House, according to their seniority by the dates of their respective Writs of Summons, or according to the priority of time in which they respectively appeared and sat in Parliament, in obedience to the said Writs of Summons; and forasmuch as Her Majesty hath not yet been pleased to make any order for the place and sitting of Members of this House who, for the time being, shall be of Her Majesty's Executive Council of this Province; and forasmuch as Her Majesty hath not yet been pleased to make any order for the Members of this House bearing or taking the title of "Honorable," or any other title of honor whereby doubts and difficulties have arisen, which this House humbly desires may be set at rest by an expression of Her Majesty's Royal pleasure in the premises;

*Ordered*, That an humble and dutiful Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to take the said premises into consideration, and to make such order therein as to Her Majesty's wisdom shall seem fit.

JNO. MACAULAY,  
Chairman.

13th December, 1844.

*Ordered*, that the foregoing Report be adopted. Report adopted, and

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Messieurs *Mc Gill*, *Sullivan* and *Macaulay* be appointed a Committee to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, founded on the said Report. A Select Committee appointed to prepare the Address;

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next, at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

Monday, 16th December, 1844. MONDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

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| The Honorable Messieurs | The Honorable Messieurs |
| <i>Mc Gill,</i>         | <i>Mc Kay,</i>          |
| <i>Sullivan,</i>        | <i>Dickson,</i>         |
| <i>Fergusson,</i>       | <i>Dionne, Joseph,</i>  |
| <i>Macaulay,</i>        | <i>Draper,</i>          |
| <i>Bruneau,</i>         | <i>Irving,</i>          |
| <i>Ferrie,</i>          | <i>Morris, James.</i>   |
| <i>Knoulton,</i>        |                         |

PRAYERS



## PRAYERS.

The Hon. Mr. Massue takes the oath prescribed by Law.

The Honorable Mr. *Massue* came to the Table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *John F. Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal, to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislature.

Petitions,

From J. Bte. Allard, and others, of St. Matthieu de Belœil ;

From P. Papineau, and others, ferrymen, of Montreal ;

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from *J. Bte. Allard*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Matthieu de Belœil*, praying for an increased tax on live stock imported into this Province from the *United States* ; and also a Petition from *Pierre Papineau*, and others, ferrymen from the City of *Montreal* to the opposite shores, during the period of the late war with the *United States*, praying that they may be compensated in a similar manner with those who served in the embodied Militia.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From P. Buchanan, and others, of Dundee ;

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from *Patrick Buchanan*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Dundee*, County of *Beauharnois*, praying that they may have the privilege of getting their grain, wool and saw logs manufactured in American mills, (when for domestic uses only,) free of duty ; and also a Petition from *Eden Colville*, Esquire, of *Beauharnois*, praying for the passing of an Act empowering the North American Colonial Association of *Ireland* to employ and invest a portion of their effects and capital in the loan of monies on real securities within the Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From the Rev. F. Evans, Rector of Woodhouse.

The Honorable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Francis Evans*, Rector of *Woodhouse*, and others, inhabitants of the Town and neighbourhood of *Simcoe*, in the District of *Talbot*, praying for the passing of an Act authorising the Bishop of *Toronto* to dispose of a certain piece of land in the Township of *Woodhouse*, for certain purposes ; also a Petition from the Right Reverend Bishop of *Montreal*, and others, Members of the *Quebec* Charitable Fire Wood Society, praying for an Act of incorporation, enabling them to hold Real Estate for the purposes of the said Society ; and also a Petition from the *Quebec* Board of Trade, praying that various alterations may be made in the existing tariff.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From E. Glackemeyer, acting Mayor of Quebec ;

The Honorable Mr. *Massue* presented a Petition from *Edward Glackemeyer*, acting

Mayor of the City of *Quebec*, praying, on behalf of the Corporation, that certain amendments and modifications may be made to the Ordinances incorporating the said City ; also a Petition from *T. Routier*, and others, inhabitants of *St. Ambroise*, *St. Foy* and *L'An-cienne Lorette*, praying for amendments to the *Quebec* Turnpike Road Ordinances ; also a Petition from *L. D. Marquis*, M. D., and others, inhabitants of *Ste. Anne de la Pocatière*, and of the Township of *Ixworth*, praying for a grant of money to continue a road opened by Government in the said Township of *Ixworth* ; and also a Petition from the Managers of the Male Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid.

From T. Routier, and others, of St. Ambroise, &c. ;

From L. D. Marquis, M. D. and others, of Ste. Anne de la Pocatière, and

From the Male Orphan Asylum, Quebec, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Massue* presented a Report of the Commissioners appointed for the Relief of Insane and Invalid Persons, and Foundlings, in the District of *Quebec*.

Report on insane persons in the District of Quebec, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table and it is as follows :

(For Report, Vide Sessional Papers, Letter L.)

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from *John Mathewson*, tallow chandler, of *Montreal*, praying against the passing of the Act for continuing the duties on agricultural products imported into this Province, until further enquiry shall have been made.

Petitions, From J. Mathewson, of Montreal ;

From E. Colville, Esq., of Beauharnois ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Joseph Dionne* presented a Petition from *Gaspard Dauth*, of the Parish of *Ste. Anne Laparade*, praying that a certain sum of money, due to him as the Contractor for the erection of a bridge over the River *Ste. Anne*, in the County of *Champlain*, may be paid by the Government.

From G. Dauth, of Ste. Anne Laparade ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from *R. S. Noel*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Lotbinière*, praying for pecuniary aid, to enable them to repair certain bridges, and improve certain hills in the Parish of *St. Croix*.

From R. S. Noel, and others, of Lotbinière ;

From the Bishop of Montreal, and others ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Massue* presented a Petition from *John McConville*, Teacher of the *Berthier* Academy, praying for pecuniary aid.

From J. McConville, of the Berthier Academy ;

From the Quebec Board of Trade ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *Simeon Washburn*, Esquire, of the Town

From S. Washburn, of Pictou ;

Town of *Picton*, in the *Prince Edward* District, praying for the passing of an Act to remunerate him for the loss of a raft of Oak Timber during the late war between *Great Britain* and the *United States*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From the College of St. Hyacinthe.

The Honorable Mr. *Draper* presented a Petition from the Corporation of the College of *St. Hyacinthe*, praying for pecuniary aid, in proportion to the size and services of that Institution; and also a Petition from the Honorable and Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Toronto*, representing the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, praying that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Churches of *England* and *Scotland*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be divided in equal proportions between the said Churches, and that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that the lands apportioned to the Church of *England* may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church.

From the Bishop of Toronto;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From P. Finn, and others, of Niagara;

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented a Petition from *Patrick Finn*, and others, cordwainers, resident in the Town of *Niagara*, (*Canada West*), praying for a duty of thirty per cent on boots and shoes imported into this Province from the *United States*; also a Petition from *Richard W. Branan*, and others, inhabitants of the North Western part of the Township of *Ekfried*, and the Southern part of the Township of *Adelaide*, in the *London* District, praying to be set apart into a separate Township; and also a Petition from *Charles Monssarrat*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, inhabitants of the Town of *London* and its vicinity, praying that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Churches of *England* and *Scotland*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be divided in equal proportions between the said Churches, and that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that the lands apportioned to the Church of *England*, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church.

From R. W. Branan, and others, of the Township of Ekfried, &c.;

From C. Monssarrat, and others, of London, and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From H. Lawrence, and others, of Brompton, Ely, &c., presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from *Henry Lawrence*, and others, landholders in the Townships of *Brompton*,

*Ely* and *Stukely*, praying for pecuniary aid, to make a road, as now established from *Brompton*, across *Ely* and a part of *Stukely*, to where it intersects the *Sherbrooke* Road.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to continue for a limited time the Act for imposing duties on Agricultural Produce and Live Stock imported into this Province," was read the third time.

Agricultural Duties Bill read 3d time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved*, in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed the Bill without any amendment.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Adjourn.

**Tuesday, 17th December, 1844.** TUESDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*M<sup>r</sup> Gill,*

*M<sup>r</sup> Kay,*

*Sullivan,*

*Dickson,*

*Joliette,*

*Dionne, Joseph,*

*Fergusson,*

*Draper,*

*Macaulay,*

*Irving,*

*Bruneau,*

*Massue,*

*Ferrie,*

*Morris, James,*

*Knoulton.*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented a Statement of the Receipt and Expenditure of the County of *Two Mountains* Agricultural Society for 1844.

A Return from the Two Mountains Agricultural Society, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and it is as follows:

(For Return, vide *Sessional Papers, Letter V.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *David Gibbs*, and others, inhabitants of *Russeltown* and its vicinity, praying that no aid from the public funds may be given to *M<sup>r</sup> Gill* College, except for the support of the Medical School, and that its constitution, as well as that of the University of *King's College, Toronto*, may be altered and modified.

Petitions, From D. Gibbs, and others, of Russeltown;



*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From A. Stiles, and others, of Granby ;

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from *Abiel Stiles*, and others, inhabitants of *Granby*, praying that no aid from the public funds may be given to *M<sup>c</sup>Gill College*, except for the support of the Medical School, and that its constitution, as well as that of the University of *King's College, Toronto*, may be altered and modified.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From M.J. O'Brien, and others, of Toronto ;

The Honorable Mr. *Draper* presented a Petition from *M. J. O'Brien*, and others, Roman Catholic inhabitants of *Toronto*, praying for the amendment of the School Act, in order that the Roman Catholics may receive the amount of the School monies assigned to them, in proportion to their whole population in the said City of *Toronto*, and that the same may be appropriated, under the direction of Trustees, in establishing and maintaining Schools in such parts of the said City only as may be considered desirable.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Wm. Dickson, and others, residing on Grand River ;

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented a Petition from *William Dickson*, and others, inhabitants residing on the *Grand River*, in the District of *Gore*, praying that authority may be given to the Magistrates, to impose fines on individuals who ride or drive across the bridges over the said river at a greater pace than a moderate walk ; and also a Petition from the Rev. *Alexander Williams*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, residing in the Town of *Cornwall* and its vicinity, praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. J. McIntyre, and others, of Orillia ;

The Honorable Mr. *Irvine* presented a Petition from the Rev. *John M<sup>c</sup>Intyre*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Township of *Orillia*, praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said

Church ; and also a Petition from *John Garbutt*, and others, inhabitants of *West Gwillimbury* and *Innisfil*, praying that all, or a part of the sum originally granted for the improvement of the *Penetanguishene Road*, via *Bradford* and *Barrie*, may be expended on the said line of road only.

From J. Garbutt, and others of West Gwillimbury, &c. ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Massue* presented a Petition from *J. G. Tourangeau*, and others, inhabitants of *St. John's* and *St. Roch's* Suburbs, in the City of *Quebec*, praying for an increased number of representatives in the Corporation of the said City, in proportion to their population ; and also a Petition from *George Barthelmy Faribault*, Esquire, President of the Literary and Historical Society of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support of the said Society.

From J. G. Tourangeau, and others, of Quebec, and

From G. B. Faribault, Esq., present ed.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that that part of His Excellency's Speech, at the opening of the present Session, which relates to the Birth of a Prince, be now read.

Part of His Excellency's Speech, on the birth of a Prince, read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, conveying to Her Majesty the dutiful congratulation of this House on the recent Birth of a Prince, and on Her Majesty's continued safety and health.

An Address of congratulation to Her Majesty, ordered ;

*Ordered*, that an humble Address be presented to His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, congratulating His Royal Highness on the recent Birth of another Prince, and expressing the satisfaction of this House on Her Majesty's continued safety and health.

An Address of congratulation to Prince Albert, ordered ;

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Messieurs *M<sup>c</sup>Gill*, *Sullivan*, and *Draper*, be appointed a Committee to prepare Addresses to Her Majesty and His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, in conformity with the foregoing orders of the House.

Committee to prepare the same ;

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay*, from the Select Committee appointed on the 13th instant to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, founded on the Report of the Committee of Privileges, relating to the order of sitting of the Members of this House, presented an Address prepared by them, as follows :—

Committee on the sitting of members, report an Address to Her Majesty ;

*To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.*

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, most humbly submit to Your Majesty :

The Address.

That

That forasmuch as it belongeth to Your Majesty's Royal Prerogative to give such order for the placing and sitting of the Members of this Council, as to Your Majesty shall seem fit; and forasmuch as Your Majesty, in giving order for summoning to Parliament the Members of this House, hath not appointed any order of sitting therein, either as regards the Members of this House, according to their seniority by the dates of their respective Writs of Summons, or according to the priority of time in which they respectively appeared and sat in Parliament, in obedience to the said Writs of Summons; and forasmuch as Your Majesty hath not yet been pleased to make any order for the place and sitting of Members of this House, who, for the time being, shall be of Your Majesty's Executive Council of this Province; and forasmuch as Your Majesty hath not yet been pleased to make any order for the Members of this House bearing or taking the title of "Honorable," or any other title of honor, whereby doubts and difficulties have arisen, which this House humbly desires may be set at rest by an expression of Your Majesty's Royal pleasure in the premises.

Wherefore, we must humbly and dutifully pray that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to take the said premises into Your Majesty's Royal consideration, and to make such order therein as to Your Majesty's wisdom shall seem fit.

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

*Ordered*, that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully praying His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid at the foot of the Throne the foregoing Address to the Queen.

*Ordered*, that such Members of the Executive Council who are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Addresses.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

An Address to His Excellency to transmit the same;

Adjourn.

WEDNESDAY.

**Wednesday, 18th Dec. 1844.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable René E. Caron, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs	The Honorable Messieurs.
McGill,	Dickson,
Joliette,	Dionne, Joseph,
Fergusson,	Draper,
Bruneau,	Irving,
Ferrie,	Massue,
Knoulton,	Morris, James.

#### PRAYERS

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented a Statement in detail of the receipts and disbursements of the Supervisor of Cullers during the season of 1844. Statement of the Supervisor of Cullers, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :

(For Statement, vide Sessional Papers, Letter K.)

The Honorable Mr. James Morris presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the District of Simcoe, praying for the amendment of the Municipal Council Act,—that their sittings may be reduced to two yearly, that they may have the power of taxing wild lands, as well those which belong to individuals, as the lands held by the Canada Company; that the assessment on certain kinds of property may be increased; that the funds of the District may be placed at the disposal of the said Councils; and that the charges for the administration of Justice may be defrayed in Upper as in Lower Canada, out of the general funds of the Province; and also a Petition from D. L. McDougall, Attorney to the Bankrupt Estate of A. H. Vass, and others, Merchants of Quebec and Montreal, praying that certain duties by them paid on the article of bastard sugar, may be refunded. Petitions, From the Simcoe District Council; From D. L. McDougall, Attorney to the Estate of A. H. Vass, and others;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. McGill presented a Petition from the Mayor, on behalf of the Aldermen and Citizens of Montreal, praying for certain amendments to the Ordinance incorporating the said City; also a Petition from the Council of the Quebec Board of Trade, praying for the amendment of the Timber Inspection Act; and also a Petition from David Brewster, and others, inhabitants and proprietors, residing in the neighbourhood of Montreal, praying for the adoption of such measures as will compel the Seigniors of the Fiefs Nazareth, St. Augustin and St. Joseph, in the County of Montreal, to commute the tenure of Lands now held *en censive*, in the said Fiefs respectively. From the Corporation of Montreal; From the Quebec Board of Trade; From David Brewster, and others, of Montreal;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Bruneau presented a Petition from Alexis Berthelot, and others, of the Parishes of St. Geneviève, Pointe Claire, Ste. Anne and Isle Bizard, praying for leave to make a Turnpike Road from L'Abord à Plouffe to the St. Charles Road above St. Geneviève. From A. Berthelot, and others, of St. Geneviève, &c;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The

From Rev. J. Abbott;

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Joseph Abbott, M. A.*, praying, as the author of three editions of a work on Emigration, that he may receive such consideration as the Council may be pleased to award him for his trouble.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Message from His Excellency with Despatches, presented.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper* 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 the House.

And the same was read as follows :—

C. T. METCALFE.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Legislative Council, copies of the several Despatches from Her Majesty's Secretary of State enumerated in the annexed Schedule.

Government House,

Montreal, 16th December, 1844.

SCHEDULE of Despatches accompanying the Governor General's Message to the Legislative Council of the 16th December, 1844.

No.	DATE.	SUBJECT.
	1843.	
On the birth of a Princess ;	119 17th Nov.,	In reply to the Address to the Queen on the birth of Princess Alice.
	130 29th Nov.,	With Prince Albert's Replies to the Addresses on the birth of Princess Alice.
On the Seat of Government ;	132 2d Dec.,	In reply to the joint Address on the Seat of Government.
	1844.	
Respecting Surveyors' admission Bill ;	Extract 27th March,	Communicating the decision of Her Majesty's Government on the reserved Bill regarding the admission of Land Surveyors in Upper Canada ; the Bill relating to the Market Block in the Town of Niagara ; and that for regulating the navigation of the River St. Lawrence.
The Niagara Market Block Bill ;		
The St. Lawrence Navigation Bill ;		
Assembly Independence Bill ;	Do. " "	Respecting the reserved Bill for securing the Independence of the Legislative Assembly.
Land Societies Bill ;	Do. " "	Respecting the reserved Bill for the discouragement of Secret Societies.
Legislative Council Independence Bill ;	201 18th April,	Respecting the reserved Bill for securing the Independence of the Legislative Council.
		(For Despatches, vide Appendix No. 4.)

The said Message was again read by the Clerk.

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented to the House a letter which has been received from the Secretary to His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, in reply to the Address presented by the Legislative Council to His Royal Highness during their last Session.

Letter in answer to the address to Prince Albert, on the birth of a Princess ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table ; and it is as follows :

(For Letter, vide Appendix No. 4.)

The Honorable Mr. *Draper*, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, and also an Address to His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, congratulating them on the Birth of another Prince, presented two Addresses prepared by them, as follow :

Committee report Addresses of congratulation to Her Majesty and Prince Albert ;

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

The address to Her Majesty ;

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY :

We, Your Majesty's most faithful subjects, the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, most humbly approach Your Majesty's Throne, with sentiments of loyalty and duty to Your Majesty's Person and Government.

We entreat Your Majesty to accept our most sincere congratulations on the auspicious Birth of another Prince, in the person of His Royal Highness the Prince *Alfred Ernest Albert*, and on Your Majesty's continued safety and happiness.

We would express our sincere prayer that the Divine blessing may be continued to Your Majesty and Your illustrious House, on which the glory and happiness of Your Majesty's Kingdom and its vast dependencies, and the preservation of the inestimable blessings of civil and religious liberty to Your Majesty's subjects, so essentially depend.

To His Royal Highness, Prince *Albert Francis Augustus Charles Emmanuel of Saxe Cobourg Gotha, Field Marshal in Her Majesty's Forces, &c. &c. &c.*

The address to Prince Albert ;

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS :

We, Her Majesty's faithful subjects, the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, most humbly approach Your Royal Highness with sentiments of the profoundest respect and attachment.

We congratulate Your Royal Highness on an event so agreeable to the Legislative Council

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cil of *Canada*, and so pleasing to all Her Majesty's dutiful subjects, as the Birth of another Prince; and we tender to Your Royal Highness the expression of our sincere thanks on the happy recovery of Her Majesty, now further endeared to Her people by the increase of those pledges through whom (under Divine favour) the succession of Her Majesty's illustrious family in the Government of the Empire, and the glory and happiness of Her Kingdom and Her subjects, will be perpetuated.

Same agreed to;

Which Addresses being severally read by the Clerk, were agreed to by the House.

Address to His Excellency to transmit the Address to the Queen;

*Ordered*, that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully praying His Excellency to transmit the Address of congratulation to Her Majesty on the Birth of His Royal Highness Prince *Alfred Ernest Albert*, to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, in order that it may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Address to His Excellency to transmit the Address to Prince Albert;

*Ordered*, that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully praying His Excellency to transmit the Address of congratulation to His Royal Highness the Prince *Albert*, on the birth of His Royal Highness the Prince *Alfred Ernest Albert*, to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, in order that it may be presented to His Royal Highness.

To be presented by the whole House.

*Ordered*, that the said Addresses be presented to His Excellency by the whole House.

*Ordered*, that such Members of the Executive Council who 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 Addresses.

The House was adjourned during pleasure. After some time the House was resumed.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

THURSDAY.

**Thursday, 19th December, 1844.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*Mc Gill,*  
*Joliette,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Bruneau,*  
*Ferrie,*  
*Knoullon,*

The Honorable Messieurs

*Roy,*  
*Dickson,*  
*Dionne, Joseph,*  
*Draper,*  
*Irving,*  
*Morris, James.*

PRAYERS.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Smith*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Laws now in force imposing a duty upon Distilleries in any part of the Province of *Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Distilleries Duty Bill;

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as the same relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

46th Rule dispensed with, and

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

Bill read 2nd and 3rd times.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved*, in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable, the Speaker, acquainted the House that there was a Member without ready to be introduced;

The Hon. J. Neilson introduced;

When the Honorable *John Neilson* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *Mc Gill* and *Draper*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented to the Speaker his Writ of Summons, who delivered it to the Clerk, and it was read as follows:—

Presents his Writ of Summons;



PROVINCE OF

Canada.

C. T. METCALFE.

The writ.

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

To our trusty and well beloved the Honorable *John Neilson*,

GREETING :

KNOW Ye, that as well for the especial trust and confidence We have manifested in

in you, as for the purpose of obtaining your advice and assistance in all weighty and arduous affairs which may the state and defence of our Province of *Canada* and the Church thereof concern, We have thought fit to summon you to the Legislative Council of our said Province, and We do command you, the said *John Neilson*, that all difficulties and excuses whatsoever laying aside, you be and appear for the purposes aforesaid, in the Legislative Council of our said Province, at all times whensoever and wheresoever our Provincial Parliament may be in our said Province convoked and holden: and this you are in no wise to omit.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province of *Canada* to be hereunto affixed: Witness, our right trusty and well beloved the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, at our Government House, in the City of *Montreal*, in our said Province of *Canada*, the twenty-fifth day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and in the eighth year of our Reign.

By Command,  
FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

Recorded 25th November, 1844, Lib. A. S., folio 41.

R. A. TUCKER,  
Registrar.

Sworn and  
takes his Seat.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Neilson* came to the table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *John F. Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislature, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Draper*, being a Member of the Executive Council, reported that he had, according to order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General, humbly to know what time His Excellency would be pleased to appoint to be attended by the whole House with their Addresses to Her Majesty and His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, of congratulation on the Birth of another Prince, and that His Excellency was pleased to say that he would receive the House to-morrow at half-past one o'clock, P. M.

Committee report the time at which His Excellency will be attended with the Addresses to the Queen and Prince Albert;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Baldwin*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to vest in *John Montgomery* and *Thomas Ewart*, the property "forfeited to the Crown by the attainder of "the said *John Montgomery*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Montgomery's relief Bill;

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as the same relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

46th rule dispensed with, and

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

Bill read 2nd and 3rd times;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved*, in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *McGill* presented a Petition, from the Honorable *J. R. Rolland*, and others, inhabitants of *Montreal*, praying for a grant of public money for the purpose of erecting a Lunatic Asylum for *Canada East*.

From Hon. J. R. Rolland, and others, of Montreal;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Henry Patton*, and others, Members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, residing in the Town of *Kemptville*, praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England* by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the

From Rev. H. Patton, and others, of Kemptville;

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the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church; and also a Petition from *Henry Von Rohr*, a Minister of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, praying to be naturalized.

From H. Von Rohr;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Joseph Dionne* presented a Petition from *Charles H. Lassiseraye*, Chief Teacher of the heretofore Society of Education of *Three Rivers*, praying for the payment of certain arrears of salary due to him in his capacity aforesaid.

From C. H. Lassiseraye, of Three Rivers, and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *A. Campbell*, Junior, and others, Students at Law in *Quebec*, praying for the establishment of a Law Professorship in that City.

From A. Campbell, Jr., and others, of Quebec, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

*It was moved*, that the order made on Wednesday, the eleventh instant, that "the Bill intitled 'An Act to dissolve the marriage of 'Henry William Harris, Esquire, with Eliza Walker, otherwise called Eliza Lock Walker, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned,' be read a second time on Thursday, the twenty-sixth instant, and that their Honors be summoned," be now read.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion, the same was carried in the affirmative.

The said order was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said order be discharged.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read a second time on Wednesday, the fifteenth day of January next, and that their Honors be summoned.

*It was moved*, that the following persons do attend this House on the fifteenth day of January next, in order to their being examined as witnesses on the second reading of the Bill intitled, "An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned:"—

Witnesses to attend.

The Honorable *Samuel Gale*,  
*William Badgley*,  
*James Crawford*, M. D.  
*John Honey*,  
*Moses Samuel David*,  
*Moses Judah Hays*, Esquires, and  
*Andrew Hays*, Gentleman, all of the City of *Montreal*.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion, the same was carried in the affirmative, and it was

*Ordered*, accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Dra- per*, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House a Statement of the accounts and affairs of the Provincial Penitentiary for the year 1844.

Statement of the affairs of the Provincial Penitentiary, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and it is as follows:

(For Statement, vide Sessional Papers, Letter M.)

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. *Neilson* be added to the Select Committee appointed to report upon the state of the Library of this House.

Hon. Mr. Neilson added to the Committee on Library.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. *Neilson* be added to the Select Committee appointed to superintend the Printing of this House during the present Session.

Hon. Mr. Neilson added to the Committee on Printing.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Williams*, and others, as follows:

Message from the Assembly respecting certain interpolations in their Journals of last Session.

#### LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Wednesday, 18th December, 1844.

On motion of Mr. *Williams*, seconded by Mr. *Meyers*:

*Ordered*, that so much of the Printed Journals of this House of the last Session of Parliament, as relates to that portion of the amendments which purports to be made by the Honorable the Legislative Council to the Bill intitled, "An Act to enable Religious Societies of all denominations of Christians in that part of the Province called *Upper Canada* to hold lands for certain purposes therein mentioned," and which amendments erroneously recite an Act of the Parliament of the Province of *Upper Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intitled, "An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned," be now read.

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The said entry was then read accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the words "Tinkers, Barkers, Shakers, Shavers, Southcotites, and Gypsies," be now expunged as interpolations.

*Resolved*, that the foregoing Resolution and the report of the Select Committee appointed to investigate and report on the said subject, be communicated, by Message, to the Honorable the Legislative Council.

*Ordered*, that Mr. *Williams* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,  
Clk. Assy.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at one o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

FRIDAY.

Friday, 20th December, 1844.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs      The Honorable Messieurs

<i>M' Gill,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Joliette,</i>	<i>Draper,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Irving,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>Neilson.</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	

PRAYERS.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The answer of His Excellency to the Address to transmit the Addresses to the Queen and Prince Albert.

The Honorable, the Speaker, reported that the House did this day wait on His Excellency the Governor General, with their Addresses of congratulation to the Queen and His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, on the Birth of another Prince, to which His Excellency was pleased to return the following answer:—

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :*

I shall have great pleasure in transmitting to Her Majesty's Secretary of State, for the purpose of being laid before the Queen and His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, your Addresses on the birth of a Prince.

Petitions,

From the Bathurst District Council, respecting the education of

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the *Bathurst* District, praying for the preparing of School Teachers in King's College, or at some

other Seminary, with a gratuitous education, particularly on agricultural chemistry, and that all religious denominations be permitted to participate therein without distinction; and also praying for the construction of a road from a convenient point on the *Rideau* Canal to the western extremity of the District, for the purpose of encouraging and advancing the lumber trade.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *M' Gill* presented a Petition from the Mayor and Corporation of the City of *Quebec*, praying for an Act to enable them to be substituted in the right of Her Majesty's Government to assume possession of *Dorchester* Bridge near that city, on paying for the same on a valuation, and to levy tolls thereon at a reduced rate; and also a Petition from the Honorable *George Moffatt*, and others, Directors of the High School of *Montreal*, praying that the said Institution may be incorporated.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Joliette* presented a Petition from the Members of the "Maison de la Providence," established at *Laprairie*, praying for pecuniary aid, for the support of the poor of that parish; and also a Petition from *Etienne Guy*, Esquire, Returning Officer for the County of *Montreal*, praying for remuneration for his expenses and disbursements at the last Election.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented a Petition from *John D. M'Kenzie*, and others, of the Township of *Beverly*, in the District of *Gore*, and of *Thomas George Chapman*, in the Village of *Galt*, praying as the claimants under a grant from the Crown, made in the year 1803, to the broken lots lettered F, G, and I, in the sixth, seventh, and ninth concessions of the Township of *Beverly*, that they may be compensated for their losses in consequence of their being deprived of their lands to the extent of fourteen hundred acres, by the award of the Boundary Line Commissioners of the said District of *Gore*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from *John Borland*, and others, inhabitants of *Quebec*, praying that no aid from the public funds may be given to *M' Gill* College, except for the support of the Medical School, and that its constitution, as well as that of the University

University of King's College, Toronto, may be altered and modified.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Ferrie presented a Petition from George Pozer, of Quebec, praying that the powers of the City Corporation may be more clearly defined.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

It was moved, that when the House adjourn this day, it do stand adjourned to Tuesday, the fourteenth day of January next, at one o'clock, P. M., and that the sixty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with for that purpose.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir Charles Theophilus Metcalfe, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, being seated in the Chair on the Throne, 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 titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follows:

"An Act to continue for a limited time the Act for imposing duties on Agricultural Produce and Live Stock imported into this Province."

"An Act to amend the Laws now in force imposing a duty upon Distilleries in any part of the Province of Canada."

"An Act to vest in John Montgomery and Thomas Ewart, the property forfeited to the Crown by the attainder of the said John Montgomery."

To these Bills the Royal Assent was severally pronounced, by one of the Clerks Assistant to this House, in the words following:

"In Her Majesty's name His Excellency the Governor General doth assent to this Bill."

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

The Speaker declared this House continued until Tuesday the fourteenth day of January next, at one o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Tuesday, 14th January, 1845. TUESDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable René E. Caron, Speaker.

- The Honorable Messieurs M'Gill, Joliette, Fergusson, Bruneau, Ferrie, Knoulton, The Honorable Messieurs M'Kay, Dickson, Draper, Massue, de Boucherville, Neilson.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs Amable Dionne and Walker came to the table and severally took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by John F. Taylor, Senior, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislature.

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented a Petition from the Reverend E. Baillargeon, and others, proprietors in the County of Dorchester, praying for pecuniary aid towards the erection of a bridge of one arch over the River Etchemin; and also a Petition from the Trustees of the Quebec Turnpike Roads, praying for authority to raise a further loan of £8,882 to complete the said roads.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. M'Gill presented a Petition from J. H. Dorwin, and others, saw-mill owners, of the Township of Rawdon, praying that a duty corresponding in amount with that charged by the American Government upon Colonial lumber, may be imposed upon all American sawed lumber imported into this Province from the United States; also a Petition from the Montreal General Hospital, praying for pecuniary aid; also a Petition from the Religious Ladies of the Hotel Dieu of Montreal, praying that they may be authorised to invest in real estate all monies arising from the commutation of the lands held from them in the Fief Nazareth, and for the protection of their rights in any Bill for the amendment of the existing law in reference to that Fief; also a Petition from Messrs. Freeland and Taylor, manufacturers of soap and candles, in the City of Toronto;

From G. Pozer, of Quebec, presented.

Motion to adjourn the House to Tuesday, 14th January;

Carried.

His Excellency comes to the House and commands the attendance of the Assembly;

Assembly attend.

Agricultural Duties Bill,

Distilleries Duties Bill, and

Montgomery's relief Bill;

Assented to in Her Majesty's name;

Assembly withdraw and His Excellency retires.

Hon. Messrs. A. Dionne and Walker, take the oath prescribed by Law.

Petitions, From Rev. E. Baillargeon, and others, of Dorchester;

From the Trustees of the Quebec Turnpike Roads;

From J. H. Dorwin, and others, of Rawdon;

From the Montreal General Hospital;

From the Ladies of the Hotel Dieu of Montreal;

From Freeland and Taylor, of Toronto;



From C. Penner, and others, of the District of Montreal;

From H. W. Harris, Esq., of the 24th Regiment;

From Rev. P. M. Mignault, and others, of Chambly;

From B. Brewster, and others, of Montreal;

From G. J. Grange, of the Wellington District;

From the Western District Council, for an increased duty on tobacco;

For an alteration in the Municipal Act;

For a bridge over the Thames;

From J. Patterson, and others, of Dundas;

From the Hon. J. Crooks, and

of *Toronto*, praying that certain alterations may be made in the new tariff of import duties on foreign merchandize; also a Petition from *Charles Penner*, and others, being the President and Members of the Agricultural Society of the District of *Montreal*, praying for the repeal of the 6th Victoria, chap. 12, and the revival of the former laws regulating winter vehicles; and also a Petition from *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, Captain in Her Majesty's 24th Regiment, by his Attorney, *F. Griffin*, Esquire, praying that certain Rules and proceedings may be dispensed with in respect of the Bill to dissolve the marriage of the said *Henry William Harris* with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Joliette* presented a Petition from the Reverend *P. M. Mignault*, and others, of the west side of the basin of *Chambly*, praying for aid to construct a road; and also a Petition from *B. Brewster*, and others, proprietors and landholders, in the neighbourhood of the City of *Montreal*, praying for the investigation of certain abuses in connexion with the *Montreal* Turnpikes.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *George J. Grange*, Chairman of a meeting of the inhabitants of the *Wellington* District, praying that the macadamized road from *Hamilton* to *Dundas* may be completed, and that a new road may be opened from *Dundas* to *Owen's Sound*; also three Petitions from the Municipal Council of the Western District, praying that an additional duty of one penny half-penny per pound may be imposed on leaf tobacco imported into this Province from the *United States*; also praying that the proposed Municipal Council Bill may be passed into a law, with certain alterations and additions; and also praying for a grant to erect a bridge over the River *Thames*; also a Petition from *John Patterson*, and others, inhabitants of the Village of *Dundas*, in the *Gore* District (*Canada West*), praying that the said Village may be incorporated; also a Petition from the Honorable *James Crooks*, and others, inhabitants of the *Gore* District, (*Canada West*), praying for the completion of the macadamized road from *Hamilton* to *Dundas*, *Hamilton* to *Brantford*, and from *Dundas* to *Galt* and *Waterloo*; also for the construction of a road

between the head of Lake *Ontario*, at *Hamilton*, and Lake *Huron*; and also a Petition from *Benjamin Mathewman*, and others, lessees and occupants of Clergy Lands in the Township of *Nelson*, praying that their lands may be valued by competent inspectors preparatory to granting the Patents in accordance with the Act 3d and 4th Victoria.

*Ordered*, that the last mentioned Petition be now read.

The same was then read accordingly by the Last Petition Clerk. read.

*Ordered*, that the said Petitions do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented a Petitions, Petition from the Reverend *W. Leeming*, Rector, and the Churchwardens and Congregation of Trinity Church, *Chippawa*, praying for remuneration for the destruction of said Church in 1839, by incendiaries; also a Petition from *Cornelius Butler Griffin*, of the *Niagara Falls*; also a Petition from *Henry Ort*, of the Township of *Willoughby*, in the District of *Niagara*, — respectively praying to be naturalized; also a Petition from *Richard M. Boyle*, and others, contractors on the macadamized road from *Queenston* to *Grimsby*, in the *Niagara* District, praying for the payment of certain arrears due them; also a Petition from *Orange Schryer*, of the Township of *Bertie*, in the *Niagara* District, praying for indemnification for certain losses sustained by him while acting as Deputy Collector of Customs at the Port of *Fort Erie*; also a Petition from *Daniel M'Dougal*, Chairman of a public meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of *Niagara*, praying that an Act may be passed to incorporate the said Town; also a Petition from the Reverend *George Graham*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Township of *Nassagaweya*, and the parts adjacent; also a Petition from the Reverend *John Hickie*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Township of *Wilmot*; also a Petition from *John Archibald*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Township of *Osnabruck*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Rev. *Job Deacon*, Rector of *Adolphustown*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Townships of *Fredericksburgh* and *Adolphustown*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Rev. *A. F. Atkinson*, Rector of *St. Catharines*, and others, Members of the

From B. Mathewman, and others, of Nelson, presented.

From Rev. W. Leeming, and others, of Chippawa;

From C. B. Griffin;

From H. Ort;

From R. M. Boyle, and others, contractors on the Queenston, and Grimsby Road;

From O. Schryer, of Bertie;

From D. McDougal, chairman of a Meeting in Niagara;

From Rev. G. Graham, and others, of Nassagaweya;

From Rev. J. Hickie, and others, of Wilmot;

From J. Archibald, and others, of Osnabruck;

From Rev. J. Deacon, and others, of Adolphustown;

From Rev. A. F. Atkinson, and others, of St. Catharines;

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the United Church of *England and Ireland*, at *St. Catherines* and its vicinity, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Reverend *Thomas Creen*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Town of *Niagara*; also a Petition from the Reverend *Adam Elliot*, Church Missionary, and the Indians of the *Six Nations*, being Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Reverend *John Anderson*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, at *Fort Erie* and its vicinity, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Reverend *G. M. Armstrong*, Rector of *Louth*, in the *Niagara* District, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Township of *Louth*, and Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from *David Boyd*, Captain R. N., and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in *Chippawa*; also a Petition from the Reverend *G. R. Grout*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Township of *Grimsbys*,—respectively praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church; and also a Petition from *Alonzo J. Ewin*, of the Township of *Crowland*, in the District of *Niagara*, praying to be naturalized.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from the Natural History Society of *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *F. X. Labrie*, and others, merchants and residents of *Quebec*, praying that the building now used for the Custom House may be converted into a Marine Hospital, and that a new Custom House may be erected.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Massue* presented a Petition from the Reverend *C. E. Gagnon*, and others, of *Athabaska, Warwick, Chester, and Halifax*, praying for aid towards opening a road from *Danville* to the *Gosford* Road; also a Petition from the Reverend *C. Belanger*, and others, of the Township of *Stanford*, praying for aid towards a road from the River *Becancour* to

the ninth range of *Stanford*; and also a Petition from *Gustavus Gero*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Blandford*, praying for aid towards repairing the road from the River *Becancour* through that Township to *Gentilly*, on the *St. Lawrence*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *J. E. Levesque*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Barthélemi*; also a Petition from the Reverend *A. Fisette*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Cuthbert*; also a Petition from *J. B. Lavigne*, and others, of the Parish of *Isle du Pads*; also a Petition from *Magloire Piette*, and others, of *Ste. Elizabeth*; also a Petition from *M. Dostaler*, and others, of the Parish of *Berthier*,—respectively praying that no alteration may be made in the existing laws relative to winter vehicles; also a Petition from *D. M. Mattheson*, J. P., and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Tingwick, Shipton, Melbourne, and Ely*, praying that the line of road between *Quebec* and *Montreal*, through the said Townships, as surveyed by order of the late Sir *J. H. Craig*, may be completed; also a Petition from *S. M. Taylor*, and others, of the Townships of *Melbourne* and *Shipton*, praying for the erection of a bridge between the two villages of *Melbourne* and *Richmond*; also a Petition from *B. Pomroy*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Compton* and *Hereford*, in the District of *St. Francis*, praying for a grant of money to enable them to complete the road leading from the said Townships to *Compton*, through the *Barford Wood*; also a Petition from *Anne Cuthbert Fleming*, praying for remuneration as an authoress of a small book for the use of children; and also a Petition from *R. Owens*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Townships of *March* and *Huntley*, praying that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Draper* presented a Petition from the Honorable and Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Toronto*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the City and vicinity of *Toronto*, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed; that the Members of the Church of *England* may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot

From Rev. T. Creen, and others, of Niagara;

From Rev. A. Elliot, and others, Indians of the Six Nations;

From Rev. J. Anderson, and others, of Fort Erie;

From Rev. G. M. Armstrong, and others, of Louth;

From D. Boyd, and others, of Chippawa;

From Rev. G. R. Grout, and others, of Grimsby;

From A. Ewin, of Crowland;

From the Montreal Natural History Society;

From F. X. Labrie, and others, of Quebec;

From Rev. C. E. Gagnon, and others, Athabaska, &c.;

From Rev. C. Belanger, and others, of Stanford;

From G. Gero, and others, of Blandford;

From J. E. Levesque, and others, of St. Berthelemi; From Rev. A. Fisette, and others, of St. Cuthbert; From J. B. Lavigne, and others, of Isle du Pads; From M. Piette, and others, of St. Elizabeth; From M. Dostaler, and others, of Berthier; From D. M. Mattheson, and others, of Tingwick, &c.;

From S. M. Taylor, and others, of Melbourne, &c.;

From B. Pomroy, and others, of Compton, &c.;

From Anne C. Fleming;

From R. Owens, and others, of March, &c.;

From the Bishop of Toronto, and others;

cannot approve; that the course pursued in *England* may be adopted, and a Committee appointed to make such an equitable apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of the Province, either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each congregation in the Province; also a Petition from *Thomas Nutbrown*, and others, inhabitants of that part of *Leeds* which joins the Seigniorship of *St. Giles*, praying for aid to make a road of communication with the present *Craig's Road*; also a Petition from *J. Selby*, and others, inhabitants of the Counties of *Missisquoi* and *Rouville*, praying that that portion of the stage road between *St. Johns* and *Stanstead*, beginning near the Upper Mills of *Stanbridge*, thence westward to its terminus at *Jones' Bridge*, on the *Richelieu*, may be planked; and also a Petition from the Reverend *C. Belanger*, and others, of the Township of *Somerset*, praying for aid towards making a road from that Township, through *Inverness*, to the *Gosford Road*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from *John Williams*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Shefford* (*Canada East*), praying for aid in the formation of an Agricultural Society in the County of *Shefford*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the partition of lands, tenements, and hereditaments, in certain cases, in *Lower Canada*."

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on *Friday* next, and that one hundred and fifty copies of the same be printed, in both languages, for the use of the Members.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper*, reported that he had, according to order, waited upon His Excellency the Governor General, with the Address of this House of the seventeenth of December last, respectfully praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid at the foot of the Throne, their Address to Her Majesty, founded on the report of the Committee of Privileges, relating to the order of sitting of Members of this House, and that His Excellency was pleased to receive the same graciously, and to say that he would comply with the request of the Legislative Council.

The Speaker declared this House continued Adjourn. until to-morrow at one o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Wednesday, 15th Jan. 1845.

WEDNESDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

*McGill*,  
*Fraser*,  
*Joliette*,  
*Fergusson*,  
*Bruneau*,  
*Ferrie*,  
*Knoulton*,  
*McKay*.

The Honorable Messieurs

*Dickson*,  
*Dionne, Amable*,  
*Draper*,  
*Massue*,  
*Walker*,  
*De Boucherville*,  
*Neilson*.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *W. W. Blenkarne*, and others, proprietors of *St. George's Church, Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support of a School in connexion with the said Church; and also a Petition from *William Elder*, and others, being the Grand Jury of the District of *Huron*, praying for the passing of an Act to compel absentee land proprietors to pay their Taxes.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from *Edward Carter Allen*, of *William Henry*, in the County of *Richelieu*, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support of a School taught by him; and also a Petition from *Patrick Brennan*, of the City of *Montreal*, praying that he may be indemnified for losses sustained by him during the recent election in the said City, by the violent proceedings of an assemblage of riotous persons who attacked and plundered his house.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from the Reverend *H. C. Cooper*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the *Devonshire Settlement*, praying that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive control of the Members of the said Church.

*Ordered*,

From T. Nutbrown, and others;

From J. Selby, and others, of Missisquoi;

From Rev. C. Belanger, and others, of Somerset, and

From J. Williams, and others, of Shefford, in presence.

Lands partition Bill, presented.

Read 1st time.

2nd reading on Friday.

Committee reports the presentation of the Address on the order of sitting of members;

Petitions, From W. W. Blenkarne, and others, of Montreal;

From W. Elder, and others, being the Grand Jury of the Home District;

From E. C. Allen, of William Henry;

From P. Brennan, of Montreal;

From Rev. H. C. Cooper, and others, of the Devonshire settlement;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Smolenski, of Quebec;

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *Joseph Smolenski*, of *Quebec*, praying that the Russian stoves by him invented, and for which he has obtained a patent, may be used in the Public Offices in this Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From John White, of Hamilton;

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented a Petition from *John White*, and others, inhabitants of *Hamilton*, in the *Gore* District, praying to be naturalized; also a Petition from the Reverend *T. B. Fuller*, and others, inhabitants of the District of *Niagara*, praying that the Charter of the University of King's College may not be disturbed further than to require a proper exercise of the visitorial functions to correct abuses; also a Petition from the Reverend *T. B. Fuller*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Parish of *Thorold*, in the District of *Niagara*, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed, and that the Members of the Church of *England* may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot approve; also a Petition from *William Connor*, and others, shoemakers, of the District of *Victoria*, praying that a duty of thirty per cent may be imposed on all manufactured leather articles imported into this Province; also a Petition from the Honorable *James Crooks*, praying that measures may be adopted to indemnify him for the loss of the Schooner "*Lord Nelson*," during the late war with the United States; also a Petition from *John Maberly*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Township of *Tiny*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Reverend *Andrew Jamieson*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Township of *Brock*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from *John Tomlinson*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Township of *Richmond*, and parts adjacent, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Reverend *William McMurray*, and others, inhabitants of the Towns of *Ancaster* and *Dundas*, and their neighbourhood, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from *A. Keys*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Oxford*, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Reverend

From Rev. T. B. Fuller, and others, of the Niagara District;

From Rev. T. B. Fuller, and others, of the Parish of Thorold;

From W. Connor, and others, shoemakers, of the Victoria District;

From the Hon. J. Crooks;

From J. Maberly, and others;

From Rev. A. Jamieson, and others, of Brock;

From J. Tomlinson, and others, of Richmond;

From Rev. W. McMurray, and others, of Ancaster;

From A. Keys, and others, of Oxford;

From Rev. E.

*E. Denrache*, and others, inhabitants of the Town of *Brockville*, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from *Brooke Young*, and others, of the Town of *Sandwich*, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Reverend *James Padfield*, and others, of *Smith's Falls* and its vicinity, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Reverend *Paul Shirley*, and others, of the Township of *Camden*, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Reverend *F. G. Elliot*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Township of *Colchester*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Reverend *James Geddes*, and others, of the Town of *Hamilton*, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Reverend *Robert Blakey*, and others, of the Town of *Prescott* and its vicinity, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*; and also a Petition from the Rev. *T. B. Fuller*, and others, of the Parish of *Thorold*, and District of *Niagara*, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*,—respectively praying that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive control of the Members of the said Church.

Denroche, and others, of Brockville;

From B. Young, and others, of Sandwich;

From Rev. J. Padfield, and others, of Smith's Falls;

From Rev. P. Shirley, and others, of Camden;

From Rev. F. G. Elliot, and others, of Colchester;

From Rev. J. Geddes, and others, of Hamilton;

From Rev. R. Blakey, and others, of Prescott, and

From Rev. T. B. Fuller, and others, of Thorold, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to improve and confirm an Act of the Imperial Parliament of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* relating to the "*Gaspé Fishery* and Coal Mining Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Gaspé Fishery Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Solicitor-General *Sherwood*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to Repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the relief of parties claiming Lands in *Upper Canada*,

Lands Patent Bill.

"Canada, for which no patent hath issued, as representing the Original Nominees of the "Crown," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Members added to Committee on Privileges;

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Messieurs *Amable Dionne, Walker, and Neilson*, be added to the Committee appointed to consider of the Orders and Customs of this House and Privileges of Parliament.

Petitions,

From E. Lemieux, and others, of Quebec;

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* presented a Petition from *Edouard Lemieux*, and others, leather manufacturers, of *Quebec*, praying for an augmentation of the existing duties on leather and leather manufactures imported from beyond this Province; and also a Petition from *L. Prevost*, and others, Members of the Society of Discussion of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid to enable them to promote the objects of their institution.

From L. Prevost, of the Quebec Discussion Society, and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From G. Weldon, and others, of the Seignior of Lacolle;

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from *G. Weldon*, and others, censitaires of the Seignior of *Lacolle*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, praying that an alteration may be made in the Tenure by which they hold their land, and that they may not be subjected to the oppressive exactions of their Seignior.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Message from His Excellency recommending the claim of Col. FitzGibbon;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Dra-per* 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:

And the same was read as follows:—

The Message;

C. T. METCALFE.

The Governor General recommends the case of Colonel *Fitz Gibbon* to the consideration of the Legislative Council.

On more than one occasion the Legislature of the late Province of *Upper Canada* recorded their sense of the long and patriotic services of this Officer, and their desire that he should receive, as a mark of the Royal favour, some compensation and reward for his gallantry, zeal, and fidelity.

The mode, however, in which it was intended to make this compensation, appeared to Her Majesty to be open to serious objec-

tion, and while fully recognizing Colonel *Fitz Gibbon's* claims, Her Majesty was advised that they could not be remunerated in the manner proposed by the Legislature without establishing an inconvenient precedent; at the same time it was intimated that if the Legislature desired to mark their sense of Colonel *Fitz Gibbon's* services by a pecuniary grant, it would be recommended for Her Majesty's approval.

After the repeated recognition of Colonel *Fitz Gibbon's* claims, the Governor General feels it unnecessary to do more than to express his readiness to concur with the Legislature in redeeming the pledge thus given, to reward the faithful services of this old and meritorious servant of the Crown.

Government House,  
*Montreal*, 3d January, 1845.

The said Message was then again read by the Clerk.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *F. Griffin*, Esquire, of the City of *Montreal*, being the duly authorized attorney for *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, of Her Majesty's 24th Regiment, praying that the attendance of the said *Henry William Harris* at the Bar of the House may be dispensed with at the second reading of the Bill, intituled, "An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, "his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Petition, From F. Griffin, Esq., attorney for H. W. Harris, Esq., presented.

*Ordered*, that the said petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the Petition presented yesterday from *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, Captain in Her Majesty's 24th Regiment, by his attorney, *F. Griffin*, Esquire, praying that certain rules and proceedings may be dispensed with in respect of the Bill to dissolve the Marriage of the said *Henry William Harris* with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned, be now read.

Petition, From H. W. Harris, Esq., presented yesterday, read.

The said Petition was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

The



Harris' divorce Bill.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill, intituled, "An Act "to dissolve the Marriage of *Henry William Harris* Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise " called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and "to enable him to marry again, and for other " purposes therein mentioned," and for hearing Counsel for and against the same, and for the Members to be summoned.

Counsel called in.

Counsel were accordingly called in ; And *Frederick Griffin*, Esquire, appearing as Counsel on behalf of the Petitioner, and no Counsel appearing for *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*,

Counsel to examine evidence at the Bar;

*Ordered*, that the Counsel for Petitioner be permitted to examine at the Bar of this House any witnesses, and to produce any other evidence tending to establish that due notice of the order for the second reading of the said Bill, and a copy of the same, have been duly served upon the party from whom the divorce is sought, or to establish the impossibility of complying with the seventy-sixth Rule of this House.

Then *Moses Judah Hays*, Esquire, was called in and having been sworn, was examined as follows :\*

The witness was directed to withdraw.

Certain evidence, read.

*Ordered*, That the Counsel for Petitioner be permitted to read, as evidence of the attempt to serve a copy of the order of this House for the second reading of the said Bill and a copy of the same on *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, the affidavit of the person by whom that attempt was made.

The said affidavit was then read accordingly. It was then moved.

Motion not to proceed further with said Bill.

That this House will not further proceed with this Bill unless further proof be adduced at the bar of the House, of the attempt of complying with the seventy-sixth Rule or Standing Order.

*Ordered*, That the Counsel for Petitioner be now heard upon the said motion.

Counsel heard thereon.

*Mr. Griffin* was then heard upon the said motion.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw.

The question of concurrence having then been put on the motion for this House not to proceed further with the said Bill,

Motion agreed to ; Adjourn.

It was unanimously carried in the affirmative. The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

\* The evidence of this witness is printed in the Appendix to this volume, vide Appendix, Divorce Evidence, No. 5

Thursday, 16th January. 1845. THURSDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

- M<sup>c</sup> Gill,*
- Morris, William*
- Fraser*
- Joliette,*
- Fergusson,*
- Hamilton,*
- Bruneau,*
- Ferrie,*

The Honorable Messieurs

- Knoulton.*
- M<sup>c</sup> Kay,*
- Dickson,*
- Dionne, Amable,*
- Massue,*
- Walker,*
- de Boucherville,*
- Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a statement of the affairs of the Bank of *Montreal*, required to be submitted to the Legislature under the provision of the Act 4th and 5th Victoria, chap. 98.

Statement of the affairs of the Montreal Bank, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table ; and it is as follows :

(For Statement, vide Sessional Papers, Letter Q.)

The Honorable *Mr. Fraser* presented a Petition from *J. McDonald*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Stormont*, praying that they may be exempted from the payment of the duty imposed upon wheat and other grain manufactured in the *United States*, but which is the growth of this Province.

Petitions, From J. McDonald, and others, of Stormont ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable *Mr. Fergusson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *F. Campbell*, and others, Members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Town of *Goderich*, praying that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England* by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church.

From Rev. F. Campbell, and others, of Goderich ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable *Mr. Amable Dionne* presented a Petition from *Joseph Lecour*, and others, inhabitants of the City and Parish of *Montreal*, and of the Parish of *Longueuil*, praying that the Petition of the Trustees of the *Montreal* and *Chambly* Turnpike Road may not be granted, and that the said Trustees may not have the exclusive right to a Ferry from *Montreal* to *Longueuil* ; also a Petition from *Elie Paquin*, and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Ursule*, in the

From J. Lecour, and others, of Montreal ;

From E. Paquin, and others, of Ste. Ursule ;

County

County of *St. Maurice*, praying that no alterations be made in the existing laws relating to winter vehicles; and also a Petition from *C. E. Fournier*, and others, of *L'Islet*; *E. Fournier*, and others, of the Parish of *L'Islet*, praying that the Registry Office for the County of *L'Islet* may be removed from *St. Thomas* to *L'Islet*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. P. G. Bartlett, and others, of the Carrying Place; The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Philip G. Bartlett*, and others, Members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, at the *Carrying Place*; also a Petition from the Reverend *Frederick A. O'Meara*, and others, Members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, at the *Mahnetooahning* Islands; also a Petition from the Reverend *William Leeming*, and others, Members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Village of *Chippawa*; also a Petition from the Reverend *G. R. Grout*, and others, Members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Township of *Grimsbey*; also a Petition from *Hiram Smith*, and others, Members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Townships of *Nelson* and *Trafalgar*; also a Petition from the Reverend *Herbert Mortimer*, and others, Members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, at *Thornhill*; also a Petition from the Reverend *J. G. Beek Lindsay*, and others, Members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in *Williamsburg*, *Edwardsburg*, *Matilda*, *Mountain*, and parts adjacent; also a Petition from *George Tennant*, and others, Members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, at *Carleton Place*; also a Petition from the Reverend *John Pentland*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Township of *Whitby*; also a Petition from *S. Hamilton*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England* in *Bytown*; also a Petition from *John W. Kerr*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Township of *Bayham*, and parts adjacent,—respectively praying that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society in the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church.

From Rev. W. Leeming, of Chippawa;

From Rev. G. R. Grout, and others, of Grimsby;

From H. Smith, and others, of Nelson, &c.;

From Rev. H. Mortimer, and others, of Thornhill;

From Rev. J. G. B. Lindsay, and others, of Williamsburg, &c.;

From G. Tennant, and others, of Carleton Place;

From Rev. J. Pentland, and others, of Whitby;

From S. Hamilton, and others, of Bytown;

From J. W. Kerr, and others, of Bayham;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. MacLaren, of the District of Quebec; The Honorable Mr. *Massue* presented a Petition from *James MacLaren*, Keeper of the Common Gaol for the District of *Quebec*, praying for an increase of salary; also a Pe-

From J. P. Anderson, and others, of Quebec; titution from *J. P. Anderson*, and others, praying for a Law to prohibit Pedlars and Petty Chapmen from carrying on their business in any part of the City of *Quebec*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. B. Dozois, and others, of the Seignory of De Lery; The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* presented a Petition from *J. B. Dozois*, and others, of the Seignory of *De Lery*, praying for relief from the heavy burthens and others difficulties under which they labour from the Seigniorial Tenure, and the exactions of the Seignior thereof; and also a Petition from *Charles De Witt*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Joachim* of *Chateauguay*, praying for pecuniary aid towards the construction of a Bridge in that Parish over the River *Chateauguay*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. A. Morin, and others, of Lachenaie, &c.; The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *A. Morin*, and others, of the Parishes of *Lachenaie*, *Mascouche* and *St. Lin*, praying to be annexed to the County of *Leinster*, for all purposes of Judicature and Registration; and also a Petition from *Simon Salois*, and others, inhabitants of *Hochelaga* in the Parish of *Montreal*, praying that the assent of the Legislature may be withheld from any Bill to extend the northern limits of the City of *Montreal*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Allsop, of Cap Sante; The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *James Allsop*, of *Cap Sante*, praying to be allowed to participate in the privilege of a Ferry across the River *Jacques Cartier*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Wiltzie, and others, of Leeds; The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from *Joseph Wiltzie*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Leeds*, *Lansdown*, *Yonge*, *Bastard* and *Crosby*, praying that the navigation between the *Wiltzie* Waters and the River *St. Lawrence*, via *Gananoque*, may be opened and improved; also a Petition from the *Montreal Bible Society*, praying for the establishment of a reduced and uniform rate of Postage for the Province; also a Petition from *Benjamin Tett*, and others, owners and occupiers of saw mills in the *Johnstown*, *Bathurst* and *Midland* Districts, praying for the imposition of a duty upon sawed lumber coming into this Province for Canadian use from the *United States*, equal to the American duty upon *Canada* sawed lumber; also two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the District of *Simcoe*, praying that the management



agement of the Common Schools may be left to the various Municipal Councils and to District Boards of Education; also praying that relief may be given to a destitute idiot child, and that measures may be devised with regard to similar cases which may hereafter occur; and also a Petition from *John Bright*, a Messenger to the Legislative Council, praying for a retiring allowance in consequence of declining health and long services.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to approve and confirm an Act of the Imperial Parliament of *Great Britain and Ireland*, relating to the *Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company*," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill presently.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and the Honorable Mr. *William Morris* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to Report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Boulton*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorise the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Toronto* to purchase an Industrial Farm in the neighbourhood thereof, and for other purposes relating thereto."

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the relief of parties claiming Lands in *Upper Canada* for which no Patent hath issued, as representing the original nominees of the Crown," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *Alexander Campbell*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Williams*, praying that the said Township may be separated from the *Huron* District, and annexed to that of *London*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *Asa A. Burnham*, and others, of the Town of *Cobourg*, in the *Newcastle* District, praying for certain alterations in the limits of said Town; also a Petition from *E. Pridham*, J. P., and others, inhabitants of *Grenville* and *La Petite Nation*, praying for a grant of money for the purpose of erecting certain bridges; also a Petition from the Reverend *Thomas Smith Kennedy*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Darlington* and *Clarke*, being Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*; in the Diocese of *Toronto*, also a Petition from *J. Thompson*, J. P., and others, of the Township of *Cavan*, being Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland* in the Diocese of *Toronto*,—respectively praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England* by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Friday, 17th January, 1845. FRIDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*McGill*,

*Fraser*

*Joliette*,

*Fergusson*,

*Hamilton*,

*Bruneau*,

*Ferrie*,

*Knoultton*,

The Honorable Messieurs

*McKay*,

*Dickson*,

*Dionne, Amable*,

*Draper*,

*Walker*,

*de Boucherville*,

*Neilson*.

PRAYERS.

For relief to an idiot, and

From J. Bright, presented.

Gaspé Fishery Bill read 2nd time;

House in Committee thereon;

3rd reading tomorrow.

Toronto Industrial Farm Bill.

Lands patent Bill, U. C. read 2nd time.

For Committee tomorrow.

Petitions,

From A. Campbell, and others, of Williams;

From A. A. Burnham, and others, of Cobourg;

From E. Pridham, and others, of Grenville;

From Rev. T. S. Kennedy, and others, of Darlington, &c., and

From J. Thompson, and others, of Cavan, presented.

FRIDAY.

## PRAYERS.

Petitions,

From M. C. Alfaro, widow of C. Allsopp;

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented a Petition from *Maria Conception Alfaro*, widow of the late *Carleton Allsopp*, of *Cap Santé*, praying that as the representative of her late husband she may be restored to her share of the *Jacques Cartier* bridge, of which she has been deprived by an Act of the Legislature conferring a right of Toll on that bridge to the other co-proprietors of the Seigniorship of *Cap Santé*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Hammill, of Brantford;

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *John Hammill*, of the Town of *Brantford*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorise the payment to him of the sum of £788 10 0, with the interest thereon, from the 1st January 1834, being the balance due to him for erecting a bridge across the *Grand River*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Mathewson, and others, of Montreal, and

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from *John Mathewson*, and others, of *Montreal*, Soap and Candle Manufacturers, praying for an alteration in the present Tariff.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From M. W. Copp, and others, of Stanstead, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from *M. W. Copp*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Stanstead*, praying for a grant of £1000 to repair the road from *Bald Mountain* in *Bolton*, to *Parker Gilman's* in *Broome*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Gaspé Fishery Bill read 3rd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to approve and confirm an Act of the Imperial Parliament of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* relating to the *Gaspé* Fishery and Coal Mining Company," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Lands partition Bill read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the partition of Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments in certain cases in *Lower Canada*," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members. Referred to Select Committee;

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bruneau*, *Knoulton*, *Draper*, *Walker* and *de Boucherville*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorise the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Toronto* to purchase an Industrial Farm in the neighbourhood thereof, and for other purposes relating thereto," was read the second time. Toronto Industrial Farm Bill, read 2nd time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members. Referred to Select Committee;

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson*, *Hamilton*, *McKay*, *Dickson* and *Draper*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The House, according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the relief of parties claiming Lands in *Upper Canada* for which no Patent hath issued, as representing the original nominees of the Crown." House in Committee on Lands Patent Bill, &c.;

After some time the House was resumed, and the Honorable Mr. *McGill* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same without amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time on the next sitting day. 3rd reading, next sitting day;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Webster*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to provide more effectually for the collection of certain arrears of Taxes on Lands in the District of *Wellington* and other Districts, and better to define the limits of the said District of *Wellington*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. Wellington District, Land Tax Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on the next sitting day.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from the *Montreal* Board of Trade, praying for the further improvement of the navigation of the River *Ottawa*. Petitions, From the Montreal Board of Trade;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The

From T. C. Aylwin, and others of the District of Quebec;

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* presented a Petition from *T. C. Aylwin*, and others, inhabitants of the District of *Quebec*, praying for Legislative aid to enable them to improve certain hills on the mail road between *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Somerville, and others, of Godmanchester, &c.;

The Honorable Mr. *Draper* presented a Petition from *John Sommerville*, and others, inhabitants of *Godmanchester* and *Hinchinbrooke* and parts adjacent, praying for aid to construct a plank road from the Village of *Huntingdon*, to the upper entrance of the *Beauharnois Canal*; and also a Petition from the Trustees of *Queen's College* in *Kingston*, praying for the enactment of a law to enable them to meet engagements contracted by, and to hold lands granted to them, in the interval between the passing of an Act of the Parliament of *Upper Canada* incorporating the said College and the disallowance of the same by Her Majesty, and for other purposes.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From F. Boucher, and others, of Maskinongé; From P. J. Heroux, and others, of Ste. Anne d'Yamachiche; From Rev. L. O. Desilet, and others, of St. Barnabé, and

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *François Boucher*, and others, of the Parish of *Maskinongé*; also a Petition from *P. J. Heroux*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Anne d'Yamachiche*; and also a Petition from the Reverend *L. O. Desilet* and others, of the Parish of *St. Barnabé*, in the County of *St. Maurice*,—respectively praying that no alteration may be made in the existing laws relative to winter vehicles.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From the Trustees of Queen's College, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from the Trustees of *Queen's College* at *Kingston*, praying that the Constitution of the University of *King's College* may be amended so as to secure to the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, and to your Petitioners, as well as other sections of the community, a fair amount of influence in the said University; to incorporate *Queen's College* therewith or to bestow a sufficient endowment for the maintenance thereof; and also such aid as the expenses of the last three years and the present year will justify.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

Last Petition read;

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Monday, 20th January, 1845. MONDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*McGill*,  
*Fraser*,  
*Joliette*,  
*Fergusson*,  
*Bruneau*,  
*Ferrie*,  
*Knoulton*,  
*McKay*,  
*Moore*,

The Honorable Messieurs

*Dickson*,  
*Dionne, Amable*  
*Draper*,  
*Massue*,  
*Walker*,  
*de Boucherville*,  
*Morris, James*  
*Neilson*.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House the accounts of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, for the year ended 31st December last, in conformity with the 4th and 5th Victoria, chap. 15. Accounts of the Quebec Trinity House, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and they are as follow:

(For Accounts, vide Sessional Papers, Letter E.)

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a Statement of the affairs of the City Bank, made up to the 11th day of January instant. Statement of the affairs of the City Bank, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and it is as follows:

(For Statement, vide Sessional Papers, Letter Q.)

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from the *Canada Sunday School Union* of *Montreal*, praying for the establishment of a reduced and uniform system of postage; and also a Petition from the Corporation of the City of *Montreal*, praying for various amendments to their Act of Incorporation, which are not enumerated in a previous Petition. From the Canada Sunday School Union;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *R. V. A. Rapelje*, and others, inhabitants of the District of *Talbot*, and the adjoining Township of *Walpole*, praying for a grant of money to construct a plank road from the Town of *Simcoe*, to intersect the plank road from *Hamilton* to *Port Dover*; also a Petition from *Ralph Foster*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Mersea*, in the Western District; From R. V. A. Rapelje, and others, of the Talbot District;

From R. Foster, and others, of Mersea;

From J. Munger, Senr., and others, of Colchester;

trict; also a Petition from *Joseph Munger, Senior*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Colchester*, in the Western District,—respectively praying that the growth of tobacco may be encouraged in the said District, and that the Petition from their Municipal Council on this subject may be favourably entertained; and also a Petition from *Alexander McLeod*, of *Stamford*, in the *Niagara* District, praying for redress in consequence of numerous wrongs, and severe losses inflicted upon him by the Government of the *United States*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From E. S. Adams, and others, of St. Catherines;

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* presented a Petition from *E. S. Adams*, and others, of *St. Catherines*, praying that the said village may be

From Rev. A. N. Bethune, and others, of Cobourg;

incorporated; also a Petition from the Reverend *A. N. Bethune*, and others, of the Town of *Cobourg*, Members of the United Church of

From Rev. J. Shortt, and others, of Port Hope;

*England* and *Ireland*; also a Petition from the Reverend *Jonathan Shortt*, and others, of the Village of *Port Hope*, Members of the United

From H. Howard, and others, of Amherst Island;

Church of *England* and *Ireland*; also a Petition from *Henry Howard*, and others, of *Amherst Island*, Members of the United Church

From Hon. J. Kirby, and others, of Kingston;

of *England* and *Ireland*; also a Petition from the Hon. *John Kirby*, and others, of the Town of *Kingston*, Members of the United Church

From T. R. Brock, and others, of Guelph;

of *England* and *Ireland*; and also a Petition from *Thomas R. Brock*, and others, of the Township of *Guelph*, Members of the United

Church of *England* and *Ireland*,—respectively praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the

Church of *England*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the

Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. M. Proulx, and others, of Lotbinière, and

The Honorable Mr. *Amable Dionne* presented a Petition from the Reverend *M. Proulx*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Lotbinière*, praying that the Registry Office for that County may be removed from the Parish of *Lotbinière* to that of *St. Antoine de Tilly*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From the Missisquoi District Council, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Missisquoi*, praying that the said District may be re-established as it existed under the Judicature Ordinance passed by the Governor and Special Council.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly. Last Petition read.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Missisquoi*, praying for the construction of a plank road from a point near *Stanbridge Upper Mills* to *Jones' Bridge*, on the *Richelieu*, and also a plank road from the easterly side of the River *Richelieu*, opposite *Chambly*, to the Village of *Granby*, in the County of *Shefford*. Petition, From the Missisquoi District Council;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *R. P. Colton*, and others, inhabitants of the Town of *Brockville* and its vicinity, praying for the imposition of an increased duty upon iron castings when imported into this Province from the *United States*; and also a Petition from the Provincial Committee of the *Montreal Temperance Society*, praying for the introduction into this Province of a cheap and uniform system of postage. From R. P. Colton, and others, of Brockville; From the Montreal Temperance Society, and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from *Olivier Vallerand*, Sergeant at Arms to the Legislative Council, praying for an increase to his salary. From O. Vallerand, Sergeant at Arms presented.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly. Last Petition read, and

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the last mentioned Petition be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House for the present Session. Referred to the Select Committee on Contingent accounts.

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* presented a Petition from *P. Vezina*, Chairman of a public meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of *Three Rivers*, praying for an Act of Incorporation for the said Town, and for the repeal of the Act regulating the Common thereof, and the transfer of the management of the said Common to the intended Corporation. Petitions, From P. Vezina, of Three Rivers, and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Andrew Balfour*, and others, of the Township of *Shefford*, praying From Rev. A. Balfour, and others, of Shefford, presented.

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ing for various amendments to the Common School Act.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

Last Petition read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Legislative Counsellors qualification Bill, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Joliette* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act for requiring a qualification in real estate from all persons who may hereafter be summoned to the Legislative Council of the Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

The said Bill was read the first time.

2nd reading on Thursday, and to be printed.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Thursday next, and that one hundred and fifty copies of the same be printed in both languages, for the use of Members.

Petition, From Rev. S. S. Strong, and others, of Bytown, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *S. S. Strong*, and others, of *Bytown*, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Lands Patent Bill, U. C. read 3d time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the relief of parties claiming Lands in *Upper Canada* for which no Patent hath issued as representing the original nominees of the Crown," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved*, in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Wellington District Land Tax Bill, read 2d time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide more effectually for the collection of certain arrears of taxes on lands in the District of *Wellington*, and other Districts, and better to define the limits of the said District of *Wellington*," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time on the next sitting day.

3d reading next sitting day.

The Honorable Mr. *Draper* presented a Petition from *Thomas W. Robinson*, and others, inhabitants of *Kingston*, praying for the construction of a road from the Town of *Kingston* to the *Ottawa* River; and also a Petition from *Charles Willard*, and others, merchants, seamen, and shipowners, praying that *British* shipowners may be protected from foreign competition; that a duty of twenty-five per cent may be imposed on foreign lumber when admitted into a *Canadian* port; and that precautions may be taken to prevent the evasion of the said duty.

Petitions, From T. W. Robinson, and others, of Kingston, and From C. Willard, and others, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Adjourn.

Tuesday, 21st January, 1845.

TUESDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

- M<sup>r</sup> Gill,*
- Fraser,*
- Joliette,*
- Fergusson,*
- Bruneau,*
- Ferrie,*
- Knoulton,*
- M<sup>r</sup> Kay,*

- Moore,*
- Dionne, Amable,*
- Draper,*
- Massue,*
- Walker,*
- De Boucherville,*
- Morris, James,*
- Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper*, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House the Assessment Returns of *Upper Canada* for the year 1844.

Assessment Returns of Upper Canada, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and they are as follow:

(*For Returns vide Sessional Papers, Letter R.*)

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper*, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House a Return from the *British America* Fire and Life Assurance Company, for the year ending the 30th November, 1844.

Return from the British American Fire Assurance Company, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and it is as follows:

(*For Return vide Sessional Papers, Letter S.*)

The

Return of Marriages, &c. in the County of Bonaventure, presented.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the County of *Bonaventure*, in the District of *Gaspé*, for the year 1843.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and it is as follows:

(For Return *vide* Sessional Papers, Letters R.R.R.)

Petitions,

From R. W. Harwood, and others, of *Vaudreuil*;

The Honorable Mr. *Fraser* presented a Petition from *R. W. Harwood*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for the construction of a Turnpike Road from opposite the Ferry at *Vaudreuil*, across *Isle Perrot*, to *Ste. Ann's*, and from thence in a direct course to *Montreal*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From W. Barrett, and others, of *Hemmingford*, and

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *William Barrett*, and others, School Commissioners in the Township of *Hemmingford* in the County of *Beauharnois*, praying that a different mode may be pursued in appropriating the School monies for the various sections of the Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From P. J. O. Chauveau, and others, of *Quebec*, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *P. J. O. Chauveau*, and others, merchants, traders and citizens of *Quebec*, praying for a Legislative enactment to ensure the better qualification of persons practising the trade of *Stevedore* at the Port of *Quebec*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Wellington District Land Tax Bill, read 3d time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide more effectually for the collection of certain arrears of Taxes on Lands in the District of *Wellington* and other Districts, and better to define the limits of the said District of *Wellington*," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Wednesday, 22d January, 1845. WEDNESDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs      The Honorable Messieurs

*McGill*,

*Moore*,

*Fraser*,

*Dionne, Amable*,

*Joliette*,

*Draper*,

*Fergusson*,

*Massuc*,

*Bruneau*,

*De Boucherville*,

*Ferrie*,

*Morris, James*,

*McKay*,

*Neilson*.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a Statement of Imports and Exports at the Port of *St. Johns*, for the year ended 5th January, 1845.

Statement of Imports, &c. at *St. John's*, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and it is as follows:

(For Statement, *vide* Sessional Papers, Letters T.T.T.)

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a Report of the *Drummond* Agricultural Society, for the year 1844.

Report of the *Drummond* Agricultural Society, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and it is as follows:

(For Report, *vide* Sessional Papers, Letter V.)

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *Thomas White*, and others, lessees and occupants of Clergy Reserves, and inhabitants of the Township of *Trafalgar*, praying that the Clergy Reserves may not be placed at the disposal of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, but that they may be valued and sold agreeably to the Statute 3d and 4th *Victoria*, cap. 78.

Petitions, From *T. White*, and others, of *Trafalgar*, and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *Samuel* and *S. T. Andres*, of *Chambly*, praying that the sum of ten thousand six hundred and sixteen pounds seventeen shillings and sixpence, currency, with interest, as established by a certain judgment, may be paid to them.

From *Samuel* and *S. T. Andres*, and others, of *Chambly*, presented.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

Last Petition read.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *James Kerr*, praying for a pension, or for compensation on account of the loss of his office as Judge of the Court of King's Bench at *Quebec*; also a Petition from

Petitions, From *James Kerr*, of *Quebec*;

From *B. Young*;

*Barnard*



*Barnard Young*, praying for compensation for losses and personal damage while serving as a Peace Officer under the direction of *Alexander Reu*, Esquire; and also a Petition from *Alanson Cummings*, and others, praying for compensation for losses sustained in the defence of the Indian Stream Territory.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Gill* presented a Petition from *Jennet Roy*, praying for remuneration in consequence of a Geological Survey made by her late husband.

**Ordered**, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Draper* presented a Petition from *R. W. Branan*, and others, of the Townships of *Carradoc*, *Adelaide*, *Ekfrid* and *Mosa*, in the *London* District, praying for the improvement of the road commencing near *Delaware*, thence to the north-east corner of *Brooke*, through the Village of *Katesville*; also a Petition from *A. M<sup>c</sup>Kinnon*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Bayham*, praying for a grant to improve the harbour at the entrance of the *Big Otter* Creek; also a Petition from the Reverend *D. E. Blake*, and others, of the Townships of *Warwick* and *Adelaide*, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*; and also a Petition from the Reverend *Mark Burnham*, and others, of the Village of *St. Thomas*, and its vicinity, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*,—respectively praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper* 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;

And the same was read as follows:

C. T. METCALFE.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the Legislative

Council, the accompanying copies of Reports that have been received from Mr. *W. E. Logan*, who is employed on a Geological Survey of the Province.

Government House,

*Montreal*, 20th January, 1845.

And the same was then again read by the Clerk.

(For Reports, vide Sessional Papers, Letter W.)

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Thursday, 23d January, 1845.

THURSDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs.

*McGill*,

*McKay*,

*Morris, William*

*Dionne, Amable*,

*Joliette*,

*Massue*,

*Fergusson*,

*Walker*,

*Bruneau*,

*De Boucherville*,

*Ferrie*,

*Morris, James*,

*Knoulton*,

*Neilson*.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Gill* presented a Petition from *Robert Froste*, of the City of *Montreal*, praying for compensation for injury done to his property by the construction of the *St. Lawrence* Canal.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from the Reverend *John Cordner*, and others, inhabitants of *Montreal*, belonging to the religious denomination of Christian Unitarians, praying for authority to solemnize marriage, record births, administer baptism, and inter the dead; also to keep registers, authenticated in due form of law, and also to take and hold the land required for the use of the said Church.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from *C. L. Bellows*, and others, of the Townships of *M<sup>c</sup>Nab*, *Horton*, *Ross*, and *Westmeath*, praying for the improvement of the mail road between *Castleford* and *Westmeath*; and also a Petition from *R. Wright*, and others, inhabitants residing on the margin of the *Ottawa* River, praying that no change may be made in the Act 7th Victoria, chapter 25, with regard to Cullers.

**Ordered**,

From A. Cummings, and others, and

From J. Roy, presented.

Last Petition read.

Petitions,

From R. W. Branan, and others, of Carradoc, &c.;

From A. McKinnon, and others, of Bayham;

From Rev. D. E. Blake, and others, of Warwick, &c., and

From Rev. M. Burnham, and others, of St. Thomas, presented.

Copies of Reports on a Geological Survey, presented.

Petitions, From R. Froste, of Montreal;

From Rev. J. Cordner, and others, of Montreal;

From C. L. Bellows, and others, of Mc-Nab, &c.;

From R. Wright, and others, residing on the Ottawa River, and



*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From W. R. Dank, and others, of Compton, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from *William R. Dank*, and others, of the Township of *Compton*, in the District of *St. Francis*, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of *King's College, Toronto*, or *M<sup>c</sup>Gill College, Montreal*, which shall not in like manner comprehend all chartered institutions of learning in the Province.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

Last Petition read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

2d reading. Legislative Counsellors qualification Bill, discharged till Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read for reading the Bill intituled, "An Act for requiring a qualification in real estate from all persons who may hereafter be summoned to the Legislative Council of this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned," the second time, it was

*Ordered*, that the same be discharged, and that the said Bill do stand upon the Orders of the Day for Thursday next.

Petition,

From the Bishop of Montreal, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Montreal*, as President of the Church Society of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Quebec*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Hon. Mr. *McGill* added to Committee on Library.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Gill* be added to the Select Committee appointed to report on the Librarian's Report of the present Session.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Friday, 24th January, 1845.

FRIDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*McGill*,  
*Morris, William*,  
*Fraser*,  
*Joliette*,  
*Fergusson*,  
*Bruneau*,  
*Ferrie*,  
*Knoulton*,

*Moore*,  
*Dickson*,  
*Dionne, Amable*,  
*Draper*,  
*Massue*,  
*Walker*,  
*Morris, James*,  
*Neilson*.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *David Caldwell*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Esquesing*, in the *Gore* District (*Canada West*), praying that the Clergy Reserves allotted to the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, may not be placed under the control and management of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, but that they may be sold according to the provisions of the 3d and 4th Victoria, chapter 78.

Petitions. From D. Caldwell, and others, of Esquesing;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from *John Lyon*, and others, occupiers of Clergy Reserves in the Township of *Esquesing*, praying that no alteration may be made in the tenure of the said Reserves; and also a Petition from *Anthony Philip*, and others, inhabitants of *Richmond* and its vicinity, praying that a survey and estimate of the probable expense of a plank road from *Kingston* to *Bytown* may be made by the Board of Works.

From J. Lyon, and others, of Esquesing;

From A. Philip, and others, of Richmond;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Amable Dionne* presented a Petition from *L. Blais*, and others, inhabitants of *St. Thomas, St. Pierre*, and *Cap St. Ignace*, in the County of *L'Islet*, praying for pecuniary aid towards making a road from *St. Thomas* to the River *St. John*.

From L. Blais, and others, of St. Thomas, &c.;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *Robert McGillis*, and others, cullers,

From R. McGillis, and others, of Quebec, and

cullers, of *Quebec*, praying that the Timber Inspection Act may not be altered.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From F. S. Jarvis, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *Frederick Starr Jarvis*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, praying that his salary may be increased.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

Last Petition read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the last mentioned Petition be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Joliette*, *Moore*, and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Petition, From J. Bright referred to last Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Petition of *John Bright*, presented to the House on the sixteenth instant, praying for a retiring allowance as a Messenger of the Legislative Council, in consequence of declining health and long services, be also referred to the Select Committee last appointed.

Petition, From the Rev. H. Esson, and others, of Montreal, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from the Reverend *H. Esson*, and others, inhabitants of the City of *Montreal*, praying that no aid from the public funds may be given to *M'Gill* College, except for the support of the Medical School, and that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Royal Assent may be withheld from the Statutes which have been framed for the government of the said University, and that the Charter may be so amended as to secure an equitable representation in the Council, of the various interests of the country, and also that the management of the University of *King's* College may be placed on a more satisfactory basis.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

Read.

The same was read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Petition, From the Bishop of Montreal, withdrawn.

The Petition presented yesterday from the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Montreal*, as President of the Church Society of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, hum-

bly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Quebec*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church, was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *William Baker*, and others, Trustees of *Dunham* High School, praying for aid in behalf of the said School.

Petitions, From W. Baker, and others, of Dunham;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *M'Gill* presented a Petition from *E. L. Pacaud*, and others, of *Three Rivers*, praying for the Incorporation of that Town, and for the transfer to that Corporation of the management of the Common of the Town; and also a Petition from *L. J. M'Nair*, and others, Commissioners of the House of Correction for the District of *Three Rivers*, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support of the said establishment.

From E. L. Pacaud, and others, of Three Rivers, and

From L. J. M'Nair, and others, of Three Rivers, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the Select Committee appointed to report on the Librarian's Report of the present Session, have leave to report from time to time.

Leave given to Library Committee to report from time to time.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson*, from the Committee last mentioned, presented their first Report.

1st Report presented.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Committee Room,

Thursday, January 23, 1845.

The Report.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Librarian on the state of the Library, submitted on the 2d instant, with an instruction to the said Committee to suggest such means of adding to such Library as they may deem advisable, have the honor to present their first Report.

That having taken into consideration a statement submitted to them by the Librarian of this House, and which is hereunto annexed, marked A, they recommend that he be allowed, for the present, an Assistant to attend in the Library during the Session, and to whom shall be allowed the sum of 5s per diem from the contingent funds of this House.

That

That your Committee further recommend that continuations of all the Periodical works, Law Reports, Statutes, &c., now in the Library, be ordered forthwith.

That your Committee further recommend that this Honorable House should address His Excellency the Governor General, requesting him to use his influence in obtaining, through the Colonial Office, a continuation of the works published by the Record Commission of *Great Britain and Ireland*, subsequently to those now deposited in the Library of your Honorable House, by direction of the Imperial Government.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. NEILSON,  
Chairman.

To be considered on Monday.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be taken into consideration on Monday next.

Sherbrooke Cotton Factory Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Hale*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the "Sherbrooke Cotton Factory," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Simcoe Church Lot Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Powell*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees holding a certain Lot in the Town of "Simcoe, for the use of a Church, to sell and "convey the same, or any portion thereof, and "to appropriate the proceeds to a like use," to which they desire the concurrence of this House."

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Petition,

From C. Whiteher, and others, of Sherbrooke, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from *Charles Whiteher*, and others, inhabitants of *Sherbrooke* and *Lennoxville*, in the District of *St. Francis*, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charter of *King's College* and *M'Gill College*, which shall not comprehend all other chartered institutions of learning in the Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Monday, 27th January, 1845. MONDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*McGill*,

*Moore*,

*Morris, William*

*Dionne, Amable*

*Fergusson*,

*Massue*,

*Bruneau*,

*Walker*,

*Ferrie*,

*Morris, James*

*Knoulton*,

*Neilson*.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a General Statement of the baptisms, marriages, and burials in the County of *Caspé*, for the year 1843. Statement of Baptisms, &c., in Gaspé, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and it is as follows :

(For Statement, vide *Sessional Papers, Letters R.R.R.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition, Petitions, From J. Dawson, and others, of Romney; from *John Dawson*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Romney*, in the Western District; and also a Petition from *Prideaux Girty*, and others, inhabitants of *Gosfield*, in the Western District,—respectively praying that encouragement may be given to the growers of tobacco in this Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented two Petitions from the Reverend *William Bettridge*, and others, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Rectory of *Woodstock* and District of *Brock*, praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church; and also praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed, that they may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot approve, and that the apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of the Province may be regulated either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each congregation in the Province. From Rev. W. Bettridge, and others, of Woodstock;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The

From the Quebec British and Canadian School Society ;

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Officers and Members of the Quebec British and Canadian School Society, praying for an Act of Incorporation.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From A. Furniss of Montreal ;

The Honorable Mr. *M'Gill* presented a Petition from *Albert Furniss*, of the City of *Montreal*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable the City of *Toronto* to ratify its agreement with the City of *Toronto* Gas Light and Water Company.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Morton, and others, of Kingston ;

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from *James Morton*, and others, distillers, of the Town of *Kingston* and its neighbourhood, praying that they may be heard by Counsel against certain parts of the proposed Bill to impose a duty on distillers and brewers, and on the spirituous and fermented liquors made by them; also a petition from *James Livingston*, and others, brewers in the Town of *Kingston*, praying that the proposed Bill to impose a duty on distillers and brewers may not be passed into a Law;

also a Petition from *J. L. Osler*, and others, in *Tecumseth*, *West Gwillimbury*, and parts adjacent, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*; also a Petition from *J. Hill*, and others, of the Village of *Newmarket* and its vicinity, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*; also a Petition from *M. Coates*, and others, of the Town of *Barrie* and its vicinity, being Members of the United Church of *England* and

*Ireland*; also a petition from the Reverend *F. Mack*, and others, of the Town of *Amherstburgh* and its vicinity, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*; also a Petition from the Reverend *G. Petrie*, and others, of *Burford*, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*; also a Petition from *W. Morse*, and others, of the Village of *Paris* and its vicinity, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*; also a Petition from the Reverend *G. B. Fuller*, and others, of the Township of *Thorold* and its vicinity, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*; also a Petition from the Reverend *M. Boomer*, and others, of the Township of *Galt* and its vicinity, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*; also a Petition from the Reverend *W. R. Hobson*, and others, of the Town of *Chatham* and its vicinity, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*; also a Petition from

*J. Burton*, and others, of the Town of *Perth* and its vicinity, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*; and also a Petition from the Reverend *A. Nellis*, Missionary to the *Mohawk* Indians, and others, being Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*,—respectively praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a

Petition from *Alexander Rea*, of the Township of *Compton*, praying that he may be compensated for injuries sustained by him in the year 1835, from an armed mob from the State of *New Hampshire*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from the Reverend *C. Brough*, and others, of the Township of *London* and parts adjacent; also a Petition from *John Johnstone*, and others, of the Town of *Caradoc* and parts adjacent,—respectively praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church; also a Petition from *William Hatch*, Chairman of a public meeting in the Township of *Bayham*, in the District of *London*, praying that the said Township of *Bayham* may be annexed to the District of *Brock*, in exchange for a part of the Township of *Missouri*, which could be attached to the District of *London*; and also a Petition from *A. Anderson*, and others, of the Town of *London*, praying that the Act of Incorporation of the said Town may be amended.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. *Amable Dionne* be added to the Select Committee appointed to examine into and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House for the present Session.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the first Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred

From J. Burton, and others, of Perth ;

From Rev. A. Nellis, and others ;

From A. Rea, of Compton ;

From the Rev. C. Brough, and others, of London ;

From J. Johnstone, and others, of Caradoc ;

From W. Hatch, of Bayham, and

From A. Anderson, and others, of London, presented.

Hon. Mr. A. Dionne added to Committee on Contingent Accounts.

1st Report on Library considered.

referred the Report of the Librarian, presented to the House during the present Session ;

Which being read by the Clerk,

*It was moved* to adopt the same.

The question of concurrence was put on the said motion,

And the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to take such steps as to him may seem just and expedient, to obtain, through the intervention of Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, copies of such volumes of the works printed and published under the superintendence of the Record Commission of *Great Britain and Ireland*, by directions from Her Majesty's Government, as are not now in the Library of this House, to be therein deposited and permanently kept ; also a yearly continuation of the Journals of the Houses of Lords and Commons, and of the Statutes of the United Kingdom, published subsequently to the volumes now in the Library ; and also a copy of the Rules and Standing Orders of the House of Lords and of the House of Commons.

*Ordered*, that such Members of the Executive Council who 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 Mr. *Henry Smith*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act of *Upper Canada*, relating to macadamized roads, and to revive, with reference to such roads, part of a certain other Act relative to public highways "and roads in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the appointment of a Reporter in the Court of Chancery," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Toronto Board of Trade Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Dunlop*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to indemnify Clergymen and others, who have voted at the last general Election in ignorance of the Law," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Clergy Indemnity Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Grieve*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorise the Nuns of the Ursuline Convent at *Three Rivers* to acquire and hold additional real and immoveable property to a certain amount," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Three Rivers Convent Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke Cotton Factory*," was read the second time.

Sherbrooke Cotton Factory Bill read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Bruneau*, *Knoulton*, *Moore*, and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees holding a certain Lot in the Town of *Simcoe*, for the use of a Church, to sell and convey the same, or any portion thereof, and to appropriate the proceeds to a like use," was read the second time.

Simcoe Church Lot Bill read 2nd time ;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson*, *Knoulton*, and *Moore*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee.

The

Adopted.

An Address to His Excellency on the subject of procuring the works published by the Record Commission, &c.

Macadamized Roads Bill, U. C.

Reporter in Chancery Bill.

Petitions,  
From the  
Bishop of  
Montreal, and

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Montreal*, President of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the said Society a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Wm. McGee, and others, of Malden, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *William M<sup>c</sup>Gee*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Malden*, in the Western District, praying that encouragement may be given to the growers of tobacco in this Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

TUESDAY.

**Tuesday, 28th January, 1845.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*M<sup>c</sup>Gill,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Bruneau,*  
*Ferrie,*  
*Knoulton,*  
*Moore,*

The Honorable Messieurs

*Dionne, Amable,*  
*Massue,*  
*Walker,*  
*Morris, James,*  
*Neilson.*

**PRAYERS.**

Statement of the affairs of the Gore Bank, presented;

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented to the House a General Statement of the affairs of the *Gore Bank*, on Thursday the 16th day of January instant.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :

(*Vide Sessional Papers, Letter Q.*)

Petition,  
From W. Hatelie, and others, of Mosa, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, presented a Petition from *William Hatelie*, and others, of the Township of *Mosa*, in the District of *London*, praying for the construction of a harbour at Creek number sixteen on *Lake Erie*; and also, for the erection of a bridge across the River *Thames*, near the Village of *Wardsville*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees holding a certain lot in the Town of *Simcoe*, for the use of a Church, to sell and convey the same, or any portion thereof, and to appropriate the proceeds to a like use," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Report of Select Committee on Simcoe Church Lot Bill;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the appointment of a Reporter in the Court of Chancery," was read the second time.

Reporter in Chancery Bill, read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson, Bruneau* and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to indemnify Clergymen and others, who have voted at the last General Election in ignorance of the Law," was read the second time.

Clergy Indemnity Bill, read 2nd time;

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* entered.

*Ordered*, that the last mentioned Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Smith*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of Shipwrecked and Destitute Mariners in certain cases therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Mariners' Relief Bill;

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* 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.

Message respecting the Riots on Public Works, presented.

And the same was read as follows :—

C. T. METCALFE.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council, the accompanying Reports, and other Papers, connected with outrages that have been



been committed in the vicinity of certain Public Works now in progress, and recommends to the consideration of the Council the expediency of adopting some measure for the more effectual preservation and protection of the lives and property of Her Majesty's subjects.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Montreal, 24th January, 1845.

(For Reports, &c., vide Sessional Papers, Letter Y.)

The said Message was then again read by the Clerk.

*Ordered*, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to issue his warrant in favor of Charles De Léry, Esquire, as acting Clerk of this House, for the sum of six thousand pounds, sterling, to enable him to defray the present demands against the Legislative Council, and to meet its current expenditure during the Recess, for which he will afterwards account.

*Ordered*, that such Members of the Executive Council who are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

An Address to His Excellency for £6000, for contingent expenses.

Adjourn.

WEDNESDAY.

Wednesday, 29th Jan. 1845.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable René E. Caron, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs. The Honorable Messieurs.

Mc Gill,

Moore,

Morris, William

Dionne, Amable

Fergusson,

Massue,

Bruneau,

Walker,

Ferrie,

Morris, James

Knoulton,

Neilson,

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. Knoulton presented a Petition from William Evans, of Côte St. Paul, in the County of Montreal, praying for an Agricultural Survey of this Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees holding a certain lot in the Town of Simcoe for

"the use of a Church, to sell and convey the same, or any portion thereof, and to appropriate the proceeds to a like use," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 indemnify Clergymen and others, who have voted at the last General Election in ignorance of the Law," was read the third time.

Clergy Indemnity Bill read 3rd time ;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 repeal a certain part of an Act of Upper Canada relating to macadamized roads, and to revive with reference to such roads part of a certain other Act relative to public highways and roads in Upper Canada," was read the second time.

Macadamized Road Bill, U. C., read 2nd time ;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

3rd reading to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the Nuns of the Ursuline Convent at Three Rivers to acquire and hold additional real and immoveable property to a certain amount," was read the second time.

Three Rivers Convent Bill, read 2nd time ;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs McGill, Fergusson, Bruneau, Massue, and Neilson, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. George Sherwood, and others, as follows :

Message from the Assembly, that the Hon. J. Morris may attend a Select Committee.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,  
Tuesday, 28th January, 1845.

*Resolved*, that a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, praying their

Petition, From W. Evans, of Côte St. Paul, presented.

Simcoe Church Lot Bill, read 3rd time ;

their Honors will permit the Honorable *James Morris*, one of their Members, to attend the Select Committee of this House, to which is referred the Petition of *John Reid* and *Robert Shepherd*, relating to their claim against the Commissioners of the *St. Lawrence Canal*, on Thursday next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference.

*Ordered*, that Mr. *George Sherwood* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,  
Clerk Assy.

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.

*It was moved*, that the Honorable Mr. *James Morris* may have leave to go to the Committee of the Legislative Assembly, as desired by that House in their Message of this day, if he thinks fit.

And the Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, being present in his place, acquainted the House "that he was willing, with the leave of the "House, to go to the said Committee."

Leave granted.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. *James Morris* have leave to go to the said Committee, 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 do give leave to the Honorable Mr. *James Morris* to go to the Committee to which is referred the Petition of *John Reid* and *Robert Shepherd*, relating to their claim against the Commissioners of the *St. Lawrence Canal*, on Thursday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference and give evidence thereon, if he thinks fit.

Mariners' relief Bill read 2nd time ;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of Shipwrecked and Destitute Mariners in certain cases therein mentioned," was read the second time.

3rd reading tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Huron District Tax Bill ;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Dunlop*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the

"recovery of the Rates or Taxes intended to be imposed by certain By-Laws of the District Council of the District of *Huron*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act supplementary to an Act of the last session of the Legislature, relating to the administration of Justice in the *Gaspé District*, and to extend the provisions of the said Act," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Gaspé District Judicature Bill ;

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Christie*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Members of the *Quebec Library Association*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Quebec Library Association Bill ;

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Hale*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to extend to the Town of *Sherbrooke* the provisions of a certain Ordinance therein mentioned, relating to the appointment of Peace Officers and Constables, and also to explain the jurisdiction of the General Sessions of the Peace for the District of *Saint Francis*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Town of Sherbrooke Police Bill ;

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Laurin*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to detach the Parish of *Saint Sylvester* from the County of *Lotbinière*, and to annex it to the County of *Dorchester*, for the purposes of Registration only," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

St. Sylvester Parish Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

The

Petitions,  
From the  
Bishop of To-  
ronto, and

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from the Honorable and Right-Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Toronto*, and others, Members of the Church of *England*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*, praying that the sale of the Clergy Reserves may be no further proceeded with; that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that such share of the Clergy Reserves may be assigned to the Church of *England*, as will correspond with the share which the Act assigns to her of the funds to be derived from the sale of the said Reserves; and that the future management of the said Reserves may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, under certain limitations.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From W. Mor-  
rison, and  
others, of  
Brandon, pre-  
sented.

The Honorable Mr. *Massue* presented a Petition from *W. Morrison*, and others, Settlers on Government Lands in the Township of *Brandon*, in the County of *Berthier*, praying that they may obtain titles to their Lands in Free and Common Socage.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

District Treasurers' Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Johnson*, and others, with a Bill, intituled "An Act to prevent District Treasurers in *Upper Canada* from making "any payment, as such, otherwise than in "current money, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Des Sœurs of  
St. Antoine  
Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Lacoste*, and others, with a Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate 'La "Communauté des Sœurs des Sts. Noms de "Jésus et Marie,' of the Parish of *St. Antoine de Longueuil* in the District of *Montreal*, for "the purposes of Education," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Counties' Di-  
vision Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An "Act for better defining the limits of the "Counties and Districts in *Upper Canada*, for "erecting certain new Townships, for detach- "ing Townships from some Counties and at- "taching them to others, and for other pur-

"poses relative to the division of *Upper Ca- "nada* into Townships, Counties and Dis- "tricts," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

The Speaker declared this House continued Adjourn. until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

## Thursday, 30th January, 1845. THURSDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs	The Honorable Messieurs
<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable,</i>
<i>Morris, William,</i>	<i>Massue,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Walker,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>de Boucherville,</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Morris, James,</i>
<i>Knoullton,</i>	<i>Neilson.</i>
<i>Moore.</i>	

### PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, acquainted the House that he had received a communication from the Honorable *William Henry Draper*, a Member of this House, which he read as follows:

Communica-  
tion from the  
Hon. W. H.  
Draper, resign-  
ing his seat in  
the House, pre-  
sented.

(For Letter, vide Appendix No. 6)

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *Daniel Daly*, of the Town of *Cornwall*, in the Eastern District, praying for relief in consequence of damage done to his property by a large party of riotous labourers on the *St. Lawrence Canal*.

Petitions,  
From D. Daly,  
of Cornwall;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* presented a Petition from *William Waters*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying the Legislature to take into consideration the propriety of continuing the plank road from the *Cedars* to the Island of *Montreal*, across *Isle Perrot*; also a Petition from *G. Beaudet*, and others, inhabitants of the parishes of *St. Polycarpe*, *St. Ignace* and *St. Joseph*, in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for certain amendments in the Municipal and School Laws; and that the Legislature will take into consideration the propriety of continuing the plank

From W. Wa-  
ters, and  
others of Vau-  
dreuil;

From G. Beau-  
det, and others,  
of St. Poly-  
carpe, &c.;

plank road from the *Cedars* to the Island of *Montreal*, across *Isle Perrot*; also, a Petition from *P. T. Masson*, and others, inhabitants of *Vaudreuil*, praying that the Ordinances relating to winter vehicles, passed in the 3rd and 4th years of Her Majesty's reign may be revived, and all other Acts contrary thereto repealed; also, a Petition from *William Duckett*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Lancaster*, in the County of *Glengary*, and the Parish of *St. Polycarpe*, in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying that the road from the River *DeLisle* to the Province Line, in connexion with the *Upper Dundas Street*, may be properly opened and kept in order; also a Petition from *Michel Christin*, of *Côteau du Lac*, praying for indemnification for losses and other damages sustained by him and his family, in consequence of the violent acts of the labourers on the *Beauharnois Canal*; and also, a Petition from *J. A. Mathieson*, and others, inhabitants of *Vaudreuil*, praying that the road from the *Cedars* to *Lachine* may be macadamized.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* reported that he had, according to order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General with the Address of this House of the twenty-seventh instant, relative to the obtaining of certain works for the use of the Library; and also, with the Address of this House of the twenty-eighth instant, praying His Excellency to issue his warrant in favor of *Charles DeLéry*, Esquire, as acting Clerk of this House, for the sum of £6,000, and that His Excellency had been pleased to receive the same graciously, and to say that he would reply thereto by Message.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal a certain part of an Act of *Upper Canada*, relating to macadamised roads, and to revive with reference to such roads part of a certain other Act relative to public highways and roads in *Upper Canada*," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of Shipwrecked and Destitute Mariners, in certain cases therein mentioned," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act for requiring a qualification in real estate, from all persons who may hereafter be summoned to the Legislative Council of this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned," it was—

2nd reading of Legislative Councils' Qualification Bill postponed till Tuesday;

*Ordered*, that it be discharged, and that the said Bill do stand for a second reading on Tuesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto*," was read the second time.

Toronto Board of Trade Bill, read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

3rd reading to-morrow;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act supplementary to an Act of the last Session of the Legislature, relating to the administration of Justice in the *Gaspé District*, and to extend the provisions of the said Act," was read the second time.

Gaspé District Judicature Bill read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bruneau*, *Massue* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to extend to the Town of *Sherbrooke*, the provisions of a certain Ordinance therein mentioned, relating to the appointment of Peace Officers and Constables, and also to explain the Jurisdiction of the General Sessions of the Peace for the District of *Saint Francis*," was read the second time.

Town of Sherbrooke Police Bill, read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

3rd reading to-morrow;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act for better defining the limits of the Counties and Districts in *Upper Canada*, for erecting certain new Townships, for detaching Townships from some Counties and attaching them to others, and for other purposes relative to the division of

Counties' Division Bill, read 2nd time;

*Upper*

From P. T. Masson, and others, of Vaudreuil;

From W. Duckett, and others, of Lancaster, &c.;

From M. Christin, of Côteau du Lac, and

From J. A. Mathieson, and others, of Vaudreuil, presented.

Presentation of certain Addresses to His Excellency, reported.

Macadamized Roads Bill, U. C., read 3rd time;

Passed.

Mariners' Relief Bill, read 3rd time;

"Upper Canada into Townships, Counties and Districts," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Mc Gill*, *Fergusson*, *Ferrie*, *Massue*, and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Petitions, From Rev. J. Butler, and others, of Kingsley, &c.;

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Reverend *John Butler*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Kingsey* and *Durham*, in the District of *St. Francis*, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of the Universities of *King's College*, *Toronto*, and *Mc Gill College*, *Montreal*, which shall not comprehend all other Chartered Institutions of learning within the Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. O. Bouchier, and others, of Georgina;

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *James O. Bouchier*, and others, Members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland* in the Township of *Georgina*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*, praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the Act 4th *Victoria*, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church; and also a Petition from *Joseph Southworth*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Dundas*, praying for the construction of a road from the County of *Dundas* to *Bytown*.

*Grânered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. Mr. Charland, and others, of Rigaud, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* presented a Petition from the Reverend Mr. *Charland*, and others, of the Parish of *Rigaud*, praying for pecuniary aid towards the establishment of a Model School in that Parish.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Hon. Mr. Neilson added to Committee on Lands Partition Bill;

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. *Neilson* be added to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to facilitate the partition of lands, tenements and hereditaments in certain cases in *Lower Canada*."

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Friday, 31st Jan. 1845.

FRIDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*Mc Gill*,  
*Morris, William*,  
*Bruneau*,  
*Ferrie*,  
*Knoulton*,  
*Dionne, Amable*.

The Honorable Messieurs

*Massue*,  
*Walker*,  
*de Boucherville*,  
*Morris, James*,  
*Neilson*,

PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a statement of the cost of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-Road, and other matters connected therewith.

Return from the Champlain and St. Lawrence Rail Road Company.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows:—

(For Return, vide *Sessional Papers*, Letter D.)

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* acquainted the House that he had certain Messages from His Excellency the Governor General, under His Sign Manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House;

Messages from His Excellency.

And the same were read as follow:—

C. T. METCALFE.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council, the accompanying documents, and recommends to their attention the claim of the Imperial Government for reimbursement of a balance remaining unpaid of advances in 1838, from the Military Chest for Civil Services, and amounting to £13,513 10s. 3d. sterling.

Respecting certain advances from the Military Chest.

Government House,

*Montreal*, 27th January, 1845.

(For Statement vide *Appendix No. 7*)

C. T. METCALFE.

The Governor General informs the Honorable the Legislative Council, with reference to their Address, dated the 28th instant, that he has issued his Warrant in favor of *Charles de Léry*, Esquire, acting Clerk of their Honorable House, for the sum of six thousand pounds sterling, to enable him to defray the present demands against the Legislative Council, and to meet its current expenditure during the Recess.

On having issued his Warrant for Contingencies, and

Government House,

*Montreal*, 30th January, 1845.

The

The said Messages were then again read by the Clerk.

Petitions,

From R. Graham, and others, of Bertie;

From Rev. W. Anderson, and others, of William Henry;

The Honorable Mr. Neilson presented a Petition from *Richard Graham*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Bertie*, in the *Niagara* District, praying for the adoption of such measures as will effectually prevent smuggling; and also a Petition from the Reverend *William Anderson*, and others, of *William Henry*, being Members of the Church of *England*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Quebec*, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From L. F. Brooke, and others, of Cobourg, and

The Honorable Mr. McGill presented a Petition from *L. F. Brooke*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Cobourg*, in the District of *Newcastle*, praying that a specific duty may be placed on stoves and other kinds of castings which may be imported into this Province from the *United States*; and also a Petition from *Henry William Harris*, Captain in Her Majesty's 24th Regiment, by his Attorney, *Frederick Griffin*, Esquire, praying that in addition to the evidence already adduced before the Legislative Council, in support of the Bill intituled "An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again and for other purposes therein mentioned," he may be allowed to adduce the testimony of Captain *Frederick L. Ingall*, who has been appointed to act as the Agent for the Petitioner's said wife, and also that such other relief may be afforded in the premises as may be deemed expedient.

From H. W. Harris, 24th Regiment, presented.

*Ordered*, that the last Petition be now read.

Last Petition read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Leave granted to call witnesses.

*Ordered*, that the Counsel for Petitioner may have leave to produce at the Bar of the House, such witnesses or other evidence as he may think fit.

Counsel called in;

The Counsel for Petitioner was accordingly called in.

Captain F. L. Ingall, sworn.

Then *Frederick Lennox Ingall*, Esquire, a Captain in Her Majesty's service, was sworn

at the Bar of the House, to the following affidavit.\*

The witness was directed to withdraw.

Witness and Counsel withdrawn.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw.

The affidavit of *Frederick Lennox Ingall* was then read by the Clerk.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Christie*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorise to a certain extent, the seizure and attachment of official salaries towards payment of the Incumbent's debts," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Official Salaries attachment Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *Aaron Silverthorn* and *James Eakins*, praying that a certain amount expended by them as the Commissioners for erecting a bridge over the *Etobicoke Creek*, may be refunded to them.

Petitions, From A. Silverthorn, and J. Eakins;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Amable Dionne* presented a Petition from the Reverend *N. Belanger*, and others, of the Parish of *Rivière du Loup*; and also a Petition from the Reverend *L. Aubry*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Léon le Grand*, respectively praying that the existing laws in relation to winter vehicles may not be altered.

From Rev. N. Belanger, and others, of Rivière du Loup;

From Rev. L. Aubry, and others, of St. Léon le Grand, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled "An Act for better defining the limits of the Counties and Districts in Upper Canada, for erecting certain new Townships, for detaching Townships from some Counties and attaching them to others, and for other purposes relative to the division of *Upper Canada*, into Townships, Counties and Districts," presented their Report.

Report of Select Committee on Counties Division Bill, presented.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Friday, January 31st, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly,

The Report

\* The affidavit of this witness is printed in the Appendix to this volume. (Vide Appendix, Divorce Evidence, No. 5.)

intituled



intituled "An Act for better defining the limits of the Counties and Districts in Upper Canada, for erecting new Townships, for detaching Townships from some Counties and attaching them to others, and for other purposes relative to the division of Upper Canada, into Townships, Counties and Districts," have, in obedience to the Order of Reference, examined the said Bill, and report the following amendments:—

Press 8, line 28.—Leave out the word "Montague,"

9, " 23.—After "Oneida," insert the words "and (except for the purposes of representation in the Legislative Assembly) the Town of Hamilton."

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

JAS. MORRIS,  
Chairman.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill and Report be taken into consideration presently.

Bill and Report considered.

The House then proceeded to take the same into consideration accordingly.

The Amendments reported by the last mentioned Committee were then read by the Clerk, and

Amendments agreed to.

The same being read the second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

3rd reading to-day.

*Ordered*, that the said Amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time this day.

Toronto Board of Trade Bill, read 3rd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Town of Sherbrooke Police Bill, read 3rd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to extend to the Town of Sherbrooke, the provisions of a certain Ordinance therein mentioned, relating to the appointment of Peace Officers and Constables, and also to explain the jurisdiction of the General Sessions of the Peace for the District of Saint Francis," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any Amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Members of the Quebec Library Association," was read the second time. Quebec Library Association Bill, read 2nd time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

*Ordered*, that the said Committee be the Honorable Messieurs McGill, Bruneau, Massue, Walker and Neilson, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to detach the Parish of Saint Sylvester from the County of Lotbinière, and to annex it to the County of Dorchester, for the purposes of Registration only," was read the second time. St. Sylvester Parish Bill, read 2nd time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs Amable Dionne, Massue and Neilson, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent District Treasurers in Upper Canada from making any payment, as such, otherwise than in current money, and for other purposes," was read the second time. District Treasurers' regulation Bill, read 2nd time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs de Boucherville, James Morris, and Neilson, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act for better defining the limits of the Counties and Districts in Upper Canada, for erecting certain new Townships, for detaching Townships from some Counties and attaching them to others, and for other purposes relative to the division of Upper Canada, into Townships, Counties and Districts," was, as amended, read the third time. Counties Division Bill as amended, read 3rd time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council

Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

MONDAY.

## Monday, 3d February, 1845.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs	The Honorable Messieurs
<i>M' Gill,</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable</i>
<i>Morris, William</i>	<i>Massue,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Walker,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>Morris, James</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Neilson.</i>
<i>Knoulton,</i>	

### PRAYERS.

Petitions,

From the Corporation of Quebec ;

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented a Petition from the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of *Quebec*, praying that a sum of money may be granted for the completion of the Marine Hospital, near that city ; that it be declared a General Hospital, and that Medical Professorships may be endowed in connection therewith.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From D. Cantillon, and others, of Quebec ;

The Honorable Mr. *Amable Dionne* presented a Petition from *Denis Cantillon*, and others, inhabitants of *Quebec*, praying that the building at present occupied as a Custom House may not be converted into a Marine Hospital.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Kilborn, and others, owners of lands on Rideau Canal ;

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *John Kilborn*, and others, proprietors of lands on the *Rideau Canal*, situate in the Townships of *North Crosby, Elmsley, and Wolfred*, praying for the passing of an Act to define the limits from the waters' edge at which the Ordnance Department may occupy lands under the authority of the *Rideau Canal Acts*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From W. H. Moore, and others, of the Colborne District ;

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *William Henry Moore*, and others, inhabitants of the District of *Colborne*, praying that the Clergy Reserves may be sold in conformity with the provisions of the Imperial Statute 3d and 4th Victoria, chapter 78.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *M' Gill* presented a Petition from *Alexander M' Gregor*, late Sergeant in Her Majesty's 71st Regiment, praying for a grant of land ; and also a Petition from *Frederick Widder*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners of the *Canada Company*, on behalf of the said Company, praying that no Bill may be passed to confirm the illegal By-Laws of the Municipal Council of the District of *Huron* ; that an Act may be passed to limit the powers of the District Councils, and prevent them from arbitrarily taxing any description of property, and that no action be taken upon the Petition from the said *Huron District Council*, without affording to the said Company an opportunity of representing their side of the question, for the consideration of the Legislative Council.

From A. Mc-Gregor, 71st Regiment, and

From T. Widder, Esq., of the Canada Company, presented.

*Ordered*, that the last mentioned Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly. Last Petition read.

*Ordered*, that the said Petitions do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *C. Jackson*, and others, inhabitants of *Hatley*, in the District of *St. Francis* ; and also a Petition from the Reverend *J. Taylor*, and others, inhabitants of *Eaton*, in the District of *St. Francis*, respectively praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of the Universities of *King's College, Toronto*, and *M' Gill College, Montreal*, which shall not comprehend all other Chartered institutions of learning within the Province.

Petitions,

From Rev. C. Jackson, and others, of Hatley ; From Rev. J. Taylor, and others, of Eaton ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *Alexander Chamberland*, and others, Pilots for the River *St. Lawrence* in and below the harbour of *Quebec*, praying that no alteration may be made in the law regulating the Trinity House of *Quebec*, without an opportunity being afforded to them of expressing their views on the subject.

From A. Chamberland, and others, Pilots on the St. Lawrence, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent certain District Treasurers in *Upper Canada* from making any payment, as such, otherwise than in current money, and for other purposes," presented their Report.

Report of the Select Committee on District Treasurers' Regulation Bill, presented.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

The

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Monday, February 3, 1845.

The Report.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to prevent District Treasurers in *Upper Canada* from making any payment, as such, otherwise than in current money, and for other purposes," have the honor to Report that they have carefully examined the Bill, in obedience to the Order of Reference.

Your Committee cannot but express their extreme regret that any necessity whatever should have existed in any District of that part of this Province heretofore called *Upper Canada*, to require such a Bill to be brought before the Legislature.

The District Treasurers, in the opinion of Your Committee, are already bound by law and the obligations of their office, to pay all warrants drawn upon them by the competent authority, in current money, and in no other way. To pass the Bill in question will be only to declare that which is already law throughout the Province, to be law in some one or two isolated Districts where the Treasurers may have presumed to act otherwise.

Your Committee, therefore, do not think fit to recommend Your Honorable House to take any further action upon the Bill, but prefer leaving the parties who may be aggrieved to address themselves to the Executive Government, which would soon apply an efficient remedy to their complaints, by the immediate dismissal of any District Treasurer who would endeavour to pay such warrants in any other manner than in current money.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

JAS. MORRIS,  
Chairman.

To be considered tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Report of the Select Committee on Quebec Library Association Bill, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Members of the *Quebec* Library Association, presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Monday, February 3, 1845.

The Report.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Members of the *Quebec* Library Association," have the honor to Report that they have carefully examined the said Bill, and beg leave to recommend the same for adoption by Your Honorable House, with the following amendment:

Press 4, line 1.—Leave out from "and" to "therefrom," inclusively, in the twelfth line.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

WM. WALKER,  
Chairman.

*Ordered*, that the last mentioned Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole House, together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

*Ordered*, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report tomorrow. To be considered tomorrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the recovery of the Rates or Taxes intended to be imposed by certain By-Laws of the District Council of the District of *Huron*"; 2nd reading Huron District Tax Bill, postponed to Wednesday.

*It was moved*, that the said Bill be now read the second time.

After debate,

*Ordered*, that the further debate on the said motion be adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* withdraws. A member withdraws.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act for better defining the limits of the Counties and Districts in *Upper Canada*, for erecting certain new Townships, for detaching Townships from some Counties, and attaching them to others, and for other purposes relative to the division of *Upper Canada* into Townships, Counties, and Districts," and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council, without any amendment. Counties Division Bill returned from Assembly with amendments agreed to.

Baptist Mis-  
sionary Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, with a Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate "the *Canada Baptist Missionary Society*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Clergy Dis-  
ability remov-  
al Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Laurin*, and others, with a Bill, intituled "An Act to repeal that portion of the Act therein mentioned which "prevents Members of the Clergy from voting "at elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of this Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Geological  
Survey Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Smith*, with a Bill, intituled "An Act "to make provision for a Geological Survey "of this Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Religious So-  
cieties Relief  
Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Williams*, and others, with a Bill, intituled "An Act to extend the "provisions of a certain Act of the Parliament "of the Province of *Upper Canada*, passed in "the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George the Fourth*, intituled, "An Act for the relief of the Religious Soci- "eties therein mentioned," to other denomi- "nations of Christians than those therein "enumerated," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Des Sœurs of  
St. Antoine  
Bill, read 2nd  
time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate 'La Com- "munauté des Sœurs des St. Noms de *Jésus* "et *Marie*,' of the Parish of *St. Antoine de Longueuil*, in the District of *Montreal*, for "the purposes of education," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bruneau, Amable Dionne, Massue, Walker, and Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a  
Select Com-  
mittee.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to "authorise to a certain extent the seizure and "attachment of official salaries towards pay- "ment of the incumbent's debts";

2nd reading  
Official Sala-  
ries Attach-  
ment Bill, post-  
poned till to-  
morrow.

*It was moved*, that the said Bill be now read a second time.

After debate,

*Ordered*, that the further debate on the said motion be adjourned till tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Edward Denroche*, and others, of the Town of *Brockville*, being Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed; that they may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot approve; and that the apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of the Province may be regulated either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the means raised by each congregation in the Province.

Petition,  
From Rev. E.  
Denroche, and  
others, of  
Brockville,  
presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Adjourn.

Tuesday, 4th February, 1845. TUESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs      The Honorable Messieurs

*Mc Gill,*  
*Morris, William,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Bruneau,*  
*Ferrie,*  
*Knoulton,*

*Dionne, Amable,*  
*Massue,*  
*Walker,*  
*de Boucherville,*  
*Morris, James,*  
*Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House the following letter, received by him from *John Leeming*, Esquire.

Letter from J.  
Leeming, Esq.,  
reported.

(For Letter, vide Appendix No. 8.)

*Ordered*,

Thanks of the House to be returned to Mr. Leeming.

**Ordered**, that the Honorable the Speaker do return the thanks of this House to *John Leeming*, Esquire, for the book mentioned in the foregoing letter.

Petition,

From G. Mackie, and others, of Quebec, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *George Mackie*, and others, Directors of the High School of *Quebec*, praying that the said Institution may be constituted a body politic and corporate.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of Select Committee on Three Rivers Convent Bill, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Massue*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the Nuns of the Ursuline Convent at *Three Rivers* to acquire and hold additional real and immoveable property to a certain amount," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Petitions,

From A. Archambault, and others, of L'Assomption;

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *Amable Archambault*, and others, of the Parish of *L'Assomption*, and other Parishes in the County of *Leinster*, praying that the Parishes of *Lachenaie*, *St. Henry de Mascouche*, and *St. Lin*, may not be attached to the County of *Terrebonne*; also, a Petition from the Reverend *W. Stewart Darling*, and others, of the Township of *Scarborough*, being Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*; and also, a Petition from the Reverend *Adam Townley*, and others, of the Village of *Dunnville*, being Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*,—respectively praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the Act 4th *Victoria*, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the members of the said Church.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

2nd reading Official Salaries Attachment Bill postponed till to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned debate on the motion made yesterday, that the Bill intituled "An Act to authorise to a certain extent the seizure and attachment of official salaries, towards payment of the incumbent's debts," be now read a second time.

**Ordered**, that the same be discharged, and that the said motion do stand upon the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill, intituled "An Act for requiring a qualification in real estate, from all persons who may hereafter be summoned to the Legislative Council of this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned," it was—

2nd reading Legislative Counsellors Qualification Bill postponed till Tuesday.

**Ordered**, that the same be discharged, and that the said Bill do stand upon the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *DeBleury*, and others, with a Bill, intituled "An Act to afford relief to insolvent debtors," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Insolvent Debtors Relief Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled "An Act to prevent District Treasurers in *Upper Canada* from making any payment, as such, otherwise than in current money, and for other purposes."

Report on District Treasurers' regulation Bill considered;

The Report was then read by the Clerk.

**Ordered**, that the said Report be adopted. Adopted.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Lafontaine*, and others, with a Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate *Le Petit Séminaire de Ste. Thérèse de Blainville*, in the District of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Seminaire de Ste. Thérèse de Blainville Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Members of the *Quebec Library Association*," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon, it was—

Quebec Library Association Bill referred back to Select Committee.

**Ordered**, that the same be discharged, and that the said Bill be referred back to the same Select Committee to whom it was formerly referred, to Report further thereon.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to make provision for a Geological Survey of this Province," was read the second time.

Geological Survey Bill, read 2nd time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Pursuant

Religious Societies Relief Bill, read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of a certain Act of the Parliament of the Province of Upper Canada, passed in the ninth year of the reign of His late Majesty, King George the Fourth, intituled 'An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned,' to other denominations of Christians than those therein enumerated," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs M<sup>c</sup>Gill, James Morris, and Neilson, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Petition, From J. Pierson, and others, of Kingston, presented.

The Honorable Mr. James Morris presented a Petition from Joseph Pierson, and others, office-bearers and members of the Merchant Seaman's Society in Kingston, praying that the said Society may be incorporated.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

WEDNESDAY.

Wednesday, 5th February, 1845.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable René E. Caron, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

- M<sup>c</sup>Gill,
- Morris, William
- Fergusson,
- Bruneau,
- Ferrie,
- Knoulton,
- Moore,

The Honorable Messieurs

- Dionne, Amable
- Massue,
- Walker,
- de Boucherville,
- Morris, James
- Neilson.

PRAYERS.

Three Rivers Convent Bill, read 3rd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorise the Nuns of the Ursuline Convent at Three Rivers to acquire and hold additional real and immovable property to a certain amount," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Geological Survey Bill, read 3rd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to make provision for a

"Geological Survey of this Province," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Passed.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned debate on the motion made on Monday last, that the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the recovery of the Rates or Taxes intended to be imposed by certain By-Laws of the District Council of the District of Huron," be now read a second time;

Debate resumed on 2nd reading Huron District Tax Bill

The debate was accordingly resumed.

It was moved, to leave out "now," and insert "this day six months."

Motion thereon.

After further debate,

The question being put on the amendment,

It was resolved in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended,

Debate postponed for six months.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Canada Baptist Missionary Society," was read the second time.

Canada Baptist Missionary Bill, read 2nd time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs M<sup>c</sup>Gill, Moore, Walker, James Morris, and Neilson, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal that portion of the Act therein mentioned which prevents Members of the Clergy from voting at elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of this Province," was read the second time.

Clergy Disability Removal Bill, read 2nd time;

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

3rd reading to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson withdraws.

A Member withdraws.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned debate on the motion made yesterday, that the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorise to a certain extent the sei-

Debate resumed on Official Salaries Attachment Bill.

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“ zure and attachment of official salaries to wards payment of the incumbent’s debts,” be now read the second time ;

A Member withdraws.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* withdraws ;

The debate was accordingly resumed.

Motion on last mentioned Bill.

*It was moved*, to leave out “ now,” and insert “ this day six months.”

After further debate,

The question was put whether the word “ now ” shall stand part of the motion.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Bill read 2nd time.

Then the said Bill was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorables Messieurs *Moore, Amable Dionne, Massue, de Boucherville*, and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* enters.

Séminaire de Ste. Thérèse Bill read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, “ An Act to incorporate Le Petit Séminaire de *Ste. Thérèse de Blainville*, in “ the District of *Montreal*,” was read the second time.

Referred to Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, “ An Act to incorporate La Communauté des Sœurs de Sts. “ Noms de *Jesus et Marie*, of the Parish of “ *St. Antoine de Longueuil*, in the District of “ *Montreal*, for the purposes of education.”

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o’clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

THURSDAY.

**Thursday, 6th February, 1845.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs      The Honorable Messieurs

*M<sup>c</sup> Gill,*

*Dionne, Amable*

*Morris, William*

*Massue,*

*Fergusson,*

*Walker,*

*Bruneau,*

*de Boucherville,*

*Ferrie,*

*Morris, James*

*Knoulton,*

*Neilson.*

*Moore,*

PRAYERS.

Petitions,

From D. Henderson, and

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *D. Henderson*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Nichol*, in the

District of *Wellington* ; and also a Petition from *William Reynolds*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Woolwich*,—respectively praying that the tract of land called *Pilkington Block*, in the said Township of *Woolwich*, may be annexed to the said Township of *Nichol*.

others, of Nichol ;

From W. Reynolds, and others, of Woolwich ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Reverend *William Morris*, and others, Members of the Church of *England*, in the Village of *Huntingdon*, in the County of *Beauharnois*, praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Quebec*, and placed under the exclusive management of the Members of the said Church.

From Rev. W. Morris, and others, of Huntingdon ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from *Baxter Bowman*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Ottawa*, praying for a duty of twenty-five per cent. on sawed timber imported from the *United States*.

From B. Bowman, and others, of Ottawa ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* 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 the House.

Message from His Excellency respecting certain books for Library.

And the same was read as follows :

C. T. METCALFE.

The Governor General informs the Honorable the Legislative Council, that he will transmit to Her Majesty’s Secretary of State, their Address of the 27th ultimo, expressing a desire to have supplied, for the use of the Library of the Legislative Council, copies of such volumes of the works printed and published under the superintendance of the Record Commission of *Great Britain and Ireland*, by directions from Her Majesty’s Government, as are not now in the Library of the Council, to be therein deposited and perpetually kept ; also a yearly continuation of the Journals of the Houses of Lords and Commons, and of the Statutes of the United Kingdom published subsequently to the volumes now in the Library ; and also a copy of the Rules and Standing Orders of the House of Lords and of the House of Commons.

The Message.

Government House,

*Montreal*, 4th February, 1845.

*Ordered*,

An Address of thanks ordered.

Ordered, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to return him the thanks of this House for his Message of this day, in answer to their Address of the twenty-seventh ultimo, expressing a desire to be supplied with the Journals of the House of Lords and other Public Records ; also for his Message of the thirty-first ultimo, relative to certain advances made by the Imperial Government from the Military Chest, for Civil purposes ; and for his Message of the same date, in reply to an Address of this House respecting their contingent expenses.

Ordered, that such Members of the Executive Council who are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Report of the Select Committee on Official Salaries Attachment Bill, presented.

The Honorable Mr. Moore, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, " An Act to authorise to a certain extent the seizure and attachment of official salaries towards payment of the incumbent's debts," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to Report the same to the House without any amendment.

The question to be put thereon on Monday.

Ordered, that the question of concurrence be put on the said Report on Monday next.

The Petition of H. W. Harris, &c., to be considered tomorrow.

Ordered, that the Petition of Captain Henry William Harris, presented on Friday last, with the affidavit of Captain Frederick L. Ingall, sworn to at the Bar of the House on the same day, be taken into consideration tomorrow, and that the Solicitor for the Bill in the said Petition mentioned, and the said Captain Ingall, do then attend.

Clergy disability removal Bill, read 3rd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, " An Act to repeal that portion of the Act therein mentioned, which prevents Members of the Clergy from voting at elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of this Province," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Passed.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative-Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Insolvent Debtors' Bill, L. C., read 2nd time ;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, " An Act to afford relief to Insolvent Debtors," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Friday, 7th February, 1845. FRIDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable René E. Caron, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

- M<sup>r</sup> Gill,
- Morris, William
- Fergusson,
- Bruneau,
- Ferrie,
- Knoulton,

- Moore,
- Dionne, Amable
- Massue,
- Walker,
- Morris, James
- Neilson.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. M<sup>r</sup> Gill, presented a Petition from the Reverend J. Wilson, and others members of the Church of England in the Mission of Colborne and Grafton, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed ; that they may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot approve ; and that the apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of the Province, may be regulated either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each congregation in the Province.

Petitions, From Rev. J. Wilson, and others, of Colborne, and

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Walker presented a Petition from H. Nesbitt, and others, of the Township of Sherrington, in the County of Huntingdon, praying that the said Township may be detached from the Parish of St. Edward, and laid off into a new Electoral Division.

From H. Nesbitt, and others, of Sherrington, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Bruneau, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled " An Act supplementary to an Act of the last Session of the Legislature, relating to the administration of Justice in the Gaspé District, and to extend the provisions of the said Act," presented their Report.

Report of Select Committee on Gaspé District Judicature Bill, presented.

Ordered, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Friday, February 7, 1845.

The Report.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly intituled "An Act, supplementary to an Act of the last Session of the Legislature, relating to the administration of justice in the *Gaspé* District, and to extend the provisions of the said Act," have, in obedience to the order of reference, examined the said Bill, and Report the same with the following amendments:

In the Bill, press 2, line 9.—Leave out from "And" inclusively, to the end of the Bill.

In the Preamble, line 13.—Leave out from "as well" to "*Gaspé*," in the sixteenth line, both inclusively.

In the Title.—Leave out the words "and to extend the provisions of the said Act."

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU,  
Chairman.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be considered by the House on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred (*de novo*) the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Members of the Quebec Library Association," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be considered by the House on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of a certain Act of the Parliament of the Province of *Upper Canada* passed in the ninth year of the reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled, 'An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned,' to other denominations of Christians than those therein enumerated," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to Report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be considered by the House on Monday next.

A Message was brought from Legislative

Assembly, by Mr. *Lacoste*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to enable Notaries to call Meetings of Relations and Friends in certain cases, without being thereunto specially appointed or authorised by a Judge," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Roblin*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act therein mentioned, and to provide for the regulation of Line Fences and Water Courses in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke* Cotton Factory," presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report on Tuesday next, and that the same do stand as the first item upon the Orders of that day.

The Honorable Mr. *M<sup>r</sup> Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Canada* Baptist Missionary Society," presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Friday, February 7, 1845.

The Report.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Canada* Baptist Missionary Society," have examined the said Bill, and beg leave to Report the same without any amendment.

Your Committee would, however, remark that the Bill contains a clause, by which the liability of the individual members of the Society

Line Fences, Bill.

Report of Select Committee on Sherbrooke Cotton Factory Bill, presented.

To be committed on Tuesday.

Report of Select Committee on Baptist Missionary Bill, presented.

To be considered on Monday.

Report of the Select Committee, *de novo*, on Quebec Library Association Bill, presented.

Report of Select Committee on Religious Societies' Relief Bill, presented.

To be considered on Monday.

Relations' Meetings Bill.

ety, for the debts that may be incurred by the Corporation, is distinctly removed, and the property of the Corporation alone rendered responsible for its engagements. To a general admission in similar Acts of incorporation of Societies or Companies, of a clause to the like effect, much objection has been made by several members of the Committee, but as the Society which it is proposed by the present Bill to incorporate is not of a mercantile, manufacturing, or speculating character, Your Committee have not deemed it necessary to remove the non-liability clause from this Bill, leaving it to Your Honorable House to adopt such measures as they may deem expedient in retaining or rejecting a similar clause in Bills for the incorporation of Societies, whose objects are more of a trading character.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

P. M'GILL,  
Chairman.

**Ordered**, that the said Report be considered by the House on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate La Communauté des Sœurs des Sts. Noms des Jésus et Marie, of the Parish of *St. Antoine de Longueuil*, in the District of *Montreal*, for the purposes of education," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to Report the same without any amendment.

**Ordered**, that the said Report be considered by the House on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to afford relief to insolvent Debtors," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass.

**It was resolved** in the affirmative.

**Ordered**, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 considering the Petition presented to the House on Friday last, from *Henry William Harris*, a Captain in Her Majesty's 24th Regiment, by his Attorney, *Frederick Griffin*, Esquire, praying that in addition to the evidence already adduced before the Legislative Council in support of

the Bill intituled "An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and also that such other relief may be afforded in the premises as may be deemed expedient, and likewise for considering the affidavit of *Frederick Lennox Ingall*, Esquire, a Captain in Her Majesty's service, sworn to at the Bar of this House on the same day.

**It was ordered**, that the said Petition be now again read. Petition read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

**It was then ordered**, that the said affidavit be now again read. Affidavit read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

**It was then moved**, that the leaving a copy of the Orders for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and a copy of the said Bill with the said Captain *Frederick L. Ingall*, shall be deemed good service of the said Orders and Bill, in like manner as if the same had been personally served on the said *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*. Motion respecting the service of certain orders.

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

**Resolved** in the affirmative.

Adopted.

**It was then moved**, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next, and that Counsel be then heard for and against the same and that the Members be summoned. Bill for 2nd reading on Monday.

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon and the same was

**Resolved** in the affirmative.

**It was then moved**, That the following persons do attend this House on Monday next, the tenth instant, in order to their being examined as witnesses on the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Henry*" Witnesses to attend.

Report of Select Committee on des Sœurs, of St. Antoine Bill, presented.

To be considered on Monday.

Insolvent Debtors Bill, read 3rd time.

Passed.

Petition, to hear further evidence on Harris' Divorce Bill, read.

" Henry William Harris, Esquire, with Eliza Walker, otherwise called Eliza Lock Walker, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," viz: William Badgley, James Crawford, M. D. John Honey, Moses Samuel David, and Moses Judah Hayes, all of the City of Montreal, Esquires, and Captain Frederick L. Ingall, of the City of Quebec, Deputy Assistant Quarter-Master General.

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

**Resolved** in the affirmative.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next, at one o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

MONDAY.

**Monday, 10th February, 1845.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable René E. Caron, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs McGill, Joliette, Ferrie, Knoulton, Roy, Moore.	The Honorable Messieurs Dionne, Amable Massue, Walker, Morris, James Neilson.
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**PRAYERS.**

Petitions,

From R. Anglen, and others, of Kingston ;

The Honorable Mr. James Morris presented a Petition from Robert Anglen, and others, of the Town of Kingston, praying that the rate of duty on manufactured articles imported from the United States may be increased, and that smuggling may be suppressed.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. W. King, and others, of Burg;

The Honorable Mr. Walker presented a Petition from the Reverend W. King, and others, Members of the Church of England in the Township of Burg, in the Diocese of Quebec; and also a Petition from the Reverend J. Taylor, and others, Members of the Church of England, in the Township of Eaton, in the Diocese of Quebec, respectively praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the said Society a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to

From Rev. J. Taylor, and others, of Eaton ;

the Church of England, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Joliette presented a Petition from N. S. Scott, and others, praying for assistance towards the College of Medicine in the City of Montreal, to enable the Lecturers therein to give a regular course of Lectures in the French language.

From N. S. Scott, and others, of Montreal ;

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Knoulton presented a Petition from the Reverend Job Deacon, and others, Members of the Church of England and Ireland, in the Parishes of Adolphustown and Fredericksburgh, in the Midland District; and also a Petition from the Reverend A. N. Bethune, and others, inhabitants of the Town of Cobourg, being Members of the Church of England and Ireland, respectively praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed; that they may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot approve; and that the apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of the Province may be regulated either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each congregation in the Province.

From Rev. J. Deacon, and others, and

From Rev. A. N. Bethune, and others, presented.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. M'Gill withdraws.

A member withdraws.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the question of concurrence upon the adoption of the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, " An Act to authorise to a certain extent the seizure and attachment of official salaries, towards payment of the incumbent's debts";

Motion to postpone putting the question on Official Salaries Attachment Bill.

**It was moved**, that the said Order be discharged, and that the same do stand as the second item upon the Orders of the Day for tomorrow.

Which being objected to,

Same objected to.

The question of concurrence was put on the said motion, and the same was

**Resolved** in the negative.

The question of concurrence being then put, whether the said Report should be adopted?

**It was resolved** in the affirmative.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Pursuant

Report on Gaspé Judicature Bill, considered.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to take into consideration the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act supplementary to an Act of the last Session of the Legislature, relating to the Administration of Justice in the *Gaspé* District, and to extend the provisions of the said Act."

The amendments reported by the last mentioned Committee were then read by the Clerk, and

Amendments adopted.

The same being read the second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

**Ordered**, that the said amendments be engrossed.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* enters.

Report on Quebec Library Association Bill, considered.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to take into consideration the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred, *de novo*, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Members of the *Quebec* Library Association."

The said Report was then read by the Clerk.

**Ordered**, that the said Report be adopted.

Adopted.

Bill for 3rd reading tomorrow.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Religious Societies' Relief Bill, referred back to Select Committee.

The Order of the Day being read for the House to take into consideration the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to extend the provisions of a certain Act of the Parliament of the Province of *Upper Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled, "An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned," to other denominations of Christians than those therein enumerated," it was

**Ordered**, that the same be discharged, and that the said Bill be referred back to the same Select Committee to whom it was formerly referred, to Report further thereon.

Report on Baptist Missionary Bill, adopted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to take into consideration the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Canada* Baptist Missionary Society."

The said Report was then read by the Clerk.

**Ordered**, that the said Report be adopted.

3rd reading tomorrow.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to take into consideration the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate *La Communauté des Sœurs des Sts. Noms des Jésus et Marie*, of the Parish of *St. Antoine de Longueuil*, in the District of *Montreal*, for the purposes of education."

The said Report was then read by the Clerk.

**Ordered**, that the said Report be adopted.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Report on Sœurs de St. Antoine Bill, adopted.

3rd reading tomorrow.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

The Honorable Messieurs *William Morris* and *Fergusson* enter.

His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir *Charles Theophilus Metcalfe*, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, being seated in the Chair on the Throne, 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."

His Excellency comes to the House and commands the attendance of the Assembly.

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:—

Assembly attend.

"An Act to provide more effectually for the collection of certain arrears of Taxes on Lands in the District of *Wellington*, and other Districts, and better to define the limits of the said District of *Wellington*."

Wellington District Taxes Bill;

"An Act to approve and confirm an Act of the Imperial Parliament of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, relating to the *Gaspé* Fishery and Coal Mining Company."

Gaspé Fishery Bill;

"An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the relief of parties claiming lands in *Upper Canada* for which no Patent hath issued, as representing the original nominees of the Crown."

Lands Patent Bill;

"An Act to enable the Trustees holding a certain Lot in the Town of *Simcoe*, for the use of a Church, to sell and convey the same, or any portion thereof, and to appropriate the proceeds to a like use."

Simcoe Church Lot Bill;

"An Act to indemnify Clergymen, and others, who have voted at the last General Election in ignorance of the Law."

Clergy Indemnity Bill;

"An



Mariners' Relief Bill; "An Act for the relief of shipwrecked and destitute Mariners, in certain cases therein mentioned."

Macadamized Roads Bill; "An Act to repeal a certain part of an Act of *Upper Canada* relating to Macadamized Roads, and to revive with reference to such roads, part of a certain other Act relative to Public Highways and Roads in *Upper Canada*."

Sherbrooke Police Bill; "An Act to extend to the Town of *Sherbrooke* the provisions of a certain Ordinance therein mentioned, relating to the appointment of Peace Officers and Constables, and also to explain the jurisdiction of the General Sessions of the Peace, for the District of *St. Francis*."

Toronto Board of Trade Bill, and "An Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto*."

Counties Division Bill; "An Act for better defining the limits of the Counties and Districts in *Upper Canada*, for erecting certain new Townships, for detaching Townships from some Counties and attaching them to others, and for other purposes relative to the division of *Upper Canada* into Townships, Counties and Districts."

To these Bills the Royal assent was severally pronounced, by one of the Clerks Assistant to this House, in the words following:

Assented to in Her Majesty's name. "In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General doth assent to this Bill."

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

Petition, From Rev. P. Porlier, and others, of Terrebonne, presented. The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from the Rev. *François P. Porlier*, and others, School Commissioners of the Parish of *Terrebonne*, praying for pecuniary aid towards the completion of the school house.

Courts of Assize Regulation Bill, U. C. A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to make further regulation for holding the Courts of Assize and Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the trial of prisoners under certain circumstances," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Montreal High School Bill. A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, with a

Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the High School of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Boulton*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned for the establishment and encouragement of Savings Banks," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition, Petition from the Rev. *Richard Lonsdell*, and others, inhabitants of *Tingwick*, and parts adjacent, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of the Universities of *King's College, Toronto*, and *M'Gill College, Montreal*, which shall not comprehend all other Chartered institutions of learning within the Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *M'Gill* presented a Petition from *James Corn*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Winchester*, praying that no alteration may be made in the boundary as now established between the second and third Concessions of the said Township.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate Le Petit Seminaire de *Ste. Therèse de Blainville*, in the District of *Montreal*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the House do take the said Report into consideration tomorrow.

*It was moved*, that this House shall be called over, in usual form, upon Monday, the third day of March next, when Honorable Members are notified and required to appear in their respective places, or to communicate previous to that day, to the Honorable the Speaker, a specific and satisfactory reason why they shall be excused.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion, the same was carried in the affirmative, and it was

*Ordered*, accordingly.

Savings Bank Bill.

Petitions, From Rev. R. Lonsdell, and others, of Tingwick;

From J. Corn, and others, of Winchester, presented.

Report of Select Committee on Séminaire de Ste. Thérèse Bill, presented.

To be considered tomorrow.

Motion for a Call of the House, on 3rd March.

Adopted.

The

Harris' Divorce Bill.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for hearing Counsel for and against the same, and for the Members to be summoned.

Counsel and Agent appear.

Counsel were accordingly called in; And *F. Griffin*, Esquire, appearing as Counsel on behalf of the Petitioner, and Captain *Frederick L. Ingall* appearing as Agent for the said *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, stated that it was not his intention to employ any Counsel on her behalf.

Mr. *Griffin* was heard, to open the allegations of the Bill.

Witnesses examined.

Then *Charles T. Palsgrave*, Esquire, Mr. *John Honey*, and *James Crawford*, M. D. Esquire, were called in, and being sworn, were examined as follows:\*

The Witnesses were severally directed to withdraw.

Counsel and Agent withdraw.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw. The Agent was also directed to withdraw.

2nd reading postponed till tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the further consideration and second reading of the said Bill be put off till tomorrow, and that the same do stand as the first item upon the Orders of that day.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at one o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

TUESDAY.

**Tuesday, 11th February, 1845.**

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*M' Gill,*  
*Joliette,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Bruneau,*  
*Ferrie,*  
*Knoullon,*  
*Roy,*

The Honorable Messieurs

*Dionne, Amable*  
*Massue,*  
*Walker,*  
*de Boucherville,*  
*Morris, James*  
*Neilson,*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred, *de*

Report, *denovo*, of the Select Committee on

\* The evidence of these witnesses is printed in the Appendix to this volume. Vide Appendix, Divorce Evidence, No. 5.

Religious Societies' relief Bill, presented.

*novoo*, the Bill intituled, "An Act to extend the provisions of a certain Act of the Parliament of the Province of *Upper Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled, 'An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned,' to other denominations of Christians than those therein enumerated," presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,

Tuesday, 11th February, 1845. The Report.

The Select Committee to whom was referred, *de novo*, the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to extend the provisions of a certain Act of the Parliament of the Province of *Upper Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled, 'An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned,' to other denominations of Christians than those therein enumerated," have further examined the said Bill, and beg leave to Report the same with the following amendments:

In the Preamble, line 12.—After the word "mentioned," insert, "as amended by a certain other Act of the Parliament of the said Province, passed in the third year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Act to amend an Act passed in the ninth year of the Reign of King *George* the Fourth, chap. 2, intituled, 'An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned.'"

In the Title, line 1.—Leave out "a certain Act," and insert "two certain Acts."

line 2.—Leave out from "passed" to "mentioned," in the fourth line inclusively.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

*J. NEILSON, Chairman.*

*Ordered,*

To be considered tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the question of concurrence be put on the amendments reported by the last mentioned Committee tomorrow.

Motion to read Official Salaries' Attachment Bill 3rd time.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorise to a certain extent the seizure and attachment of official salaries towards payment of the incumbent's debts;"

*It was moved*, that the said Bill be now read the third time.

Objected to.

Which being objected to,

The question was put thereupon.

Carried in the affirmative.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Then the said Bill was read the third time.

An amendment moved.

*Then it was moved*, in Press 2, line 46, after "jurisdiction," to insert the following Clause:

"And be it enacted, that in the event of any claim or demand upon a public officer, or any portion thereof, having been contracted or bearing date at a period longer than twelve months prior to application for arrest of salary, then and in that case the arrest so required shall be refused, and held null and void."

Objected to.

Which being objected to,

The question was put whether the said Clause shall be there inserted?

Carried in the affirmative.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Then it was moved*, that the said Bill, with the amendment, do pass.

Which being objected to,

The question was put thereupon.

Bill as amended passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Dissentient*:

Protest thereon.

*Because*, this Bill is unprecedented in British legislation, and therefore "of an extraordinary and unusual nature," requiring, conformably to the Royal instructions, to be reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon.

*Because*, the passing of this Bill by the Legislature, without inquiry, fixing on individual officers of Government the non-payment of their debts, tends injuriously to affect the character of all the officers of Her Majesty's Government, and the character of the Government itself, under which the major part of them hold their commissions during pleasure.

*Because*, that it is not to be supposed that the Government will retain any such officer in its service after a seizure on his salary has

been lodged in the hands of the Receiver General, and therefore the party injured by such officer, should such law exist, will receive little or no benefit by the seizure.

*Because*, in the case of the Judges now holding their commissions during good behaviour, such seizure would disqualify them from the administration of justice in the opinion of the public, without any specific complaint having been alleged against them, on which they could have a fair trial before a competent tribunal.

*Because*, that the power given to the Receiver General to withhold parts of the salaries of officers on the Civil List appropriated in the Constitutional Act, and which salaries are required by the said Act to be paid to such officers, by the Warrant of the Governor, is an indirect and unwarrantable interference with the said Act.

J. NEILSON,  
PETER M'GILL,  
P. H. KNOULTON,  
FRS. P. BRUNEAU,  
WM. WALKER.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with a certain amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Members of the Quebec Library Association," was read the third time.

Quebec Library Association Bill, read 3rd time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Canada Baptist Missionary Society," was read the third time.

Canada Baptist Missionary Bill, read 3rd time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate La Communauté des Sœurs des Sts. Noms de Jésus et Marie, of the Parish of St. Antoine de Longueuil, in the District of Montreal, for the purposes of education," was read the third time.

Des Sœurs, of St. Antoine Bill, read 3rd time.

The

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Passed. *It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any amendment.

Gaspé District Judicature Bill, as amended, read 3rd time. The Bill intituled, " An Act supplementary to an Act of the last Session of the Legislature relating to the administration of justice in the *Gaspé* District, and to extend the provisions of the said Act," was, as amended, read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

Passed. *It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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.

Orders read. Harris' Divorce Bill. The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration and the second reading of the Bill intituled, " An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for a further hearing of Counsel for and against the same, and for the Members to be summoned.

Counsel and Agent appear in. Counsel and Agent were accordingly called in.

Witnesses examined. And *Moses S. David*, *Moses Judah Hayes*, *William Badgley*, Esquires, and Captain *Fredrick F. Ingall*, were called in, and being sworn, were examined, as follows :\*

77th Standing Order dispensed with. The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* enters. *Ordered*, that the seventy-seventh Standing Order of this House, requiring the attendance of the Petitioner upon the second reading of this Bill, be dispensed with.

Evidence closed. The Counsel stated he had no further evidence to offer.

The Agent being asked whether he intended to offer any evidence on the part of *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, stated that he had no evidence to offer.

The Counsel was then heard to close the case.

\* The evidence of these witnesses is printed in the Appendix to this volume. Vide Appendix, Divorce Evidence, No. 5.

The Counsel and Agent were then directed to withdraw.

Counsel and Agent withdraw.

*Ordered*, that the further consideration and second reading of the Bill be put off until Tuesday next.

2nd reading of Bill postponed till Tuesday.

*Ordered*, that the last mentioned Bill, together with the evidence produced at the Bar of this House, be printed in both languages, for the use of Members.

To be printed.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill intituled, " An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke* Cotton Factory," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon ;

Committee on Sherbrooke Cotton Factory Bill postponed till Tuesday.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, " An Act for requiring a qualification in real estate from all persons who may hereafter be summoned to the Legislative Council of this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

2nd reading Legislative Counsellors Qualification Bill postponed to 19th instant.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Wednesday, the 19th instant.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, " An Act to enable Notaries to call meetings of relations and friends in certain cases without being thereunto specially appointed or authorised by a Judge," it was

2nd reading Relations' Meetings' Bill postponed to 20th instant.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Thursday, the 20th instant.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, " An Act to repeal an Act therein mentioned, and to provide for the regulation of Line Fences and Water Courses in *Upper Canada*," was read the second time.

Line Fences, Bill, read 2nd time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson*, *Bruneau*, and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, " An Act to make further regulation for holding the Courts of Assize and Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the trial of prisoners under certain circumstances," was read the second time.

Courts of Assize Bill, U. C. read 2nd time.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson*, *Walker*, and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Savings Banks Bill, read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned for the establishment and encouragement of Savings' Banks," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Fergusson*, *Ferrie*, *Massue*, and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Consideration of the Report on Seminaire of St. Thérèse Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to take into consideration the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate Le Petit Séminaire de *Ste. Thérèse de Blainville*, in the District of *Montreal*."

The said Report was then read by the Clerk.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be adopted.

3rd reading to-morrow.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Petition,

From L. Fiset, and others, of Gaspé, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Amable Dionne* presented a Petition from *L. Fiset*, and others, of the County of *Gaspé*, praying for a grant of money to enable them to complete the road leading from *Percé* to the head of the Bay of *Chaleurs*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued, until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

WEDNESDAY.

**Wednesday, 12th Feb. 1845.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs.

*McGill*,

*Morris*, *Willham*

*Joliette*,

*Fergusson*,

*Bruneau*,

*Ferrie*,

*Knoulton*,

The Honorable Messieurs.

*McKay*,

*Dionne*, *Amable*

*Massue*,

*Walker*,

*Morris*, *James*

*Neilson*.

#### PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from the Corporation of the City of *Montreal*, praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation in regard to the Offices of City Surveyor and Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Petitions, From the Montreal Corporation ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Montreal*, on behalf of the Board of the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning, praying for such an amendment of the Statute 41 George III, chap. 17, as will enable them to alienate and dispose of a certain portion of the Real Estate of *McGill College*, for the purpose of increasing the Revenues of the said College ; and also a Petition from the Reverend *William Dawes*, and others, members of the Church of *England*, in the Parish of *St. John's* in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

From the Bishop of Montreal ;

From Rev. W. Dawes, and others, of St. Johns ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Amable Dionne* presented a Petition from *Joseph Painchaud*, and others, physicians and surgeons, of *Quebec*, praying for the incorporation of a School of Medicine in that City.

From J. Painchaud, and others, of Quebec, and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from *J. Pangman*, and others, members of the Church of *England* in the Mission of *Mascouche*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

From J. Pangman, and others of Mascouche, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris*, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House a copy of a Statistical Report on Elementary Education in *Canada East*.

Report on Education, presented.

*Ordered*,

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :

(For Report, Vide Sessional Papers, Letter Z.)

Report of the Select Committee on Line Fence Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act there- in mentioned, and to provide for the regula- tion of Lines Fences and Water Courses in "Upper Canada," reported that the Commit- tee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to Report the same without any amendment.

To be consid- ered tomor- row.

**Ordered**, that the said Report be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

Petition, From the Hon. J. Crooks, read.

**Ordered**, that the petition presented to this House on the fifteenth day of January last, from the Honorable *James Crooks*, praying that measures may be adopted to indemnify him for the loss of the schooner *Lord Nelson*, during the late war with the *United States*, be now read.

The same was read by the Clerk accord- ingly.

**Ordered**, that the said Petition be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a Select Com- mittee.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Ho- norable Messieurs *Mc Gill*, *Fergusson*, *Bruneau*, *Massue*, and *James Morris*, to meet and ad- journ as they please.

Petition, From A. Hurl- but, and others, of Missisquoi, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* pre- sented a Petition from *Abel Hurlbut*, Junior, and others, inhabitants of the Municipal Dis- trict of *Missisquoi*, praying that the *Lower Canada* Judicature Act may be amended.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

Seminaire de St. Thérèse, de Blainville Bill, read 3rd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill "intituled "An Act to incorporate *Le Petit Seminaire de Ste. Thérèse de Blainville*, in "the District of *Montreal*," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

**Ordered**, that one of the Masters in Chan- cery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Montreal High School Bill, read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the High "School of *Montreal*," was read the second time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Ho- norable Messieurs *Mc Gill*, *Walker*, and *Neil- son*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Com- mittee.

A Message was brought from the Legisla- tive Assembly, by Mr. *Cummings*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to empower the "District Councils of Municipal Districts and "Boards of Police of Incorporated Towns in- "Upper Canada to impose a Tax on Dogs with- "in their respective Districts and Towns," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Dog Tax Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the se- cond time on Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Select Commit- tee to whom was referred the Bill intituled

Amendments to Religious Societies relief Bill, consider- ed.

"An Act to extend the provisions of a certain "Act of the Parliament of the Province of "Upper Canada, passed in the ninth year of "the reign of His late Majesty King *George* "the Fourth, intituled 'An Act for the relief "of the Religious Societies therein mention- "ed,' to other denominations of Christians, "than those therein enumerated."

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

The said amendments being read the se- cond time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Adopted.

**Ordered**, that the said amendments be en- grossed and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time to-morrow.

Bill for 3rd reading tomor- row.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow at three o'clock in the after- noon, the House so decreeing.

Adjourn.

**Thursday, 13th February, 1845.** THURSDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*Mc Gill*,  
*Morris, William*,  
*Joliette*,  
*Fergusson*,  
*Bruneau*,  
*Ferrie*,  
*Knoulton*.

The Honorable Messieurs

*McKay*,  
*Dionne, Amable*  
*Massue*,  
*Walker*,  
*Morris, James*  
*Neilson*.

PRAYERS.



## PRAYERS.

Petition,

From Rev. G. W. Warr, and others, of Trafalgar, presented.

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented a Petition from the Reverend *George W. Warr*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Trafalgar*, in the *Gore* District, being Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed; that the Members of the Church of *England* may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot approve; that the course pursued in *England* may be adopted, and a Committee appointed to make such an equitable apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of the Province, either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each congregation in the Province.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

Read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Petitions,

From Rev. J. Butler, and others, of Kingsey, &amp;c.;

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *John Butler*, and others, inhabitants of *Kingsey* and *Durham*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, being Members of the Church of *England*; and also a Petition from *George Pyke*, and others, being Members of the Church Society in the Diocese of *Quebec*, respectively praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the said Society a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. M. Willoughby, and others, of Montreal, and

From Rev. C. B. Fleming, and others, of Shipton, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Mark Willoughby*, and others, being Members of the Church of *England*, of Trinity Church, *Montreal*; and also a Petition from the Reverend *C. B. Fleming*, and others, being Members of the Church of *England*, in the Townships of *Shipton*, *Melbourne*, and parts adjacent, respectively praying the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the said Society a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the

same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Massue*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned, for the establishment and encouragement of Savings Banks," presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,

The Report.

Wednesday, 12th February, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled "An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned, for the establishment and encouragement of Savings Banks," having examined the said Bill, beg leave to Report the same with the following amendment:

Lines 21 and 22.—" Provided always, that the  
" said Trustees of any  
" Savings Banks shall not  
" at any time have invest-  
" ed in such Bonds, mort-  
" gages, or securities by  
" hypothèque, more than  
" one third part of the  
" three quarters of the sum  
" deposited in such Sav-  
" ings Bank, which they  
" are now by law permit-  
" ted to invest in debentures,  
" bank stock, or  
" other Public Securities;  
" and in no case shall any  
" such Trustees advance  
" upon such bond, mort-  
" gage, or security by hy-  
" pothèque, more than one  
" half of the value of the  
" real estate or immove-  
" able property upon which  
" the same is secured, and  
" then only on condition  
" that such bond, mort-  
" gage, or security by hy-  
" pothèque be the first pri-  
" vileged claim upon such  
" real or immoveable pro-  
" perty."

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted,

L. MASSUE, *Chairman*.

*Ordered*,

Question to be put on the amendment tomorrow.

**Ordered,** that the question of concurrence be put on the amendment reported by the last mentioned Committee tomorrow.

Report of the Select Committee on Montreal High School Bill, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Mc Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the High School of *Montreal*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to Report the same without any amendment.

Bill for 3rd reading tomorrow.

**Ordered,** that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Religious Societies' Relief Bill, as amended, read 3rd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of a certain Act of the Parliament of the Province of *Upper Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the reign of His late Majesty *King George the Fourth*, intituled 'An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned,' to other denominations of Christians than those therein enumerated," was, as amended, read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

Passed.

**It was resolved** in the affirmative.

**Ordered,** that one of the Masters in Chancery 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.

Consideration of the Report on Line Fence, Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to take into consideration the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act therein mentioned, and to provide for the regulation of Line Fences and Water Courses in *Upper Canada*."

The Report was then read by the Clerk.

Report adopted.

**Ordered,** that the Report be adopted.

Bill read 3rd time.

**Ordered,** that the said Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

**It was resolved** in the affirmative.

**Ordered,** that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

**Friday, 14th February, 1845.** FRIDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*Mc Gill,*  
*Morris, William*  
*Joliette,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Bruneau,*  
*Ferrie,*  
*Knoulton,*

*Mc Kay,*  
*Dionne, Amable*  
*Massue,*  
*Walker,*  
*Morris, James*  
*Neilson,*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Amable Dionne* presented a Petition from *Daniel Byrne*, and others, inhabitants of the Parish of *St. Sylvester*, in the County of *Lotbinière*, praying that the Registry Office for the said County may be removed, or that the said Parish of *St. Sylvester* may be annexed to the County of *Megantic*. Petition, From D. Byrne, and others, of St. Sylvester, presented.

**Ordered,** that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly. Read, and

**Ordered,** that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

**Ordered,** that the same be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to detach the Parish of *St. Sylvester* from the the County of *Lotbinière*, and to annex it to the County of *Dorchester*, for the purposes of Registration only." Referred to the Select Committee on St. Sylvester Parish Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Amable Dionne* presented a Petition from *O. Trudel*, and others, inhabitants of the Seigniorship of *Batiscan*, in the District of *Three Rivers*, praying for the repeal of the Ordinance of the Special Council of *Lower Canada*, passed in the third year of Her Majesty's reign relative to winter vehicles; and also a Petition from *Louis Legendre*, and others, of the Parish of *Lotbinière*, praying for the removal of the District Court from the Parish of *St. Croix* to the Parish of *Lotbinière*. Petitions, From O. Trudel, and others, of Batiscan;

**Ordered,** that the same do lie on the Table.

The

From Rev. J. Reid, and others, of St. Armand;

The Honorable Mr. Neilson presented two Petitions from the Reverend James Reid, and others, inhabitants of the Parish of St. Armand East, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of the Universities of King's College, Toronto, and McGill College, Montreal, which shall not comprehend all other Chartered institutions of learning within the Province; and also praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec, a portion of the Clergy reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of England, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. E. G. W. Ross, and others, of Rivière du Loup;

The Honorable Mr. Walker presented a Petition from the Reverend E. G. W. Ross, and others, being Members of the Church of England, at Rivière du Loup, in the County of Rimouski, and Diocese of Quebec, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of England, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. T. Johnson, and others, of Abbotsford, &c.;

The Honorable Mr. Knoulton presented a Petition from the Reverend Thomas Johnson, and others, being members of the Church of England, in Abbotsford and Rougemont, in the Diocese of Quebec; also a Petition from John Upstone, and others, being members of the Church of England, in the Township of Shefford, in the Diocese of Quebec; and also a Petition from the Reverend W. Brethour, and others, being members of the Church of England, at Ormstown, in the County of Beauharnois, and Diocese of Quebec, respectively praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of England, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Sheriffs' Duty Bill.

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal some of the laws now in force in that part

of the Province formerly called Upper Canada, relative to the duties of Sheriff."

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be printed in both languages, for the use of Members. To be printed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the High School of Montreal," was read the third time. Montreal High School Incorporation Bill, read 3rd time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass.

*It was resolved*, in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 empower the District Councils of Municipal Districts, and Boards of Police of Incorporated Towns, in Upper Canada, to impose a Tax on Dogs within their respective Districts and Towns," was read the second time. Dog Tax Bill, read 2nd time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs Fergusson, McKay, and James Morris, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the question of concurrence on the amendment reported by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned, for the establishment and encouragement of Savings Banks". Savings Bank Bill again referred to the Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred, *de novo*, to the Select Committee, to report further thereon.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Robinson, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the management of the Customs, and of matters relative to the Collection of the Provincial Revenue," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. Customs Management Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Christie, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to authorise to a certain extent the seizure and attachment Official Salaries Attachment Bill returned from the Assembly with the amendments agreed to.

ment of Official Salaries, towards payment of the incumbents debts," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to that Bill, without amendment.

Petition,  
From O. Trudel, and others,  
of Batiscan,  
presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Joliette* presented a Petition from *O. Trudel*, and others, censitaires and freeholders of the Seigniorship of *Batiscan*, forming part of the Jesuits' Estate, praying for a remittance of the arrears of *cents et rentes* and *lods et ventes* due by them.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

MONDAY.

**Monday, 17th February, 1845.**

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs	The Honorable Messieurs
<i>M' Gill,</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable</i>
<i>Morris, William</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Joliette,</i>	<i>Massue,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>Walker,</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Morris, James</i>
<i>Knoulton,</i>	<i>Neilson.</i>
<i>M' Kay,</i>	

**PRAYERS.**

Petitions,  
From J. F. C. Ouellette, of  
Montreal;

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *Jean F. C. Ouellette*, of the City of *Montreal*, praying for a Patent Right to a certain invention.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From the  
Johnstown  
District Council;

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Johnstown*, praying for the passing of an Act to remove certain doubts respecting the Assessment of Land in the said District.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. G. Slack, and others, of Granby;

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Reverend *George Slack*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, in the Townships of *Granby* and *Milton*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*; also a Petition from the Reverend *R. R. Burrage*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, in the Mission of *Pointe Levi* and *New Liverpool*, and parts adjacent, in the Diocese of *Quebec*; also a Petition from the Reverend *W. Chaderton*,

From Rev. R. R. Burrage, and others, of Pointe Levi;

From Rev. W. Chaderton, and others, of St. Peters;

and others, being members of the Church of *England*, in the Chapelry of *St. Peters*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, respectively praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church; and also a Petition from the Reverend *George Slack*, and others, of the Townships of *Granby* and *Milton*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of *King's College, Toronto*, and *M'Gill College, Montreal*, which shall not comprehend all other Chartered institutions of learning in the Province.

From Rev. G. Slack, and others, of Granby;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from the Warden and Counsellors of the District Council of the District of *Simcoe*, praying that that portion of the Township of *West Gwillimbury* styled the Old Survey, may not be annexed to the *Home District*.

From the Simcoe District Council;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *J. Abbott*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, in the Parish of *St. Matthew, Grenville*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*; also a Petition from the Reverend *G. M. Ross*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, in *Drummondville*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*; and also a Petition from the Reverend *R. Lonsdell*, and others, being Members of the Church of *England*, in *Tingwick*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*,—respectively praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

From Rev. J. Abbott, and others, of Grenville;

From Rev. G. M. Ross, and others, of Drummondville, and From Rev. R. Lonsdell, and others, of Tingwick, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. *James Morris* be added to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the due publication of all By-Laws of the District Councils of that portion of this Province heretofore called *Upper Canada*, imposing rates or assessments upon real property."

Hon. Mr. J. Morris added to the Select Committee on By-Laws Publication Bill.

Pursuant

Customs Management Bill, read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the management of the Customs, and of matters relative to the Collection of the Provincial Revenue," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill, Joliette, Massue, Walker, and Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Quebec Firewood Society's Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Aylwin*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec Charitable Firewood Society*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Gaspé Judicature Bill returned from the Assembly with amendments agreed to.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Christie*, and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act supplementary to an Act of the last Session of the Legislature, relating to the administration of justice in the *Gaspé District*, and to extend the provisions of the said Act," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to this Bill, without any amendment.

Public Works Peace Preservation Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Smith*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for the better preservation of the peace, and the prevention of riots and violent outrages at and near Public Works while in the progress of construction," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

District Court Bill, U. C.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act, the several Laws now in force establishing or regulating the practice of District Courts in the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. *M'Kay* presented a Petition, From L. T. Besserer, and others, freeholders and householders in the Town of *Bytown* and District of *Dalhousie*, praying that the said Town may be incorporated.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

**Tuesday, 18th February, 1845.** TUESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*M'Gill,*

*Morris, William,*

*Joliette,*

*Fergusson,*

*Bruneau,*

*Ferrie,*

*Knoullon,*

*M'Kay,*

The Honorable Messieurs

*Roy,*

*Dionne, Amable*

*Dionne, Joseph,*

*Massue,*

*Walker,*

*de Boucherville.*

*Morris, James,*

*Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* presented a Petition from *Auguste St. Louis*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Richelieu*, praying that they may be relieved from certain charges imposed upon steamboats, barges, and other vessels, by the *Montreal Trinity House*. From A. St. Louis, and others, of Richelieu ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *John Henry*, and others, of the Township of *Glanford*, in the District of *Gore*, praying that no portion of the lands denominated Clergy Reserves may be invested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, but that they may be sold agreeably to the Statute 3 and 4 Victoria. From J. Henry and others, of Glanford ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *Thomas Helliwell*, and others, distillers, of the City of *Toronto*, praying that the proposed Bill for levying a duty upon distillers and brewers may not be passed into a law; and also a Petition from *John J. Weir*, and others, inhabitants of the Town of *Chatham*, praying that a certain plot of land now vested in Trustees for school purposes, may be

From T. Helliwell, and others, of Toronto, and

From J. J. Weir, and others, of Chatham, presented.

be placed under the direction and control of the Municipal Council.

*Ordered*, that the last mentioned Petition be now read.

Last Petition read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petitions do lie on the Table.

Petitions,

From J. O. Alfred, and others, of Terrebonne ;

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from *J. O. Alfred*, and others, inhabitants of the Parishes of *Terrebonne* and *Ste. Thérèse*, praying that the Ordinance 3rd Victoria, chap. 25, relating to winter roads, may be revived.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. W. Bond, and others, of Lachine, and

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *William Bond*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, in the Parish of *Lachine*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Braithwaite, and others, of Chambly, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker*, presented a Petition from *Joseph Braithwaite*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, in the Parish of *Chambly*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of the Superintendent of Education, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris*, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House a Report from the Superintendent of Education for *Canada East*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows:

*For Report, Vide Sessional Papers, Letter Z.*

2nd reading Harris' Divorce Bill, postponed till Thursday.

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration and second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire,

"with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

*Ordered*, that the further consideration and second reading of the said Bill be postponed until Thursday next, that it be placed as the first item upon the Orders of that day, and that the Members in Town be summoned.

The House, according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke Cotton Factory*," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

House in committee on Sherbrooke Cotton Factory Bill ;

After some time the House was resumed,

And the Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill and made several amendments thereto, which he was ready to Report whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

Reported with amendments ;

*Ordered*, that the Report be received tomorrow.

Report to be received tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Papineau*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to abolish the Office of Surveyor General, and to provide for the performance of the duties of that Office by the Commissioner of Crown Lands," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Office of Surveyor General Abolition Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the Community of Ladies called 'Les Sœurs de la Congrégation Notre Dame de Montreal,' to acquire and hold additional real or personal property to a certain amount," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

La Congrégation Notre Dame de Montréal Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec Charitable Firewood Society*," was read the second time.

Quebec Firewood Society Bill, read 2d time ;

*Ordered*,



*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Massue*, *Walker* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Public Works Peace Preservation Bill, read 2d time ;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act for the better preservation of the peace, and the prevention of riots and violent outrages at and near Public Works, while in progress of construction," was read the second time.

3d reading to-morrow.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

District Court Bill, U. C., read 2d time ;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act, the several Laws now in force establishing or regulating the practice of District Courts in the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson*, *McKay* and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

WEDNESDAY.

Wednesday, 19th Feb. 1845.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*Mc Gill*,  
*Morris*, *William*  
*Joliette*,  
*Fergusson*,  
*Bruneau*,  
*Ferrie*,  
*Knoulton*,  
*Mc Kay*,

The Honorable Messieurs

*Dionne*, *Amable*  
*Dionne*, *Joseph*  
*Massue*,  
*Walker*,  
*de Boucherville*.  
*Morris*, *James*  
*Neilson*,

PRAYERS.

Hon. Mr. Crooks takes the oath prescribed by law.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* came to the Table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *J. F. Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal, to

administer the oath to the Members of the Legislature.

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented a Petition from *Jean Langevin*, Esquire, of *Montreal*, praying that in any changes to be made in the Municipal Councils Act, he may be protected in his claims upon the Municipal Council of the District of *Quebec*.  
From J. Langevin, Esq. of Montreal ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *S. Crane*, and others, inhabitants of the District of *Johnstown*, praying for the construction of a plank road from *Prescott* to *Bytown* ; and also a Petition from *J. S. Mussen*, and others, members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Township of *Augusta*, in the District of *Johnstown*, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed ; that the members of the Church of *England* may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot approve ; that the course pursued in *England* may be adopted, and a Committee appointed to make such an equitable apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of the Province, either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each congregation in the Province.  
From S. Crane, and others, of Johnstown ;  
From J. S. Mussen, and others, of Augusta ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Huron*, praying that the Bill for the division of Counties and Townships may not be passed into a law in its present shape.  
From the Huron District Council ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* presented a Petition from *Frederick Widder*, Esquire, and others, inhabitants of the Province of *Upper Canada*, praying that the proposed Bill for imposing a duty upon distillers and brewers may not be passed into a law.  
From F. Widder, Esq., and others, of Upper Canada, and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from *N. Sparks*, and others, inhabitants of the Town of *Bytown*, praying that a certain tract of land, being the property of *N. Sparks*, Esquire, the right to which has been assumed by the Ordnance Department, may be surrendered to the legal proprietors.  
From N. Sparks, and others, of Bytown, presented.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

The

Last Petition read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Petition,

From Rev. S. S. Wood, and others, of Three Rivers, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Samuel S. Wood*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, residing in the Town of *Three-Rivers*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society a portion of the Clergy Reserves, corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of the Select Committee on Customs Management Bill, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Mc Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An act to provide for the management of the Customs and of other matters relative to the Collection of the Provincial Revenue," reported that the Committee 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 the same.

To be received tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the Report be received tomorrow.

Report, *de novo*, of the Select Committee on Savings Banks Bill, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Massue*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred, *de novo*, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned for the establishment and encouragement of Savings Banks," reported that the Committee had again gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any further amendment.

To be received tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be received tomorrow.

Public Works Peace Preservation Bill, read 3rd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act for the better preservation of the Peace, and the prevention of riots and violent outrages, at and near Public Works, while in the progress of construction," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

According to Order, the House took into consideration the amendments reported by a Committee of the whole House to whom was committed the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke* Cotton Factory."

Amendments to Sherbrooke Cotton Factory Bill considered.

The amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Press 4, lines 32 and 33.—Leave out the words ("not being contrary to this Act or Law,") and insert ("not being repugnant to the Laws of this Province, nor inconsistent with the true intent and meaning of this Act.")

The amendments.

" lines 38 and 39.—Leave out the words "five or more" and insert "not more than seven."

" line 43.—After the word "arising" insert the following proviso: "Provided always, that the Directors of the said Company originally elected under the provisions of this Act, or subsequently elected in their stead, or elected for the purpose of filling any vacancies as aforesaid, and forming at any time the Board of Directors of the said Corporation, shall be possessed of shares therein to the amount of one eighth of the stock of the said Corporation."

Press 5, line 20.—After "them" insert the following proviso: "Provided always, that no shareholder who shall not be a natural born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty, or who shall be a subject of any Foreign Prince or State, shall, either in person or by proxy, vote at any meeting whatever of the shareholders of the said Corporation, or shall assist in calling any meeting of the shareholders, anything in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding."

" lines 22 and 23.—Leave out the words "unless he be a shareholder possessed of at least two shares, nor."

" Line

Press 5, line 24.—After Company, insert the following additional clause :—

“ And be it enacted, That  
“ before this Act shall have its  
“ full effect and the said Com-  
“ pany be operative, evidence  
“ satisfactory to the Governor  
“ of this Province or person  
“ administering the Govern-  
“ ment thereof for the time  
“ being, shall be laid before  
“ him, that the requirements of  
“ this Act have been *bona fide*  
“ complied with, and that one  
“ half, at least, of the said ca-  
“ pital sum of twelve thousand  
“ pounds has actually been paid  
“ up by the subscribers or  
“ stockholders of the said  
“ Company, and at the disposal  
“ of the Directors thereof, for  
“ the purposes of the Com-  
“ pany, in accordance with this  
“ Act, and notice thereof gi-  
“ ven in the *Canada Gazette*,  
“ published by authority.”

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

Motion for further amendment.

*It was moved*, that the following amendment be made to the said Bill :

Press 1, line 46.—Leave out “ twelve ” and insert “ eight.”

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and

*It was carried* in the affirmative.

*Then it was moved*, that the following amendment be made to the said Bill :

Press 4, line 15.—After the word “ up ” insert “ that the whole of “ the Directors shall be “ liable to the amount of “ the liabilities of the “ Company.”

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and

*The same was resolved* in the negative.

2nd Amendment negatived.

Then the following amendment was made by the House to the Bill : 3rd Amendment agreed to.

Press 4, line 20.—Leave out “ ten ” and insert “ six.”

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time tomorrow. Bill for 3rd reading to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “ An Act “ for requiring a qualification in real estate “ from all persons who may hereafter be summoned to the Legislative Council of this “ Province, and for other purposes therein “ mentioned,” Legislative Counsellors Qualification Bill withdrawn.

The said Bill was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Dickson*, and others, with a Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate “ the Town of *Niagara*, and to establish a “ Police therein,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House. Niagara Incorporation Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled “ An Act to abolish the Office of Surveyor General, and to provide for the performance of the duties of that office by the “ Commissioner of Crown Lands,” was read the second time. Office of Surveyor General Abolition Bill, read 2nd time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow. 3rd reading to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled “ An Act to authorise the community of Ladies called ‘ Les Sœurs de la Congrégation Notre Dame de *Montreal*,’ to “ acquire and hold additional real or personal property to a certain amount,” was read the second time. La Congrégation de Notre Dame de Montreal Bill, read 2nd time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow. 3rd reading to-morrow.

*It was moved*, that the following Address be presented to Her Majesty. Motion for an Address to Her Majesty respecting a qualification for Legislative Counsellors.

*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 beg that we may be permitted to approach Your Majesty, to renew the assurance of our devoted

devoted attachment to Your Majesty's Royal person and Government.

During the last session of Your Provincial Parliament, a Bill for the better securing the independence of the Legislative Council of this Province was passed by this House and by the Legislative Assembly, which Bill was subsequently reserved by Your Majesty's Governor General for the signification of Your Majesty's Royal pleasure, and we are informed, by a despatch from the Right Honorable Lord *Stanley*, Your Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, addressed to His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the eighteenth day of April last, and communicated to this House during its present session, that Your Majesty had not thought it proper to give Your Royal sanction to the Bill, because, it appeared very materially to interfere with the power vested in Your Majesty by the Act of the Imperial Parliament of the third and fourth years of Your Majesty's reign, chapter twenty-five, in reference to the appointment of Members of the Legislative Council.

This House, not less desirous of sincerely respecting the just rights and prerogatives of Your Majesty, confided to you for the happiness of Your people, than to arrive at the end which they intended, in concurring in the passing of that Bill, are in no degree desirous of interfering with the Royal Will by renewing, in the Provincial Parliament, any Legislative measures of the same nature.

We, however, hope, that as well by the exercise of the prerogative of Your Majesty as by the intervention of Your Parliament, through Your gracious recommendation, a remedy may be applied to the defects which exist in our Provincial Constitution relating to the composition of this House, as well those pointed out in that Bill as several others which we humbly submit to Your Majesty.

We therefore pray, that, in future, no subject of Your Majesty be permitted to be summoned to the Legislative Council, unless he is permanently resident in the Province for such period of time as to Your Majesty may seem fit, nor unless he is, and continues to be, *bona fide*, in possession, for his own use and benefit, of real estate situated in the Province, of the value of at least two thousand pounds, sterling, over and above all debts or incumbrances thereon.

From the strict analogy which confers upon this House the powers exercised in the Unit-

ed Kingdom by the House of Lords, the pecuniary independence of the Legislative Council, by means of a territorial revenue, would assure the efficiency of this body, and would attract towards it the confidence of the people, and of the Mother Country, and we take leave to mention that this qualification is throughout regarded as so necessary for the Legislative body in a similar position that it has been adopted in our neighbouring country, where the democratic principle nevertheless prevails entirely in the Government.

This qualification would also be a guarantee of the assiduity of the members at the sittings of this House, during the session of the Provincial Parliament, obliged as they are personally to defray the necessary expenses for that purpose, while, in the present instance, it is possible that the absence of members arises from an incapacity on their part to meet those expenses, or that many are not present during the session, but for a short space of time, and only with a view to remove themselves from the operation of the law, which, in case of prolonged absence, declares their seats vacant.

We also pray for the repeal of that part of the Act constituting this House which permits its Members to resign their seats. This provision is in direct contravention of the constitution of the United Kingdom, where the Peerage is hereditary; it is but little adapted for the assurance of the independence and the dignity of the Legislative Council, and for obtaining confidence in the importance and permanence of opinions and interests which there find their safeguard.

We further are desirous that the Members of this House should not vote at the election for members of the Legislative Assembly. The same motives which we have already submitted to Your Majesty apply to this point in particular, and further, the practice of the amendment now suggested would lead to the further maintenance of the distinction of powers between the two branches of the Provincial Legislature, and of harmony and good intelligence during their sessions, among them and among their individual members.

The said address was then read by the Clerk.

*Ordered*, that the said address be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Mc Gill*, *Joliette*, *Fergusson*, *James Morris* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee.

The

Petition,  
From A. Buell,  
and others,  
Lawyers, of  
Upper Cana-  
da, presented.

The Honorable *James Morris* presented a Petition from *Andrew N. Buell*, and others, Practitioners of the Law, residing out of *Toronto*, in *Upper Canada*, praying for the amendment of the Law regulating the practice of the Courts of this Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at one o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

THURSDAY.

**Thursday, 20th February, 1845.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs	The Honorable Messieurs
<i>M<sup>c</sup>Gill,</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable</i>
<i>Joliette,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Massue,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Walker,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>de Boucherville,</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Morris, James</i>
<i>Knoulton,</i>	<i>Neilson.</i>
<i>Roy,</i>	

PRAYERS.

Petition,  
From Rev. C. Jackson, and others, of Hatley ; and

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *C. Jackson*, and others, being Members of the Church of *England*, in the Township of *Hatley*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. G. Mackie, and others, of the Diocese of Quebec, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Reverend *George Mackie*, and others, being Members of the Church of *England*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Massue*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec* Charitable Firewood Society," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Report of Select Committee on Quebec Firewood Bill, presented.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke* Cotton Factory." amended, read 3rd time ;

Sherbrooke Cotton Factory Bill, as amended, read 3rd time ;

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Then the following amendments were made to the said Bill.

In the last amendment made by the Committee of the whole Further amendments ;

In line 24—leave out "twelve," and insert "eight."

In the Bill—Press 4, line 26, leave out "ten" and insert "six."  
Leave out "twelve" and insert "eight."

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass? Bill passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 abolish the office of Surveyor General, and to provide for the performance of the duties of that office by the Commissioner of Crown Lands," was read the third time. Office of Surveyor General abolition Bill, read 3rd time ;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Communion of Ladies called 'Les Sœurs de la Congrégation Notre Dame de *Montréal*,' to acquire and hold additional real or personal property to a certain amount," was read the third time. La Congrégation Notre Dame de Montréal Bill ;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass? Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any amendment.

The Order read for reading the 2nd time Harris' Divorce Bill;

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration and second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, "with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for the Members to be summoned,

*It was moved*, that the said Bill be now read the second time.

Which being objected to,

Motion in amendment;

*It was moved*, in amendment,

To leave out all the words after "that" in the original motion, and to insert, "this House does not find it expedient to proceed further on this Bill."

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* enters.

The motion in amendment being objected to,

After long debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

Same negatived;

*Resolved* in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion,

Main motion carried.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Protest thereon;

Dissentient:

*Because*, this House, being a branch of a subordinate Legislature established by Act of the Imperial Parliament, holds no powers but such as are expressly granted to it, or are necessary to give effect to the power with which it is so invested.

*Because*, the power of hearing and determining the complaints of individuals for the violation of a contract or alleged injuries, belongs only to Tribunals invested with Judicial powers, which are not conferred on this House.

*Because*, the possession of such powers by the House of Lords, which is the highest Judicial Tribunal in the United Kingdom, cannot justify the assumption of such power by this House.

*Because*, to legislate on individual cases, without the legal power of hearing and deter-

mining on the complaints of the parties, would expose this House to be instrumental in committing acts of injustice, and is otherwise of dangerous precedent and injurious tendency.

*Because*, the said *Henry William Harris* and his wife were at no time permanently domiciliated in this Province, and have long withdrawn therefrom, and have a remedy, if they are entitled to a divorce, in the Tribunal of the House of Lords, and in the Imperial Parliament, whose power in such cases extends to all Her Majesty's subjects, and to every part of the empire.

*Because*, the Royal instructions "relating to the enactment of Laws by the Parliament of the Province of *Canada*, communicated to the Legislative Council on the 19th September, 1841, expressly instruct the Governor "not to propose or assent to any Act whatsoever for the divorce of persons joined together in holy matrimony," classing the said prohibition among those wherein it is not provided that Bills be reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure.

*Because*, on the supposition that the Provincial Legislature had the power of passing an Act establishing a divorce, the circumstances of the country do not require the exercise of that power; and the pernicious example of the enactment of a law of the nature proposed, would not be compensated by any benefit which might result to the parties more immediately concerned.

J. NEILSON,  
JOS. DIONNE,  
BMY. JOLIETTE,  
A. DIONNE,  
R. E. CARON,  
L. MASSUE.

Then the said Bill was read the second time. Bill read 2d time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next, and that the same do stand as the first item upon the Orders of that day. To be committed on Monday;

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable Notaries to call meetings of relations and friends, in certain cases, without being thereunto specially appointed or authorized by a Judge." 2nd reading Relations Meetings Bill postponed till Tuesday.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.



Legal claims Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Christie*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to provide a legal recourse to Her Majesty's subjects in this Province having legal or just claims upon the Executive Government thereof, and to enable Her Majesty the more effectually to do justice in such cases," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Niagara Plank Road Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Dickson*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons as the *Niagara and Ten-Mile Creek Plank Road Company*, for the purpose of constructing a Plank Road from a certain place in *Niagara* to the *Ten-Mile Creek* in *Grantham*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Receiving the Report on Customs Management Bill, postponed till tomorrow.

The Order of the Day being read for receiving the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the management of the Customs, and of matters relative to the collection of the Provincial Revenue";

*Ordered*, that the said Report be received tomorrow.

Report of the Select Committee on Savings Banks Bill, considered.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the question for receiving the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned for the establishment and encouragement of Savings Banks";

Whereupon the amendment reported by the said Committee was read by the Clerk.

Amendment adopted.

The said amendment being read the second time, and the question of concurrence put hereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

3rd reading tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time tomorrow.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Friday, 21st February, 1845.

FRIDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs	The Honorable Messieurs
<i>M'Gill,</i>	<i>Knoulton,</i>
<i>Morris, William</i>	<i>M'Kay,</i>
<i>Joliette,</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Walker,</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Morris, James</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>Neilson.</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	

PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a general statement of the affairs of the *Montreal Life and Fire Assurance Company*, made up to the 31st December, 1844. Statement of the Montreal Life and Fire Assurance Company, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and it is as follows:

(For Statement, vide Sessional Papers, Letter S.)

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from *Peter Fleming*, Civil Engineer, praying that he may be employed in his professional capacity on some of the Provincial Works. Petition, From P. Fleming, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same be now read.

The said Petition was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Midland District, praying that the Petition of the Corporation of the Town of *Kingston*, on the subject of taxation, may not be granted. Petitions, From Midland District Council; and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *George Sutton*, and others, Members of the Church of *England*, in the Mission of *Christieville*, in the County of *Rouville*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the said Society a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church. From Rev. G. Sutton, and others, of Christieville, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Roman Catholic Bishops Incorporation Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Prince*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishops of *Toronto* and *Kingston*, in *Canada*, in each Diocese," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

British and Canadian School Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Aylwin*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the British and Canadian School Society of the District of *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Quebec High School Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Aylwin*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the High School of *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Religious Societies' Relief Bill returned from the Assembly, with amendments agreed to.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Williams*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of a certain Act of the Parliament of the Province of *Upper Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled, 'An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned,' to other denominations of Christians than those therein enumerated," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

Report of the Select Committee on Dog Tax Bill, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to empower the District Councils of Municipal Districts and Boards of Police of incorporated Towns in *Upper Canada*, to impose a tax on Dogs within their respective Districts and Towns," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with a certain amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be received on Monday next. To be received on Monday.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned, for the establishment and encouragement of Savings Banks," was, as amended, read the third time. Savings Banks Bill, as amended, read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 *Quebec* Charitable Firewood Society," was read the third time. Quebec Firewood Society Bill, read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 incorporate the Town of *Niagara*, and to establish a Police therein," was read the second time. Niagara Incorporation Bill, read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M<sup>c</sup>Gill*, *Crooks*, *Hamilton*, *Bruneau*, and *Walker*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide a legal recourse to Her Majesty's subjects in this Province having legal or just claims upon the Executive Government thereof, and to enable Her Majesty the more effectually to do justice in such cases," was read the second time. Legal Claims Bill, read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *William Morris*, *Hamilton*, *Bruneau*, *Amable Dionne*, and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons" Niagara Plank Road Bill, read 2nd time;

"sons"

"sons as the *Niagara and Ten-Mile Creek*  
"Plank Road Company, for the purpose of  
"constructing a plank road from a certain  
"place in *Niagara* to the *Ten-Mile Creek*, in  
"Grantham," was read the second time.

Referred to a  
Select Com-  
mittee.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Niagara*, and to establish a Police therein."

Amendments  
reported to  
Customs Man-  
agement Bill,  
considered.

According to order, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the management of the Customs, and of matters relative to the collection of the Provincial Revenue."

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follows :

Amendments. Press 4, line 36.—After the word "respectively," insert, "Provided always, that a notice of the hours of general attendance so appointed, shall be kept constantly posted up in some conspicuous place in such offices and places of appointment."

Press 8, line 43.—After the word "made," insert "Provided always, that a detailed statement of all such remissions as aforesaid shall be annually submitted to the several branches of the Legislature within the first fifteen days of each ensuing Session thereof."

Adopted.

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

3rd reading  
tomorrow.

**Ordered**, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time on Monday next.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Monday, 24th February, 1845. MONDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*M' Gill,*  
*Morris, William*  
*Crooks,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Hamilton,*  
*Bruneau,*  
*Ferrie,*  
*Knoulton,*

The Honorable Messieurs

*M' Kay,*  
*Roy,*  
*Moore,*  
*Dionne, Joseph*  
*Massue,*  
*Walker,*  
*Morris, James*  
*Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Petition from the Chartered Banks in *Canada West*, praying that the Tax on the said Banks may be repealed or reduced within more reasonable limits.

Petition,  
From Char-  
tered Banks in  
Canada West,  
presented.

**Ordered**, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

**Ordered**, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *A. N. Buell*, and others, being Members of the Law Society of *Upper Canada*, praying that the Act incorporating the said Society may be amended.

Petitions,  
From A. N.  
Buell, and  
others, mem-  
bers of the  
Law Society  
of Upper Ca-  
nada;

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *M' Gill* presented a Petition from *John Ostell*, and others, in behalf of the Mechanics' Institute of *Montreal*, praying that the said Institute may be incorporated; and also a Petition from *John Willard*, and others, praying for compensation for certain losses and extra work done by them as Contractors on the *Chambly Canal*.

From J. Ostell,  
and others, of  
Montreal;

From J. Wil-  
lard, and  
others;

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *Edward Hale*, and others, of *Port Neuf*, being Members of the Church of *England*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*; also a Petition from the Reverend *A. V. Whittan*, and others, in the Mission of *L'Acadie* and County of *Chambly*, being Members of the Church of *England*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, respectively praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese, a portion of the Clergy Reserves, corresponding to the share

From E. Hale,  
and others, of  
Port Neuf;

From Rev. A.  
V. Whittan,  
and others, of  
L'Acadie;

of

of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church; and also a Petition from *Levi Cleveland*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Kingsey* and *Tingwick*, praying for the improvement of the road from *Sydenham* in the said Township of *Kingsey*, to *Glen Douglas*, in the Township of *Aston*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From L. Cleveland, and others, of Kingsey, &c.;

From the Victoria District Council, for a Road;

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented three Petitions from the Municipal Council of the District of *Victoria*, praying for the amendment of the School Act; also praying for a grant of money to construct a road from the Town of *Belleville* to the *Madoc* Iron Works, and thence to the Village of *Pembroke* on the *Madawaska* River; and also praying that the expense of the administration of Justice within the said District may be defrayed out of the Provincial Revenue.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Respecting the charge for the Administration of Justice, and

From R. Ross, and others, of Frampton, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *Robert Ross*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Frampton*, *Stuneton*, and *Cranbourne*, praying that neither the Bill providing for Elementary Education nor any other Bill for imposing direct Taxes in *Lower Canada* may be passed into Laws.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

Last Petition read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Montreal and Quebec Boards of Trade Bill, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to render permanent two certain Acts therein mentioned, incorporating the Boards of Trade of *Montreal* and *Quebec*."

The said Bill was read the first time.

2nd reading on Wednesday.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Petition, From Rev. J. Johnson, and others, of Hull, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *John Johnson*, and others, being Members of the Church of *England*, in the Township of *Hull*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same

may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the management of Customs, and of matters relative to the collection of the Provincial Revenue," was read the third time.

Customs Management Bill, as amended, read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with certain amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to provide a legal recourse to Her Majesty's subjects in this Province, having legal or just claims upon the Executive Government thereof, and to enable Her Majesty the more effectually to do justice in such cases," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Report of Select Committee on Legal Claims Bill, presented.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Bill for 3rd reading tomorrow.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill intituled "An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

House in Committee on Harris' Divorce Bill.

After some time the House was resumed,

And the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

Report to be received tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be received tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*, and others, as follows:

Message from the Assembly with an Address to Her Majesty respecting the

French Language.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,  
Friday, 21st February, 1845.

*Ordered*, that the engrossed Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the French Language, adopted by the House this day, be communicated by Message to the Honorable the Legislative Council, requesting the concurrence of their Honors thereto.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. *Papineau* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,  
W. B. LINDSAY,  
Clerk Assembly.

The said Address to Her Majesty was read by the Clerk, as follows :

*To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty,*

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN :

We, Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, most humbly beg leave to approach Your Majesty for the purpose of renewing the expression of our faithful attachment to Your Majesty's person and Government, and of representing,

That, sensible of the advantages we enjoy from Your Majesty's care and protection, and which we trust may long be continued to us under Your Majesty's parental sway, it is, at all times, our duty to submit for Your Majesty's most gracious consideration, such matters as may have a tendency, with any class of Your Majesty's subjects, to diminish that contentment which, we are well assured, Your Majesty desires should exist in every portion of Your Dominions.

That the French is the native language of a very large class of Your Majesty's subjects in this Province ; of this class the great mass indeed speak no other language. In it the largest portion of their laws, and the books on their system of jurisprudence are written, their daily intercourse with each other is conducted ; it is the language in which alone they can invoke the blessings of Heaven on themselves and all that is dear to them. A language indispensable to so many of Your Majesty's faithful People, cannot, they will believe, be viewed by their Sovereign as foreign, when used by them.

That Your Majesty's Royal Predecessors placed the languages spoken by the two great

classes of Your Majesty's subjects in this Province, on the same footing ; affording, in this respect, equal justice and equal facility to all.

That this principle was never departed from until the Act re-uniting these Provinces was passed.

That we do not question that the best intentions and designs influenced the minds of those who enacted the provision which declared :

" That all writs, proclamations, instruments  
" for summoning and calling together the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly  
" of the Province of *Canada*, and for procuring and dissolving the same, and all  
" writs of Summons and Election, and all  
" writs and public instruments whatever relating to the said Legislative Council and  
" Legislative Assembly, or either of them,  
" and all returns to such writs and instruments, and all journals and entries, and  
" written or printed proceedings of what nature soever of the said Legislative Council  
" and Legislative Assembly, and of each of  
" them respectively, and all written or printed  
" proceedings and reports of Committees of  
" the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, respectively, shall be in the  
" English language only."

But, that in the very first Session of the Legislature, under that Act, it was indispensable to translate into French every public record and document. That the debates were not and could not, unless a portion of the Representatives of the People were silenced, be carried on without its use ; that in Courts and judicial proceedings it was found equally necessary as before the Union, and for every other practical purpose, it is as much used as it ever has been.

That the only distinction which exists then, is, that the French is not permitted to be the legal language of Parliamentary records ; a distinction of little value perhaps in itself,—one which cannot produce any beneficial result on the feelings or habits of the People using it ; while it gives rise to a feeling among them injurious to the peace and tranquillity of the Province, namely, that this limited proscription of their language conveys, however undesignedly, an imputation of unfavorable distinction towards themselves.

That desirous that the hearts of all men in this Province may be joined in unity, in their attachment to and support of Your Majesty's person

person and Government, we humbly pray Your Majesty to endeavour to remove this cause of discontent, and to recommend to the Imperial Parliament the repeal of that portion of the law which has given rise to it; assuring Your Majesty that such a course will be hailed, by Your Majesty's loyal Canadian people, as an additional mark of Your Majesty's solicitude for their welfare.

ALLAN N. MCNAB,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Friday, 21st February, 1845.

*Ordered*, that the said Address be taken into consideration by the House tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Hale*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorise *John Yule*, the younger, to build a Toll Bridge "over the River *Richelieu*, in the Parish of "Saint Joseph de Chambly, to fix the rates of "Toll for passing thereon, and to provide regulations for the same," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Hale*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate "the *Sherbrooke Cotton Factory*," 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 Mr. *Powell*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act "passed in the fourth and fifth years of the "Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, intituled "An Act to secure to, and confer "upon certain inhabitants of this Province "the civil and political rights of British subjects, and to make further provisions regarding Aliens," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Laurin*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to organise the Notarial Profession in that part of this Province "called *Lower-Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishops of *Toronto* and *Kingston* "in *Canada*, in each Diocese," was read the second time.

Roman Catholic Bishops incorporation Bill, read 2nd time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Massue*, *Walker*, *James Morris*, and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the British and Canadian School Society of the District "of *Quebec*," was read the second time.

British and Canadian School Bill, read 2nd time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee last appointed.

Referred to last mentioned Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the High School of *Quebec*," was read the second time.

Quebec High School Bill, read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

3rd reading tomorrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendment reported by the Select Committee to whom had been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to empower "the District Councils of Municipal Districts, "and Boards of Police of incorporated Towns "in *Upper Canada*, to impose a Tax on Dogs "within their respective Districts and Towns."

Amendment to Dog Tax Bill, considered;

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Press 2, line 14.—After "same" insert the following clause:

"And be it enacted, that for  
"all the purposes of this Act,  
"it shall be deemed and  
"held sufficient proof of the  
"ownership in any dog upon  
"which a tax may be levied  
"if the said dog is known to  
"the Assessor of any Town-  
"ship or incorporated Town  
"aforesaid to frequent any  
"dwelling or lodging house  
"as a home, and the owner  
"or occupier of such dwelling  
"or lodging house shall  
"be held liable for the pay-  
"ment

To be considered tomorrow.

Yule's Toll Bridge Bill.

Sherbrooke Cotton Factory Bill returned from the Assembly with amendments agreed to.

Alien Law amendment Bill;

Notarial Profession Bill, Lower Canada;



“ment of the tax on any such  
“dog, and in any action or  
“suit for alleged injury or  
“damage committed by such  
“dog the return of the asses-  
“sor designating such own-  
“ership, shall be deemed and  
“held to be sufficient evi-  
“dence of such ownership ;  
“and further, that any per-  
“son being generally or fre-  
“quently attended or fol-  
“lowed by any dog, shall be  
“deemed and considered  
“for all the purposes of this  
“Act, as the owner thereof,  
“and liable as such owner  
“for the payment of such  
“tax, or for all injuries or  
“damages committed by  
“such dog.”

Adopted ;

The said amendment being read the second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

3rd reading to-  
morrow.

*Ordered*, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time tomorrow.

Petition,

From F. Cu-  
bitt, and  
others, of Dar-  
lington, pre-  
sented.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *Fleetwood Cubitt*, and others, being Members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Townships of *Darlington and Clarke*, in *Canada West*, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed; that the members of the Church of *England* may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot approve; that the course pursued in *England* may be adopted, and a Committee appointed to make such an equitable apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of the Province, either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each Congregation in the Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

**Tuesday, 25th February, 1845.** TUESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*Mc Gill,*  
*Morris, William*  
*Crooks,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Hamilton,*  
*Bruneau,*  
*Ferrie,*  
*Knoulton,*  
*McKay,*

The Honorable Messieurs

*Moore,*  
*Dionne, Amable*  
*Dionne, Joseph*  
*Massue,*  
*Walker,*  
*De Boucherville,*  
*Morris, James*  
*Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from *Charles A. Lowe*, and others, inhabitants of the *Eastern and Ottawa Districts*, praying for the improvement of the road between *Cornwall and L'Orignal*.

Petitions,  
From C. A.  
Lowe, and  
others, of the  
Eastern and  
Ottawa Dis-  
tricts ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *John Dobson*, and others, inhabitants of the *Western District*, praying for a grant of money to complete the road between *Sandwich and Raleigh*, commonly called the *Tecumseth Road*; and also a Petition from *F. B. Baby*, and others, inhabitants of the *Western District*, praying that the Bill for imposing a duty on Distillers and Brewers may not be passed into a Law.

From J. Dob-  
son, and others,  
of the Western  
District ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *S. Cutter*, and others, inhabitants of *Kingsey, Durham*, and the adjoining Townships, praying for pecuniary aid to complete the road between *Montreal and Craig's Road*, passing through the Townships of *Kingsey, Durham, Acton, and Roxton*.

From S. Cut-  
ter, and others,  
of Kingsey,  
&c., and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from *J. A. Gagnon*, and others, inhabitants of *St. Mary's, St. Lawrence, and Queen's Wards, Montreal*, praying that each of the said Wards may be subdivided into three; that the representatives in the City Council may be proportionably increased; and that the period for holding the Elections may be extended to three days.

From J. A.  
Gagnon, and  
others, of Mon-  
treal, present-  
ed.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The

Report of Select Committee on St. Sylvester Parish Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Massue*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to detach the Parish of *St. Sylvester* from the County of *Lotbinière*, and to "annex it to the County of *Dorchester*, for the "purpose of Registration only," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

To be received tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be received tomorrow.

Report of Select Committee on British and Canadian School Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the British and "Canadian School Society of the District of "Quebec," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Bill for 3rd reading tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Legal Claims Bill, read 3rd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide a legal recourse "to Her Majesty's subjects in this Province, "having legal or just claims upon the Executive Government thereof, and to enable Her "Majesty the more effectually to do justice "in such cases," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Quebec High School Bill, read 3rd time;

Pursuant to the Order or the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the High "School of *Quebec*," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any amendment.

Dog Tax Bill, as amended, read 3rd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to empower the District "Councils of Municipal Districts and Boards "of Police of incorporated Towns in *Upper "Canada*, to impose a Tax on Dogs within "their respective Districts and Towns," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 enable Notaries to call "meetings of Relations and Friends in certain "cases, without being thereunto specially appointed or authorized by a Judge," was read the second time.

Relations Meetings Bills, read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bruncan*, *Amable Dionne*, *Joseph Dionne*, *Massue* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Committee of the whole, to whom was committed the Bill intituled "An "Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, "otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now "wife, and to enable him to marry again, and "for other purposes therein mentioned."

Consideration of the amendments to Harris' Divorce Bill;

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

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

Adopted;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed and the same read the third time tomorrow.

3rd reading tomorrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to the consideration of the Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the French language.

Address to Her Majesty on the French Language;

The said Address was then read by the Clerk.

*It was moved* to agree with the Legislative Assembly in the said Address, by filling up the blank with "Legislative Council and the."

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

*Resolved* unanimously in the affirmative.

Adopted.

*Ordered*, that the Speaker do sign the said Address on behalf of this House.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and

and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the said Address by filling up the blank with "Legislative Council and the."

*Ordered*, that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, as follows :

An Address to His Excellency thereon ordered.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable CHARLES THEOPHILUS BARON METCALFE, of Fernhill, in the County of Berks, Knight Grand Cross, of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General, and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled, beg leave to approach Your Excellency with our respectful request that you will be pleased to transmit our joint Address on the subject of the French language, in such way as Your Excellency may deem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed the last mentioned Address to His Excellency the Governor General, to which they desire their concurrence.

Yule's Toll Bridge Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorise John Yule, the younger, to build a Toll-Bridge over the River Richelieu, in the Parish of Saint Joseph de Chambly, to fix the rates of toll for passing thereon, and to provide regulations for the same," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs Bruneau, Moore, and de Boucherville, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Notarial Profession Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to organize the Notarial Profession in that part of this Province called Lower Canada," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs M'Gill, Joliette, Bruneau, Amable Dionne, and Neilson, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. Knoulton be added to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Petition of Frederick Starr Jarvis, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, and also the Petition of John Bright, a Messenger to this House. A Member added to the Committee on Jarvis' Petition.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. James Morris be substituted for the Honorable Mr. William Morris, upon the Committee appointed to superintend the Printing of this House. A Member added to Committee on Printing.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

Wednesday, 26th Feb. 1845. WEDNESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable René E. Caron, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs	The Honorable Messieurs
M'Gill,	Moore,
Morris, William	Dionne, Amable
Crooks,	Dionne, Josphe
Fergusson,	Massue,
Hamilton,	Walker,
Bruneau,	de Boucherville,
Ferrie,	Morris, James
Knoulton,	Neilson.
M'Kay,	

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. William Morris 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 answer to the Address to Her Majesty on the birth of Prince Alfred, presented.

And the same was read as follows :

METCALFE.

The Governor General transmits, for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council, the copy of a Despatch which has been received from Her Majesty's Secretary of State, in reply to the Address of the Council to the Queen, on the birth of His Royal Highness Prince Alfred.

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Government House,

Montreal, 25th February, 1845.

(For Despatch, vide Appendix, No. 9.)

The

Answer to the Address to Prince Albert on the birth of Prince Alfred, presented.

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented to the House a letter which has been received from the Secretary to His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, in reply to the Address presented by the Legislative Council to His Royal Highness, on the birth of His Royal Highness Prince *Alfred*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and it is as follows:

(For Letter, vide Appendix, No. 9.)

Public Accounts for 1844, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris*, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House the Public Accounts for the year 1844, and they are as follow:

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

(For Accounts, vide Sessional Papers, Letters I. I.)

Petitions, From J. Grant of Martintown; and

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *James Grant*, of *Martintown*, in the County of *Glengarry*, praying that the inhabitants of the Indian Reservation lying between the Counties of *Glengarry* and *Stormont*, may have the free exercise of the elective franchise.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From R. Anderson, and others, of New Ireland, &c., presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *Robert Anderson*, and others, members of the *New Ireland* and *Inverness* Parochial Branches of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the said Society a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Address of thanks to His Excellency for Message.

*Ordered*, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to return Him the thanks of this House for his Message of this day, transmitting the copy of a Despatch received from Her Majesty's Secretary of State, in reply to the Address of the Council to the Queen on the Birth of His Royal Highness Prince *Alfred*.

*Ordered*, that such Members of the Executive Council who are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Address of congratulation to His Excellency

*It was moved*, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor

General, congratulating His Excellency upon his having been called to the Peerage of the United Kingdom. lency on being elevated to the Peerage;

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

*Resolved* unanimously, in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that a Select Committee of five Members be appointed to draft an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, in conformity with the foregoing Order. Committee to prepare the same.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorables Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Massue*, *de Boucherville*, *James Morris*, and *Neilson*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read the third time. Harris' Divorce Bill, read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Which being objected to,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed;

Dissentient:

Protest thereon;

PIERRE DE BOUCHERVILLE.

*Ordered*, that the title be "An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned." Title.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *Christie*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the legal proof and preservation thereof of certain Marriages formerly had before Justices of the Peace in the late Inferior District of *Gaspé*, Births, Baptisms and Burials therein," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. Marriages in Gaspé Bill;

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Scott*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal*

Montreal College of Medicine Bill;

" *Montreal* College of Medicine and Surgery," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

British and  
Canadian  
School Bill,  
read 3rd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the British and Canadian School Society of the District of *Quebec*," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Montreal and  
Quebec Board  
of Trade Bill,  
read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to render permanent two certain Acts therein mentioned, incorporating the Boards of Trade of *Montreal* and *Quebec*," was read the second time.

3rd reading on  
Friday.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be engrossed, and the same read the third time on Friday next.

Alien Law  
amendment  
Bill;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the fourth and fifth years of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled 'An Act to secure to and confer upon certain inhabitants of this Province, the Civil and Political rights of British Subjects, and to make further provision regarding Aliens,'" was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a  
Select Com-  
mittee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks*, *Fergusson*, *Massue*, *James Morris* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Amendments  
to St. Sylves-  
ter Parish Bill,  
considered;

The House, according to Order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to detach the Parish of *Saint Sylvester* from the County of *Lotbinière*, and to annex it to the County of *Dorchester*, for the purposes of Registration only."

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:

Press 1, line 15.—After "parish of" insert "Saint."

line 25.—Leave out "*Dorchester*" and insert "*Megantic*."

line 34.—Leave out "*Dorchester*" and insert "*Megantic*."

Preamble, line 8.—Leave out "*Dorchester*" and insert "*Megantic*."

Title, line 2.—Leave out "*Dorchester*" and insert "*Megantic*."

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

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*, from the Select Committee, appointed to draft an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, congratulating His Excellency upon his having been called to the Peerage of the United Kingdom, reported an Address drawn by them as follows:

To His Excellency the Right Honorable CHARLES THEOPHILUS BARON METCALFE, of Fernhill, in the County of Berks, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General, of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

We, Her Majesty most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, have learned with feelings of unmingled satisfaction that Her Majesty has been pleased to call Your Excellency to the Peerage of the United Kingdom.

We beg leave most respectfully to express our ardent wishes that Your Excellency may long continue to enjoy this most distinguished mark of the approbation of Our Most Gracious Sovereign.

Which

Unanimously agreed to.

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

Ordered, that the said Address be engrossed.

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

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

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

THURSDAY.

Thursday, 27th February, 1845.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable René E. Caron, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

- M<sup>r</sup> Gill,
- Morris, William,
- Joliette,
- Crooks,
- Fergusson,
- Hamilton,
- Bruneau,
- Ferrie,
- Knoulton,
- M<sup>r</sup> Kay,

- Roy,
- Moore,
- Dionne, Amable
- Dionne, Joseph
- Massue,
- Walker,
- de Boucherville,
- Morris, James
- Neilson.

PRAYERS.

Petitions,

From R. Peelsford, and others, of the U. C. Trust and Loan Company ;

The Honorable Mr. Hamilton presented a Petition from Robert Peelsford, and others, shareholders of the Trust and Loan Company of Upper Canada, praying for the passing of an Act to amend and extend the provisions of their Act of Incorporation.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Tait ;

The Honorable Mr. James Morris presented a Petition from John Tait, son and representative of Nathaniel Tait, praying for the payment of a certain sum due to the said Nathaniel Tait, as a Contractor on the St. Lawrence Canal.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

From M. Aikman, and others, of Barton ;

The Honorable Mr. Crooks presented a Petition from Michael Aikman, and others, inhabitants of the Township of Barton, pray-

ing that the road from Hamilton to Grimsby may be macadamized.

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Crooks presented a Petition from the Quebec Bank, and also a Petition from the Bank of Montreal, the City Bank, and the Banque du Peuple, respectively praying that the Law imposing a duty on Bank Notes may be repealed, or, in the event of the said Law being continued, that the rate of duty may be reduced.

From the Quebec, Montreal, City, and Peoples' Banks ;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Knoulton presented a Petition from E. E. Armstrong, and others, members of the Church of England, in the Rivière du Loup Mission, in the Diocese of Quebec ; and also a Petition from the Reverend William Abbott, and others, members of the Church of England, in the Rectory of Saint Andrews, respectively praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of England, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

From E. E. Armstrong, of the Rivière du Loup ;

From Rev. W. Abbott, and others, of St. Andrews ;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Walker presented a Petition from Mary Allan, of Sherrington, praying for pecuniary relief, in consequence of her late husband having been killed while serving as a Militiaman.

From M. Allan, of Sherrington, and

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Neilson presented a Petition from the Reverend Louis Theophile Fortier, and others, inhabitants of the Seigneurie of Nicolet, praying that the Elementary Education Bill for Lower Canada may not pass into a Law.

From Rev. L. T. Fortier, and others, of Nicolet, presented.

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

Last Petition read.

Ordered, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, " An Act to detach the Parish of Saint Sylvester from the County of Lotbinière

St. Sylvester Parish Bill as amended, read 3rd time ;



"nière, and to annex it to the County of *Dorchester*, for the purposes of Registration "only," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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.

Gaspé Marriages Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the legal proof and preservation thereof of certain Marriages formerly had before Justices of the Peace in the late Inferior District of *Gaspé*, Births, Baptisms, and Burials therein," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bruneau*, *Massue*, and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Montreal College of Medicine Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* real College of Medicine and Surgery," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill, together with the several Petitions presented during the present Session for and against the same, be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Bill and petitions referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bruneau*, *Knoulton*, *Moore*, *Joseph Dionne*, and *Walker*, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to meet and adjourn as they please.

Time appointed for receiving the Address of congratulation to His Excellency.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* reported that he had, according to order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General, for the purpose of knowing when His Excellency would be pleased to receive this House with their Address of congratulation upon His Excellency's being called to the Peerage of the United Kingdom, and that His Excellency had named three o'clock tomorrow afternoon for that purpose.

The presentation of Address of thanks to His Excellency, reported.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* reported that he had, according to order, waited upon His Excellency the Governor General, with the Address of this House of yesterday, thanking His Excellency for His Message of

that day, and that His Excellency was pleased to receive the same graciously.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

Friday, 28th February, 1845. FRIDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*M'Gill*,

*Dionne, Amable*

*Morris, William*

*Dionne, Joseph*

*Crooks*,

*Massue*,

*Hamilton*,

*Walker*,

*Ferrie*,

*de Boucherville*,

*Knoulton*,

*Morris, James*

*M'Kay*,

*Neilson*.

*Moore*,

PRAYERS.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* enters.

The Honorable, the Speaker, reported that the House did this day present to His Excellency the Governor General, their humble Address of congratulation on His Excellency's being called to the Peerage of the United Kingdom, to which His Excellency was pleased to return the following answer:— Answer of His Excellency to the Address of congratulation presented this day.

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN :

I receive with cordial gratification the kind sentiments which you have expressed regarding the high honor conferred on me by our Gracious Sovereign, in approbation of my honest endeavours to promote the welfare of Her Majesty's subjects in this portion of Her dominions. I beg you to accept my hearty thanks.

The Honorable Mr. *M'Gill* presented a Petition, From Rev. W. T. Leach, and others, of Montreal, and  
Petition from the Reverend *William T. Leach*, and others, belonging to *St. George's Church, Montreal*, being members of the Church of *England*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Quebec*, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same

same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

From R. Lang, and others, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *M'Kay* presented a Petition from *Robert Lang*, and others, praying that the benefits of the Bankruptcy Law may be extended to parties who had become insolvent prior to the passing of that Act.

**Ordered**, that the said Petition be now read.

Last Petition read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

Petitions,

From M. Heroux, and others, of St. Philippe;

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* presented a Petition from *M. Heroux*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Philippe*, praying that the several persons who served in the corps of Canadian Chasseurs on the frontier, during the last war with the *United States of America*, may be remunerated for such services as other Militiamen have been.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

From P. Fortier, and others, of M<sup>c</sup> Gill College, presented, and

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from *P. Fortier*, and others, Medical Students in the University of *M<sup>c</sup> Gill College*, praying against the incorporation of any other School of Medicine in the City of *Montreal*, than the one established in connexion with the said University.

**Ordered**, that the said Petition be referred

to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal College of Medicine* and Surgery."

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of the Select Committee on Niagara Plank Road Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks*, from the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons as the *Niagara and Ten-Mile Creek Plank Road Company*, for the purpose of constructing a Plank Road from a certain place in *Niagara* to the *Ten-Mile Creek* in *Grantham*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, with several amendments.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

To be committed on Monday.

**Ordered**, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report on Monday next.

Montreal and Quebec Boards of Trade Bill, read 3rd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to render permanent two Acts therein mentioned, incorporating the

"Boards of Trade of *Montreal* and *Quebec*," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

**It was resolved** in the affirmative.

Passed;

**Ordered**, that the title be "An Act to render permanent two certain Acts therein mentioned, incorporating the Boards of Trade of *Montreal* and *Quebec*."

Title.

**Ordered**, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* presented a Petition from *Daniel J. Wilson*, and others, of the Parishes of the *Cedars*, *Coteau-du-Lac*, *Vaudreuil*, and *St. Polycarpe*, praying that they may be remunerated for the losses and inconveniences they have sustained by the construction of the plank road from the *Cascades* to the River *Beaudet*; and also a Petition from *A. Charet*, and others, of the Parish of *Coteau-du-Lac*, praying for pecuniary aid in the construction of a road over the River *De Lisle*.

Petitions,

From D.J. Wilson, and others, of Coteau du Lac, &c., and

From A. Charet, and others, of Coteau du Lac, presented.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

**Ordered**, that the Honorable Mr. *Crooks* be added to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the partition of lands, tenements, and hereditaments, in certain cases, in *Lower Canada*."

Hon. Mr. Crooks added to the Committee on Lands Partition Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*, and others, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,  
Thursday, 27th February, 1845.

Message from the Assembly agreeing to the Address to His Excellency;

**Resolved**, that a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, acquainting their Honors that this House hath agreed to the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting His Excellency to transmit the joint Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the French language, to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, in order that it may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

**Ordered**, that the Honorable Mr. *Papineau* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY, Clerk Assy.

Ordered,

To be presented by the whole House.

*Ordered*, that the said Address be presented to His Excellency by the whole House.

*Ordered*, that such Members of the Executive Council who 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 Addresses.

Customs Management Bill returned from the Assembly with amendments agreed to.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the management of the Customs, and of matters relative to the collection of the Provincial Revenue," and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

Registry Laws U. C. Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Prince*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to alter and amend the Registry Laws of that part of this Province which was formerly *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

St. Sylvester Parish Bill returned from the Assembly with amendments agreed to.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Laurin*, and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to detach the Parish of *Saint Sylvester* from the County of *Lotbinière*, and to annex it to the County of *Dorchester*, for the purposes of Registration only," and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

MONDAY.

### Monday, 3rd March, 1845.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs	The Honorable Messieurs
<i>M<sup>c</sup>Gill,</i>	<i>M<sup>c</sup>Kay,</i>
<i>Morris, William,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>
<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable,</i>
<i>Joliette,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Massue,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Walker,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>de Boucherville,</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Morris, James</i>
<i>Knoulton,</i>	<i>Neilson.</i>

### PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented a Petition from *G. Vanfelson*, and others, members of the *Quebec Bar Association*, praying for the adoption of measures to secure the appointment of proper persons to report the decisions of the Courts of Justice in the several Districts of *Lower Canada*.

Petitions, From G. Vanfelson, and others, of the Quebec Bar ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from the *Gore District Municipal Council*, praying that the Common School Act may not be repealed.

From the Gore District Municipal Council ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *C. Gamble*, and others, members of the Church of *England and Ireland*, residing in the City of *Toronto*, praying that no measure affecting the interests of the University of *King's College*, may be entertained at this advanced period of the Session ; but that they may have an opportunity afforded to them of expressing their opinion on a measure so vitally affecting their dearest interests ; and also a Petition from the *Rev. R. H. Bourne*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, in the Township of *Rawdon*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

From C. Gamble, and others, of Toronto ;

From Rev. R. H. Bourne, and others, of Rawdon ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *Joseph Geley*, of the Parish of *Saint Joseph, Point Levy*, praying for relief on account of services rendered as a seaman in the British Navy, as well as a soldier in the *Canada Militia*.

From J. Geley, of Point Levy ;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented two Petitions from the *Rev. R. Whitwell*, and others being members of the Church of *England*, in the Parish of *St. Armand West*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese, a portion of the Clergy Reserves, corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for

From Rev. R. Whitwell, and others, of St. Armand West ;

for the benefit of the said Church; and also praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of *King's College, Toronto*, or *M<sup>c</sup>Gill College, Montreal*, which shall not in like manner comprehend all Chartered Institutions of learning in the Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. L. Doolittle, and others, of Sherbrooke, and

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Rev. *L. Doolittle*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, in the Townships of *Sherbrooke* and *Lennoxville*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church; and also a Petition from *R. Parmelie*, and others, inhabitants of *Shefford*, in the District of *Montreal*, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of *King's College, Toronto*, or *M<sup>c</sup>Gill College, Montreal*, which shall not, in like manner, comprehend all Chartered institutions of learning in the Province.

From R. Parmelie, and others, of Shefford, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of Select Committee on Courts of Assize Bill U. C., presented.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to make further regulation for holding the Courts of Assize and " *Nisi Prius*, Oyer and Terminer, and General " Gaol Delivery in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the Trial of Prisoners under certain " circumstances," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to report the same to the House with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, that the Report be received tomorrow.

House called.

Pursuant to order the House was called:

THE HONORABLE MESSIEURS

- René E. Caron, Speaker*,.. Present.
- Robert S. Jameson*,.....Excused for the Session.
- Peter Boyle de Blaquiere*,..Excused for the Session.
- Peter M<sup>c</sup>Gill*.....Present.
- Robert Baldwin Sullivan*,..Letter of excuse to the Honorable the Speaker, read.

- William Morris*,.....Present.
- George Pemberton*,.....(In *England*.)
- Alexander Fraser*,.....Present.
- Barthelemy Joliette*,.....Present.
- James Crooks*,.....Present.
- Adam Fergusson*,.....Present.
- John Macaulay*,.....Excused for the Session on account of sickness.
- John Hamilton*,.....In town, but excused for this day on account of sickness.
- François P. Bruneau*,.....Present.
- John McDonald*,.....Excused for this day on account of sickness.
- Adam Ferrie*,.....Present.
- Paul H. Knoulton*,.....Present.
- Thomas M<sup>c</sup>Kay*,.....Present.
- Gabriel Roy*,.....In town, but excused for this day on account of sickness.
- Philip H. Moore*,.....Present.
- Robert Dickson*,.....Letter of excuse to the Honorable the Speaker, read.
- Amable Dionne*,.....Present.
- Joseph Dionne*,.....Present.
- George J. Goodhue*,.....Letter of excuse to the Honorable the Speaker, read.
- Levius P. Sherwood*,.....Excused for the Session.
- J. Æmilius Irving*,.....Letter of excuse to the Honorable the Speaker, read.
- Christopher Widmer*,.....Excused for the Session.
- Jean Baptiste Taché*,.....Excused for the Session.
- Louis Massue*,.....Present.
- William Walker*,.....Present.
- Pierre B. de Boucherville*,..Present.
- James Morris*,.....Present.
- John Neilson*,.....Present.

The

House in Committee on Niagara Plank Road Bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, on the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons " as the *Niagara and Ten Mile Creek Plank Road Company*, for the purpose of constructing a plank road from a certain place in *Niagara* to the *Ten Mile Creek* in *Grantham*," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

Amendments to be received tomorrow.

After some time the House was resumed, and the Honorable Mr. *Knoultton* reported from the said Committee 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 the same.

*Ordered*, that the Report be received tomorrow.

Petitions,

From A. Hatchie, and others, of Caradoc, and

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from *Adam Hatchie*, and others, being members of the Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Township of *Caradoc*, in the District of *London*, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed; that the members of the Church of England may not be compelled to contribute to Schools founded on principles which they cannot approve; that the course pursued in *England* may be adopted, and a Committee appointed to make such an equitable apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the Youth of the Province, either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each Congregation in the Province; and also a Petition from *Henry John Boulton*, Esquire, of Toronto, praying that the Bill to remove all doubts as to the liability of certain lands in *Upper Canada*, to be charged with local taxes, may not be passed into a Law.

From H. J. Boulton, of Toronto, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Address to Her Majesty on the French Language to be presented tomorrow, and

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* reported that he had, according to order, waited upon His Excellency the Governor General, humbly to know what time His Excellency would please to appoint to be attended with the Joint Addresses on the subject of the French language, and that His Excellency had named tomorrow at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, for that purpose.

The Assembly informed thereof.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that His Excellency the Governor General has appointed tomorrow

at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, at the Government House, to be attended with the Addresses of both Houses of Parliament on the subject of the French language, and that the Legislative Council do intend to be there at that time.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Insolvent Debtors' Relief Bill, U. C.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *DeBleury*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Laws relative to Winter Roads in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Winter Roads Bill, L. C.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Alexander Sanson*, and others, being members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Township of *York*, and Diocese of *Toronto*; also a Petition from the Reverend *George S. S. Hill*, and others, being members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Township of *Chincouagoucy*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*, respectively praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of *England* by the 4th *Victoria*, may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the members of the said Church; and also a Petition from *Cornelius Henry Finlay*, contractor for work on the *Beauharnois Canal*, praying to be indemnified on account of severe losses sustained by him in completing his contract.

Petitions, From Rev. A. Sanson, and others, of York;

From Rev. G. S. S. Hill, and others, of Chinguacoucy, and

From C. H. Finlay, Contractor on Beauharnois Canal, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Adjourn.

Tuesday,

TUESDAY.

Tuesday, 4th March, 1845.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*M<sup>c</sup>Gill,*  
*Morris, William*  
*Fraser,*  
*Joliette,*  
*Crooks,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Bruneau,*  
*Ferrie,*  
*Knoulton,*

The Honorable Messieurs

*M<sup>c</sup>Kay,*  
*Moore,*  
*Dionne, Amable*  
*Dionne, Joseph*  
*Massue,*  
*Walker,*  
*de Boucherville,*  
*Morris, James*  
*Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

Answer of His  
 Excellency to  
 the Address on  
 the French  
 language, re-  
 ported.

The Honorable, the Speaker, reported that both Houses of Parliament did this day present to His Excellency the Governor General their humble Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the French language, and also their Address to His Excellency on the same subject, to which His Excellency was pleased to return the following answer:—

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN, AND GENTLEMEN:

I will not fail to transmit your joint Address to Her Majesty's Secretary of State, to be laid at the foot of the Throne for Her Majesty's gracious consideration.

Petitions,  
 From Rev. J.  
 Bethune, and  
 others, of  
 Christ Church,  
 Montreal;

The Honorable Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Gill* presented a Petition from the Reverend *John Bethune*, D. D. and others, being members of the Church of *England*, belonging to Christ's Church, *Montreal*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Quebec*, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. R.  
 G. Pleas, and  
 others, of Rus-  
 selltown Flats,  
 and

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Rev. *R. G. Pleas*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, at *Russelltown Flats*, and parts adjacent, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese a

portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from *Kenneth Cameron*, and others, of the Township of *Thorah*, praying for the construction of a road from *Windsor Bay*, on Lake *Ontario*, to *Gloucester Bay*, on Lake *Huron*.

From K. Ca-  
 meron, and  
 others, of  
 Thorah, pre-  
 sented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act, the several laws now in force establishing or regulating the practice of District Courts in the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*," reported that the Committee 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 the same.

Report of Se-  
 lect Committee  
 on District  
 Courts Bill, U.  
 C., presented.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be received tomorrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to alter and amend the Registry Laws of that part of this Province which was formerly *Upper Canada*," was read the second time.

Registry Laws  
 U. C. Bill, read  
 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fraser*, *Crooks*, *Fergusson*, *M<sup>c</sup>Kay*, and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a  
 Select Com-  
 mittee;

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to make further regulation for holding the Courts of Assize and Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the trial of prisoners under certain circumstances."

Amendments  
 to Courts of  
 Assize Bill, U.  
 C. considered;

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:—

Press 2, line 1.—Leave out "January" and insert "February."

" line 4.—Leave out "second" and insert "last."

" line 4.—Leave out "August" and insert "July."

Press



Press 4, line 25.—Leave out “Monday, the fifth,” and insert “Tuesday, the sixth.”

Press 5, line 20.—Leave out “Thursday, the third,” and insert “Friday, the fourth.”

“ line 21.—Leave out “Tuesday, the fifth,” and insert “Thursday, the sixth.”

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

Adopted.

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time tomorrow.

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Committee of the Whole to whom was committed the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate certain persons as the *Niagara and Ten-Mile Creek Plank Road Company*, for the purpose of constructing a plank road from a certain place in *Niagara* to the *Ten-Mile Creek*, in *Grantham*.”

Amendments to Niagara Plank Road Bill, considered;

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:—

Press 2, line 14.—After “*Niagara*” insert “anything herein contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.”

“ line 33.—Leave out all the words after “same” to the word “company” inclusively, in the 11th line of the 3d press, and insert the following Clauses, marked A, B, C, and D:—

#### CLAUSE A.

“ And be it enacted, that if,  
“ after eight days notice, in  
“ writing, given to the party  
“ so disagreeing as to the  
“ value aforesaid, such party  
“ shall not nominate or ap-  
“ point an arbitrator or ar-  
“ bitrators, as aforesaid, on  
“ his part, then and in such  
“ case the Judge of the  
“ District Court of the said  
“ District of *Niagara* shall

“ and may nominate and ap-  
“ point one or more arbitra-  
“ tor or arbitrators on their  
“ behalf, with the same pow-  
“ ers and authority as if ap-  
“ pointed by the party or  
“ parties so refusing or ne-  
“ glecting to appoint an arbi-  
“ trator or arbitrators in his  
“ or their behalf, and shall  
“ meet and ballot for the ad-  
“ ditional arbitrator or um-  
“ pire.”

#### CLAUSE B.

“ And be it enacted, that  
“ the arbitrators so appointed  
“ shall fix a convenient day  
“ for hearing the respective  
“ parties, and shall give eight  
“ days notice, at least, of the  
“ day and place, and having  
“ heard the parties, or other-  
“ wise examined into the  
“ merits of the matter so  
“ brought before them, the  
“ said arbitrators, or a ma-  
“ jority of them, shall make  
“ their award or arbitrament  
“ thereupon in writing, which  
“ award or arbitrament shall  
“ be final as to the value so  
“ in dispute as aforesaid.”

#### CLAUSE C.

“ And be it enacted, that if  
“ the party so disagreeing  
“ refuse to accept the value  
“ of land or damage so ascer-  
“ tained by the arbitrators  
“ as aforesaid, till the end of  
“ the second term in Her  
“ Majesty’s Court of Queen’s  
“ Bench in that part of this  
“ Province formerly *Upper*  
“ *Canada*, next after making  
“ of the award and tender of  
“ the value thereby ascer-  
“ tained, then and in such  
“ case the Directors for the  
“ time being shall be at li-  
“ berty and shall have full  
“ power to occupy the piece  
“ of land so valued by the  
“ said arbitrators, in the same  
“ manner as other portions  
“ of the said road.”

Clause D.

## CLAUSE D.

“ And be it enacted, that in  
 “ any action of ejectment, or  
 “ other action, real, personal,  
 “ or mixed, for or on account  
 “ of such occupation by the  
 “ said Company, their ser-  
 “ vants or agents, or other  
 “ person or persons using the  
 “ said road, the said award  
 “ shall and may be pleaded  
 “ in bar of such action at  
 “ any time after the said two  
 “ terms in the said Court of  
 “ Queen’s Bench, notwith-  
 “ standing any defect in form  
 “ or substance in the said  
 “ award: Provided always,  
 “ that it shall and may be  
 “ lawful to and for the party  
 “ or parties interested in the  
 “ land mentioned in the  
 “ award, or their agent, by  
 “ counsel at any time within  
 “ the two terms as aforesaid,  
 “ after the same hath been  
 “ made and the amount of the  
 “ value awarded tendered, to  
 “ move the said Court of  
 “ Queen’s Bench to set aside  
 “ such award, for corruption  
 “ or any other matter or thing  
 “ for which awards are now  
 “ subject to be impugned by  
 “ law: Provided also, that  
 “ if the first award be so  
 “ set aside by the Court of  
 “ Queen’s Bench, the matter  
 “ in difference may again be  
 “ submitted to other arbitra-  
 “ tors, and so on till a satis-  
 “ factory award be made be-  
 “ tween the parties.”

Press 4, line 21.—After the word “houses”  
 insert “toll gates.”

“ line 25.—Leave out “other.”

Press 5, line 2.—Leave out “of the.”

“ line 24.—After “person” insert “or  
 going to or returning from  
 divine service on the Lord’s  
 day.”

Press 7, line 33.—After “election” insert “or  
 until such time thereafter as  
 other Directors are appoint-  
 ed.”

“ lines 35 and 36.—Leave out “not ex-  
 ceed” and insert “be.”

“ line 38.—After “stock” insert “shall  
 be composed of nine hun-  
 dred and sixty shares of the  
 value of six pounds five shil-  
 lings, currency, each, and.”

Press 7, line 39.—Leave out “transferred”  
 and insert “transferable.”

Press 8, line 11.—After “paid in” insert the  
 following Clause, marked E:

## CLAUSE E.

“ And be it enacted, that of  
 “ the persons as aforesaid  
 “ nominated and balloted for  
 “ in manner aforesaid, those  
 “ seven shall be deemed  
 “ elected who shall have the  
 “ greater number of votes  
 “ according to the shares  
 “ held by the voters respec-  
 “ tively, as hereinbefore pre-  
 “ scribed, at each and every  
 “ such election of Directors,  
 “ and that at every such elec-  
 “ tion in every year as afore-  
 “ said, after the ballot shall  
 “ have been kept open from  
 “ eleven of the clock in the  
 “ forenoon to two of the  
 “ clock in the afternoon, the  
 “ seven persons having the  
 “ majority of votes in manner  
 “ aforesaid, shall, so soon af-  
 “ ter as convenient on the  
 “ same day, be declared the  
 “ Directors chosen for the  
 “ ensuing year, by any two  
 “ or more Scrutineers who  
 “ shall have been previously  
 “ nominated by the Stock-  
 “ holders for the purpose of  
 “ nomination, and report of  
 “ such ballot: Provided ne-  
 “ vertheless, that the Stock-  
 “ holders present at the place  
 “ of ballot shall, in the nomi-  
 “ nation of Scrutineers, vote  
 “ *per capita*, and not by  
 “ shares.”

Press 8,

Press 8, after line 33.—After “request” insert the following Clauses, marked F and G :—

**CLAUSE F.**

“ And be it enacted, that  
 “ whenever the said tolls  
 “ shall, in the annual receipts,  
 “ exceed in amount a sum  
 “ sufficient to defray the ex-  
 “ penses of maintaining and  
 “ defraying the said road,  
 “ and to afford an annual in-  
 “ come to the said Company  
 “ of ten per cent. profit on  
 “ the capital actually expend-  
 “ ed in the construction of  
 “ the said road from the com-  
 “ mencement of its being  
 “ travelled as aforesaid, then  
 “ and in such case the in-  
 “ creasing surplus revenue  
 “ of the said tolls shall be  
 “ charged against the said  
 “ Company as so much re-  
 “ ceived by them in the na-  
 “ ture of a sinking fund, by  
 “ means whereof to purchase  
 “ from the said Company the  
 “ entire estate, use and pro-  
 “ perty of the said road, to  
 “ and for the use of the pub-  
 “ lic, in such manner and  
 “ form as the Legislature of  
 “ this Province may, by Le-  
 “ gislative enactment, here-  
 “ after provide.”

**CLAUSE G.**

“ And be it enacted, that the  
 “ Legislature of this Pro-  
 “ vince may at any time  
 “ whatever purchase the en-  
 “ tire estate, property, and  
 “ use of the said road from  
 “ the said Company, paying  
 “ to the said Company the  
 “ capital so as aforesaid ac-  
 “ tually expended, together  
 “ with fifteen per cent. ad-  
 “ vance thereupon, to the  
 “ credit of which payment  
 “ all revenue exceeding ten  
 “ per cent. upon the *bona fide*  
 “ expenditure, and over and  
 “ above the expense of main-

“ taining and repairing the  
 “ said road, shall be charged  
 “ and taken; and it is also  
 “ hereby provided and de-  
 “ clared, that if any deficien-  
 “ cies of the said ten per  
 “ cent. annual profit should  
 “ occur at any time, such  
 “ deficiencies shall also be  
 “ chargeable against the in-  
 “ creasing revenue of the  
 “ subsequent years, so that  
 “ the Company may fairly  
 “ and actually receive ten  
 “ per cent. profit on their  
 “ said *bona fide* expenditure  
 “ for the whole time they  
 “ shall enjoy the estate,  
 “ rights, and privileges ac-  
 “ quired under the authority  
 “ of this Act, anything herein  
 “ contained to the contrary  
 “ thereof in anywise notwith-  
 “ standing.”

The said amendments being read the second Adopted.  
 time, and the question of concurrence put on  
 each, they were severally agreed to by the  
 House.

*Ordered*, that the following Clauses, mark- Further a-  
 mended H and I, be added to the foregoing amend-  
 ments, after Clause G :— ments  
 ordered.

**CLAUSE H.**

“ And be it enacted, that it  
 “ shall be the duty of the  
 “ said Corporation, and of  
 “ the person entrusted with  
 “ the chief gestion of its af-  
 “ fairs, to lay annually before  
 “ the three branches of the  
 “ Legislature of this Pro-  
 “ vince, in the course of the  
 “ first fifteen days after the  
 “ opening of the Session, a  
 “ general statement, upon  
 “ the oath of the President  
 “ or Vice President of the  
 “ said Company, before any  
 “ Justice of the Peace, of the  
 “ affairs of the said Com-  
 “ pany, shewing as well the  
 “ amount of its liabilities as  
 “ the assets or means of  
 “ meeting the same; and  
 “ such President or Vice  
 “ President being charged  
 “ before

“before any competent Court  
 “of false swearing in the  
 “matter of such statement,  
 “shall be tried, and, if found  
 “guilty, be punished in like  
 “manner as if he had been  
 “charged and convicted of  
 “the crime of wilful and cor-  
 “rupt perjury.”

CLAUSE I.

“And be it enacted, that not-  
 “withstanding the privileges  
 “that may be conferred by  
 “this Act, the Legislature  
 “may at any time hereafter,  
 “in their discretion, make  
 “such additions to this Act,  
 “or such alteration of any of  
 “its provisions as they may  
 “think proper for affording  
 “just protection to the pub-  
 “lic, or to any person or per-  
 “sons, body corporate or  
 “politic, in respect to their  
 “estate, property, or rights,  
 “or any interest therein, or  
 “any advantage, privilege,  
 “or convenience connected  
 “therewith, or in respect to  
 “any way or right of way,  
 “public or private, that may  
 “be affected by any of the  
 “powers given to this Cor-  
 “poration.”

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be en-  
 grossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read  
 the third time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legisla-  
 tive Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Sher-  
 wood*, and others, to return the Bill intituled,  
 “An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned  
 “for the establishment and encouragement of  
 “Savings Banks,” and to acquaint this House  
 that the Legislative Assembly have made an  
 amendment to the amendment of the Legisla-  
 tive Council in and to the said Bill, and to  
 which they desire the concurrence of this  
 House.

The amendment of the Legislative Assem-  
 bly was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

Amendment made by the Legislative Assem-  
 bly to the amendment made by the Hono-  
 rable the Legislative Council to the Bill  
 intituled “An Act to amend the Act therein

“mentioned for the establishment and en-  
 “couragement of Savings’ Banks”:

Strike out all the words after “always” in <sup>The amend-  
ment.</sup>  
 the second line of the amend-  
 ment, and insert the follow-  
 ing, “that the said Trustees  
 “of any Savings’ Banks shall  
 “in no case advance upon  
 “any such bond, mortgage,  
 “or security by hypothèque,  
 “more than one half of the  
 “value of the real estate or  
 “moveable property upon  
 “which the same is secured,  
 “and then only on condition  
 “that such bond, mortgage,  
 “or security by hypothèque,  
 “be the first privileged claim  
 “upon such real or immove-  
 “able property.”

Engrossed amendment.

W. B. LINDSAY, Clerk Assy.

*Ordered*, that the said amendment be taken <sup>To be consi-  
dered tomor-  
row.</sup>  
 into consideration tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legisla-  
 tive Assembly, by Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Donald*, of *Kingston*,  
 and others, as follows:— <sup>Message from  
the Assembly,  
for the Evi-  
dence taken on  
Harris’ Di-  
vorce Bill.</sup>

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Monday, 3d March, 1845.

*Resolved*, that a Message be sent to the  
 Honorable the Legislative Council, to request  
 their Honors will be pleased to communicate  
 to this House a copy of the Minutes of Evi-  
 dence taken before their Honorable House on  
 the Bill intituled, “An Act to dissolve the  
 “marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire,  
 “with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza*  
 “*Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable  
 “him to marry again, and for other purposes  
 “therein mentioned.”

*Ordered*, that Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Donald*, of *Kingston*,  
 do carry the said Message to the Legislative  
 Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY, Clerk Assy.

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

*Ordered*, that this House do concur in the  
 request of the Legislative Assembly, as con-  
 tained in their Message just received.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chan-  
 cery do go down to the Legislative Assembly,  
 and communicate to that House the Minutes  
 of Evidence taken before the Legislative  
 Council on the Bill intituled, “An Act to dis-  
 “solve

Savings Banks  
 Bill returned  
 from Assam-  
 bly with an  
 amendment to  
 amendment.

“ solve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned,” as requested by their Message of this day, and to desire that the same may be returned to this House.

Insolvent Debtors' relief Bill, U. C. read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled “ An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned,” was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Crooks*, *Walker*, *James Morris*, and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Winter Roads Bill, U. C. read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled “ An Act further to amend the laws relative to winter roads in *Lower Canada*,” was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Fraser*, *Joliette*, *Bruneau*, and *Joseph Dionne*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Petitions, From B. Thérien, and others, of Drummond, &c., and

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *Benjamin Thérien*, and others, inhabitants of the Counties of *Drummond* and *Yamaska*, praying that a road may be opened from *Stanfold* to *Grantham*, and that the present road from *Grantham* to *Yamaska* may be completed; and also for the construction of suitable bridges over the Rivers *St. Francis* and *Yamaska*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From Rev. J. Flanagan, and others, of Leeds, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *John Flanagan*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, residing in the Township of *Leeds*, in the County of *Megantic*, and Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Wednesday, 5th March, 1845. WEDNESDAY

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs      The Honorable Messieurs

*M'Gill*,

*Knoullton*,

*Morris, William*

*M'Kay*,

*Fraser*,

*Dionne, Amable*

*Joliette*,

*Dionne, Joseph*

*Crooks*,

*Walker*,

*Fergusson*

*de Boucherville*,

*Bruneau*,

*Morris, James*

*Ferrie*,

*Neilson*.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara*, praying for the amendment of the School Act; and also a Petition from *Humphry Johnson*, and others, being members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, residing in the Townships of *Bayham*, *Matahide* and *Middleton*, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed; that the members of the Church of *England* may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot approve; that the course pursued in *England* may be adopted, and a Committee appointed to make such an equitable apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of the Province, either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each congregation in the Province.

Petitions, From Niagara District Council; From H. Johnson, and others, of Bayham, &c.;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoullton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Joseph Scott*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, residing in the Townships of *Brome*, *Sutton*, and *Stukely*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

From Rev. J. Scott, and others, of Brome;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Reverend *M. Townsend*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*

From Rev. M. Townsend, and others, of St. George, &c., and

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land and Ireland, in the Parishes of *St. George* and *St. Thomas*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the said Society a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of England, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

From M. O'Reilly, and others, of Hamilton, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* presented a Petition from *Miles O'Reilly*, and others, being members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Town of *Hamilton*, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed; that the members of the Church of *England* may not be compelled to contribute to Schools founded on principles which they cannot approve; that the course pursued in *England* may be adopted; and a Committee appointed to make such an equitable apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of the Province, either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each congregation in the Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of Select Committee on Notarial Profession Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to organize the Notarial Profession in that part of this Province called *Lower Canada*," presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Wednesday, 5th March, 1845.

The Report;

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled "An Act to organize the Notarial Profession in that part of this Province called *Lower Canada*," have, in obedience to the order of reference, examined the said Bill, and regret to state they do not find that it meets all the deficiencies under which it is generally acknowledged that the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada* labours, and for which many efforts have been made in the Legislature to obtain a remedy. Your Committee would feel disposed to enter upon the consideration of a more enlarged and general measure than the present Bill, but having decided objections to partial and limited legislation upon a subject of such vast importance to the general interests of the whole community,

your Committee are of opinion to recommend to your Honorable House, to take no further proceedings for the present on the Bill referred to your Committee.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU,  
Chairman.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be adopted. Report adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Amable Dionne*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable Notaries to call Meetings of Relations and Friends in certain cases without being thereunto specially appointed or authorized by a Judge," presented their Report. Report of the Select Committee on Relations' Meetings Bill, presented;

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Wednesday, 5th March, 1845.

The Report;

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled "An Act to enable Notaries to call Meetings of Relations and Friends in certain cases, without being thereunto specially appointed or authorized by a Judge," have, in obedience to the order of reference, carefully examined the same and beg leave to offer the following remarks.

Your Committee do not think that the circumstances of the country call for the present Bill, as a matter of pressing or urgent necessity, and until the Notarial Profession is placed upon a more secure and elevated footing than it is at present, and for which object several repeated attempts at legislation have been brought forward, they do not consider it expedient to confer upon the Notaries throughout the Province, the powers and authority contemplated by the present Bill.

Your Committee are therefore of opinion to leave the existing law on the subject in its present state, and beg leave to recommend to your Honorable House to take no further proceedings at present in reference to the Bill referred to your Committee.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

A. DIONNE,  
Chairman.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be adopted. Report adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Niagara*," presented;

"Niagara,"



"Niagara, and to establish a Police therein," reported that the Committee 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 the same.

*Ordered*, that the Report be now received.

And the same was then read by the Clerk.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

To be committed tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report tomorrow.

Report of Select Committee on Roman Catholic Bishops' incorporation Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. Neilson, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishops of *Toronto* and *Kingston* in *Canada*, in each Diocese," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be now received.

The amendments;

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:

Press 3, Line 20.—Leave out "except as hereinafter enacted."

" 3, Line 31.—After "respectively" insert the following clauses marked A and B.

#### CLAUSE A.

"And be it enacted, that  
"nothing herein contained  
"shall affect or be construed  
"to affect in any manner or  
"way the rights of Her Majesty, Her Heirs, or Successors, or of any person  
"or persons, or of any body  
"politic or corporate, such  
"only excepted as are hereinbefore mentioned and provided for."

#### CLAUSE B.

"And be it enacted, that this  
"Act shall be deemed a public Act and shall be judicially taken notice of, as  
"such, by all Judges, Justices of the Peace, and other  
"persons whatsoever, without being specially pleaded."

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

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time tomorrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to make further regulation for holding the Courts of Assize and Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the trial of Prisoners under certain circumstances," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons as the *Niagara* and *Ten-Mile Creek* Plank Road Company, for the purpose of constructing a Plank road from a certain place in *Niagara* to the *Ten-Mile Creek* in *Grantham*," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendment reported by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in force, establishing or regulating the practice of District Courts in the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*."

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Press 2, line 23.—Leave out from "Provided" to "Successors" in the 31st line, both inclusively, and insert "Provided always, that no Judge of any such District Court shall either enter, continue or in any way be interested in any co-partnership whatever, with  
"any

Amendment to District Courts Bill, U. C. considered;

The Amendment.

“ any Attorney who shall, di-  
 “ rectly or indirectly, prac-  
 “ tice or carry on, or con-  
 “ duct any business in any  
 “ District Court, on pain of  
 “ forfeiting his office, and  
 “ subject to the further pen-  
 “ alty of one hundred pounds,  
 “ to be recovered by any per-  
 “ son who shall sue for the  
 “ same by action of debt, bill,  
 “ plaint or information, in  
 “ Her Majesty’s Court of  
 “ Queen’s Bench for *Upper*  
 “ *Canada*; one half of the  
 “ said penalty to belong to  
 “ the party suing, and the  
 “ other to Her Majesty, Her  
 “ Heirs and Successors. Pro-  
 “ vided always, that such Dis-  
 “ trict Judge may practice as  
 “ a Barrister in the Court of  
 “ Queen’s Bench, or as a  
 “ Barrister or Solicitor in the  
 “ Court of Chancery, in any  
 “ case wherein the parties  
 “ do not reside or the matter  
 “ at issue be situate within  
 “ the District in which such  
 “ Barrister or Solicitor shall  
 “ be District Judge.”

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred, *de novo*, to the same Select Committee to whom it was formerly referred, to Report further thereon.

Referred back to the same Select Committee.

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly, to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill intituled “ An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned, for the establishment and encouragement of Savings Banks.”

Amendment of the Assembly to the amendments of the Council to Savings Banks Bill, considered.

And the said amendment being read by the Clerk,

*It was moved* that the said amendment be taken into further consideration on this day three months,

Motion to postpone the consideration thereof for three months.

Which being objected to,

*It was moved* to leave out “ this day three months,” and insert “ tomorrow.”

Motion in amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* enters.

The question was put whether the word “ tomorrow” shall stand part of the motion?

*It was resolved* in the negative.

Same negatived.

The question being put on the main motion.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Main motion carried. Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Thursday, 6th March, 1845.

THURSDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs      The Honorable Messieurs

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| <i>M<sup>r</sup> Gill,</i> | <i>M<sup>r</sup> Kay,</i> |
| <i>Morris, William</i>     | <i>Moore,</i>             |
| <i>Fraser,</i>             | <i>Dionne, Amable</i>     |
| <i>Joliette,</i>           | <i>Dionne, Joseph,</i>    |
| <i>Crooks,</i>             | <i>Massue,</i>            |
| <i>Fergusson,</i>          | <i>Walker,</i>            |
| <i>Hamilton,</i>           | <i>de Boucherville,</i>   |
| <i>Bruneau,</i>            | <i>Morris, James</i>      |
| <i>Ferrie,</i>             | <i>Neilson.</i>           |
| <i>Knoulton,</i>           |                           |

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Fraser* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Western District, praying that the Bill to impose a duty on distillers and brewers and on fermented liquors, may not be passed into a Law.

Petitions, From Western District Council, and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Joseph Dionne* presented a Petition from *P. B. Dumoulin*, of *Three Rivers*, praying that the sum of ninety pounds may be paid to him for three years’ rent of a building occupied by the Commissioners of the House of Correction, in the said town.

From P. B. Dumoulin, of Three Rivers, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred, *de novo*, the Bill intituled “ An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in force, establishing or regulating the practice of District Courts in the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*,” reported that the Committee had further examined the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Report of the Select Committee on District Courts Bill, U. C. presented.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be now read the third time.

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Bill read 3rd time; The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed. *It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Petitions, The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a  
From L. Tremblay, and others, Pilots in and below the Harbour of *Quebec*,  
and  
From F. Vallerand of *Montreal*, present- ed. of *Montreal*, praying for arrears of salary as Clerk to the Municipal Council of the District of *Richelieu*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Roman Catholic Bishops' Bill, read 3rd time; Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishops of *Toronto* and *Kingston* in *Canada*, in each Diocese," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

Passed. *It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with certain amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

House in Committee on Niagara incorporation Bill. The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Niagara*, and to establish a Police therein," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

Amendments reported. After some time the House was resumed, and the Honorable Mr. *McKay* reported from the said Committee 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 the same.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be now received.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:

Press 1, line 42.—After "limits" insert "and also an Act passed in the fifty-seventh year of the reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled 'An Act to establish a market in the Town of *Niagara*, in the *Niagara* District.'"

Press 2, line 2.—Leave out "an" and insert "another."

" " " " After "the" insert "said."

" " " 11.—After "Lady" insert "Queen."

" " lines 30 and 31.—Leave out "for the uses of the said Town" and insert "either for their own use, or in trust for other purposes, and for giving and receiving any bills, bonds, covenants, judgments, statutes, recognizances or other instruments or securities, of what nature or kind soever, for the payment, or securing the payment, of any money borrowed, or lent, or for the performance of or securing the performance of any other duty, matter or thing whatsoever."

Press 3, line 4.—After "street" insert "called King Street."

" " line 19.—After "Town" insert "of the full age of twenty-one years."

" " line 21.—After "of" insert "not less than"

" " line 23.—Leave out "not less than twenty-one" and insert "of"

" " line 28.—After "pounds" insert "or upwards."

" " line 39.—After "Majesty" insert "Her Heirs and Successors."

" " line 44.—After "on the" insert "last."

" " line 46.—After "contained" insert "Provided always, that a portion of a house in which any inhabitant shall reside"

“reside as a householder,  
 “and not as a boarder or  
 “lodger, and having a dis-  
 “tinct communication with  
 “the street by an outer  
 “door, shall be considered  
 “a dwelling house within  
 “the meaning of this sec-  
 “tion of this Act.”

Press 4, line 16.—After “election” insert  
 “by leaving at the usual  
 “place of abode of such  
 “person or persons a no-  
 “tice in writing to that  
 “effect.”

Press 5, line 28.—After “Province” insert  
 “and have full power to re-  
 “vise, alter, amend, admi-  
 “nister, and enforce the  
 “same.”

Press 7, line 24.—After “erected” insert “or  
 “that may hereafter be laid  
 “out or erected.”

Press 8, line 5.—Leave out from “stills” to  
 “sale” in the 6th line, both  
 inclusively.

“line 20.—After “License” insert  
 “(except Tavern Licences.)”

Press 9, line 12.—After “fit” insert “to re-  
 “gulate the management  
 “and provide for the secu-  
 “rity of the public proper-  
 “ty of the said Town.”

“line 29.—Leave out “four” and in-  
 sert “three.”

“line 47.—After “thereto” insert the  
 following Clause, marked A.

#### CLAUSE A.

“And be it enacted, that a  
 “majority of the said Board  
 “of Police shall be a Board  
 “for the despatch of busi-  
 “ness: Provided always,  
 “that a smaller number may  
 “adjourn from time to time  
 “and are hereby authorized  
 “to compel the attendance  
 “of absent Members, in  
 “such manner, and under

“such penalties as may be  
 “provided by any Act of  
 “said Board, and that no  
 “person of the full age of  
 “sixty years and upwards  
 “shall be compelled to  
 “serve in any municipal  
 “office.”

Press 15, line 26.—Leave out “seventy” and  
 insert “twenty.”

Press 18, line 34.—After “District” insert the  
 following Clause, marked B.

#### CLAUSE B.

“And be it enacted, that  
 “notwithstanding the privi-  
 “leges that may be confer-  
 “red by this Act, the Legis-  
 “lature may at any time  
 “hereafter in their discre-  
 “tion make such addition to  
 “this Act, or such alteration  
 “of any of its provisions, as  
 “they may think proper for  
 “affording just protection  
 “to the public or to any  
 “person or persons, body  
 “corporate or politic, in  
 “respect to their estate, pro-  
 “perty or rights, or any in-  
 “terest therein, or any ad-  
 “vantage, privilege or con-  
 “venience therewith, or in  
 “respect to any way, or  
 “right of way, public or  
 “private, that may be affect-  
 “ed by any of the powers  
 “given to this Corporation.”

The said amendments being read the second Agreed to.  
 time, and the question of concurrence being  
 put on each, they were severally agreed to by  
 the House.

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be en- 3rd reading to-  
 grossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the morrow.  
 third time tomorrow.

The Speaker declared this House contin- Adjourn.  
 ued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the  
 afternoon, the House so decreeing.

FRIDAY.

Friday, 7th March, 1845.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*M<sup>c</sup>Gill,**Morris, William**Fraser,**Joliette,**Crooks,**Fergusson,**Hamilton,**Bruneau,**Ferrie,*

The Honorable Messieurs

*Knoultton,**M<sup>c</sup>Kay,**Moore,**Dionne, Joseph**Massue,**Walker,**de Boucherville,**Morris, James**Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

Petitions,

From J. K. Gooding of the District of Huron, and

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* presented a Petition from *J. K. Gooding*, on behalf of a public meeting of the inhabitants of the District of *Huron*, praying for the construction of a Rail-Road between *Hamilton* and *Goderich*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Sanson, for the inhabitants of Orillia, &amp;c., presented.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from *James Sanson*, on behalf of the freeholders and inhabitants of the Townships of *Orillia*, *Oro*, *Medonte*, *Tuy*, *Tiny*, *Ramah*, *Marah*, and *Thorah*, praying for the construction of a plank road between *Windsor Bay*, on *Lake Ontario*, and *Sturgeon Bay*, on *Lake Huron*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of Select Committee on Insolvent Debtors' relief Bill, U. C. presented;

The Honorable Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

To be committed on Monday.

*Ordered*, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next.

An Address to Her Majesty on the qualification of Legislative Councillors, reported by Select Committee;

The Honorable Mr. *Joliette*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the draft of a proposed Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, on the subject of the independence of the Legislative Council, reported that they had taken the said draft into consideration, and had directed him to report in lieu thereof another Address, for the adoption of the House.

*Ordered*, that the Report be received, and The said Address was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

The Address;

*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 beg that we may be permitted to approach Your Majesty, to renew the assurance of our devoted attachment to Your Majesty's Royal Person and Government.

During the last Session of Your Provincial Parliament, a Bill for the better securing the Independence of the Legislative Council of this Province, was passed by this House and by the Legislative Assembly, which Bill was subsequently reserved by Your Majesty's Governor General for the signification of Your Majesty's Royal pleasure, and we are informed, by a Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord *Stanley*, Your Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, addressed to His Excellency the Governor General, and bearing date the eighteenth day of April last, and communicated to this House during its present Session, that Your Majesty had not thought proper to give Your Royal assent to the Bill, because it appeared very materially to interfere with the power vested in Your Majesty by the Act of the Imperial Parliament of the third and fourth years of Your Majesty's Reign, chapter twenty-five, in reference to the appointment of Members of the Legislative Council.

We most humbly represent to Your Majesty, that this House is ever desirous that the powers and prerogatives of the Crown, in regard to the appointment to office, may be maintained entire, so as to ensure the full exercise of Your Majesty's just and lawful authority over this part of Your Majesty's dominions, and we are fully confident that in the appointment to be made of Members of this House, Your Majesty can have no other desire than that it be composed of persons fully qualified for the discharge of the high and important duties of a distinct and independent branch of the Legislature, assimilating it, in so far as the circumstances of the Province will permit, to the British Constitution, and enabling it more effectually to contribute to the peace, welfare, and good government of the Province.

We further most humbly represent, that in the opinion of this House, as well as of the Representative

Representative branch of the Legislature, expressed by their concurrence in the Bill aforementioned, the persons whom Your Majesty may graciously be pleased to call to the Legislative Council should have had opportunities, derived from their residence in this Province, of becoming personally acquainted with its state and circumstances, and be possessed of real estate therein sufficient to give to each of them a permanent and direct personal interest in the security of property, the supremacy of law and order, and the general welfare.

Should Your Majesty not deem it expedient to apply to the Imperial Parliament for Legislative enactments to the foregoing effect, we humbly pray that in the exercise of the Royal Prerogative, Your Majesty may be graciously pleased to call to the Legislative Council such persons only who are permanent residents within the Province, and possessed, for their own use and benefit, of real estate therein, of the value of two thousand pounds, sterling, at least, over and above all debts, charges, and incumbrances thereon, and that Your Majesty's Representatives within the Province may be instructed, before summoning any Member to the Legislative Council, to take such steps as they may deem sufficient to ensure a *bona fide* conformity to the aforementioned qualifications.

*Ordered*, that the said Address be taken into consideration on Monday next.

To be considered on Monday.

Niagara incorporation Bill, as amended, read 3rd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Town of Niagara, and to establish a Police therein," was, as amended, read the third time.

Then the following amendments were made to the said Bill:—

In Clause A, added by the Committee to the Bill,

Line 8.—Leave out all the words after "Board" to the end of the said Clause.

In Clause B, added by the Committee to the Bill,

Line 7.—Leave out all the words after "proper" to the end of the said Clause.

Then the question was put whether this Bill, with the amendments, shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *James Paterson*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Toronto*, *Chinguacousy*, and *Caledon*, praying for the construction of a plank road between the Village of *Port Credit*, to *Nottawasaga Bay*, on Lake *Huron*.

Petitions, From J. Paterson, and others, of Toronto, &c., and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Massue* presented a Petition from *William Morrin*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Two Mountains*, praying that the route recommended for a macadamized road and bridge from *P'Abord à Plouff* to *St. Eustache* may not be carried out, but that a shorter and less expensive line of road may be adopted.

From W. Morrin, and others, of Two Mountains, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that all the Members who have taken their seats since the opening of the present Session be added to the Committee on Privileges.

Members added to Committee on Privileges;

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Adjourn.

Monday, 10th March, 1845.

MONDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*M<sup>r</sup> Gill,*  
*Morris, William*  
*Fraser,*  
*Joliette,*  
*Crooks,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Hamilton,*  
*Bruneau,*  
*Ferrie,*

*Knoulton,*  
*M<sup>r</sup> Kay,*  
*Moore,*  
*Dionne, Joseph*  
*Massue,*  
*Walker,*  
*de Boucherville,*  
*Morris, James*  
*Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a General Statement of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, in the District of Montreal, during the year 1844.

Statement of Baptisms, &c., in Montreal, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows:

(For Statement, vide Sessional Papers, Letters R. R. R.)

Further amendments ordered;

Bill passed.

The



Petitions,

From J. Galt;

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* presented a Petition from *John Galt*, praying that in any Bill to alter the Charter of the *Toronto* and *Lake Huron* Rail-road Company, no obstacle may be presented to the proposed road from *Hamilton* to *Goderich*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From J. Blackburn, and others;

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from *James Blackburn*, and others, praying that some provision may be introduced into the new Municipal Bill to enable parties to recover their lawful demands on the various Municipal Councils of this Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From D. McKachern, and others, of Megantic;

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from *D. McKachern*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Megantic*, praying for the construction of a road between

From Rev. E. Baillargeon, and others, of St. Nicholas;

*Inverness* and *Grantham*; also a Petition from the Reverend *Etienne Baillargeon*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Nicholas*, in the County of *Dorchester*, praying that they may be separated from the said County of *Dorchester* and annexed to the County of *Lotbinière*;

From the Simcoe District Council;

and also six Petitions from the Municipal Council of the District of *Simcoe*, praying for the passing of an Act to remove all doubts as to the power of Sheriffs to offer lands for

Respecting the duty of Sheriffs;

sale under certain circumstances; also praying that the Western Branch of the *Holland River* may be improved, but that no public aid may be given to deepen the Eastern Branch

For the improvement of the Holland River;

of the said River; also praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the District Councils to impose taxes on the lands of Absentees, especially on those belonging to the *Canada*

For authority to impose Taxes on the lands of Absentees;

Company; also praying that the Registry Office may be removed from the *Holland*

For the removal of the Registry office;

*Landing* to the Town of *Barrie*; also praying that the rates of Postage in this Province may be reduced; and also praying that the Members of the said Councils may receive compensation during the time they give their attendance.

For a reduction in the rates of postage, and

For compensation for Members of Municipal Councils;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From W. Buell, and others, of the District of Johnstown, and

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *William Buell*, and others, being the Committee of the Mercantile and General Agricultural Improvement Society of the District of *Johnstown*, praying for the amendment of the Act establishing Agricultural Societies; and also a Petition from *Murdoch*

From M. McDonell, and others, of the Bathurst District, presented.

*McDonell*, and others, inhabitants of the District of *Bathurst*, praying for the construction of a main leading road from *Kingston* to

*Perth*, and thence to the northwestern extremity of the lumber district on the *Ottawa*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

House in Committee on Insolvent Debtors' Bill, U.C.;

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 with a certain amendment which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

Amendment reported;

*Ordered*, that the said Report be now received.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Press 17, line 39.—After "Parliament" insert the following Clause.

"And be it enacted, that this Act shall be and continue in force for two years from the passing thereof, and from thence to the end of the then next ensuing Session of Parliament, and no longer."

The said amendment being read the second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was carried in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time tomorrow.

3rd reading tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Cummings*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to empower the District Councils of Municipal Districts, and Boards of Police of Incorporated Towns in *Upper Canada*, to impose a tax on Dogs within their respective Districts and Towns," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council thereto, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Dog Tax Bill returned from the Assembly, with amendments to the amendment of the Council;

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:

Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the amendment made by the Honorable the Legislative Council, to the Bill intituled

intituled "An Act to empower the District Councils of Municipal Districts and Boards of Police of Incorporated Towns in *Upper Canada*, to impose a tax on Dogs within their respective Districts and Towns":

The amendments;

In the fifteenth line of the said amendment expunge "sufficient" and insert "prima facie."

In the twentieth line of the said amendment expunge "the" and insert "prima facie."

Engrossed amendments to amendment.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY, *Clk. Assy.*

**Ordered**, that the said amendments be taken into consideration tomorrow.

To be considered tomorrow.

Vessels Registry Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Smith*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to secure the right of property in British Plantation Vessels navigating the Inland Waters of this Province, and not registered under the Act of the Imperial Parliament of the United Kingdom, passed in the third and fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth," intituled "An Act for the Registering of British Vessels, and to facilitate transfers of the same, and to prevent the fraudulent assignment of any property in such Vessels," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Unitarians' Relief Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to afford relief to a certain religious Congregation at *Montreal*, denominated Christian Unitarians," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Chambly Cotton Manufacturing Company's Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Chambly* Cotton Manufacturing Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the fourth and fifth years of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled 'An Act to repeal the laws now in force in that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*, for the recovery of small debts, and to make other provisions therefor,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Small Debts Law amendment Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the sixth year of the reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intituled 'An Act to incorporate the City of *Toronto* and *Lake Huron* Rail-Road Company,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Toronto and Lake Huron Rail-Road Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Morin*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate 'Les Révérends *Pères Oblats* de l'Immaculée Conception de *Marie*,' in the Province of *Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Pères Oblats' Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Watts*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and better to encourage Agriculture in *Lower Canada* by the establishment of Agricultural Societies therein," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Agricultural Societies Bill, L. C.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the Independence of the Legislative Council.

Address to Her Majesty on the Independence of the Legislative Council;

The said Address was then read by the Clerk:

*It was then moved* to adopt the same.

After

After debate,

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion, the same was

Negatived.

**Resolved** in the negative.

Report of the Select Committee on Montreal College of Medicine Bill;

The Honorable Mr. *Walker*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* " College of Medicine and Surgery," together with the several Petitions submitted to this House during the present Session for and against the Bill, presented their Report.

**Ordered**, that it be received; and

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

The Report:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Monday, 10th March, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* " College of Medicine and Surgery," with the several Petitions submitted to this Honorable House during the present Session, for and against the proposed Bill, have, in obedience to that order of reference, directed their most serious consideration to the subject referred to them.

With a view to obtain the most authentic and extensive information in reference to the proposed Bill, Your Committee have examined a number of the most respectable Medical practitioners in this City, and have perused with attention the various statements which have been advanced as well in favor as against the Act of Incorporation sought for by the *Montreal* College of Medicine and Surgery.

Independently of many weighty objections which Your Committee have to the conferring upon the *Montreal* College of Medicine some of the powers and authorities contemplated by the Bill, Your Committee have been induced, from the evidence they have heard, to believe that the Medical School attached to the University of *M'Gill* College is amply sufficient to meet the wants of this portion of the Province, as far as the attainment of Medical education is concerned. The Committee have also been convinced, from the evidence they have heard, that the Professors and Lecturers at *M'Gill* College have always been disposed to give a *resumé*, or explanation in the French language, to pupils speaking more familiarly that tongue, which they have dis-

continued at the special request of a majority of that class of Students, and will resume the same whenever requested.

They also believe that there will result more essential benefit to the Profession at large, by maintaining one respectable Medical School with suitable means and proper aid, than to establish several such institutions, the means of which must continue more limited, and thus rendered less efficient for the purposes of the Student, while a dangerous rivalry is created, which must eventually lead to the degradation of the Profession.

Though the *Montreal* College of Medicine does not, at present, seek any assistance from the public funds, Your Committee are not satisfied but that in a short period of its incorporation as a regular School of Medicine, the successors of the present Petitioners would not fail to come before Parliament with Petitions for pecuniary assistance. Your Committee deem it highly impolitic to divide the slender aid which is at present granted to the Medical Faculty of *M'Gill* College, and transfer a portion thereof to another institution, while the number of Students throughout the Province is not sufficiently large to remunerate, in an adequate manner, the teachers necessary to be engaged in any one of the existing Medical Schools.

Your Committee have also taken into their consideration, that a Bill conferring similar powers of granting certificates to a College of Physicians and Surgeons, unconnected with *King's* College at *Toronto*, was disallowed in *England*, and Your Committee therefore think that this is one additional reason why no steps should be taken upon the matter referred to them.

Your Committee are therefore decidedly of opinion to recommend to Your Honorable House, not to proceed any further upon the said Bill.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

WM. WALKER,  
Chairman.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

**Ordered**, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report tomorrow. To be committed tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Laws " relative Report of the Select Committee on Winter Roads Bill, presented;

“ relative to Winter Roads in *Lower Canada*,” reported that the Committee 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 the same.

Tuesday, 11th March, 1845. TUESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs	The Honorable Messieurs
<i>M' Gill,</i>	<i>Knoulton,</i>
<i>Morris, William</i>	<i>M' Kay,</i>
<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>
<i>Joliette,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Massue,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Walker,</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>de Boucherville,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>Morris, James</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Neilson.</i>

To be received tomorrow.

**Ordered**, that the Report be received tomorrow.

Petitions,

From *W. Simpson*, and others, of *Penetanguishene*;

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *W. Simpson*, and others, being members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, residing in *Penetanguishene*, and parts adjacent, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed; that the Members of the Church of *England* may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot approve; that the course pursued in *England* may be adopted, and a Committee appointed to make such an equitable apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of the Province, either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each Congregation in the Province.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the County of *Gaspé*, for the year 1844. Statement of Baptisms, &c., in Gaspé, presented.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table; and it is as follows :

(For Return, vide *Sessional Papers, Letters R. R. R.*)

From the Bishop of Toronto;

The Honorable Mr. *M' Gill* presented a Petition from the Honorable and Right Reverend, the Lord Bishop of *Toronto*, and others, being members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*, praying that no measure affecting the interests of the University of *King's College* may be entertained at this advanced period of the Session; but that they may have an opportunity afforded them of expressing their opinion on a subject so vitally affecting their dearest interests; also a Petition from *G. H. Grierson*, and others, inhabitants of the *Colborne* and *Newcastle* Districts, praying for a grant of money to enable them to erect a bridge, under the superintendence of the Board of Works, over the River *Otonabee*; and also a Petition from *Hugh Richardson*, and others, ship-owners and mariners on *Lake Ontario*, praying that the Harbour at *Port Hope* may become public, instead of private property.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled “ An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned,” was read the third time. Insolvent Debtors Bill, U. C., read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

Which being objected to,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

**Ordered**, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill intituled “ An Act to empower the District Councils of Municipal Districts, and Boards of Police of Incorporated Towns in *Upper Canada*, to impose a tax on Dogs within their respective Districts and Towns.” Amendments of the Assembly to the Council's amendment to Dog Tax Bill, considered;

And the said amendments being read by the Clerk,

*It was moved* to agree to the same.

The

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

The question of concurrence being put thereon,

Agreed to.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council hath agreed to their amendments made to the amendment of this House, in and to this Bill, without any amendment.

Vessels registry Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to secure the right of property in British Plantation Vessels navigating the inland waters of this Province, and not registered under the Act of the Imperial Parliament of the United Kingdom, passed in the third and fourth years of the reign of His late Majesty King *William the Fourth*, intituled 'An Act for the registering of British Vessels, and to facilitate transfers of the same, and to prevent the fraudulent assignment of any property in such vessels,' was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill, Crooks, Hamilton, Bruneau, and Ferrie*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Unitarians' Relief Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to afford relief to a certain religious Congregation at *Montreal* denominated Christian Unitarians," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson, Knoulton, and Moore*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Chambly Cotton Factory Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Chambly Cotton Manufacturing Company*," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a Select Committee;

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Joliette, Bruneau, Knoulton, Moore, and Joseph Dionne*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

An instruction to the Committee moved;

*It was moved*, that it be an instruction to the last mentioned Committee to amend the said Bill by striking out the fourteenth Clause of the same.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the said motion was

*Resolved* in the negative.

Same negatived.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the payment of claims arising out of the rebellion and invasion in *Upper Canada*, and to appropriate the duties on Tavern licenses to local purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Rebellion Claims Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *M'Donald*, of *Kingston*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend and extend certain provisions of an Act made and passed in the seventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, 'An Act for incorporating and granting certain powers to the *Upper Canada Trust and Loan Company*,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

U. C. Trust and Loan Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Brooks*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Saint Lawrence and Atlantic Rail-Road Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Atlantic Rail Road Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the fourth and fifth years of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled, 'An Act to repeal the laws now in force in that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*, for the recovery of small debts, and to make other provisions therefor,'" was read the second time.

Small Debts Bill, read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fraser, Crooks, and Fergusson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant

Agricultural Societies encouragement Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and better to encourage Agriculture in *Lower Canada*, by the establishment of Agricultural Societies therein," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bruneau, Knoulton, Moore, de Boucherville, and Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

House in Committee on Montreal College of Medicine Bill.

The House, according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* College of Medicine and Surgery," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

After some time the House was resumed;

Reported, and leave granted to sit again on Thursday.

And the Honorable Mr. *Massue* reported from the said Committee, that they had taken the said Bill and Report into consideration, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again on Thursday next.

*Ordered*, that leave be granted accordingly.

Receiving the Report on Winter Roads Bill, postponed till tomorrow.

The Order of the Day being read for receiving the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the laws relative to winter roads in *Lower Canada*;"

*It was moved* that the said Report be received tomorrow;

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Wednesday, 12th March, 1845. WEDNESDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*M' Gill,*

*Knoulton,*

*Morris, William*

*M' Kay,*

*Fraser*

*Moore,*

*Joliette,*

*Dionne, Joseph*

*Crooks,*

*Massue,*

*Fergusson,*

*de Boucherville,*

*Hamilton,*

*Morris, James*

*Bruneau,*

*Neilson.*

*Ferrie,*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *William Arnold*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, within the Mission of *Gaspé Bay*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial statute to the Church of *England*, and that the Same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

Petitions, From Rev. W. Arnold, and others, of Gaspé Bay, and

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *M'Kay*, presented a Petition from *Smithson Waller*, and others, being members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, residing in the Townships of *Dereham* and *Norwich*, in the District of *Brock*, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed; that the members of the Church of *England* may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot approve; that the course pursued in *England* may be adopted, and a Committee appointed to make such an equitable apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of this Province either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each Congregation in the Province.

From S. Waller, and others, of Dereham, &c., presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled

Report of Select Committee on Agricultural Societies Bill, L. C., presented;



intituled "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned and better to encourage Agriculture in *Lower Canada*, by the establishment of Agricultural Societies therein," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

3rd reading tomorrow.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Report of the Select Committee on Unitarians' Relief Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Moore*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to afford relief to a certain religious Congregation at *Montreal* denominated Christian Unitarians," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

3rd reading tomorrow.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Toronto and Lake Huron Rail Road Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the sixth year of the reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intituled 'An Act 'to incorporate the City of *Toronto* and 'Lake *Huron* Rail-Road Company,'" was read the second time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks*, *Fergusson*, and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pères Oblats' Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate Les Révérends Pères Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de *Marie*, in the Province of *Canada*," was read the second time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Honorables Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Joliette*, *Bruneau*, *Massue* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Wild Fowl preservation Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Prince* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to prevent certain wild Fowl and Snipes from being destroyed at improper seasons of the year, and to prevent the trapping of Grouse and Quail in this Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Prince*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the profanation of the Lord's Day, commonly called "Sunday, in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Sunday observance Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Seymour*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal a certain provision of the Act incorporating the Town of *Kingston*, and to provide for the assessment and collection of the District Taxes in the said Town by an Assessor and Collector to be appointed by the District Council," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Kingston Assessment Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Prince*, and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishops of *Toronto* and *Kingston*, in *Canada*, in each Diocese," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to that Bill, without any amendment.

Roman Catholic Bishops incorporation Bill returned from Assembly with amendments agreed to.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *M'Donell*, of *Dundas*, and others, as follows:

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,  
Wednesday, 12th March, 1845.

**Resolved**, that a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, requesting their Honors will permit the Honorable *Peter M'Gill*, one of their Members, to attend the Select Committee to which is referred the Petition of *John McBean*, of *Lancaster*, in the Eastern District, tomorrow at noon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference.

Message from Assembly for leave to the Hon Mr. M'Gill, to attend a Select Committee.

**Ordered**, that Mr. *McDonell*, of *Dundas*, do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,  
Clerk. Assy.

And then they withdrew.

The

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

*It was moved* that the Honorable Mr. *M'Gill* may have leave to go to the Committee of the Legislative Assembly, as desired by that House in their Message of this day, if he thinks fit.

And the Honorable Mr. *M'Gill* being present in his place, acquainted the House, "that he was willing, with the leave of the House, to go to the said Committee."

Leave granted.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. *M'Gill* have leave to go to the said Committee, if he thinks fit,

Whereupon it was

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council do give leave to the Honorable Mr. *M'Gill* to go to the Select Committee to which is referred the Petition of *John McBean*, of *Lancaster*, in the Eastern District, tomorrow at noon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference, if he thinks fit.

Rebellion Claims Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the payment of claims arising out of the Rebellion and Invasion in *Upper Canada*, and to appropriate the duties on Tavern Licences to local purposes," was read the second time.

3rd reading tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Courts of Assize Bill returned from Assembly with amendments agreed to.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to make further regulation for holding the Courts of Assize and Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery, in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the trial of Prisoners under certain circumstances;" and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to that Bill, without any amendment.

U. C. Trust and Loan Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend certain provisions of an Act made and passed in the seventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty intituled 'An Act for incorporating and granting certain powers to the *Upper Canada Trust and Loan Company*,'" was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks*, *Fergusson*, and *Hamilton*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Saint Lawrence and Atlantic Rail-Road Company*" was read the second time. Atlantic Rail-Road Bill, read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of seven Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Crooks*, *Bruneau*, *Knoulton*, *M'Kay*, *James Morris*, and *Neilson*, with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Laws relative to Winter Roads." Amendments to Winter Roads Bill, considered;

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred back to the same Select Committee to whom it was formerly referred, to report further thereon. Bill referred back to the Select Committee.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize *John Yule*, the younger, to build a Toll Bridge over the *River Richelieu*, in the Parish of *Saint Joseph de Chambly*, to fix the rates of Toll for passing thereon, and to provide regulations for the same," reported that the Committee 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 the same. Report of the Select Committee on Yule's Toll Bridge Bill, presented.

*Ordered*, that the Report be received tomorrow. To be received tomorrow.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at two o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

THURSDAY.

## Thursday, 13th March 1845.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*Fraser,*  
*Joliette,*  
*Crooks,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Hamilton,*  
*Bruneau,*  
*Ferrie,*

The Honorable Messieurs

*Knoulton,*  
*Moore,*  
*Dionne, Joseph*  
*Massue,*  
*Morris, James*  
*Neilson.*

## PRAYERS.

Return from St. Lawrence Inland Assurance Company, presented.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a Return of the *St. Lawrence Inland Marine Assurance Company*, for the year 1844

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows:

(For Return, vide *Sessional Papers, Letter S.*)

Petition,

From G. Crawford, of the Johnstown District, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *George Crawford*, Vice President of the Agricultural Society of the District of *Johnstown*, praying that additional aid may be granted towards the support and encouragement of Agriculture.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of the Select Committee on U. C. Trust and Loan Bill, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend certain provisions of an Act made and passed in the seventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled 'An Act for incorporating and granting certain powers to the 'Upper Canada Trust and Loan Company,'" reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Agricultural Societies' Bill, L. C., read 3rd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and better to encourage Agriculture in *Lower Canada*, by the establishment of Agricultural Societies therein," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to afford relief to a certain Religious Congregation at *Montreal*, denominated Christian Unitarians," was read the third time.

Unitarians' Relief Bill, read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the payment of claims arising out of the Rebellion and Invasion in *Upper Canada*, and to appropriate the duties on Tavern Licences to local purposes," was read the third time.

Rebellion Claims Bill, read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the House to be again put into a Committee of the whole, upon the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal College of Medicine and Surgery*," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon;

Montreal College of Medicine Bill again referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be again referred to a Select Committee of seven Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson, Hamilton, Bruneau, Knoulton, Moore, Joseph Dionne*, and *James Morris*, 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 prevent certain Wild Fowl and Snipes from being destroyed at improper seasons of the year, and to prevent the trapping of Grouse and Quail in this Province."

Motion to read Wild Fowl preservation Bill the 2nd time;

*It was moved* that the said Bill be now read the second time;

Which being objected to,

Objected to;

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

Carried in the affirmative;

The Bill was thereupon read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*,

Referred to a Select Committee.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson, Knoulton, and Massue*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill, William Morris, and M'Kay*, enter.

Sunday observance Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the profanation of the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in *Upper Canada*," was read the second time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks, Fergusson, Ferrie, M'Kay, and James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Report of the Select Committee on Atlantic Rail-Road Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *M'Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Saint Lawrence and Atlantic Rail-Road Company*," reported that the Committee 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 the same.

**Ordered**, that the report be now received.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Amendments;

Press 14, line 42.—Leave out the words "by them or."

Press 17, line 20.—After "said" leave out "Company of Proprietors" and insert "Board of Directors."

" " line 23.—After "said" leave out "Company of Proprietors" and insert "Board of Directors."

Press 22, line 23.—After "at the" leave out "said."

" " line 28.—After "Bridge" insert "unless with the consent of the Proprietor thereof."

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

**Ordered**, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time presently.

3rd reading presently.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal a certain provision of the Act incorporating the Town of *Kingston*, and to provide for the assessment and collection of the District Taxes in the said Town, by an Assessor and Collector to be appointed by the District Council," was read the second time.

Kingston Assessment Bill, read 2nd time;

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

3rd reading tomorrow.

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorise *John Yule*, the younger, to build a Toll-Bridge over the River *Richelieu*, in the Parish of *Saint Joseph de Chambly*; to fix the rates of toll for passing thereon, and to provide regulations for the same."

Amendments to Yule's Toll Bridge Bill, considered;

The amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

The amendments;

Press 4, line 6.—After "to" leave out all the words to "established" in the seventh line, inclusively, and insert "a point situated four hundred yards below the inferior extremity of the *Grand Isle de Ste. Thérèse*."

" line 12.—After "persons" leave out all the words to "otherwise" in the fifteenth line, inclusively.

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

**Ordered**, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time tomorrow.

3rd reading tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from *John Miller*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Edwardsburgh*, praying that the original Survey of the said Township may not be disturbed or altered.

Petitions, From J. Miller, and others, of Edwardsburgh, and

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Venerable *George O'Kill Stuart*, Archdeacon of *Kingston*, and others, inhabitants of Lot number Twenty-Four in the neighbourhood of the Town of *Kingston*, praying that the said Lot may not be incorporated with the town aforesaid.

From the Archdeacon of Kingston, and others, presented.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table. Pursuant

Atlantic Rail-  
Road Bill,  
read 3rd time;

Pursuant to order, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Saint Lawrence* and "*Atlantic Rail-Road Company*," was, as amended, read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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.

Beverley  
Boundary Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Dickson*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to establish the boundaries of the Lots and Gores of Lands in the sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, and tenth Concessions of the Township of *Beverley*, in the County of *Halton*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Bytown Po-  
lice Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Stewart*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to define the limits of the Town of *Bytown*, to establish a Board of Police therein, and for other purposes therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Testatum  
Writs Bill, U.  
C.;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *George Sherwood*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to allow the issuing of *testatum* writs of *capias ad respondendum* in the several Districts in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

Insolvent  
Debtors' Bill,  
U. C., re-  
turned from  
the Assembly  
with the a-  
mendments  
agreed to.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes

"therein mentioned," and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to facilitate the partition of lands, tenements, and hereditaments, in certain cases, in *Lower Canada*," presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Tuesday, 4th March, 1845.

The Report;

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to facilitate the partition of lands, tenements, and hereditaments, in certain cases, in *Lower Canada*," have, in obedience to the order of reference, taken the said Bill into their most serious consideration, and, having regard to the important interests which are involved in its provisions, have come to the conclusion to recommend to Your Honorable House to defer any further proceedings upon the measure until another Session, and that, in the meantime, the said Bill be printed for general circulation in that portion of the Province to which it particularly refers.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

P. H. KNOULTON,  
Chairman.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be adopted. Adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *Robert Benjamin*, and others, inhabitants of the District of *Talbot*, praying that the duty upon hides and manufactured leather, when imported into this Province, may be increased.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the Order made this day for reading the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend certain provisions of an Act made and passed in the seventh year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled 'An Act for incorporating and granting certain powers to the *Upper Canada* Trust and Loan Company,'" the third time tomorrow, be discharged.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be now read the third time.

The said Bill was read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Kingston Assessment Bill, read 3rd time;

*Ordered*, that the order made this day for reading the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal a certain provision of the Act incorporating the Town of Kingston, and to provide for the assessment and collection of the District Taxes in the said town, by an Assessor and Collector to be appointed by the District Council," the third time tomorrow, be discharged.

*Ordered*, that the forty-sixth Rule of the House be dispensed with, in so far as it regards this Bill, and that the same be now read the third time.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

FRIDAY.

**Friday, 14th March, 1845.**

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*M' Gill,*  
*Morris, William*  
*Fraser,*  
*Joliette,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Hamilton,*  
*Bruneau,*  
*Ferrie,*

The Honorable Messieurs

*Knoulton,*  
*M'Kay,*  
*Moore,*  
*Dionne, Joseph*  
*Massue,*  
*Morris, James*  
*Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *Henry Hoyle*, and others, inhabitants of the Seigniorship of *Lacolle*, praying that physicians and surgeons, inhabitants of the *United States*, may be allowed to practice in this Province to a limited extent; and also a Petition from *Mary Allan*, widow of Corporal *James Allan*, of *Sherrington*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, praying for a pecuniary grant in consequence of her late husband having been killed during the rebellion.

Petitions,  
From H. Hoyle  
and others, of  
Lacolle;

From M. Allan,  
of Sherrington;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *M' Gill* presented a Petition from *Frederick S. Neve*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, residing in the Township of *Clarendon*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

From F. S. Neve, and others, of Clarendon;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from *A. C. Squier*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Sutton*, in the County of *Missisquoi*, praying that in the event of the Church of *England* receiving her proportion of the Clergy Reserves, the interests of the occupiers of the same may be duly regarded.

From A. C. Squier, and others, of Sutton;

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Petition from *H. H. Meredith*, and others, being the creditors of *John Campbell*, a Contractor on the *Rice Lake* and *Lake Ontario* Road, praying for the adoption of such measures as will cause a liquidation of their claims against the said *John Campbell*; and also a Petition from *John Fogarty*, and others, labourers, employed by *John Campbell*, a Contractor on the *Lake Ontario* and *Rice Lake* Road, praying for the adoption of such measures as will enable them to obtain the various sums respectively due to them as such labourers.

From H. W. Meredith, and others, creditors of J. Campbell, a contractor, and

From J. Fogarty, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *M' Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to secure the right of property in British Plantation Vessels navigating the inland waters of this Province, and

Report of the Select Committee on Vessels Registry Bill, presented;

"not



“ not registered under the Act of the Imperial  
 “ Parliament of the United Kingdom, passed  
 “ in the third and fourth years of the reign of  
 “ His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth,  
 “ intituled, ‘ An Act for the registering of  
 “ ‘ British vessels and to facilitate transfers of  
 “ ‘ the same, and to prevent the fraudulent  
 “ ‘ assignment of any property in such ves-  
 “ ‘ sels,’ ” reported that the Committee had  
 gone through the said Bill, and had directed  
 him to report the same to the House without  
 any amendment.

Bill read 3rd  
 time ;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be now read the  
 third time.

The said Bill was then read the third time  
 accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall  
 pass ?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chan-  
 cery do go down to the Legislative Assembly,  
 and acquaint that House that the Legislative  
 Council have passed this Bill without any  
 amendment.

Report of the  
 Select Commit-  
 tee on Toronto  
 and Lake Huron  
 Rail-Road  
 Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, from the  
 Select Committee to whom was referred the  
 Bill intituled “ An Act to amend an Act pass-  
 “ ed in the sixth year of the reign of His late  
 “ Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intituled,  
 “ ‘ An Act to incorporate the City of *Toronto*  
 “ ‘ and Lake *Huron* Rail-Road Company,’ ”  
 reported that the Committee 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 the same.

*Ordered*, that the Report be now received.

The amend-  
 ments ;

The said amendments were then read by  
 the Clerk, as follow :—

Press 1, line 26.—After “ planked ” insert  
 “ macadamized.”

“ line 29.—After “ planked ” insert  
 “ macadamized.”

“ line 32.—After “ Act ” insert the  
 following Clauses, marked  
 A, B, and C :—

#### CLAUSE A.

“ And be it enacted, that all  
 “ the provisions of the said  
 “ hereinbefore recited Act  
 “ shall apply to and be in full  
 “ force as regards any plank-  
 “ ed, macadamized, or block-

“ ed road hereby authorized  
 “ to be constructed, or to any  
 “ Rail-Road which the said  
 “ Company may in their dis-  
 “ cretion construct.”

#### CLAUSE B.

“ And be it enacted, that  
 “ notwithstanding anything in  
 “ the said Act contained, the  
 “ Capital Stock in the said  
 “ Company shall not exceed  
 “ in value five hundred thou-  
 “ sand pounds, divided into  
 “ shares of five pounds each,  
 “ and it shall and may be  
 “ lawful for the said Com-  
 “ pany to sue for and recover  
 “ the amount of any share or  
 “ shares subscribed by any  
 “ person or persons in the  
 “ Capital Stock thereof, in  
 “ any Court having compe-  
 “ tent jurisdiction.”

#### CLAUSE C.

“ And be it enacted, that  
 “ nothing in this Act con-  
 “ tained shall extend, or be  
 “ construed to extend, to  
 “ prevent the Legislature of  
 “ this Province from incor-  
 “ porating any other Joint  
 “ Stock Company or Com-  
 “ panies, at any time here-  
 “ after, from any point on  
 “ Lake *Ontario* to any point  
 “ on Lake *Huron*, anything  
 “ herein contained to the  
 “ contrary notwithstanding.”

Preamble, line 7.—After the word “ planked ”  
 insert “ macadamized.”

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

Agreed to ;

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be en-  
 grossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read  
 the third time presently.

3rd reading  
 presently.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Se-  
 lect Committee to whom was referred, *de*  
*novo*, the Bill intituled “ An Act further to  
 “ amend the laws relative to winter roads in  
 “ *Lower Canada*,” reported that the Commit-  
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Report of the  
 Select Commit-  
 tee on Winter  
 Roads Bill,  
 presented ;

tee

tee 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 received on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize *John Yule*, the "younger, to build a Toll Bridge over the "River *Richelieu*, in the Parish of *Saint Joseph de Chambly*; to fix the rates of toll for "passing thereon, and to provide regulations "for the same," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 establish the boundaries "of the Lots and Gores of Lands in the sixth, "seventh, eighth, ninth, and tenth Concessions "of the Township of *Beverley*, in the County "of *Halton*," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks*, *Fergusson*, and *Hamilton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to define the limits of the "Town of *Bytown*, to establish a Board of "Police therein, and for other purposes therein "mentioned," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks*, *M'Kay*, and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for "granting Provincial Duties of Customs," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Daly*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to "provide for the distribution of the printed "copies of the Laws," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Coville*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal part "of a certain Ordinance therein mentioned, "and to enable Notaries to act as Clerks of "Circuit and Commissioners' Courts in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Stewart*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the "assessment and collection of Taxes in the "Township of *Gloucester* for the year one "thousand eight hundred and forty-four," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Pursuant to order, the Bill intituled "An "Act to amend an Act passed in the sixth "year of the reign of His late Majesty King "William the Fourth, intituled 'An Act to "incorporate the City of *Toronto* and Lake "Huron Rail-Road Company,'" was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 Speaker having informed the House that *Charles de Léry*, Esquire, Assistant Clerk of this House, acting as Clerk thereof, has

Laws Distribution Bill.

Clerks of Circuit Courts Bill

Gloucester Taxes Bill.

Toronto and Lake Huron Rail-Road Bill, read 3rd time;

Passed.

House informed that a Writ had been served on the Assistant Clerk;

To be received on Monday.

Yule's Toll Bridge Bill, read 3rd time;

Passed.

Beverley boundary Bill, read 2nd time;

Referred to a Select Committee.

Bytown Police Bill, read 2nd time;

Referred to a Select Committee.

Customs' Duties Bill.

been served with a Writ, dated the fifth day of March instant, summoning him to appear before the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Montreal*, on Monday the seventeenth instant.

The writ not to be obeyed.

**Ordered**, that the said *Charles de Léry*, Assistant Clerk of this House, do not have leave of this House to obey the said Writ.

Petition, From D. Mc-Gregor, and others, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *Daniel M<sup>c</sup>Gregor*, and others, praying that the Reverend *Isaac Law*, and other Ministers of the Associate Presbyterian Church in *Canada*, may be permitted to solemnize marriages and register baptisms.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of Select Committee upon Reporter in Chancery Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the appointment of a Reporter in the Court of "Chancery," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

2d reading Testatum Writs Bill postponed till tomorrow.

**Ordered**, that the Order made yesterday for reading the second time on Monday next, the Bill intituled "An Act to allow the issuing of "testatum writs of *capias ad respondendum* in "the several Districts in *Upper Canada*, and "for other purposes therein mentioned," be discharged.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Atlantic Rail-Road Bill returned from Assembly with amendments agreed to.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Hale*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Saint Lawrence and Atlantic Rail-Road Company*," and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Saturday, 15th March, 1845.

SATURDAY

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*M<sup>c</sup>Gill,*

*Ferrie,*

*Morris, William,*

*Knoulton,*

*Fraser,*

*M<sup>c</sup>Kay,*

*Joliette,*

*Moore,*

*Crooks,*

*Dionne, Joseph*

*Fergusson,*

*Massue,*

*Hamilton,*

*Morris, James*

*Bruneau,*

*Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from *George T. Denison*, and others, Commissioners for the *West York Macadamized Road*, in the *Home District*, praying that their powers, under certain circumstances, may be more clearly defined, and that the Corporation of the City of *Toronto* may be compelled to assume the charge and management of such portion of the said road as lies within the limits of the said City.

Petition, From G. T. Denison, and others, presented.

**Ordered**, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act passed in "the fourth and fifth years of the reign of Her "Majesty, intituled 'An Act to repeal the "laws now in force in that part of this Province "formerly *Upper Canada* for the recovery of small debts, and to make other "provisions therefor," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Report of the Select Committee on U. C. Small Debts Bill, &c., presented ;

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be now read the third time.

Bill read 3rd time ;

The same was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

**Ordered**, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The

Report of the Select Committee on Bytown Police Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *M'Kay*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to define the limits of the Town of *Bytown*, to establish a Board of Police therein, and for other purposes therein mentioned," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be now received;

And the same was then read by the Clerk.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

To be committed on Monday.

*Ordered*, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report on Monday next.

Reporter in Chancery Bill, read 3rd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the appointment of a Reporter in the Court of Chancery," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Customs' Duties Bill, read 2nd and 3rd times;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act for granting Provincial Duties of Customs," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it regards the said Bill, and that the same be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Laws Distribution Bill, read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the distribution of the printed copies of the Laws," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it regards the said Bill, and that the same be read the third time presently. 46th Rule dispensed with;

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly. Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 repeal part of a certain Ordinance therein mentioned, and to enable Notaries to act as Clerks of Circuit and Commissioners' Courts in *Lower Canada*," was read the second time. Clerks of Circuit Courts Bill, read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Joliette*, *Joseph Dionne*, and *Massue*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the assessment and collection of Taxes in the Township of *Gloucester* for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-four," was read the second time. Gloucester Taxes Bill.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson*, *M'Kay*, and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to allow the issuing of *testatum* writs of *capias ad respondendum* in the several Districts in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read the second time. Testatum Writs Bill, read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time on Tuesday next. 3rd reading on Tuesday.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

Monday,

MONDAY.

Monday, 17th March, 1845.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs      The Honorable Messieurs

*M'Gill,**Knoulton,**Morris, William**M'Kay,**Fraser,**Moore,**Joliette,**Dionne, Joseph**Crooks,**Massue,**Fergusson,**de Boucherville,**Hamilton,**Morris, James**Bruneau,**Neilson.**Ferrie,*

PRAYERS.

Petitions.

From G. Milne,  
and others, of  
New Carlisle :

The Honorable Mr. *M'Gill* presented a Petition from the Reverend *George Milne*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, in *New Carlisle, Paspebiac*, and County adjacent, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Quebec*, a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.From the  
Trustees of  
Maskinongé  
Common ;

The Honorable Mr. *Joseph Dionne* presented a Petition from the President and Trustees, and other persons interested in the Common of the Parish of *Maskinongé*, praying for such an amendment of the Act of Incorporation of the proprietors of the said Common, as will impose a tax upon the parties interested to defray the expenses thereof.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.From J. M.  
Ritchie, and  
others, of the  
Great Western  
Rail-Road  
Company ;

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *James M. Ritchie*, and others, stockholders in the Great Western Rail-road Company, praying that their Charter may be revived with certain amendments.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.From Rev. S.  
J. Hill, and  
others, of Caledon ;

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from the Reverend *George S. J. Hill*, and others, being members of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, residing in the Townships of *Caledon, Mono*, and parts adjacent, praying that an Address may be presented to Her Majesty, humbly requesting that that portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the

Church of *England*, by the Act 4th Victoria, may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and placed under the exclusive management of the members of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented a Petition from the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of *Quebec*, praying that the City Council may be authorized to impose a permanent tax of one halfpenny per ton, now voluntarily paid for the support of a River Police, and that the same may be collected by the Collector of Customs, and paid over to the Corporation for the support of that force.

From the Corporation of  
Quebec, and*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *John Hardeley*, Agent for the house of *Charles Robin & Co.*, of the District of *Gaspé*, praying that the Bill for regulating and confirming certain Marriages in the District of *Gaspé* may not be passed into a law.

From J. Hardeley, of Gaspé,  
presented.*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

Read.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the legal proof and preservation thereof of certain Marriages formerly had before Justices of the Peace in the late Inferior District of *Gaspé*, Births, Baptisms, and Burials therein."

Referred to the  
Select Committee on  
Marriages in  
Gaspé Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* presented a Petition from *John Steele*, on behalf of the Township Superintendents of Education in the District of *Newcastle*, praying for the amendment of the Common School Act.

Petition,  
From J. Steele,  
of the Township of  
Newcastle, presented.*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *M'Kay*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the assessment and collection of Taxes in the Township of *Gloucester* for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-four," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Report of Select  
Committee on  
Gloucester Taxes  
Bill, presented;*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.Bill for 3rd  
reading to-  
morrow.

The

Report of the Select Committee on Sunday observance Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *M'Kay*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the profanation of the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in *Upper Canada*," reported that the Committee 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 the same.

To be received tomorrow.

**Ordered**, that the Report be received tomorrow.

Receiving the Report on Winter Roads Bill, postponed till Monday.

The Order of the Day being read for receiving the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred, *de novo*, the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the laws relative to winter roads in *Lower Canada*";

**Ordered**, that the said Report be received on Monday next.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

His Excellency comes to the House and commands the attendance of the Assembly;

His Excellency the Right Honorable *Charles Theophilus Baron Metcalfe*, of *Fernhill*, in the County of *Berks*, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British *North America*, being seated in the Chair on the Throne, 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."

Assembly attend;

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:—

Religious Societies Relief Bill;

"An Act to extend the provisions of two certain Acts of the Parliament of the Province of *Upper Canada*, to other denominations of Christians than those therein enumerated."

Montreal High School Bill;

"An Act to incorporate the High School of *Montreal*."

Quebec Library Association Bill;

"An Act to incorporate the Members of the *Quebec Library Association*."

La Congregation Notre Dame de Montreal Bill;

"An Act to authorize the community of Ladies called 'Les Sœurs de la Congregation Notre Dame de Montréal,' to acquire and hold additional real or personal property to a certain amount."

Seminaire de Ste. Thérèse Bill;

"An Act to incorporate Le Petit Séminaire de *Ste. Thérèse de Blainville*, in the District of *Montreal*."

"An Act to incorporate La Communauté des Sœurs des Sts. Noms de *Jésus et Marie*, of the Parish of *St. Antoine de Longueuil*, in the District of *Montreal*, for the purposes of Education."

Des Sœurs of St. Antoine Bill;

"An Act to incorporate the *Canada Baptist Missionary Society*."

Baptist Missionary Bill;

"An Act to authorize the Nuns of the *Ursuline Convent at Three Rivers* to acquire and hold additional real and immoveable property to a certain amount."

Three Rivers Convent Bill;

"An Act to repeal an Act therein mentioned, and to provide for the regulation of *Line Fences and Water Courses in Upper Canada*."

Line Fence Bill;

"An Act to abolish the office of Surveyor General, and to provide for the performance of the duties of that office by the Commissioner of Crown Lands."

Office of Surveyor General abolition Bill;

"An Act to provide for the management of the Customs and of matters relative to the collection of the Provincial Revenue."

Customs Management Bill;

"An Act to incorporate the High School of *Quebec*."

Quebec High School Bill;

"An Act to repeal that portion of the Act therein mentioned which prevents Members of the Clergy from voting at elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of this Province."

Clergy disability removal Bill;

"An Act to afford relief to Insolvent Debtors."

Insolvent Debtors Bill, L. C.;

"An Act to detach the Parish of *Saint Sylvester* from the County of *Lolbinière*, and to annex it to the County of *Megantic*, for the purposes of Registration only."

St. Sylvester Parish Bill;

"An Act to amend and extend certain provisions of an Act made and passed in the seventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled 'An Act for incorporating and granting certain powers to the *Upper Canada Trust and Loan Company*.'"

U.C. Trust and Loan Bill;

"An Act to secure the right of property in British Plantation Vessels navigating the inland waters of this Province, and not registered under the Act of the Imperial Parliament of the United Kingdom, passed in the third and fourth years of the reign of His late Majesty King *William the Fourth*, intituled 'An Act for the Registering of British Vessels,' and to facilitate transfers of the same, and to prevent the fraudulent assignment of any property in such vessels."

Vessels Registry Bill;

"An Act to afford relief to a certain Religious congregation at *Montreal* denominated *Christian Unitarians*."

Unitarians' Relief Bill;

"An



Courts Assize  
Bill, U. C.;

“ An Act to make further regulation for holding the Courts of Assize and Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the trial of prisoners under certain circumstances.”

District Court  
Bill, U. C.;

“ An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act, the several laws now in force establishing or regulating the practice of District Courts in the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*.”

Atlantic Rail-  
Road Bill;

“ An Act to incorporate the *St. Lawrence* and *Atlantic Rail-Road Company*.”

To these Bills the Royal Assent was severally pronounced by one of the Clerks Assistant to this House, in the words following :

Assented to in  
Her Majesty's  
name.

“ In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General doth assent to this Bill.”

Money Bills  
presented.

Then one of the Clerks Assistant, having received certain Money Bills from the hands of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, brought them to the table, where the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the Bills to be passed severally, as follow :—

Riots preven-  
tion Bill;

“ An Act for the better preservation of the peace and the prevention of riots and violent outrages at and near public works, while in the progress of construction.”

Geological  
Survey Bill;

“ An Act to make provision for a Geological Survey of this Province.”

Customs Du-  
ties Bill;

“ An Act for granting Provincial Duties of Customs.”

To these Bills the Royal Assent was severally pronounced, by one of the Clerks Assistant to this House, in the words following :

Assented to in  
Her Majesty's  
name.

“ In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill.”

His Excellency  
retires and the  
Assembly  
withdraw.

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

House in Com-  
mittee on By-  
town Board of  
Police Bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill intituled “ An Act to define the limits of the Town of *Bytown*, to establish a Board of Police therein, and for other purposes therein mentioned,” together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

After some time the House was resumed, and the Honorable Mr. *James Morris* reported from the said Committee that they had taken the said Bill and Report into consideration, had made some progress therein, and had directed him to ask leave to sit again tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that leave be granted accordingly. Leave granted to sit again.

The Honorable Mr. *Fraser* presented a Petition from the Honorable Chief Justice *Robinson*, and others, being Visitors of the University of *King's College*, praying that the proposed Bills for altering the Charter of the said University may not be passed into laws.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly. Read, and

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be printed in the English and French languages for the use of Members. To be printed.

*Ordered*, that the Petition presented to this House on the seventeenth day of January last, from the Trustees of *Queen's College*, at *Kingston*, on the subject of the University of *King's College*, be printed in the English and French languages for the use of Members. The Petition from the Trustees of Queen's College, to be printed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, to return the Bill intituled “ An Act to amend an Act passed in the sixth year of the reign of His late Majesty King *William the Fourth*, intituled ‘ An Act to incorporate the City of *Toronto* and Lake *Huron Rail-Road Company*,’ ” and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment. Toronto and Lake Huron Rail-Road Bill, returned from the Assembly, with the amendments agreed to.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Dickson*, and others, to return the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate the Town of *Niagara*, and to establish a Police therein,” and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment. Niagara Police Bill returned from the Assembly, with amendments agreed to.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Dickson*, and others, to return the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate certain persons as the *Niagara* and *Ten-Mile Creek Plank Road Company*, for “ the Niagara Plank Road Bill returned from the Assembly, with amendments agreed to.

“ the purpose of constructing a plank road from a certain place in *Niagara* to the *Ten-Mile Creek* in *Grantham*,” and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly 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 Mr. *Dickson*, and others, with a Bill intituled “ An Act to prevent persons riding or driving at a fast rate over bridges of more than a certain length in *Upper Canada*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Hale*, and others, to return the Bill intituled “ An Act to authorize *John Yule*, the younger, to build a Toll-Bridge over the River *Richelieu*, in the Parish of *Saint Joseph de Chambly*, to fix the rates of toll for passing thereon, and to provide regulations for the same,” and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly 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 Mr. *M'Donald*, of *Kingston*, and others, to return the Bill intituled “ An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned,” and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have passed this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *M'Donald*, of *Kingston*, and others, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,  
Monday, 17th March, 1845.

*Resolved*, that a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, to return to their Honors the Minutes of Evidence taken before that Honorable House on the Bill intituled “ An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein

mentioned,” as requested by their Message of the fourth of March instant.

*Ordered*, that Mr. *M'Donald*, of *Kingston*, do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,  
Clerk Assy.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Cauchon*, and others, with a Bill intituled “ An Act to detach the *Island of Orleans* from the County of *Montmorency*, for the purposes of Registration of Titles, and to establish a Registry Office in “ the said *Island*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from the Reverend *William Bettridge*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, residing in *Woodstock*, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charter of the University of *King's College*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Tuesday, 18th March, 1845.

TUESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*M'Gill*,

*Knoulton*,

*Morris, William*

*M'Kay*,

*Fraser*,

*Moore*,

*Joliette*,

*Dionne, Joseph*

*Crooks*,

*Massue*,

*Fergusson*

*de Boucherville*,

*Hamilton*,

*Morris, James*

*Bruneau*,

*Neilson*.

*Ferrie*,

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *H. D. Jessup*, and others, inhabitants of the Town of *Prescott*, praying that the profits arising from the Ferry between the said

Driving on Bridges, regulation Bill.

Yule's Toll Bridge Bill returned from the Assembly, with the amendments agreed to.

Harris' Divorce Bill passed by the Assembly.

The Evidence on Harris' Divorce Bill returned by the Assembly.

Island of Orleans detachment Bill.

Petition, From Rev. W. Bettridge, presented.

Adjourn.

TUESDAY.

Petitions, From H. D. Jessup, and others, of Prescott, and

said Town, and the Town of Ogdensburgh in the *United States*, may be placed at the disposal of the authorities of the said Town of *Prescott*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

From H. Atkinson, and others, of Quebec, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *Henry Atkinson*, and others, inhabitants of the City of *Quebec*, praying that no alteration may be made in the Ordinance incorporating the said City.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of the Select Committee on Clerks of Circuit Courts Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Joliette*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal part of a certain Ordinance therein mentioned, and to enable Notaries to act as Clerks of Circuit and Commissioners Courts in *Lower Canada*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Bill for 3rd reading tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Knoulton* presented a Petition from the Honorable and Right Reverend, the Lord Bishop of *Toronto*, on behalf of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, praying that the Bills for altering the Charter of the University of *King's College, Toronto*, may not be passed into Laws during the present Session.

Petition,

From the Bishop of Toronto, presented;

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk, accordingly.

Read.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Report of the Select Committee on Wild Fowl preservation Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent certain Wild Fowl and Snipes from being destroyed at improper seasons of the year, and to prevent the trapping of Grouse and Quail in this Province," reported that the Committee 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.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:

Press 1, line 33.—Leave out from "and whereas" to "year" in press 2, line 15, inclusively.

The amendments;

Press 2, line 25.—Leave out from "or if" to "aforesaid" in the 37th line, inclusively.

Press 3, line 12.—Leave out from "And" to "Act" in the 21st line, inclusively.

*Ordered*, that the same be taken into consideration tomorrow.

To be considered tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* presented a Petition from *Dunham Jones*, and others, Militiamen, who served in *Upper Canada* during the late war with the *United States*, praying that they may have the privilege of drawing land for their services, and placed same footing in this respect with the Militia of *Lower Canada*.

Petition, From D. Jones, and others, Militiamen, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to allow the issuing of *Tes-tatum Writs of Capias ad respondendum* in the several Districts in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read the third time.

Testatum Writs Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the assessment and collection of Taxes in the Township of *Gloucester*, for the year one thousand eight-hundred and forty-four," was read the third time.

Gloucester Taxes Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any amendment.

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the profanation of the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in *Upper Canada*."

Amendments to Sunday observance Bill, considered;

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:

Press 1, line 10.—Leave out "and" and insert "or."

The amendments;

line 21.—After the word "day" insert "or to hold, convene, or attend any public political meeting on that day."

Press 1,

Press 1, line 28.—After “prey” insert “nor shall it be lawful for any person or persons to bathe in any exposed situation in any water within the limits of any incorporated City or Town, nor within view of any place of public worship, or private residence, on the Lord’s Day.”

Press 2, line 5.—After “fowl” insert “or fish.”

“ line 8.—After “prey” insert “or shall bathe in any exposed situation in any water within the limits of any incorporated City or Town, or within view of any place of public worship or private residence on the Lord’s Day.”

Agreed to; The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

3rd reading to-morrow. *Ordered*, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time tomorrow.

House in Committee on Bytown Police Bill; The Order of the Day being read for again putting the House into Committee of the whole upon the Bill intituled “An Act to define the limits of the Town of *Bytown*, to establish a Board of Police therein, and for other purposes therein mentioned,” together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon;

To be committed on Thursday. *Ordered*, that the said Bill and Report be again committed to a Committee of the whole House on Thursday next.

Driving on Bridges regulation Bill, read 2nd time; Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled “An Act to prevent persons riding or driving at a fast rate over Bridges of more than a certain length in *Upper Canada*,” was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee. *Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks*, *Fergusson* and *Hamilton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Island of Orleans detachment Bill, read 2nd time; Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled “An Act to detach the Island of *Orleans* from the County of *Montmorency*, for the purposes of Registration of Titles, and to establish a Registry Office in the said Island,” was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow. 3rd reading to-morrow.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o’clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

Wednesday, 19th March, 1845. WEDNESDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs <i>M’Gill</i> , <i>Morris, William</i> <i>Fraser</i> , <i>Joliette</i> , <i>Crooks</i> , <i>Fergusson</i> , <i>Hamilton</i> , <i>Bruneau</i> , <i>Ferrie</i> .	The Honorable Messieurs <i>Knoulton</i> , <i>M’Kay</i> , <i>Moore</i> , <i>Dionne, Joseph</i> <i>Massue</i> , <i>de Boucherville</i> , <i>Morris, James</i> <i>Neilson</i> .
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PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris*, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House a General Estimate of the probable amount of the Public Expenditure and Net Revenue of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province for the year 1845. Estimate of the Expenditure and Revenue for 1845, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows:  
(For Estimate, vide Sessional Papers, Letters Q. Q.)

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to prevent persons riding or driving at a fast rate over bridges of more than a certain length in *Upper Canada*,” reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment. Report of the Select Committee on Driving on Bridges regulation Bill, presented;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly. Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and

and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Motion to read Sunday observance Bill the 3rd time;

The Order of the Day being read for reading the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the profanation of the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in *Upper Canada*," the third time,

*It was moved* that the said Bill be now read the third time.

Objected to:

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon,

And the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

Bill read 3rd time:

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Protest of the Hon. J. Neilson, thereon.

Dissentient.

1st. *Because* this Bill, by its prohibitory enactments and penal provisions, assumes the existence of a degree of profanation of the Lord's Day in *Upper Canada*, of which there is no proof before this House, nor any Petitions praying for the present enactments.

2nd. *Because* the observance of the Lord's Day is a duty founded on revealed Religion, whose power is over the minds of men, fortified by religious instruction and good example, rather than by penal enactments.

3rd. *Because* such enactments have been found to be of pernicious tendency in other countries and are generally discontinued.

4th. *Because* the Civil and Criminal Laws of England, in force in *Upper Canada*, contain sufficient provision for the suppression of offences against religion and morality in most cases wherein they injuriously affect the public or individuals, without increasing prosecutions and ill will among neighbours, which must result from the present enactments.

J. NEILSON.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 detach the Island of *Orleans* from the County of *Montmorency*, for the purposes of Registration of Titles, and to establish a Registry Office in the said Island," was read the third time.

Island of Orleans detachment Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal part of a certain Ordinance therein mentioned, and to enable Notaries to act as Clerks of Circuit and Commissioners Courts in *Lower Canada*," was read the third time."

Clerks of Circuit Courts Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any amendment.

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent certain Wild Fowl and Snipes from being destroyed at improper seasons of the year, and to prevent the trapping of Grouse and Quail in this Province."

Amendments to Wild Fowl preservation Bill, considered;

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

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

Adopted;

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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.

A Message

District Officers' Fees Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *George Sherwood*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Fees of certain District Officers in that part of this Province called *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Johnstown District Taxes Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Gowan*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the collection of arrears of Taxes in the District of *Johnstown*, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Ferries Regulation Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Jessopp*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for better enforcing the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of *Upper Canada* for the regulation of Ferries, and for protecting the rights of the Lessees of Ferries," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Colonial Association Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to give further powers to the North American Colonial Association of *Ireland*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Agricultural Societies Bill, U. C.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Webster*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for the encouragement of Agricultural Societies and Agriculture in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Thursday, 20th March, 1845. THURSDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

*M' Gill,*  
*Morris, William*  
*Fraser,*  
*Joliette,*  
*Crooks,*  
*Fergusson,*  
*Hamilton,*  
*Bruneau,*

The Honorable Messieurs

*Ferrie,*  
*Knoulton,*  
*M'Kay,*  
*Moore,*  
*Massue,*  
*de Boucherville,*  
*Morris, James*  
*Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

The Honorable, the Speaker, laid before the House a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the District of *Quebec*, for the year 1844—and also, a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the County of *Bonaventure*, for the year 1844.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table; and they are as follow :

(For Returns, vide Sessional Papers, Letters R. R. R.)

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *Robert Layfield*, and others, landed proprietors, residing near the *Gosford Road*, in the County of *Megantic*, praying for a grant to complete the said road; and also a Petition from *Robert Layfield*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Megantic*, praying for the passing of a Bill to secure the enregistration of voters in *Lower Canada*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Adam Townley*, and others, being members of the Church of *England*, residing in the Township of *Dunn*, praying that the School Act may be wholly repealed; that the members of the Church of *England* may not be compelled to contribute to schools founded on principles which they cannot approve; that the course pursued in *England* may be adopted, and a Committee appointed to make such an equitable apportionment of the funds raised for the education of the youth of the Province, either according to the population, the amount of assessment, or, if preferred, in proportion to the sum raised by each congregation in the Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled

Return of Baptisms, &amp;c., in Quebec and Bonaventure, presented.

Petitions, From R. Layfield, and others, of Megantic, and

From Rev. A. Townley, and others, of Dunn, presented.

Report of the Select Committee on Chamberly Cotton



Factory Bill,  
presented;

intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Chambly* Cotton Manufacturing Company," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*It was moved*, that the said Bill be now read the third time;

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Bill read 3rd  
time;

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

*It was moved*, that the said Bill do now pass;

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Public Im-  
provements  
Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to correct and amend an Act passed in the Session held in the fourth and fifth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled 'An Act to appropriate certain sums of money for public improvements in this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Saturday next.

Lumber Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Stewart*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the culling and measurement of timber, masts, spars, deals, staves, and other articles of a like nature, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Saturday next.

Report of the  
Select Commit-  
tee on Alien  
Bill, present-  
ed;

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act pass-

ed in the fourth and fifth years of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, intituled "An Act to secure to and confer upon certain inhabitants of this Province the civil and political rights of British subjects," reported that the Committee 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 said Report be now received.

The same was then read by the Clerk.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be taken into consideration by the House on Saturday next. To be considered on Saturday.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was again put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill intituled "An Act to define the limits of the Town of *Bytown*, to establish a Board of Police therein, and for other purposes therein mentioned," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon. House in Committee on Bytown Board of Police Bill;

After some time the House was resumed, and the Honorable Mr. *James Morris* reported, from the said Committee, 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. Amendments reported.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be now received.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:—

Press 1, lines 10 and 11.—Leave out "Board of Police" and insert "Town Council."

" line 13.—Leave out "President and Board of Police" and insert "Mayor and Town Council."

Press 2, line 2.—Before "Rideau" insert "that."

" line 15.—After "wards" insert "called South Ward, *Sussex* Ward, *Queen's* Ward, and *Metcalfe* Ward, shall annually elect two persons, and *Rideau* Ward one."

" line 16.—Leave out "Member of the said Corporation" and insert "Town Counsellor."

" line 18.—Leave out "fifty" and insert "thirty."

Press 2,

- Press 2, line 19.—After “annum” insert “or leaseholders paying an annual rental for that amount, or leaseholders for a term of years and assessed to the value of thirty pounds.”
- “ line 20.—Leave out “Member of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellor.”
- “ line 23.—Leave out “Members” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ “ —Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 25.—Leave out “within their respective wards.”
- “ line 31.—Leave out “Members of the said Corporation” and insert “said Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 33.—Leave out “President of the Board of Police” and insert “Mayor of the said Town.”
- “ lines 34 and 35.—Leave out “Members of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- Press 3, line 2.—Leave out “Members of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 6.—Leave out “Members of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 8.—Leave out “Members” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 9.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Mayor and Town Council.”
- “ line 10.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Mayor and Town Council.”
- “ line 11.—Leave out “Members of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 13.—Leave out “Board” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 15.—Leave out “Members of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 16.—Leave out “Members” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- Press 3, line 31.—After “Town Counsellor” insert “or Town Counsellors.”
- “ lines 31 and 32.—Leave out “Member of the Board” and insert “Town Counsellor.”
- “ line 37.—Leave out “Member of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellor.”
- Press 4, line 9.—Leave out “Members” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 11.—Leave out “Members” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 18.—Leave out “Member of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellor.”
- “ line 19.—Leave out “Member” and insert “Town Counsellor.”
- “ line 21.—Leave out “Member of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellor.”
- “ line 26.—Leave out “Members of the said Corporation” and insert “said Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 29.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 30.—Leave out “Member” and insert “Town Counsellor.”
- “ line 32.—Leave out “Member” and insert “Town Counsellor.”
- “ line 35.—Leave out “Members” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ lines 35 and 36.—Leave out “Members of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 36.—Leave out “Members of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 39.—Leave out “Board” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 40.—Leave out “President” and insert “Mayor.”
- Press 5, line 3.—Leave out “Board” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 9.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 10.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 12.—Leave out “Board” and insert “Town Council.”

- Press 5, line 16.—Leave out “Board” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 17.—Leave out “Board” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 22.—Leave out “Board” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 23.—Leave out “Board” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 24.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- Press 6, line 1.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 7.—After “erected” insert “or that hereafter may be laid out or erected.”
- “ lines 28 and 29.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 45.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 46.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- Press 7, line 3.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 13.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 19.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 22.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 26.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 30.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 33.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 39.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- Press 8, line 11.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 23.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 26.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 31.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 35.—Leave out “Board of Police” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 39.—Leave out “Board of Police” and insert “Town Council.”
- Press 9, line 1.—Leave out “Board of Police” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 4.—Leave out “Board of Police” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 9.—Leave out “Members” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 10.—Leave out “Member of Members” and insert “Town Counsellor or Town Counsellors.”
- “ lines 17 and 18.—Leave out “Member of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellor.”
- “ line 25.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 32.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 35.—Leave out “Members of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 37.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 40.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- Press 10, line 1.—Leave out “President of the said Board of Police” and insert “Mayor of the said Town.”
- “ line 3.—Leave out “Members” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 6.—Leave out “Members of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellors.”
- “ line 12.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 15.—Leave out “Board” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ line 17.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ lines 37 and 38.—Leave out “Member of the said Corporation” and insert “Town Counsellor.”
- “ line 38.—Leave out “Corporation” and insert “Town Council.”
- Press 11, line 2.—Leave out “Board of Police” and insert “Town Council.”
- “ lines 7 and 8.—Leave out “President” and insert “Mayor.”

Press 11, line 8.—Leave out "Corporation" and insert "Town Council."

" line 16.—After "duty" insert the following Clause:

" And be it enacted, that " nothing in this Act contained shall in any manner " derogate from or affect the " rights of Her Majesty, Her " Heirs or Successors, or the " Principal Officers of Her " Majesty's Ordnance, or of " any person or persons, body " politic or corporate, except " in so far as the same may " be specially derogated from " or affected by the provisions " of this Act."

Title, line 2.—Leave out "Board of Police" and insert "Town Council."

Adopted;

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

Bill for 3rd reading on Saturday.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time on Saturday next.

District Officers' Fees Bill read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the fees of certain District Officers in that part of this Province called Upper Canada," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs Crooks, Fergusson, Ferrie, M'Kay, and James Morris, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act for the collection of arrears of taxes in the District of Johnstown, and for other purposes," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs Crooks, M'Kay, and James Morris, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Ferries regulation Bill read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act for better enforcing the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of

Upper Canada for the regulation of Ferries, and for protecting the rights of the Lessees of Ferries," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs Fergusson, Hamilton, and James Morris, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to give further powers to the North American Colonial Association of Ireland," was read the second time. Colonial Association Bill read 2nd time;

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs M'Gill, Crooks, Bruneau, Ferrie, and Knoulton, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act for the encouragement of Agricultural Societies and Agriculture in Upper Canada," was read the second time. Agricultural Societies' Bill, read 2nd time;

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs Crooks, Fergusson, and Ferrie, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Prince, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent certain Wild Fowl and Snipes from being destroyed at improper seasons of the year, and to prevent the trapping of Grouse and Quail in this Province;" and also the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the profanation of the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in Upper Canada," and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to these Bills, without any amendment. Wild Fowl preservation Bill, and Sunday observance Bill returned from the Assembly, with amendments agreed to.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Saturday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

SATURDAY.

**Saturday, 22nd March, 1845.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs      The Honorable Messieurs

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| <i>M' Gill,</i>        | <i>Knoulton,</i>        |
| <i>Morris, William</i> | <i>M'Kay,</i>           |
| <i>Fraser,</i>         | <i>Moore,</i>           |
| <i>Crooks,</i>         | <i>Dionne, Joseph</i>   |
| <i>Fergusson,</i>      | <i>Massue,</i>          |
| <i>Hamilton,</i>       | <i>de Boucherville,</i> |
| <i>Bruneau,</i>        | <i>Morris, James</i>    |
| <i>Ferrie,</i>         | <i>Neilson.</i>         |

**PRAYERS.**

*It was moved*, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to inform His Excellency that this House, being impressed with the expediency of remunerating their Speaker by an annual Salary, for the arduous and important duties attached to his high office, humbly pray that he may be paid from the time of his appointment at the same annual rate as the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

Motion for an Address to His Excellency to remunerate the Speaker by a salary;

In amendment, it was moved to leave out "from the time of his appointment," and insert in lieu thereof "from the first day of this Session."

Motion in amendment;

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

*Resolved* in the negative.

Amendment negatived;

The question of concurrence was then put on the main motion, and the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

Main motion agreed to.

*Ordered*, that such Members of the Executive Council who are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Resolutions on the subject of remunerating the Members of the Legislative Council;

*It was moved to resolve*, that in the opinion of this House, one great cause of the non-attendance of the Members of the Legislative Council, is to be found in the circumstance that the expense attending a residence of many months at the Seat of Government, and at a distance from their respective homes, is too great to be incurred by those who have not either the advantage of the house of a friend to repair to, or who do not possess a large private income, independent of business or professional pursuits.

Which being objected to,

Objected to;

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

Carried in the affirmative. 2nd Resolution;

*It was moved to resolve*, that in the infant state of this Colony it is very difficult to find suitable persons to become Members of this House, whose private means are sufficiently competent to meet the unavoidable outlay of a protracted residence at the Capital.

Which being objected to,

Objected to;

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

Carried in the affirmative. 3rd Resolution;

*It was moved to resolve*, that with a view to secure to Members of the Legislative Council, the reimbursement of the necessary expenses of the Session, it is expedient that a provision similar to that made for the Members of the House of Assembly should be extended to the Members of this House.

Which being objected to,

Objected to;

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

Carried in the affirmative.

*It was then moved*, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, in the following words, viz :

Motion for an Address to His Excellency on the subject of the foregoing Resolutions;

*Resolved*, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully informing him that the Legislative Council have passed the accompanying Resolutions regarding the present inefficient state of the Council, as regards the attendance of Members, to which the Council respectfully request His Excellency's attention.

That it is sufficiently evident that as the population and general business of United *Canada* must require a measure of attendance upon Parliament, infinitely greater than when two distinct Legislatures were in operation, and as the distance from their homes and expense of living are thereby proportionately increased, it is beyond all doubt, that a regular attendance upon Parliament can hardly be expected from distant Members.

That it is no less evident that the attendance of merely such Members as reside in or near the

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the Seat of Government, however intelligent and qualified such gentlemen may be, cannot secure that confidence throughout this Province, which is absolutely essential to useful legislation.

That by the adoption of such a measure as the Resolutions respectfully suggest, it is also to be noted, that the exercise of the Royal Prerogative will be materially enlarged, in so far, as being enabled to select, not merely individuals who can afford to fill chairs in the Council, but would enable the Crown to call to the Legislative Council men of substance, intelligence, and experience, from every quarter of this Province, who from prudential considerations might not feel warranted in accepting of the honor of a seat in the Legislative Council, at so great a pecuniary sacrifice as present circumstances demand.

Objected to; Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

Carried in the affirmative.  
Protest thereon.

**Resolved** in the affirmative.

Dissentient.

1st. *Because*, the said Resolutions and Address will be considered as an avowal on the part of this House, that the pecuniary means of its Members are insufficient to meet the trifling increase of their personal expenses necessary for the discharge of their duty to the Crown and the Country, which duty they have voluntarily undertaken to discharge, without any stipulation for the re-imbusement of these expenses.

2nd. *Because*, this avowal is inconsistent with the position of the Members of this House called by the Crown, for life, under an Act of the Imperial Parliament, to advise and consent to Laws for the peace, welfare, and good government of the Province, to form a Legislative Check on the Representative Branch of the Legislature, and also of the Executive, which Check must be impaired whenever the Members of this House become dependant on either or both of the aforesaid Branches by soliciting an annual grant, which must be recommended, in the first instance by the Executive, and be voted by the Legislative Assembly.

3rd. *Because*, in point of fact, the attendance of the Members of this House, at the present Session, has, on the call of the House, been nearly equal to two-thirds of the thirty-

three Members of which it is composed, and double the number of ten, fixed by the Constitutional Act for its Quorum.

4th. *Because*, the general attendance during a Session of nearly four months has considerably exceeded the above Quorum, and been greater in proportion than the usual attendance in the House of Lords and Commons, and proportionately, nearly equal to the constant attendance of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.

5th. *Because*, this House, whenever it may be necessary, has by its Rules and Parliamentary practice, the power of compelling the attendance of its Members.

6th. *Because*, while it is generally admitted that the Members of this House are possessed of sufficient pecuniary means to meet their engagement to attend in their places during the Session, it is an unjust and injurious imputation on Members who have been occasionally absent to assert that their absence is owing to a want of pecuniary means to meet a small increased personal expenditure, and in no way authorized by their letters of excuse at the late call of the House.

7th. *Because*, it is equally an unjust and injurious imputation on a Province containing a population of about a million and a half of souls, with a revenue amounting to nearly seven hundred thousand pounds, to assert that large proprietors cannot be found throughout the country able and willing to submit to a small pecuniary sacrifice, in order to constitute an independent Branch of the Legislature, to guard the security of property, the established institutions of the country, and the maintenance of law and order conformably to the British Constitution.

J. NEILSON,  
JNO. HAMILTON,  
JAS. CROOKS,  
PETER M'GILL,  
THOS. M'KAY,  
W. MORRIS.

*Ordered*, that such Members of the Executive Council who are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Honorable Mr. Hamilton presented a Petition, Petition from G. H. Ryland, Registrar of From G. H. Ryland, of Quebec, praying for relief in consequence of Quebec, and the Government not having performed certain engagements entered into with him.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.  
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From L. Stevens, and others, of Durham, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *Levi Stevens*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Dunham*, praying that no portion of the Clergy Reserves may be vested for the exclusive benefit of the Church of *England* in this Province.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of the Select Committee on Colonial Association Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *M'Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to give further powers to the "North American Colonial Association of "Ireland," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Bill for 3rd reading on Monday.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

Titles to Lands settlement Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Aylwin*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to quiet the "Title to Lands, of persons naturalized under "the Statute of *Lower Canada*, passed in the "first year of the reign of his late Majesty "King *William* the Fourth, and for other "purposes therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Salmon preservation Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Cummings*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal and "reduce into one Act, the several Laws now "in force for the preservation of Salmon, in "that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein "mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Report of the Select Committee on Ferries regulation Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act for better enforcing "the provisions of the Act of the Legislature "of *Upper Canada* for the regulating of Ferries, and for protecting the rights of the "Lessees of Ferries," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly. Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *James Morris* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the collection of arrears of Taxes in the District "of *Johnstown*, and for other puposes," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment. Report of the Select Committee on Johnstown District Taxes Bill, presented;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly. Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred, *de novo*, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the "Montreal College of Medicine and Surgery," reported that the Committee 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. Report of the Select Committee on Montreal College of Medicine Bill, presented;

*Ordered*, that the said Report be now received.

The same was then read by the Clerk.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next. To be considered on Monday.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Registry Laws of that part of this Province "which was formerly *Upper Canada*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Report of the Select Committee on Registry Law amendment Bill, presented.

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 said Report be now received, and

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

The Report;

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
22d March, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Registry Laws of that part of this Province which was formerly *Upper Canada*," have, in obedience to the order of reference, examined the said Bill, and now beg leave to report their observations thereon, and the amendments they think it their duty to recommend.

Your Committee find that by the Bill it is intended to repeal all the Laws now in force in the late Province of *Upper Canada* relating to the registration of Deeds, Conveyances and Wills; and also to enact certain new matters, and although Your Committee fully appreciate the advantages the public might derive from having all the enactments heretofore made in that respect incorporated in one Act, yet the former laws have been in force for so long a period of time, and so much has been done under them which might affect the real property in *Upper Canada*, that Your Committee cannot recommend to Your Honorable House to adopt such a course.

Your Committee are fully aware that amendments to the Registry Laws of the late Province of *Upper Canada* had been frequently proposed in the Legislature of that Province, previous to its Union with *Lower Canada*, but such was the importance of the measure, and the dread of adopting any measures that might prove injurious to the public, that no enactment took place in consequence. Your Committee have, however, referred to the Journals, to ascertain what amendments had been there proposed, and find the greater portion of them embodied in the new clauses of the Bill submitted to them by Your Honorable House. These Your Committee have embodied in certain amendments which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Your Committee further beg leave to report that they cannot recommend the adoption of the fourth clause of the Bill which would affect present incumbents, but have framed a clause to carry out its intention, as vacancies may occur.

The seventh clause of the Bill proposes very important alterations in the mode of taking proof of instruments in writing to be registered, which they cannot recommend for adoption, as it would, in their opinion, open the door to fraudulent practices, and be destructive of the rights of property.

The eleventh clause, Your Committee are of opinion, is open to the same objection.

The twelfth proposes the extension of time for registering of Wills, to twelve months instead of six months, as now established by law, but Your Committee see no necessity for any alteration, as under certain circumstances the time may now be extended.

The sixteenth clause proposes a new table of fees, which Your Committee cannot recommend for adoption, as those already fixed by law seem to be no more than remunerative for the services performed by the Register and his Deputies.

The twenty-first clause of the Bill requires the Secretary of the Province to provide the books to be kept separately for Township, City, and Town, within their respective bounds, but at the expense of the Registers, which, Your Committee are of opinion, would entail a heavy expense upon them, indeed far greater than the emoluments of their office would warrant; and, moreover, Your Committee cannot see that any advantage to the public would arise from such separate registration. Nevertheless, should Your Honorable House deem such an enactment necessary, Your Committee are of opinion, the expense ought to be borne either by the Province or from the District rates.

The twenty-eighth clause makes provision for the registration of Memorials under the seal of any Corporation, and that no further evidence or verification of such execution shall be required, but requires an affidavit of the "identity" of such seal, which, Your Committee are of opinion, is not only unnecessary, but might interfere with the rights of Companies already incorporated, who are exempt from such restrictions, as the *Canada Company*.

The thirtieth clause provides that the Surveyor General shall furnish each Register with

a list of all persons in whose favor patents may have heretofore issued from the Crown, for grants of land within their respective County or Counties, or which may hereafter issue, and also with copies of all plans or maps of Towns or Townships within the same, which, if carried into effect, would entail immense labour upon that officer, if such lists are made out from the first settlement of the Province, which, as there is no limit, seems to be contemplated by this clause, and without making any provision for remunerating that officer and those he must employ, in making out such lists. Your Committee are of opinion that although such an enactment might prove useful in some cases, yet that it would not generally be so, more particularly as, for many years past, periodically, lists are furnished to the District Treasurers of all lands described by the Surveyor General, and the Municipal Corporations are generally furnished with maps of the Townships composing their respective Districts.

The thirty-first clause provides, in cases where any portion of a County is separated from another, that a statement of the registration of such titles as may relate to the portion so set apart, shall be made out by the Register, which Your Committee regard as highly necessary, but there is no provision in the Bill for remunerating him for his labour.

Your Committee will now point out the several amendments which they beg leave to recommend for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Press 1, line 14.—Leave out from “the Act” to “that” in Press 2, line 17 in the 2d press, both inclusively, and insert “whenever a Register for any County in that part of this Province formerly called *Upper Canada*, shall hereafter be appointed, he shall be a resident within the said County and.”

Press 2, line 21.—Leave out from “be it enacted” to “hand” in press 4 line 35, both inclusively, and insert “Whereas it is desirable to extend the provisions of the second clause of An Act of the Parliament of the said late Province of *Upper Canada*, passed in the thirty-fifth year of

“ the Reign of King *George*  
 “ the Third, intituled ‘ An  
 “ Act for the public re-  
 “ gistering of deeds, con-  
 “ veyances, wills, and  
 “ other incumbrances  
 “ which shall be made, or  
 “ may affect any lands te-  
 “ nements or heredita-  
 “ ments within this Pro-  
 “ vince,’ to all deeds and  
 “ conveyances that shall,  
 “ at any time hereafter, be  
 “ made and executed of  
 “ any lands, tenements or  
 “ hereditaments in any  
 “ County or Riding of that  
 “ part of this Province cal-  
 “ led *Upper Canada*, from  
 “ and after the confirmation  
 “ of all or any such lands to  
 “ any person or persons,  
 “ by grant from the Crown  
 “ under the seal of the  
 “ Province; Be it there-  
 “ fore enacted, that every  
 “ deed and conveyance  
 “ that shall at any time af-  
 “ ter the passing of this  
 “ Act, be made and exe-  
 “ cuted, of any lands, tene-  
 “ ments or hereditaments  
 “ as aforesaid, shall be  
 “ adjudged fraudulent and  
 “ void against any subse-  
 “ quent purchaser or mort-  
 “ gagee for valuable con-  
 “ sideration, unless a me-  
 “ morial of such deed or  
 “ conveyance be registered  
 “ as by law directed, be-  
 “ fore the registering of  
 “ the memorial of the deed  
 “ or conveyance under  
 “ which such subsequent  
 “ purchaser or mortgagee  
 “ shall claim; provided al-  
 “ ways, that the memorial  
 “ of any mortgage that shall  
 “ or may be so registered  
 “ shall contain, in addition  
 “ to the particulars now  
 “ by law required to be  
 “ inserted in any such me-  
 “ morial, the amount in-  
 “ tended to be secured by  
 “ such mortgage.”

Press 4,

Press 4, line 36.—Leave out from “ Be it  
 “ enacted ” to “ notwith-  
 “ standing ” in press 6 line  
 8, both inclusively, and  
 insert “ Whereas no provi-  
 “ sion is made by the laws  
 “ now in force, by which  
 “ deeds, conveyances or  
 “ wills, made and executed  
 “ in foreign countries, may  
 “ be enregistered; Be it  
 “ therefore enacted, that  
 “ any deed, conveyance or  
 “ will, made in any foreign  
 “ country, shall be regis-  
 “ tered by the Register or  
 “ his Deputy in that part  
 “ of this Province formerly  
 “ *Upper Canada* in case an  
 “ affidavit shall have been  
 “ or shall be made before  
 “ the Mayor of any City,  
 “ Borough, or Town cor-  
 “ porate in any foreign  
 “ country, or any Consul  
 “ or Vice Consul of Her  
 “ Majesty, Her Heirs  
 “ and Successors resident  
 “ therein, and be brought  
 “ to the said Register or  
 “ his Deputy wherein one  
 “ of the witnesses to the  
 “ execution of the said  
 “ deed, conveyance or will  
 “ shall have sworn, or  
 “ shall hereafter swear to  
 “ to the execution of the  
 “ same in the manner pro-  
 “ vided by the laws now  
 “ in force in the said late  
 “ Province of *Upper Ca-*  
 “ *nada*, and also to the place  
 “ where the same was exe-  
 “ cuted; and in case of  
 “ wills, one of the witnesses  
 “ thereto, shall have sworn  
 “ or shall hereafter swear  
 “ to the making and pub-  
 “ lishing the said will, and  
 “ to the number of wit-  
 “ nesses thereto, and that  
 “ said witnesses subscri-  
 “ bed their names thereto  
 “ in each other's presence;  
 “ provided always, that on  
 “ producing the will, or  
 “ probate thereof, together

“ with such affidavit, the  
 “ Register or his Deputy  
 “ shall record the same,  
 “ and the said Register  
 “ or his Deputy shall file  
 “ the said affidavit, and  
 “ shall indorse a certificate  
 “ on the said deed, convey-  
 “ ance, will, or probate  
 “ thereof, which certificate  
 “ shall have the same ef-  
 “ fect as if the said affida-  
 “ vit had been made be-  
 “ fore the said Register or  
 “ his Deputy.”

Press 6, line 22.—After “ carry ” insert “ or  
 “ transmit.”

“ line 30.—Leave out from, “ and ” to  
 “ enrolled ” both inclu-  
 sively, in the 35th line.

“ line 36.—After “ that ” insert “ the  
 “ eighth clause of the Act  
 “ passed in the thirty-fifth  
 “ year of the Reign of His  
 “ late Majesty King *George*  
 “ the Third, and hereinbe-  
 “ fore cited, be and the  
 “ same is hereby repealed,  
 “ and that from and after  
 “ the passing of this Act.”

“ line 44.—After “ deeds ” insert “ con-  
 “ veyances.”

“ line 45.—Leave out “ thereof under  
 “ his hand ” and insert  
 “ concerning the same.”

“ line 46.—Leave out from “ And be  
 “ it enacted ” to “ notwith-  
 “ standing ” in press 7, line  
 27, both inclusively.

Press 7, line 30.—Leave out “ in this Pro-  
 “ vince ” and insert “ and  
 “ Riding in the said late  
 “ Province of *Upper Ca-*  
 “ *nada*.”

“ line 31.—Leave out from “ in case ”  
 to “ County and ” in the  
 33rd line, both inclusively,  
 and insert “ that the Muni-  
 “ cipal Council in each and  
 “ every District shall.”

“ line 36.—After “ situated ” insert  
 “ provided always, that in all  
 “ cases where such offices  
 “ and vaults have already  
 “ been provided by and at  
 “ the

“ the sole expense of the  
 “ Register, the same shall  
 “ be considered and taken  
 “ to be in fulfilment of this  
 “ Act during the time he  
 “ shall remain in office ;  
 “ but in all other cases,  
 “ except where vaults and  
 “ offices have been already  
 “ provided from the funds  
 “ of the District, the Gover-  
 “ nor, Lieutenant Governor,  
 “ or person administering  
 “ the Government of the  
 “ Province, may and shall  
 “ order and direct the  
 “ place in each County  
 “ where the same shall be  
 “ built.”

Press 7, line 37.—Leave out from “ that ” to  
 “ Register ” in press 8, line  
 27, both inclusively, and  
 insert “ that when and  
 “ so often as any judg-  
 “ ment is satisfied it  
 “ shall and may be lawful,  
 “ for the Register or his  
 “ Deputy, on receiving a  
 “ certificate from the Plain-  
 “ tiff, duly proved by the  
 “ oath of a subscribing  
 “ witness thereto, in the  
 “ form in the Schedule to  
 “ this Act, marked A, to  
 “ write the word ‘dischar-  
 “ ged,’ and affix his name  
 “ in the margin of the Re-  
 “ gister wherein the said  
 “ Judgment is registered,  
 “ which shall be deemed  
 “ a discharge thereof.

Press 9, line 30.—Leave out “ power of at-  
 “ torney.”

“ line 31.—Leave out “ this Act ” and  
 insert “ by law.”

“ line 39.—Leave out from “ shall ” to  
 “ seal ” in line 40, both  
 inclusively, and insert  
 “ where such corporation  
 “ is a party to the same,  
 “ shall of itself.”

“ line 42.—Leave out from “ and no  
 “ further ” to “ Registry ”  
 in press 10, line 1, both in-  
 clusively.

Press 10, line 3.—Leave out from “ And be it  
 “ enacted ” to “ the same ”  
 in the 19th line, both inclu-  
 sively.

“ line 31.—Leave out the Schedule  
 and insert the following.

SCHEDULE A, ABOVE REFERRED TO.

*To the Register of the County of*

“ I, A. B. of  
 “ Plaintiff, do certify that  
 “ C. D. of  
 “ Defendant, hath satisfied  
 “ all money due upon a  
 “ judgment entered up be-  
 “ tween A. B. Plaintiff, and  
 “ C. D. Defendant, regis-  
 “ tered at  
 “ of the clock in the  
 “ noon of the  
 “ day of  
 “ and that such judgment  
 “ is therefore discharged,  
 “ as witness my hand this  
 “ day of  
 “ in the year of our Lord  
 “ one thousand eight hun-  
 “ dred and  
 “ (Signed,)

“ A. B.

“ *Witnesses*

“ E. F. of  
 “ G. H. of.”

*Ryder.*—Leave out from “ And be it enacted ”  
 to “ respectively ” in the  
 14th line, both inclusively.

Preamble, line 1.—Leave out from “ to revise ”  
 to “ *England* ” in the 6th  
 line, both inclusively, and  
 insert “ to amend and ex-  
 “ tend the Registry Laws  
 “ now in force in that part  
 “ of this Province formerly  
 “ *Upper Canada.*”

Title.—Leave out “ alter ” and insert “ extend.”

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

JAMES CROOKS,  
*Chairman.*

*Ordered,* that the said Bill and Report be  
 committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered,* that the House be put into a  
 Committee upon the said Bill and Report on  
 Monday next. To be commit-  
 ted on Mon-  
 day next.

Pursuant

Bytown Police Bill read 3rd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to define the limits of the "Town of *Bytown*, to establish a Board of Police therein, and for other purposes therein "mentioned," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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.

Public Improvements Bill read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to correct and amend an Act passed in the Session held in the fourth and fifth years of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act to appropriate certain sums 'of money for public improvements in this 'Province, and for other purposes therein "'mentioned,'" was read the second time.

3rd reading on Monday.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

Lumber Bill read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the culling and "measurement of Timber, Masts Spars, "Deals, Staves and other articles of a like nature, and to repeal a certain Act therein "mentioned," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M' Gill*, *Ferrie*, and *M' Kay*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Amendments to Alien Bill considered;

The Order of the Day being read for the the House to consider the amendments reported by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to "amend an Act passed in the fourth and fifth "years of the reign of Her Majesty Queen "*Victoria*, intituled 'An Act to secure to and "confer upon certain inhabitants of this Province the civil and political rights of "British subjects,' and to make further provision regarding aliens."

*Ordered*, that the said Bill and the Report of the Select Committee thereon be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

To be committed on Monday.

*Ordered*, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *M' Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the culling and "measurement of Timber, Masts, Spars, Deals, "Staves, and other articles of a like nature, "and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned," reported that the Committee 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.

Report of the Select Committee on Lumber Bill, presented.

*Ordered*, that the Report be now received. And the same was then read by the Clerk.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be considered by the House on Monday next.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Adjourn.

Monday, 24th March, 1845.

MONDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs	The Honorable Messieurs
<i>M' Gill</i> ,	<i>Ferrie</i> ,
<i>Morris, William</i>	<i>Knoulton</i> ,
<i>Fraser</i> ,	<i>Moore</i> ,
<i>Joliette</i> ,	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Crooks</i> ,	<i>Massue</i> ,
<i>Fergusson</i> ,	<i>de Boucherville</i> ,
<i>Hamilton</i> ,	<i>Morris, James</i>
<i>Bruneau</i> ,	<i>Neilson</i> .

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *Levi Stevens*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Dunham*, praying that no portion of the Clergy Reserves be vested for the exclusive benefit of the Church of *England* in this Province.

Petition, From L. Stevens, and others of Dunham, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* reported that he had, according to order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General with the Address of this House of Saturday last, on the subject of the salary of the Speaker of this House, and also with the Address of this House of the same date, respecting an indemnity to Members for their expenses during the Session, and that His Excellency had been pleased to receive the same.

Presentation of the Address of Saturday last to His Excellency, reported.

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Report of Select Committee on the Petitions of F. S. Jarvis and J. Bright.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *Frederick Starr Jarvis*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, praying that his salary may be increased; and also the Petition of *John Bright*, one of the messengers of this House, praying for a retiring allowance, presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

The Report:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Monday, March 24th, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom were referred the Petition of *Frederick Starr Jarvis*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, to this Honorable House, praying that his salary may be increased; and also the petition of *John Bright*, one of the Messengers of this Honorable House, praying for a retiring allowance, in consequence of declining health and long services, have examined the said Petitions, and now beg leave to report thereon.

The Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to Your Honorable House receives at present a salary of £100 per annum, payable by warrant quarterly. Your Committee have ascertained that the gentleman who held a similar situation in the late Province of *Lower Canada*, enjoyed a salary of £150 per annum, and that the Serjeant-at-Arms in attendance upon the Honorable Legislative Assembly of this Province, has been, since the period of the Union, in the enjoyment of a salary and allowances equal to £150 per annum. Considering the rank and station which is attached to the office of the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, which is superior to that of the Serjeant-at-Arms; the expense to which the present incumbent is exposed by a residence in *Montreal* during the Session, and his coming to and returning from Parliament, compared to that of being near his own property in the neighbourhood of *Toronto*, where he originally held the same situation under the Legislative Council of *Upper Canada*, and that by the junction of the two offices, effected by the operations of the Act of Union, a saving has been made to the Consolidated Revenue, Your Committee are of opinion that the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod should have a permanent salary of £150 per annum, in lieu of all other allowances. Your Committee recommend, therefore, that a sum of £50 should be voted from the contingent funds

of this House to the said *Frederick Starr Jarvis* for the year ending at the end of the present fiscal quarter, and that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be graciously pleased for the future to recommend to the Legislative Assembly, that the Office of the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod shall be remunerated by a yearly salary of £150, from and out of the Consolidated Revenue of this Province.

In reference to the application of *John Bright*, one of the Messengers of this Honorable House, to be permitted to retire upon a pension, Your Committee have ascertained that he has been in the employ of the Honorable Legislative Council of the late Province of *Upper Canada* and of your Honorable House for a period of about twenty-three years, during all which time he has performed his duty to the entire satisfaction of those most competent to pronounce an opinion, in a careful, attentive, diligent, and perfectly trustworthy manner; and that from being subject to attacks of inflammation of the chest, and rheumatism, he is unable to bear exposure to bad or severe weather, or to perform any very hard work. Your Committee, therefore, recommend that, in consequence of his former services, his declining health, and his general good conduct, the Petition of *John Bright* be acceded to, and that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be graciously pleased to take this case into his consideration, and grant him such retiring allowance as to His Excellency's wisdom may appear adequate and just.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

P. H. MOORE,  
Chairman.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Report tomorrow. To be committed tomorrow.

The Order of the Day being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to give further powers to the North American Colonial Association of Ireland," Motion for the 3rd reading of Colonial Association Bill.

*It was moved* that the said Bill be now read the third time;

Which being objected to,

After a short debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

*Resolved*, in the affirmative.

The

Bill read 3rd time;

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Public Improvements Bill read 3rd time ;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to correct and amend an Act passed in the Session held in the fourth and fifth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled ' An Act to appropriate certain sums of money for public improvements in this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned,' " was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any amendment.

Amendments to Winter Roads Bill considered;

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled " An Act further to amend the Laws relative to Winter Roads in *Lower Canada*."

The same were then read by the Clerk, as follow :

The amendments;

Press 1, line 28.—After the words "*St. Francis*" insert "and *Three Rivers*,  
" except such parts thereof  
" as are on the north shore  
" of the River *Saint Lawrence*, below the upper  
" limits of the Town of  
" *Three Rivers*,"

" line 29.—After " this " insert " Act "

" line 33.—Leave out from " as far " to "*Yamaska* " in the 34th line, both inclusively, and insert " below the upper limits of the Town of *Three Rivers*."

" line 36.—After " passed " insert the following additional clauses.

A

" And be it enacted, that  
" it shall be the duty of each  
" and every surveyor or  
" overseer of highways in  
" any parish or township

" subject to the operations  
" of this Act, to use all diligence to have all the provisions of the said Ordinances and Act hereinbefore mentioned, and of the present Act, duly observed and carried into effect within their respective jurisdictions, and to institute, or cause to be instituted, all necessary actions or suits at law before the competent Courts for any infractions thereof, and in case any such surveyor or overseer of highways shall refuse or neglect, within eight days after notice has been taken by or given to him of such infraction of the provisions of the said Ordinances or Acts, or any part thereof, to institute or cause to be instituted such suit or action at law, he or they shall forfeit and pay for every such offence a sum of  
" shillings, to be recovered on conviction thereof, before any Justice of the Peace for the District where such offence, refusal or neglect shall happen, on the oath of one credible witness, other than the informer, to be levied with necessary costs and charges, by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the offender, by warrant under the hand of such Justice of the Peace, addressed to any bailiff, constable or other peace officer."

B.

" And be it enacted, that  
" one half of the said penalty shall be paid over to the Treasurer of the Parish or Township in which the said offence, neglect  
" or

“ or refusal shall have hap-  
 “ pened, to be expended  
 “ for the public uses of such  
 “ Parish or Township, and  
 “ the other moiety shall be-  
 “ long to and be paid over  
 “ to the informer.”

## C.

“ And be it enacted, that  
 “ it shall be the duty of the  
 “ Inspector of Highways in  
 “ and for each and every  
 “ Parish or Township sub-  
 “ ject to the provisions of  
 “ this Act, to cause the same  
 “ to be distinctly and audi-  
 “ bly read in French and  
 “ English at the door of each  
 “ and every place of public  
 “ worship in such Parish or  
 “ Township, at the close of  
 “ divine service, on the first  
 “ Sunday in November in  
 “ each and every of the  
 “ three successive years  
 “ next after the passing of  
 “ this Act.”

## D.

“ And be it enacted, that  
 “ the Trustees of the *Mont-*  
 “ *real* and *Chambly* Turn-  
 “ pike Roads are hereby em-  
 “ powered and authorised  
 “ to reduce the rates of Toll  
 “ now levied and collected  
 “ on the said Roads, or any  
 “ part thereof, on double  
 “ sleighs drawn by two  
 “ horses harnessed abreast,  
 “ as they may deem expe-  
 “ dient, or to exempt them  
 “ altogether from toll, if by  
 “ such exemption they con-  
 “ sider the general use of  
 “ the sleighs aforesaid will  
 “ be facilitated.”

## E.

“ And be it enacted, that  
 “ from and after five years  
 “ after the passing of this  
 “ Act, all sleighs or sleds,  
 “ excepting always all win-  
 “ ter carriages or vehicles  
 “ without wheels, not used

“ for the conveyance of loads  
 “ other than passengers and  
 “ their baggage, to the  
 “ amount of one hundred  
 “ weight for each passenger,  
 “ to be used within such  
 “ portions of this Province  
 “ as shall be liable to the  
 “ provisions of this Act,  
 “ shall have runners at least  
 “ seven English feet in  
 “ length on the straight part  
 “ of the bottom thereof, and  
 “ that no part of the bot-  
 “ tom of the sleigh or sled  
 “ or of the cross beams  
 “ that support the bottom  
 “ thereof, shall be lower than  
 “ twelve English inches  
 “ above the bottom of the  
 “ runners, with an open  
 “ space between the runners  
 “ and the raves on which the  
 “ body rests, except where  
 “ such space is broken by  
 “ the perpendicular knees  
 “ between the said raves  
 “ and runners, and a clear  
 “ distance of at least three  
 “ feet two inches English  
 “ between the inside of the  
 “ runners and the bottom  
 “ thereof, and the shaft or  
 “ pole shall be so attached  
 “ to the body of the sleigh  
 “ or sled, or runners thereof,  
 “ that no portion thereof  
 “ shall be at a lower height  
 “ than twelve English in-  
 “ ches above the bottom of  
 “ the runners.”

In the Preamble, line 13.—Leave out “ six ”  
 and insert “ five.”

“ line 14.—After “ *St. Francis* ” in-  
 sert “ and *Three Rivers*,  
 “ except such parts thereof  
 “ as are on the north shore  
 “ of the River *St. Lawrence*  
 “ below the upper limits  
 “ of the Town of *Three*  
 “ *Rivers*.”

“ line 15.—Leave out “ those ” and  
 insert “ and with regard to  
 “ all other.”

“ line 16.—Leave out from “ other ”  
 to “ cited ” in the 17th line,  
 inclusively.

Adopted.

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

**Ordered**, that the said amendments be engrossed.

Petition,

From Joseph Donegani, of Montreal, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *M<sup>r</sup> Gill* presented a Petition from *Joseph Donegani*, of the City of *Montreal*, praying to be heard by his Counsel against the Bill intituled "An Act to quiet the Title to Lands of persons naturalised under the statute of *Lower Canada*, passed in the first year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Read.

**Ordered**, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

**Ordered**, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

2nd reading Titles to Lands settlement Bill postponed to Wednesday, and Counsel to be heard thereon.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to quiet the title to Lands of persons naturalised under the statute of *Lower Canada* passed in the first year of the reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, and for other purposes therein mentioned;"

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

**Ordered**, that on that day Counsel be heard at the Bar of this House for and against the said Bill.

Salmon preservation Bill read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in force for the preservation of Salmon in that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read the second time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson*, *Hamilton* and *Ferrie*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Amendments to Montreal College of Medicine Bill considered;

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* College of Medicine and Surgery."

The amendment;

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow :

Press 1, line 35.—Leave out "College" and insert "School."

Press 2, line 24.—Leave out from "That" to "Corporation" in the 37th line, both inclusively, and insert "that the said Corporation shall yearly and every year cause to be delivered at least one hundred and twenty lectures of at least one hour each, in the English language, and the like number of the same duration in the French language, on the following branches of medical science, to-wit: Anatomy and Physiology, Chemistry and Pharmacy, Materia Medica, Theory and Practice of Physic Principles and Practice of Surgery and Midwifery, and Diseases of Women and Children, to be given by competent lecturers at some place in the City of *Montreal*, between the first day of October and the last day of April."

Press 3, line 1.—Leave out "College" and insert "School."

" " line 2.—Leave out from "and the fee" to "shall" in the 5th line, both inclusively, and insert "to."

" " line 24.—Leave out "and examination."

" " line 29.—Leave out "qualification" and insert "attendance."

" " lines 33 and 34.—Leave out "duly qualified to practice, and having, if they shall deem necessary," and insert "having attended such lectures, and having."

" " line 35.—Leave out "and."

" " line 37.—Leave out from "Provided" to "qualification" in press 4, line 10, both inclusively.

" " 4, line 22.—Leave out "no member" and insert "each and every member."

Press 3,

Press 2, line 30.—Leave out “College” and insert “School.”

Title.—Leave out “College” and insert “School.”

The first nine amendments agreed to.

The first nine amendments being read the second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Tenth amendment read;

The tenth amendment being read the second time,

*It was moved*, to adopt the same,

Objected to;

Which being objected to,

Agreed to.

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

Eleventh and twelfth amendments read, and agreed to.

The eleventh and twelfth amendments being read the second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

3rd reading tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time tomorrow.

House in Committee on Registry Laws amendment Bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill intituled “An Act to alter and amend the Registry Laws of that part of this Province which “was formerly *Upper Canada*,” together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

Reported, and leave granted to sit again tomorrow.

After some time the House was resumed, and the Honorable Mr. *Neilson* reported from the said Committee, that they had taken the said Bill and Report into consideration, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that leave be granted accordingly, and that the same do stand as the first item upon the Orders of that day:

House in Committee on Alien Bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill intituled “An Act to amend an Act passed in “the fourth and fifth years of the Reign of “Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled ‘An “Act to secure to, and confer upon certain “inhabitants of this Province the civil and “political rights of British subjects, and to “make further provision regarding aliens,’” together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

Reported, and leave granted to sit again tomorrow.

After some time the House was resumed, and the Honorable M. *Fraser* reported from the said Committee, that they had taken

the said Bill and the Report thereon into consideration, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that leave be granted accordingly.

The House, according to order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to “regulate the culling and measurement of “Timber, Masts, Spars, Deals, Staves, and “other articles of a like nature, and to repeal “a certain Act therein mentioned.”

Amendments to Lumber Bill considered;

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:

Press 2, line 15.—After “Supervisor” insert  
 “and any deputy so ap-  
 “pointed shall himself,  
 “with two responsible  
 “sureties, enter into bonds  
 “to Her Majesty, Her  
 “Heirs and Successors, in  
 “the penal sum of  
 “pounds each, for the  
 “faithful discharge of his  
 “duty, which bonds shall  
 “enure to the benefit of  
 “all parties who may be  
 “damnified by misfea-  
 “sance, malfeasance or  
 “nonfeasance of the said  
 “deputy, and all parties  
 “damnified shall be enti-  
 “tled to recover from the  
 “said deputy and his sure-  
 “ties, before any Court of  
 “competent jurisdiction,  
 “upon such bond, by suit  
 “or action, to the amount  
 “to which he may have  
 “been so damnified.”

Press 11, line 13.—After “inches” insert  
 “square.”

“ “ line 34.—Leave out “40” and  
 insert “20.”

“ 16, line 36.—After “supervisor” in-  
 sert “or his deputy.”

“ 17, line 16.—After “supervisor” in-  
 sert “or his deputy.”

“ 20, line 35.—After “measured” in-  
 sert “within the Ports of  
 “*Montreal and Quebec*.”

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

Agreed to;

*Ordered*,

Bill read 3rd  
time;

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time presently.

The same was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

TUESDAY.

**Tuesday, 25th March, 1845.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

*M<sup>r</sup> Gill,*

*Ferrie,*

*Morris, William,*

*Knoulton,*

*Fraser,*

*Moore,*

*Joliette,*

*Dionne, Joseph*

*Crooks,*

*Massue,*

*Fergusson,*

*de Boucherville,*

*Hamilton,*

*Morris, James*

*Bruneau,*

*Neilson.*

PRAYERS.

Report of the  
Select Committee  
on Beverley  
Boundary  
Bill, present-  
ed;

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to establish the Boundaries of the Lots and Gores of Lands in "the sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth "Concessions of the Township of *Beverley* in "the County of *Halton*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

Bill read 3rd  
time;

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendments.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* acquainted the House that he had two Messages from His Excellency the Governor General, under His Sign Manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

Messages from  
His Excellency,  
presented;

METCALFE.

The Governor General informs the Honorable the Legislative Council, in reply to their Address relating to an annual salary being granted to their Speaker, that he has recommended the subject to the consideration of the Legislative Assembly.

On the subject  
of an annual  
salary to the  
Speaker of the  
L. C., and

Government House,

*Montreal*, 25th March, 1845.

METCALFE.

The Governor General informs the Honorable the Legislative Council, in reply to their Address and Resolutions, representing the expediency of a sessional allowance being granted to Members, similar to that received by Members of the Legislative Assembly, that he has attentively considered the proposition, and that he is not prepared to recommend it to the consideration of the Legislative Assembly.

On the subject  
of a sessional  
allowance to  
Members.

Government House,

*Montreal*, 25th March, 1845.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris*, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, laid before the House copies of two Despatches received from Her Majesty's Government, respecting the conveyance of the British Mails to and from *Canada*, and on the subject of the precedence of the Members of the Legislative Council.

Message from  
His Excellency  
with Copies of  
Despatches on  
the conveyance  
of the  
British Mails,  
and on the  
precedence of  
the Legislative  
Councillors,  
presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and they are as follow :

(*For Despatches, vide Appendix, No. 10.*)

*It was moved*, that the Resolutions adopted on Saturday last, respecting a sessional allowance to the Members of this House, and the Address to His Excellency the Governor General on the same subject, together with His Excellency's Answer thereto, be referred to a Special Committee.

Motion to refer  
the Resolutions  
on a sessional  
allowance to a  
Select  
Committee;

After debate,

*It was moved*, that the said motion be withdrawn.

Motion with-  
drawn.

The



The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was carried in the affirmative.

Protest thereon.

Dissentient:

PIERRE DE BOUCHERVILLE.

An Address of thanks for forwarding Messages ordered.

*Ordered*, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to return him the thanks of this House for his Messages just received.

*Ordered*, that such Members of the Executive Council who are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Report of the Select Committee on Agricultural Societies' Bill, U.C. presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act for the encouragement of Agricultural Societies, and Agriculture in *Upper Canada*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

Bill read 3rd time;

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Report of the Select Committee on District Officers' Fees Bill;

The Hon. Mr. *Crooks*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Fees of certain District Officers in that part of this Province called *Upper Canada*," presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

The Report;

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Tuesday, March 25, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled "An Act to regulate the Fees of certain District Officers in that part of this Province called *Upper Canada*," have in obedience to the order of reference, examined the same, and now beg leave to report.

Your Committee consider the Bill submitted to them, not less important than necessary

inasmuch as it does not appear that any fixed and uniform rule has prevailed heretofore in *Upper Canada*, for paying the District Officers, and Your Committee are of opinion that so important a feature in the disbursements of the several Districts of that part of this Province should be established by law.

The Bill referred to them provides that the Magistrates in their several General Quarter Sessions of the Peace in the month of July next, shall make out a list of what they deem proper and reasonable fees for remunerating their several District Officers for their services, which list shall be transmitted to the Clerk of the Crown, to be by him laid before the Judges of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, in Term time, for their revision: and such lists, so revised, shall thereafter be the fees to be taken by such officers, unless the Judges at any future time shall deem it expedient to alter or amend the same.

Your Committee beg leave to call the attention of Your Honorable House to the circumstance that the Bill submitted to them does not provide for the establishment of all fees to be paid to the District Officers; on the contrary, it is distinctly provided that the Bill does not extend to such fees as are already fixed by law. Heretofore the practice has been, as Your Committee believes, for the Quarter Sessions arbitrarily to allow certain fees, not enumerated in any law of the said late Province of *Upper Canada*, and even to have in some cases remunerated their Officers by an annual fixed salary; but difficulties having arisen in the District of *London*, in consequence of one of the District Officers claiming a sum of money over and above the salary agreed upon, for what he deemed extra services; the claim was resisted on the part of the Municipal Council, and referred to the Judges of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, whose decision seems to have limited the jurisdiction of the Magistrates to ordering the payment of only such fees as were by law established; thus leaving the District Officers without any remuneration for many services by them performed, but for which, in many cases, the Quarter Sessions had ordered payment to be made.

The fifth clause of the Bill provides "that the Treasurer of every District shall pay the amount of such fees as are payable out of the District funds, when duly allowed by the Magistrates in Quarter Sessions assembled, and without further authority, in the order

“ order prescribed for the payment of the expenses of the administration of Justice”— a provision which Your Committee consider as too indefinite to work advantageously, more particularly, as it might interfere with appropriations already made by the Quarter Sessions, and seems to render unnecessary any order being given for the amount of claims admitted by the Magistrates.

It is within the knowledge of Your Committee that the services performed by District Officers, for which they claim remuneration, and very justly so, are numerous. Heretofore they have been paid by order of the Quarter Sessions, without any rule being laid down by law for that purpose, and it may be that hardly any two Districts agree in the amount of such remuneration. Your Committee, therefore, respectfully submit, whether it would not be for the public interest to defer passing the Bill this session, in order that one may be prepared, during the recess of Parliament, embracing every item, and placing the whole matter on such a footing that no dispute could thereafter arise. Should Your Honorable House, nevertheless, deem it proper to proceed with the present Bill, they submit certain amendments, chiefly verbal, which they recommend to be adopted by Your Honorable House.

Press 1, lines 15 & 16.—Leave out “ and for other District purposes.”

“ line 18.—After “ to the ” insert “ Clerk of the ”

“ line 29.—After “ in ” insert “ a.”

“ line 31.—After “ of ” insert “ the.”

Press 2, line 16.—Leave out “ for such ” and insert “ of such.”

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

JAMES CROOKS,  
Chairman.

**Ordered**, that the said Report be taken into consideration by the House tomorrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, “ An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* College of Medicine and Surgery,” was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

**It was resolved** in the affirmative.

**Ordered**, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was again put into a committee of the whole House on the Bill intituled “ An Act to alter and amend the “ Registry Laws of that part of this Province “ which was formerly *Upper Canada*,” together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

After some time the House was resumed.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of *Frederick Starr Jarvis*, Esquire, and *John Bright*.

After some time the House was resumed, and the Honorable Mr. *Crooks*, from the said Committee, reported that they had taken the said Report of the Select Committee into consideration, had made some progress therein, and had directed him to ask leave to sit again.

**It was moved**, that leave be not granted.

The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was

**Resolved** in the affirmative.

**Ordered**, that the said Report of the Select Committee be referred to the Select Committee on the contingent accounts of this House.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was again put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill intituled “ An Act to amend an Act passed in the fourth and fifth years of the Reign “ of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, intituled “ An Act to secure to and confer upon certain inhabitants of this Province the civil “ and political rights of British subjects, and to “ make further provision regarding Aliens,” together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

After some time the House was resumed, and the Honorable Mr. *Neilson* reported from the said Committee, 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 said Report be now received.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow :

Press 1, line 18.—Leave out from “ that ” to “ enacted ” in press 2 line 13, “ both inclusively.

House again in Committee on Registry Laws Amendment Bill;

House resumed.

House in Committee on the Report on the Petitions of F. S. Jarvis and J. Bright.

Reported and leave asked to sit again.

Report referred to the Committee on the Contingent Accounts.

House in Committee on Alien Bill;

Amendments reported;

The amendments;

Press 2,

To be considered tomorrow.

Montreal College of Medicine Bill read 3rd time;

Passed.

Press 2, line 17.—Leave out “seven” and insert “more than five.”

“ “ line 20.—After “mentioned” insert  
 “ Provided always, that in spe-  
 “ cial cases requiring the im-  
 “ mediate interference of the  
 “ Governor in Council, it  
 “ shall and may be lawful for  
 “ the said Governor in Coun-  
 “ cil to grant the certificate  
 “ hereinafter prescribed in fa-  
 “ vour of any particular indivi-  
 “ dual or individuals present-  
 “ ing the memorial hereinafter  
 “ mentioned, although such  
 “ individual or individuals shall  
 “ not have been domiciled in  
 “ this Province for a period of  
 “ five years.”

“ line 22.—Leave out “as mentioned in  
 “ the next preceding section  
 “ of this Act” and insert “as  
 “ aforesaid.”

“ line 42.—After “book” insert “or  
 “ books.”

“ line “.—After “person” insert “or  
 “ persons.”

“ “ line 43.—Leave out from “admi-  
 “ nister” to “cited” in  
 the 44th line, both inclu-  
 sively, and insert “that  
 “ effect by the Governor  
 “ in Council.”

Press 3, lines 3 and 4.—Leave out “within  
 “ sixty days from the date  
 “ of such certificatè.”

“ “ line 8.—Leave out from “I, A. B.”  
 to “God” in the 11th  
 “ line, both inclusively, and  
 insert “I, A. B. do sincere-  
 “ ly promise and swear  
 “ that I will be faithful  
 “ and bear true allegiance  
 “ to Her Majesty Queen  
 “ *Victoria*, as lawful So-  
 “ vereign of the United  
 “ Kingdom of *Great Bri-*  
 “ *tain and Ireland*, and of  
 “ this Province of *Canada*  
 “ dependent on and be-  
 “ longing to the said Unit-  
 “ ed Kingdom, and that I  
 “ will defend her to the  
 “ utmost of my power  
 “ against all traitorous

“ conspiracies and attempts  
 “ whatever, which shall  
 “ be made against Her  
 “ Person, Crown and Dig-  
 “ nity, and that I will do  
 “ my utmost endeavour to  
 “ disclose and make known  
 “ to Her Majesty, Her  
 “ Heirs and Successors, all  
 “ Treasons and Traitorous  
 “ conspiracies and at-  
 “ tempts which I shall  
 “ know to be against Her  
 “ or any of them, and all  
 “ this I do swear without  
 “ any equivocation, mental  
 “ evasion or secret reser-  
 “ vation, and renouncing  
 “ all pardons and dispen-  
 “ sations from any person  
 “ or persons whatever to  
 “ the contrary. So help  
 “ me God.”

Press 3, lines 13 and 14.—Leave out “some  
 “ person” and insert “one  
 “ of the persons.”

“ “ line 14.—Leave out from “admi-  
 “ nister” to “contained”  
 in the 15th line, inclusi-  
 vely, and insert “that  
 “ effect by the Governor  
 “ in Council.”

“ “ line 22.—After “the” insert “per-  
 “ son or.”

“ “ line 39.—Leave out from “except”  
 to “Act” in the 40th  
 line, both inclusively.

“ 5—Leave out the schedule, oath and  
 declaration.

Preamble, line 1.—Leave out from “the time”  
 to “Province” in the 11th  
 line, both inclusively, and  
 insert “it is expedient  
 “ that His Excellency the  
 “ Governor General of this  
 “ Province, by and with  
 “ the advice of the Exe-  
 “ cutive Council thereof,  
 “ should be enabled to  
 “ grant to aliens, the rights  
 “ and capacities of natu-  
 “ ral born British subjects,  
 “ under such regulations  
 “ and exceptions as are  
 “ hereinafter provided.”

Title.

Title.—Leave out from “amend” in the 1st line to “to” in the 5th line, both inclusively.

Amendments agreed to;

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

Bill for 3rd reading to-morrow.

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time tomorrow.

Report of the Select Committee on L. C. Census Returns, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Census Returns for *Lower Canada*, presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received,

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
*Committee Room,*  
25th March, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom were referred the several returns and enumerations made by the Commissioners appointed in virtue of the Act of the last Session, intitled, “An Act for taking a Census of the Inhabitants of *Lower Canada* and for obtaining certain statistical information therein mentioned,” and laid before Your Honorable House on the 6th December last, have, in obedience to the order of reference, taken the same into their consideration, and now beg leave to offer their Report thereon.

The usual daily avocations required from the Members of this House during the Session, wholly preclude a minute and distinct inquiry into the correctness of the returns which have been submitted to them for investigation. Your Committee does not now therefore feel disposed to offer any positive opinion as to the manner in which the returns have been completed by the several Commissioners employed in the execution of this important duty, until a more ample examination can be made of them during the recess, than can be afforded during the Session. Some of the returns appear to have been made with great care and attention, and may therefore be depended on, while others appear to be rather carelessly executed.

Your Committee therefore deem it proper to submit to Your Honorable House, what may be considered as an approximation to the real result of the statistical information which it was the object of the above-mentioned Census to obtain. Your Committee do not vouch for the accuracy of the details, as they are

fully aware from many particulars that might here be alluded to, that the Commissioners appointed to make the returns, or their Assistants, have not throughout been governed by one general rule, and that therefore serious and important discrepancies must necessarily occur.

Your Committee notice that the decenary returns of the population taken in the United Kingdom, are submitted to a most rigorous examination, and the results are not made known until, in many instances, a year or more has elapsed. Such a delay in this Province need not be required, but to ensure accuracy and to afford to the Legislature the opportunity of amending the Act 4 & 5 Vict. c. 42, which will again be in operation in the year 1847, Your Committee deem it advisable to recommend that the returns now referred to them, should be thoroughly investigated during the ensuing recess, by the Clerk of Special Committees, who was in the year 1831 employed by both the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of *Lower Canada*, to examine and Report on the Census Returns then laid before that Legislature, and who should be required to make out a recapitulation by Parishes or Townships, Counties and Districts, and to point out any apparent errors, and if possible to correct or reconcile them before the next Session, and to submit such a Report upon all the details embodied in such returns as will place before the Province a statistical document that may be at all times serviceable; and at the same time the last Census Returns of *Upper Canada* for 1842, submitted to the Legislature in October, 1843, might be submitted to a similar investigation, with a view of arriving at the same result.

Your Committee cannot conclude these remarks without mentioning it as their opinion, that no good result will be obtained from any future Census Returns, unless an uniform system, subject to forms and instructions issued from a competent authority, be adopted throughout, and strictly adhered to, followed by a careful examination of the returns made by the Commissioners, before their accounts are paid, with a view to the correction of errors or omissions, and by a systematic investigation to ascertain that the several columns, where items ought to agree, do in reality answer to the general recapitulation, or some reason be assigned for a contrary result. The expenses incurred by the Province for this information (which on the present occasion, will amount

amount to about £4,800) warrant such a strict adherence to general rules, so as to obtain an accurate return.

Your Committee would further recommend that the several returns, as submitted to Your Honorable House, be forthwith bound up in such number of volumes, as may be found most convenient, having reference to Districts and localities, with a view to their preservation, and for future reference in all matters of statistics.

Your Committee will now submit the general results as far as their limited information will enable them at present to do.

1. In reference to the number of Dwellings :

There are of Houses inhabited, ... ..	106,803
“ “ vacant, ... ..	4,041
“ “ now being built, ... ..	1,643
<b>Total dwellings, ... ..</b>	<b>112,487</b>

2. In reference to heads of families and their qualification as electors :

There are Proprietors of Real Estate, ... ..	76,032
Non-Proprietors of Real Estate, ... ..	37,113
Tenants having votes in Towns, &c., ... ..	8,296
<b>Total heads of families, ... ..</b>	<b>121,441</b>

3. The total population :

Actually resident at the taking of the returns, ... ..	687,598
Temporarily absent at the same time, ... ..	6,051
<b>Total, ... ..</b>	<b>693,649</b>

And at this fixed number Your Committee have founded all their succeeding remarks; but allowing for omissions, and a slight increase by immigration, the population may be reckoned in round numbers at 700,000.

4. On the subject of national origin :

Natives of England, ... ..	11,886
Ireland, ... ..	44,012
Scotland, ... ..	13,341
Canada of French origin, ... ..	518,565
British origin, ... ..	85,075
Continental Europe or otherwise, ... ..	2,353
United States of America, ... ..	11,943
<b>Total, ... ..</b>	<b>687,175</b>

Leaving a balance unaccounted for, if the residents only have been distinguished, of 523; or if the residents and absentees have been taken into account, of 6,574.

5. As to allegiance :

The number of aliens not naturalized is, ... ..	1,505
Leaving for natural born or naturalized subjects, ... ..	692,144
<b>Total, ... ..</b>	<b>693,649</b>

6. As to the ages and proportions of the sexes :

1. UNDER 15 :		Males.	Females.
Aged 1 year and under, ... ..	16,450	16,054	
1 year and under 2, ... ..	11,853	11,938	
2 years and under 3, ... ..	12,974	12,779	
3 years and under 4, ... ..	12,436	12,276	
4 years and under 5, ... ..	12,517	13,194	
<b>Total under 5, ... ..</b>	<b>66,230</b>	<b>66,241</b>	

Aged 5 and under 10, ... ..	46,490	46,517
10 and under 15, ... ..	45,727	44,586
<b>Between 5 and 15, ... ..</b>	<b>92,217</b>	<b>91,103</b>
<b>Total under 15, ... ..</b>	<b>158,447</b>	<b>157,344</b>

		Males		Females	
		unmarried.	married.	unmarried.	married.
Aged 15 and under 21, ... ..	39,513	2,111	38,169	38,169	6,705
21 and under 30, ... ..	20,023	22,999	17,345	30,909	
30 and under 40, ... ..	5,982	33,502	5,891	32,221	
40 and under 50, ... ..	3,250	25,637	5,083	22,143	
50 and under 60, ... ..	2,158	15,096	3,355	12,412	
60 and upwards, ... ..	2,857	13,420	4,603	10,118	
<b>Total, ... ..</b>	<b>73,783</b>	<b>112,765</b>	<b>74,446</b>	<b>114,508</b>	

Total males 15 and over, ... ..	73,783	112,765	186,548
Females " ... ..	74,446	114,508	188,954

Total unmarried " ... ..	148,229	
Married " ... ..		227,273
<b>Total over 15, ... ..</b>	<b>375,502</b>	

Total over 15 years of age, ... ..	186,548	188,954
under 15 years of age, ... ..	158,447	157,344

Total general of sexes, ... ..	344,995	346,298
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Grand total, ... ..	691,293
Leaving unaccounted for, ... ..	2,356
<b>Total, ... ..</b>	<b>693,649</b>

Of those under age, there are 2,111 males married and 6,705 females married, being a total of 8,816 married minors.

7. As to afflictions.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
There are of Deaf and Dumb, ... ..	447	278	725
Blind, ... ..	273	250	523
Idiots, ... ..	478	472	950
Lunatics, ... ..	156	152	308
<b>Total, ... ..</b>	<b>1,354</b>	<b>1,152</b>	<b>2,506</b>

Your Committee would here mention that the proportion of Deaf and Dumb to the whole population is as 1 to about 957—a greater proportion than prevails throughout all Europe, (1 in 1537,) and the *United States*, (1 in 2000,)—or the whole world throughout, (1 in 1556,) and is only exceeded by the solitary cases of *Switzerland* and *Baden*, where the proportion is respectively 1 in 503 and 559.

8. As to religious denominations.

There are of the Church of England, ... ..	43,274
“ Scotland, ... ..	26,725
“ Rome, ... ..	571,714
British Wesleyan Methodists, ... ..	10,814
Canadian Wesleyan “ ... ..	3,010
Episcopal Methodists, ... ..	711
Other Methodists, ... ..	1,318
Presbyterians generally, ... ..	5,231
Congregationalists and Independents, ... ..	3,890
Baptists and Anabaptists, ... ..	4,067
Lutherans, ... ..	96
Quakers, ... ..	144
Moravians and Tunkers, ... ..	2
Dutch Reformed Church, ... ..	10
Jews, ... ..	154
Other religious denominations, ... ..	7,099
<b>Totally unaccounted for, ... ..</b>	<b>15,390</b>
<b>Total, ... ..</b>	<b>693,649</b>

9. The number of persons of colour, is 140 males and 121 females, making a total of 261.

10. On the subject of the occupation of the population, there are returned—

Male farm servants, ... ..	5,967
Other male servants, ... ..	5,390
Female servants, ... ..	11,510
Engaged in Trade and Commerce, ... ..	3,739
Paupers, ... ..	4,563

11. In reference to the cultivation and occupation of the soil :

The number of occupied acres is ... ..	7,540,450½
Of which are under cultivation, ... ..	3,063,949½
And not under cultivation, ... ..	4,456,400½

12. The produce of the preceding year (1843) has been returned as follows :

Wheat, ... ..	944,909
Barley, ... ..	1,221,710
Rye, ... ..	340,458
Oats, ... ..	6,989,933½
Peas, ... ..	1,428,303
Indian Corn, ... ..	140,947
Buck Wheat, ... ..	385,043½
Potatoes, ... ..	9,914,639½

Total Winchester bushels, ... .. 21,365,943½

The number of Beehives kept was 7,896, and the quantity of Maple Sugar made was 2,346,293 pounds.

13. The return of Live Stock, &c., is as follows :

Oxen, &c., ... ..	559,626
Horses, ... ..	144,530
Sheep, ... ..	601,243
Swine, ... ..	197,517

Total, ... .. 1,502,516 head.

14. In relation to Home Manufactures, Your Committee find that in 1843 there were manufactured in the family :

Of Fulled Cloth, ... ..	773,127½ yards.
" Linen or Cotton, ... ..	849,562½ "
" Flannel, ... ..	641,817½ "

Making a Total of ... .. 2,264,507½ yards.

And there were produced of Wool, ... .. 1,209,780½ pounds.

15. On the important subject of Education, Your Committee have ascertained that there are :

Sixty-three Colleges, Academies, Convents, &c., and 1566 Elementary Schools, making a total of—

1,629 Educational establishments,

At which ... .. 31,432 Males and 25,146 Females are taught,

Making a total of ... .. 56,578 in attendance thereon.

16. The Returns Report :

Taverns or Houses of public entertainment, ... ..	1,039
And Stores where Spirituous Liquors are sold, ... ..	792

Total, ... .. 1,831

17. In reference to the Manufactories, there are of

Grist Mills, ... ..	417 with 649 run of stones.
Oatmeal Mills, ... ..	111
Barley do. ... ..	48
Saw do. ... ..	895
Oil do. ... ..	30
Fulling do. ... ..	155
Carding do. ... ..	165
Thrashing do. ... ..	451
Paper do. ... ..	7
Iron Works ... ..	79
Trip Hammers, ... ..	18
Nail Factories, ... ..	7
Distilleries, ... ..	37
Breweries, ... ..	29
Tanneries, ... ..	325
Pot and Pearl Asheries, ... ..	423
All other Manufactories, ... ..	136

Making a Total of ... .. 3,333

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU,  
Chairman.

Ordered, that the said Report be taken into consideration by the House tomorrow.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at one o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

Wednesday, 26th March, 1845. WEDNESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable René E. Caron, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs The Honorable Messieurs

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|-------------------|-------------------------|
| <i>Mc Gill,</i>   | <i>Bruneau,</i>         |
| <i>Fraser,</i>    | <i>Ferrie,</i>          |
| <i>Joliette,</i>  | <i>Dionne, Joseph</i>   |
| <i>Crooks,</i>    | <i>Massue,</i>          |
| <i>Fergusson,</i> | <i>de Boucherville,</i> |
| <i>Hamilton,</i>  | <i>Neilson.</i>         |

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition, From J. Scriber, and others, settlers on Clergy Reserves in the Township of *Hemmingford*, and County of *Beauharnois*, praying that no measure may be adopted in respect of the said Reserves, which will prevent the said settlers from acquiring a title to the lands they now occupy. of Hemmingford, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the fourth and fifth years of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled 'An Alien Bill read 3rd time; 'Act



“ Act to secure to and confer upon certain  
 “ inhabitants of this Province, the civil and  
 “ political rights of British subjects, and to  
 “ make further provision regarding aliens,”  
 was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill,  
 as amended, shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chan-  
 cery 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 con-  
 currence.

Winter Roads  
 Bill read 3rd  
 time:

The Bill intituled “ An Act further to  
 “ amend the Laws relative to Winter Roads  
 “ in *Lower Canada*,” was read the third  
 time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as  
 amended, shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chan-  
 cery 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 con-  
 currence.

2nd reading  
 Titles to Land  
 settlement Bill  
 postponed till  
 tomorrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the  
 second reading of the Bill intituled “ An Act  
 “ to quiet the title to lands of persons natu-  
 “ ralized under the Statute of *Lower Canada*,  
 “ passed in the first year of the Reign of His  
 “ late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, and  
 “ for other purposes therein mentioned.”

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the se-  
 cond time tomorrow, and that on that day  
 Counsel be heard at the Bar of this House for  
 and against the said Bill.

District Offi-  
 cers' Fees Bill  
 discharged.

The Order of the Day being read for taking  
 into consideration the Report and amendments  
 made by the Select Committee to whom was  
 referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to regu-  
 “ late the Fees of certain District Officers  
 “ in that part of this Province called *Upper*  
 “ *Canada*.”

*Ordered*, that the same be discharged.

Report on L.  
 C. Census Re-  
 turns, consi-  
 dered;

The House, according to order, proceeded  
 to the consideration of the Report of the Se-  
 lect Committee to whom was referred the Cen-  
 sus Returns of *Lower Canada*.

The same was then read by the Clerk.

To be printed.

*Ordered*, that the said Report do lie on the  
 Table, and that the same be printed in both  
 languages for the use of Members.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

The Honorable Messieurs *William Morris*  
 and *Moore* enter.

A Message was brought from the Legisla-  
 tive Assembly, by Mr. *Christie*, and others, Indemnity  
 Bill.  
 with a Bill intituled “ An Act to authorize the  
 “ charge of a certain sum of money therein  
 “ mentioned, advanced from the Treasury of  
 “ the Province by the Executive Government  
 “ thereof, without the authority of the Provin-  
 “ cial Parliament, for defraying, during a period  
 “ therein specified, certain necessary and in-  
 “ dispensable expenses of the Civil Govern-  
 “ ment of the Province, and Public Works  
 “ therein, upon the Consolidated Revenue  
 “ Fund thereof, and of indemnity therefor  
 “ to all concerned,” to which they desire the  
 concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the se-  
 cond time tomorrow.

A Message was brought from the Legisla-  
 tive Assembly, by Mr. *Stewart*, and others, Lumber Bill  
 returned from  
 the Assembly  
 with an amend-  
 ment to the  
 amendments of  
 the Council;  
 to return the Bill intituled “ An Act to regu-  
 “ late the culling and measurement of Timber,  
 “ Masts, Spars, Deals, Staves and other ar-  
 “ ticles of a like nature, and to repeal a cer-  
 “ tain Act therein mentioned,” and to acquaint  
 this House that they have agreed to the  
 amendments made by Legislative Council  
 thereto, with an amendment to which they  
 desire their concurrence.

The said amendment was then read by the  
 Clerk, as follows :

Amendment made by the Legislative As-  
 sembly in and to the amendments made by  
 the Legislative Council to the Bill intituled  
 “ An Act to regulate the culling and measure-  
 “ ment of Timber, Masts, Spars, Deals, Staves  
 “ and other articles of a like nature, and to  
 “ repeal a certain Act therein mentioned.”

Line 4 of the amendments.—Fill up the blank  
 with the words “ two hun- The amend-  
 “ dred.” ment;

Engrossed Amendment.

W. B. LINDSAY,  
 Clerk. Assy.

The said amendment being read the second  
 time,

*It was moved* to agree to the same.

The question of concurrence being put  
 thereon,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Agreed to.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council hath agreed to their amendment made to the amendments of this House, in and to this Bill, without any amendment.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

THURSDAY.

**Thursday, 27th March, 1845.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs      The Honorable Messieurs

*M'Gill,*

*Ferrie,*

*Morris, William*

*Knoulton,*

*Fraser,*

*Dionne, Joseph*

*Joliette,*

*Massue,*

*Crooks,*

*de Boucherville,*

*Fergusson,*

*Morris, James*

*Hamilton,*

*Neilson.*

*Bruneau,*

PRAYERS.

Report of the Select Committee on the Journals, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom it was referred to peruse and perfect the Journals of this and former Sessions, presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Thursday, March 27, 1845.

The Select Committee appointed to peruse and perfect the Journals of this and former Sessions of the Provincial Parliament, have, in obedience to the order of the House, taken the said matter into their consideration, and now beg leave to Report thereon.

That they have examined the Journals of Your Honorable House of the last Session, and find that in the form and style of the printing and the mode of binding, they are conformable to the directions given by preceding decisions of Your Honorable House, and have been in that respect faithfully executed by those intrusted with that work.

Your Committee perceive that, under the directions of the Clerk Assistant, a strict ad-

herence to the forms of entries and proceedings, as adopted by the House of Lords, has been maintained, as far as the relative circumstances of the two Houses will permit, and they recommend a continuation of a course which will much facilitate the correct transaction of the business of Your Honorable House.

Your Committee do not notice any matter in the preceding Reports of former Committees on the same subject, which calls for comment or alteration, except perhaps that of the distribution of the extra copies printed beyond those supplied to the Members of Your Honorable House. At present sixty copies in each language are forwarded to the Legislative Assembly; one copy to each of the Honorable Judges of the Court of Queen's Bench in *Canada East and West*; one copy to each of the Law Societies in both sections of the Province, and one copy to each of the Legislative Councils and Assemblies of *Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland*, besides copies to several of the Public Offices. There are copies allowed also to all public Libraries and Boards of Trade, when called for. Your Committee think a copy might be allowed to the Chartered Colleges and to the District Judges, when called for, and that as the demand for English copies will necessarily be greater than for French, the number of the former should be increased from and after the present Session to 350, and of the latter to remain as at present at 300.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU,  
Chairman.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be adopted. Report adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Librarian's Report on the state of the Library, presented their Report. Report of the Select Committee on Library, presented.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
26th March, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Librarian of this House on the state of the Library, submitted on the 2nd December last, with an instruction to suggest such means of adding to the Li-

brary

brary as they may deem advisable, have, in obedience to the order of reference, taken the same into consideration, and now beg leave to report that they have prepared a list of works, to be purchased for the Library, which is hereunto annexed.

Your Committee also beg leave to recommend that the Librarian be directed to furnish a Report of the state of the Library at the next Session of Parliament, and a list of such works as may be requisite for the Legislative Council.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. NEILSON,  
Chairman.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be adopted.

Report adopted.  
Petition,

From the Rev. R. Knight, and others, of Frampton, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *R. Knight*, and others, members of the Church of *England*, in the Townships of *Frampton*, in the County of *Dorchester*, and of *Standon*, in the County of *Bellechasse*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that the Legislature will recommend Her Majesty to vest in the Church Society of the said Diocese a portion of the Clergy Reserves corresponding to the share of income assigned by the Imperial Statute to the Church of *England*, and that the same may in future be held and managed for the benefit of the said Church.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of the Select Committee on Salmon preservation Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in force for the preservation of Salmon in that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

Bill read 3rd time;

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 *Smith* and others, in the following words:

Message from the Assembly with Petitions to the Queen and Imperial Parliament, respecting Trade and Navigation.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Wednesday, 26th March, 1845.

*Resolved*, that the Petitions to Her Majesty and both Houses of the Imperial Parliament, relating to the repeal of that provision of the 31st clause of the Imperial Act, 3 and 4 *William IV*, cap. 59, which authorises the importation of certain goods in foreign vessels on the Inland Waters, to the extension of the Registry Laws of the United Kingdom to British vessels employed on the said waters, and to the right of persons naturalized by Provincial Acts to the privileges of British subjects in matters connected with Trade and Navigation, be communicated to the Honorable the Legislative Council, by Message requesting the concurrence of their Honors thereto.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Smith* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,  
Clerk Assy.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Smith*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the improvement and enlargement of the Harbour of Montreal; to authorize the Commissioners to borrow a further sum of money for that purpose; to consolidate the Laws now in force relating to the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Montreal Harbour Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Smith*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to revive and continue for a limited time a certain Ordinance therein mentioned, for regulating the Militia in Lower Canada and to suspend for a like time a certain provision of the Militia Law of Upper Canada," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Militia Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to make better provision for Elementary Instruction

Elementary Institution Bill.

Municipal Authorities Bill.

"Instruction in *Lower Canada*:" and also a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal certain Ordinances therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Fiefs Nazareth Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to empower the Seigniors of the *Fiefs Nazareth, St. Augustin* and *St. Joseph*, in the City of *Montreal*, or either of them, to invest the moneys arising from any commutation of Tenure granted by them, in real Property and other Securities," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Montreal and Quebec Boards of Trade Bill, agreed to by the Assembly.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to render permanent two certain Acts therein mentioned, incorporating the Boards of Trade of *Montreal* and *Quebec*," and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Great Western Rail-Road Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Cameron*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to revive certain provisions of the Act incorporating the Great Western Rail-Road Company, and to enable them to carry on that work," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordinance Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Stewart*, of *Bytown*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend part of an Act passed in the seventh year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act for vesting in the Principal Officers of Her Majesty's Ordinance the Estates and Property therein described; for granting certain powers to the said Officers, and for other purposes therein mentioned,' " to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Evangelical Association Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Thompson*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to extend the benefit of a certain Act of *Upper Canada*, therein mentioned, to the Clergymen or Ministers of the Evangelical Association," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Alien Bill returned from the Assembly, with the amendments agreed to.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Powell*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the fourth and fifth years of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, intituled 'An Act to secure to and confer upon certain inhabitants of this Province the civil and political rights of British Subjects,' and to make further provision re-

"garding Aliens," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

Law Suits limitation Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Aylwin*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for the limitation of Actions, for avoiding Suits at Law, and for rendering a written memorandum necessary to the validity of certain promises and engagements in that part of the Province which heretofore constituted the Province of *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Montreal College of Medicine Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Scott*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* College of Medicine and Surgery," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

Report of Select Committee on Gaspé Marriages Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Massue*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the legal proof and preservation thereof, of certain marriages formerly had before Justices of the Peace in the late Inferior District of *Gaspé*, Births, Baptisms, and Burials therein," presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and the same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Monday, 24th March, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled "An Act to provide for the legal proof and preservation thereof, of certain marriages formerly had before Justices of the Peace in the late Inferior District of *Gaspé*, Births, Baptisms and Burials therein," together with the Petition of *Isaac Hilgrove Gossett*, of the Island of *Jersey*, in reference to the said Bill, have, in obedience to the order of reference, taken the same into consideration, and now beg leave to report their observations thereon.

The Bill proposes to provide a remedy to all parties interested in informal marriages, which may have taken place in that District, before any Justice of the Peace, prior to the 17th March, 1821, as well as in births, baptisms, and burials, of which no authentic records have been made or preserved.

Several Acts tending to the same or a similar object, have been in past years adopted by the former Legislature of *Lower Canada*, and as far

far as Your Committee have been able to gain information, these Acts were but very partially made use of in *Gaspé* during the period of their existence. No Petitions have been presented to this Honorable Council, praying for any revival or renewal of those Acts, and in the absence of such Petitions, and having the Petition of a party before them, who alleges that the Bill is really intended to affect rights which are already vested, to disturb judgments of Courts which have been rendered, and to confer privileges, which, if really well founded, have for a long time remained dormant and unclaimed, Your Committee are of opinion, to recommend to Your Honorable House that no further steps shall be taken in reference to this Bill until more ample information can be obtained on this subject than can be acquired at this late period of the Session.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

L. MASSUE, *Chairman.*

*Ordered*, that the said Report be adopted.

Supply Bill,  
read 1st, 2nd  
and 3rd times:

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to make provision for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government of this Province for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-five," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as the same relates to the said Bill and that the same be read the second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

U. C. Lands  
Assessment  
Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Cummings*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to declare certain Lands in *Upper Canada* liable to Assessment, and oblige the owners of such Lands to make returns thereof to the District Treasurer," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as the same relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly. Read 2d time:

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M<sup>c</sup>Gill, Fraser, Fergusson, Hamilton* and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to quiet the Title to Lands of persons naturalized under the Statute of *Lower Canada*, passed in the first year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for Counsel to be heard at the Bar of this House for and against the said Bill, Titles to Lands Settlement Bill.

Counsel were accordingly called in, And *Thomas Cushing Aylwin*, Esquire, appearing as Counsel in support of the said Bill, and *Frederick G. Johnson*, Esquire, appearing as Counsel against the same; Counsel appear for and against the Bill;

*T. C. Aylwin*, Esquire, first addressed the House, and having concluded,

The said *Frederick G. Johnson*, Esquire, then addressed the House;

After which, by leave of the House, *T. C. Aylwin*, Esquire, was allowed to reply.

The Counsel were then directed to withdraw. Counsel withdraw;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow. Bill for 2nd reading tomorrow.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

The Petitions to Her Majesty and to both Houses of the Imperial Parliament received from the Legislative Assembly this day, were then severally read by the Clerk, as follow: Petitions to Her Majesty and the Imperial Parliament on Trade and Navigation, read;

*To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.*

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN:

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament Assembled, beg leave humbly to approach Your Majesty and to represent;

That the increased importance of the interests of owners of Ships and Vessels navigating the inland waters of this Province requires that the same protection and privileges be extended to Vessels so employed as are enjoyed by British Vessels in all other parts of Your Majesty's dominions. The Petition to Her Majesty.

That

That the provision of the thirty-first Section of the Act passed in the third and fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, which permits goods the produce of Foreign Countries, to be brought or imported by inland navigation from any adjoining Foreign Country in Foreign Vessels or Boats as well as in British Vessels or Boats, is no longer necessary or advantageous for the interests of this Province, and that the repeal of that part of the clause in question which contains the aforesaid provision would tend, greatly, to advance the prosperity of the Inland Trade of this Province

That the extension of the Acts passed in the third and fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intitled, respectively, "An Act for the registering of British Vessels," and "An Act for the encouragement of British Shipping and Navigation," to Vessels, built and owned in this Province, employed in navigating the inland waters would, by securing to Your Majesty's Subjects in this Province, owning vessels so employed, the valuable privileges and advantages enjoyed by British Vessels in other portions of Your Majesty's Dominions, greatly tend to the encouragement of British shipping and navigation, and the commercial interests of this Province.

That many persons of foreign birth having emigrated to this Province at an early period, and taken up their permanent residence here, under the encouragement held out to them by the Government, have become naturalized Subjects of Your Majesty, under and by virtue of various Acts of the Provincial Parliament of this Province, as well as of Acts of the Provincial Parliament of the late Provinces of *Lower* and *Upper Canada*, respectively, while others are now in process of becoming naturalized under the said Acts; and it is probable that in the course of the settling of the country, others may hereafter acquire the rights of naturalization, by virtue of Acts of the Provincial Parliament to be hereafter passed for that purpose.

That the privileges of naturalization thus obtained availing the parties only within the limits within which the jurisdiction of the Provincial Parliament in this particular extends, it is highly desirable that in any amendment of the said Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed in the third and fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, with a view to give effect to the object hereinbefore referred to, a provision should be made by which all the rights of natural-born British Subjects, as respects trade, shipping,

and navigation, and the ownership of goods and shipping engaged, or to be engaged, in the same, should be conferred by Imperial Legislation upon all such persons as already have been or hereafter may become naturalized, by or under the authority of any such Provincial Acts, passed or to be passed, as aforesaid, so far at least as respects the coasting trade and fisheries of this Province itself and the direct trade between it and the Mother Country, our Sister Colonies, and Foreign relations.

ALLAN N. M'NAB, *Speaker*.

Legislative Assembly,

Wednesday, 25th March, 1845.

To the Lords Spiritual and Temporal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament Assembled:

The Petition of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament Assembled,

The Petition to the House of Lords.

HUMBLY SHOWETH:

That the increased importance of the interests of owners of Ships and Vessels navigating the inland waters of this Province requires that the same protection and privileges be extended to Vessels so employed as are enjoyed by British Vessels in all other parts of Her Majesty's dominions.

That the provision of the thirty-first Section of the Act passed in the third and fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, which permits goods the produce of Foreign Countries, to be brought or imported by inland navigation from any adjoining Foreign Country in Foreign Vessels or Boats as well as in British Vessels or Boats, is no longer necessary or advantageous for the interests of this Province, and that the repeal of that part of the clause in question which contains the aforesaid provision would tend, greatly, to advance the prosperity of the Inland Trade of this Province.

That the extension of the Acts passed in the third and fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intitled, respectively, "An Act for the registering of British Vessels," and "An Act for the encouragement of British Shipping and Navigation," to Vessels built and owned in this Province, employed in navigating the inland waters would, by securing to Her Majesty's subjects in this Province, owning Vessels so employed, the valuable privileges and advantages enjoyed by British Vessels in other portions of Her Majesty's Dominions, greatly tend to the encouragement of British shipping and



and navigation, and the commercial interests of this Province.

That many persons of foreign birth having emigrated to this Province at an early period, and taken up their permanent residence here, under the encouragement held out to them by the Government, have become naturalized Subjects of Her Majesty, under and by virtue of various Acts of the Provincial Parliament of this Province, as well as of Acts of the Provincial Parliament of the late Provinces of *Lower* and *Upper Canada*, respectively, while others are now in process of becoming naturalized under the said Acts; and it is probable that in the course of the settling of the country, others may hereafter acquire the rights of naturalization, by virtue of Acts of the Provincial Parliament to be hereafter passed for that purpose.

That the privileges of naturalization thus obtained availing the parties only within the limits within which the jurisdiction of the Provincial Parliament in this particular extends, it is highly desirable that in any amendment of the said Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed in the third and fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, with a view to give effect to the object hereinbefore referred to, a provision should be made by which all the rights of natural-born British Subjects, as respects trade, shipping, and navigation, and the ownership of goods and shipping engaged, or to be engaged, in the same, should be conferred by Imperial Legislation upon all such persons as already have been or hereafter may become naturalized, by or under the authority of any such Provincial Acts, passed or to be passed, as aforesaid, so far at least as respects the coasting trade and fisheries of this Province itself and the direct trade between it and the Mother Country, our Sister Colonies, and Foreign relations.

ALLAN N. M'NAB, *Speaker*.

Legislative Assembly,

*Wednesday, 26th March, 1845.*

*To the Honorable the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament Assembled:*

The Petition of the  
Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament Assembled,

HUMBLY SHOWETH:

That the increased importance of the interest of owners of Ships and Vessels navigating

the inland waters of this Province requires that the same protection and privileges be extended to Vessels so employed as are enjoyed by British Vessels in all other parts of Her Majesty's dominions.

That the provision of the thirty-first Section of the Act passed in the third and fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, which permits goods the produce of Foreign Countries, to be brought or imported by inland navigation from any adjoining Foreign Country, in Foreign Vessels or Boats as well as in British Vessels or Boats, is no longer necessary or advantageous for the interests of this Province, and that the repeal of that part of the clause in question which contains the aforesaid provision would tend, greatly, to advance the prosperity of the Inland Trade of this Province.

That the extension of the Acts passed in the third and fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intitled, respectively, "An Act for the registering of British Vessels;" and "An Act for the encouragement of British Shipping and Navigation," to Vessels built and owned in this Province, employed in navigating the inland waters would, by securing to Her Majesty's Subjects in this Province, owning vessels so employed, the valuable privileges and advantages enjoyed by British Vessels in other portions of Her Majesty's Dominions, greatly tend to the encouragement of British shipping and navigation, and the commercial interests of this Province.

That many persons of foreign birth having emigrated to this Province at an early period, and taken up their permanent residence here, under the encouragement held out to them by the Government, have become naturalized Subjects of Her Majesty, under and by virtue of various Acts of the Provincial Parliament of this Province, as well as of Acts of the Provincial Parliament of the late Provinces of *Lower* and *Upper Canada*, respectively, while others are now in process of becoming naturalized under the said Acts; and it is probable that in the course of the settling of the country, others may hereafter acquire the rights of naturalization, by virtue of Acts of the Provincial Parliament, to be hereafter passed for that purpose.

That the privileges of naturalization thus obtained availing the parties only within the limits within which the jurisdiction of the Provincial Parliament in this particular extends,

it is highly desirable that in any amendment of the said Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed in the third and fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, with a view to give effect to the object hereinbefore referred to, a provision should be made by which all the rights of natural-born British Subjects, as respects trade, shipping, and navigation, and the ownership of goods and shipping engaged, or to be engaged in the same, should be conferred by Imperial Legislation upon all such persons as already have been or hereafter may become naturalized, by or under the authority of any such Provincial Acts, passed or to be passed, as aforesaid, so far at least as respects the coasting trade and fisheries of this Province itself and the direct trade between it and the Mother Country, our Sister Colonies, and Foreign relations.

ALLAN N. M'NAB,  
*Speaker.*

Legislative Assembly,  
*Wednesday, 26th March, 1845.*

*It was moved* to agree with the Legislative Assembly in the said Petitions to Her Majesty and both Houses of Parliament, by severally filling up the blanks with "Legislative Council and the"

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that the Speaker do sign the said Petitions on behalf of this House.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council hath agreed to their Petitions to Her Majesty and both Houses of the Imperial Parliament, relating to the repeal of that provision of the 31st clause of the Imperial Act 3rd and 4th *Will.* IV, cap. 59, which authorizes the importation of certain goods in foreign vessels on the Inland Waters; to the extension of the Registry Laws of the United Kingdom to British Vessels employed on the said waters; and to the right of persons naturalized by Provincial Acts, to the privileges of British Subjects in matters connected with Trade and Navigation, by severally filling up the blanks with the words "Legislative Council and the"

*It was moved* that the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General:—

Address to His Excellency to transmit the same.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable CHARLES THEOPHILUS, BARON METCALFE, of Fernhill, in the County of Berks, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects the Legislative Council

of the Province of *Canada*, have agreed upon Joint Petitions to Her Most Gracious Majesty, and to the Lords and Commons of the United Kingdom, in relation to the repeal of that provision of the thirty-first clause of the Imperial Act 3rd and 4th *William* IV, cap. 59, which authorizes the importation of certain goods in Foreign Vessels on the Inland Waters; to the extension of the Registry Laws of the United Kingdom, to British Vessels employed on the said waters; and to the right of persons naturalized by Provincial Acts to the privileges of British Subjects in matters connected with Trade and Navigation; and we now most respectfully present the said Petitions to Your Excellency, humbly requesting that Your Excellency would be pleased to transmit them to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, praying that the Petition to Her Majesty may be laid at the foot of the Throne, and that the several Petitions to the Right Honorable the House of Lords, and the Honorable the House of Commons, may be submitted to them respectively.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that the Speaker do sign the said Address on behalf of this House.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed the last mentioned Address to His Excellency the Governor General, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

A Message

Message from the Assembly concurring in the last Address.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper*, and others, as follows:

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,  
Thursday, 27th March, 1845.

**Resolved**, that a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, acquainting their Honors that this House hath agreed to the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the Petitions of both Houses to Her Majesty and the two Houses of the Imperial Parliament, in relation to the repeal of that provision of the thirty-first clause of the Imperial Act which authorizes the importation of certain goods in Foreign Vessels on the Inland Waters; to the extension of the Registry Laws of the United Kingdom to British Vessels employed on the said waters, and to the right of persons naturalized by Provincial Acts to the privileges of British Subjects in matters connected with Trade and Navigation.

**Ordered**, that the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,  
Clk. Assy.

To be presented by the whole House;

**Ordered**, that the several Petitions to Her Majesty and both Houses of the Imperial Parliament, and the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting him to transmit the same, be presented by the whole House.

**Ordered**, that such Members of the Executive Council who 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 Petitions and Address.

Committee report that His Excellency will receive the Address tomorrow, and

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* reported that he had, according to order, waited upon His Excellency the Governor General, humbly to know what time His Excellency would please to appoint to be attended with the Joint Petitions to Her Majesty and both Houses of the Imperial Parliament, and the Joint Address to His Excellency the Governor General, and that His Excellency had named tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon for that purpose.

The Assembly informed thereof.

**Ordered**, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that His Excellency the Go-

vernor General has appointed tomorrow at three o'clock, P. M. at the Government House, to be attended with the Petitions of both Houses to Her Majesty and the two Houses of the Imperial Parliament, relating to the repeal of that provision of the thirty-first clause of the Imperial Act 3 and 4 *William IV.* cap 59, which authorizes the importation of certain goods in Foreign Vessels on the Inland Waters; to the extension of the Registry Laws of the United Kingdom to British Vessels employed on the said Waters; and to the right of persons naturalized by Provincial Acts to the privileges of British Subjects in matters connected with Trade and Navigation, and that the Legislative Council do intend to be there at that time.

The Bill intituled "An Act for the improvement and enlargement of the Harbour of *Montreal*; to authorize the Commissioners to borrow a further sum of money for that purpose; to consolidate the Laws now in force relating to the same, and for other purpose therein mentioned," was read the first time.

Montreal Harbour Bill read 1st time;

**Ordered**, that the forty-sixth rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as the same relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

46th rule dispensed with;

The same was then read the second time accordingly.

Read 2nd time;

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Bruneau* and *Ferric*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee.

The Bill intituled "An Act to revive and continue for a limited time, a certain Ordinance therein mentioned, for regulating the Militia in *Lower Canada*, and to suspend for a like time a certain provision of the Militia Law of *Upper Canada*," was read the first time.

Militia Bill read 1st time;

**Ordered**, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as the same relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

46th rule dispensed with;

The same was then read the second time accordingly.

Read 2nd time;

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks*, *Hamilton* and *James Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee.

The

Elementary  
Instruction Bill  
read 1st time ;

The Bill intituled " An Act to make better provision for Elementary Instruction in " *Lower Canada*," was read the first time.

46th rule dis-  
pensed with ;

**Ordered**, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as the same relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

Read 2nd time ;

The same was then read the second time accordingly.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a  
Select Com-  
mittee.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Joliette, Bruneau, Massue, de Boucherville* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Municipal Or-  
dinances Bill,  
read 1st time ;

The Bill intituled " An Act to repeal cer- tain Ordinances therein mentioned, and to " make better provision for the establishment " of Local and Municipal Authorities in *Lower " Canada*," was read the first time.

46th rule dis-  
pensed with ;

**Ordered**, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as the same relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

Read 2nd time ;

The same was then read the second time accordingly.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Referred to a  
Select Com-  
mittee.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Joliette, Bruneau, Massue, de Boucherville* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Fiefs Nazareth  
Bill, read 1st  
time ;

The Bill intituled " An Act to empower the " seigniors of the Fiefs *Nazareth, St. Augus- " tin* and *Saint Joseph*, in the City of *Montreal*, " or either of them, to invest the monies ari- " sing from any commutation of Tenure granted " by them, in real property and other securi- " ties," was read the first time.

46th rule dis-  
pensed with ;

**Ordered**, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as the same relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

Read 2nd and  
3rd times ;

The same was then read the second time accordingly.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The same was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Passed.

**It was resolved** in the affirmative.

**Ordered**, that one of the Masters in Chan- cery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Bill intituled " An Act to revive cer- tain provisions of the Act incorporating the " *Great Western Rail-Road Company*, and to " enable them to carry on that Work," was read the first time.

Great Western  
Rail-Road Bill,  
read 1st time ;

**Ordered**, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as the same relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

46th rule dis-  
pensed with ;

The same was then read the second time accordingly.

Read 2nd time ;

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Hono- rable Messieurs *M' Gill, Fraser, Fergusson, Hamilton* and *James Morris*, to meet and ad- journ as they please.

Referred to a  
Select Com-  
mittee.

The Bill intituled " An Act to explain and " amend part of an Act passed in the seventh " year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled ' An " Act for vesting in the Principal Officers of " Her Majesty's Ordnance, the Estates and " property therein described ; for granting " certain powers to the said Officers, and for " other purposes therein mentionned,' " was read the first time.

Ordnance Bill  
read 1st time ;

**Ordered**, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as the same relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

46th rule dis-  
pensed with ;

The same was then read the second time accordingly.

Read 2nd time ;

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Hono- rable Messieurs *M' Gill, Fraser* and *Fergusson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a  
Select Com-  
mittee.

The Bill intituled " An Act to extend the " benefit of a certain Act of *Upper Canada* " therein mentioned to the Clergymen or Mi- " nisters of the Evangelical Association," was read the first time.

Evangelical  
Association  
Bill, read 1st  
time ;

**Ordered**, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as the same relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

46th rule dis-  
pensed with ;

The same was then read the second time accordingly.

Read 2nd time ;

**Ordered**,

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

To be committed tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill tomorrow.

Law Suits Limitation Bill;

The Bill intituled "An Act for the limitation of actions, for avoiding Suits at Law, and for rendering a written memorandum necessary to the validity of certain promises and engagements in that part of the Province which heretofore constituted the Province of *Lower Canada*," was read the first time.

46th rule dispensed with;

*Ordered*, that the forty-sixth rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as the same relates the said Bill, and that the same be read the second time presently.

Read 2nd time;

The same was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Bruneau* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Kingston Incorporation Amendment Bill.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the first year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Town of *Kingston*, under the name of the Mayor and 'Common Council of the Town of *Kings-ton*,' " to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

Indemnity Bill read 2nd time;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the charge of a certain sum of money therein mentioned, advanced from the Treasury of the Province by the Executive Government thereof without the authority of the Provincial Parliament, for defraying during a period therein specified certain necessary and indispensable expenses of the Civil Government of the Province, and Public Works therein upon the consolidated revenue fund thereof, and of indemnity therefor to all concerned," was read the second time.

46th rule dispensed with;

*Ordered*, that the forty-sixth rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it regards this Bill, and that the same be read the third time presently.

Bill read 3rd time;

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from *John Keller*, assignee to the estate of *Margaret Fleming Johnson*, praying that the Clerk of the Legislative Council may be authorized to pay, for the benefit of the creditors, a certain sum now due to the said estate.

Petition, From J. Keller, presented;

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

Read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Contingent Accounts of this House for the present session.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act of the present Session relative to the duties on stills, and to make further provision on the same subject," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Still Duties repeal Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time tomorrow.

*Ordered*, that the Petition presented to this House on the twenty-fourth day of February last, from *Robert Ross*, and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Frampton*, *Stuneton* and *Cranbourne*; and also the Petition presented to this House on the twenty-seventh day of February last, from the Reverend *L. T. Fortier*, and others, inhabitants of the Seigniorship of *Nicolet*, be severally referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to make better provision for Elementary Instruction in *Lower Canada*."

Petitions, From R. Ross, and others, of Frampton, and

From Rev. L. T. Fortier of Nicolet, referred to the Select Committee on Elementary Instruction Bill.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Adjourn.

Friday,

FRIDAY.

Friday, 28th March, 1845.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable René E. Caron, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs      The Honorable Messieurs

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| <i>M' Gill,</i>        | <i>Ferrie,</i>          |
| <i>Morris, William</i> | <i>Dionne, Joseph</i>   |
| <i>Fraser,</i>         | <i>Massue,</i>          |
| <i>Joliette,</i>       | <i>de Boucherville,</i> |
| <i>Crooks,</i>         | <i>Morris, James</i>    |
| <i>Fergusson,</i>      | <i>Neilson.</i>         |
| <i>Bruneau,</i>        |                         |

PRAYERS.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.  
The House was resumed.

The Honorable, the Speaker, reported that both Houses of Parliament did, this day, present to His Excellency the Governor General, their humble Petitions to Her Majesty, and the two Houses of the Imperial Parliament, relating to the repeal of that provision of the 31st clause of the Imperial Act 3 and 4, *Will. IV., cap. 59*, which authorizes the importation of certain goods in Foreign Vessels on the Inland Waters; to the extension of the Registry Laws of the United Kingdom to British Vessels employed on the said waters, and to the right of persons naturalized by Provincial Acts, to the privileges of British subjects, in matters connected with Trade and Navigation—to which His Excellency was pleased to return the following answer:

Answer of His Excellency to the Address and Petitions on Trade and Navigation, reported;

The answer.

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN,  
AND GENTLEMEN,

I will not fail to transmit your Joint Petitions to Her Most Gracious Majesty, and to the Lords and Commons of the United Kingdom, to Her Majesty's Secretary of State, according to the desire which you have expressed.

Supplementary Estimate, presented.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris*, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House a Supplementary Estimate for 1845.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows:

(*For Estimate vide Appendix No. 11.*)

Petitions,

From Quebec Board of Trade, and

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from the Council of the *Quebec* Board of Trade, praying that the Bill to regulate the

culling and measurement of Timber may not be passed into a law without certain amendments being made thereto; and also a Petition from *Louis C. Lefrançois*, Registrar of the County of *Montmorency*, praying that the Island of *Orleans* may not be detached from that County for the purposes of Registration, until further inquiry be made as to the amount of fees received after the expiration of one year, or that he may be allowed to appoint a Deputy for that Island, with a small allowance for his remuneration from the Public Revenue; or that the fees of enregistration be augmented.

From Louis C. Lefrançois, of Montmorency, presented.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act for the limitation of Actions, for avoiding Suits at Law, and for rendering a written memorandum necessary to the validity of certain promises and engagements, in that part of the Province which heretofore constituted the Province of *Lower Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Report of the Select Committee on Law Suits Limitation Bill, presented;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed the above mentioned Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom it was referred to superintend the Printing of this House, presented their Report.

Report of the Select Committee on Printing, presented.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
*Committee Room,*

The Report.

Wednesday, 26th March, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom it was referred to superintend the Printing of Your Honorable House, have the honor to Report,

That having received very moderate tenders for the Printing of the Journals and their Appendix,



Appendix, and also for the Binding thereof, from Messrs. *Lovell* and *Gibson* of this City, Your Committee, feeling fully satisfied from the character which they have heard of the parties, that they will execute the work in as fair and workmanlike a manner as those of the last Session, have deemed it their duty to enter into a contract with those gentlemen for that work.

The terms under which this contract is made are as follow :

Composition in English and French, at the rate of 1s. 10½d. per 1000 ems.

Press work, 1s. 8d. per token.

Crown paper of the same quality as the Journals of 1843, 15s. 6d. per ream.

Binding of Journals, Appendix, and Sessional Papers in colored calf, 5s. 6d. ; and in roan 4s. per volume.

The whole work to be completed within four months from the close of the Session, and undoubted security is offered for its due performance on those terms. A bond in favor of the Clerk of the House is in progress, and will be signed by the parties before the close of the Session.

The daily Printing of this Honorable House Your Committee have decided on giving to Messrs. *Derbishire* and *Desbarats*, at the following rates :

Composition per 1000 ems, . . . 2s. 6d.

Press work per token, . . . . . 2s. 6d.

Paper, foolscap per quire, . . . . . 10d.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

JAMES MORRIS,  
*Chairman.*

*Ordered*, that the said Report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to revive and continue for a limited time, a certain Ordinance therein mentioned for regulating the Militia in *Lower Canada*, and to suspend for a like time a certain provision of the Militia Law of *Upper Canada*," reported that the Committee 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 the same.

Report adopted.

Report of the Select Committee on Militia Bill, presented ;

*Ordered*, that the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow :

Press 2, line 1.—Leave out from "And" to "force" in the 11th line, both inclusively.

Title.—After "*Canada*" leave out the remainder of the Title.

The said amendments being read the second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House. Amendments adopted ;

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly. Bill read 3rd time ;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *James Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to revive certain provisions of the Act incorporating the Great Western Rail-Road Company, and to enable them to carry on that work," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment. Report of the Select Committee on Great Western Rail-Road Bill, presented ;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly. Bill read 3rd time ;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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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Report of the  
Select Committee  
on U. C.  
Assessment  
Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to declare certain Lands in *Upper Canada* liable to Assessment, and oblige the owners of such Lands to make returns thereof to the District Treasurers," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

Bill read 3rd  
time ;

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Report of the  
Select Committee  
on Montreal  
Harbour  
Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *M'Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the improvement and enlargement of the Harbour of *Montreal*; to authorize the Commissioners to borrow a further sum of money for that purpose; to consolidate the Laws now in force relating to the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

Bill read 3rd  
time ;

The same was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Report of the  
Select Committee  
on Ordinance  
Bill,  
presented ;

The Honorable Mr. *M'Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend part of an Act passed in the seventh year of Her

Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act for vesting in the Principal Officers of Her Majesty's Ordnance, the Estates and property therein described; for granting certain powers to the said Officers, and for other purposes therein mentioned,' reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill presently. To be committed presently ;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill, accordingly. House in Committee thereon ;

After some time the House was resumed, and the Honorable Mr. *Crooks* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment. Reported ;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The same was then read the third time accordingly. Read 3rd time ;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

The Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Fees of certain District Officers in that part of this Province called *Upper Canada*," was read the third time. District Officers' Fees Bill, read 3rd time ;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for reading the Bill intituled "An Act to quiet the Title to Lands, of persons naturalized under the Statute of *Lower Canada*, passed in the first year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, and for other purposes therein mentioned," the second time, Motion to read Titles to Land settlement Bill, the 2nd time ;

*It was moved*, that the said Bill be now read the second time.

Which

Objected to ; Which being objected to,  
After debate,  
The question of concurrence was put there-  
on, and the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

Read 2nd time; The said Bill was then read the second  
time accordingly.

46th rule dis- *Ordered*, that the forty-sixth Rule of this  
pensed with ; House be dispensed with, in so far as the same  
relates to the said Bill, and that the same be  
read the third time presently.

Read 3rd time; The said Bill was then read the third time  
accordingly.

Passed. The question was put whether this Bill  
shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chan-  
cery do go down to the Legislative Assembly,  
and acquaint that House that the Legislative  
Council have passed this Bill, without any  
amendment.

House in Com- The House, according to order, was ad-  
mittee on journed during pleasure, and was put into a  
Evangelical Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled  
Association " An Act to extend the benefit of a certain  
Bill ; " Act of *Upper Canada* therein mentioned, to  
" the Clergymen or Ministers of the Evange-  
" lical Association."

Reported, and After some time the House was resumed,  
leave granted and the Honorable Mr. *Fraser* reported from  
to sit again. the Committee, that they had taken the said  
Bill into consideration, had made some pro-  
gress therein, and had directed him to ask  
leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, that leave be granted accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for read-  
ing the Bill intituled " An Act to amend an  
" Act passed in the fourth year of Her Ma-  
" jesty's Reign, intituled ' An Act to incorpo-  
" rate the Town of *Kingston* under the name  
" of the Mayor and Common Council of the  
" Town of *Kingston*," the second time,

*Ordered*, that the same be discharged.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

Still duties Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill  
Bill, read 2nd intituled " An Act to repeal an Act of the  
time ; " present Session relative to the Duties on  
" Stills, and to make further provision on the  
" same subject," was read the second time.

46th rule dis- *Ordered*, that the forty-sixth Rule of this  
pensed with ; House be dispensed with in so far as it

relates to the said Bill, and that the same  
be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time Read 3rd time;  
accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill  
shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chan-  
cery do go down to the Legislative Assembly,  
and acquaint that House that the Legislative  
Council have passed this Bill without any  
amendment.

*Ordered*, that the forty-sixth Rule of this 46th rule dis-  
House be dispensed with for the remainder pensed with for  
of the present Session. the Session.

A Message was brought from the Legisla- Welland Canal  
tive Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney Stock Bill,  
General *Draper*, and others, with a Bill inti- read 1st 2nd  
tuled " An Act to amend the Act for pur- and 3rd times ;  
" chasing the Stock in the Welland Canal  
" held by private Shareholders," to which  
they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the se-  
cond time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second  
time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the  
third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time  
accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill  
shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chan-  
cery 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 Legisla- Public Works  
tive Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney Tolls Bill,  
General *Draper*, and others, with a Bill inti- read 1st 2nd  
tuled " An Act to make provision for the and 3rd times ;  
" levying of Tolls on certain Public Works,  
" and for the proper use of the said Works,"  
to which they desire the concurrence of this  
House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the  
second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second  
time accordingly.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed. *It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Regiopolis College Bill, read 1st, 2nd and 3rd times;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *M'Donald*, of *Kingston*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the conveyance of certain real estates to the College of Regiopolis, and to enable the said College to acquire and hold real property to a certain amount," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed. *It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Quebec Incorporation Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Lawin*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Ordinances incorporating the City of *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

Read 2nd time; The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Massue*, and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Dunlop*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide more effectually for the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams or Streams, in the District of *Huron*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. Aprons Bill;

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently. Read 2nd time;

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks*, *Fergusson*, and *Ferrie*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Christie*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act and Ordinance therein mentioned relative to the Registration of Titles to and Incumbrances upon Real property in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. Registration of Titles Bill;

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently. Read 2nd time;

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Joliette*, *Bruneau*, and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Christie*, and others, 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. Certain Acts continuation Bill;

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly. Read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee to whom it was referred to report on the Law Clerk's Report on Expiring Laws. Referred to a Select Committee.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Taché*, and others, with a Bill. Quebec School of Medicine Bill;

a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the "Quebec School of Medicine," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

Read 2nd time; The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee. *Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Joliette*, *Massue* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Tenure Commutation Bill, read 1st, 2nd and 3rd times; A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Christie*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act the better to facilitate optional Commutation of Tenures of Lands *en roture* in the Seigniories and "Fiefs in *Lower Canada* into that of *franc alev roturier*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed. *It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

St. Catharines incorporation Bill; A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Merritt*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *St. Catharines*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

Read 2nd time; The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks*, *Fergusson* and *Hamilton*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

Quebec Turnpike Roads Bill; A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Chauveau*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend a certain Ordinance therein mentioned, relative to the "Turnpike Roads near *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly. Read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee. *Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Joseph Dionne*, *Massue* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Toronto Gas Light Bill, read 1st, 2nd and 3rd times; A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the City "of *Toronto Gas Light and Water Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Municipal District Liabilities Bill, read 1st, 2nd and 3rd times; A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Daly*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for ascertaining the liabilities of the several "Municipal Districts in *Lower Canada*, and "their means of discharging the same," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed. *It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Montreal Mechanics' Institute Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Mechanics' Institute of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

Read 2nd time;

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Bruneau* and *Ferrie*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Message from the Assembly, with an Address to Her Majesty on behalf of the Hon. J. Crooks;

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,  
Friday, 28th March, 1845.

*Resolved*, that the Address to Her Majesty, relative to the case of the Honorable *James Crooks*, of the District of *Gore*, be communicated by Message to the Honorable the Legislative Council, requesting the concurrence of their Honors thereto.

*Ordered*, that Mr. *Dunlop* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,  
Clk. Assy.

The said Address was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty. The Address.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

We, Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the

Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament Assembled, most humbly beg leave to approach Your Majesty with our renewed expression of devoted attachment to Your Majesty's Royal Person and Government.

We humbly beg leave to lay before Your Majesty the particulars of a case of peculiar hardship, by which a faithful subject of Your Majesty, who has devoted a long life in the service of Your Majesty's Government, both in the Field and in the Legislature, has been seriously aggrieved.

We crave permission to submit to Your Majesty, our humble opinion that the wrong of which we complain remaining unredressed will have a tendency to retard the prosperity of the Province, and restrain the enterprise of its inhabitants, by discouraging the investment of capital in the construction of vessels for carrying on the trade of the Great Lakes; a trade on which in a great measure depends the wealth and advancement of the Colony.

At an early period of the settlement of the western part of this Province, and a short time previous to the breaking out of the late war with the *United States of America*, a vessel belonging to a subject of Your Majesty, called the *Lord Nelson*, was, in the usual course of trade, returning to *Niagara* from *Prescott*, a Town situated at the head of the Rapids of the River *St. Lawrence*, where the productions of the then Province of *Upper Canada* were usually deposited on their way to the Ocean, and the manufactures of the Mother Country brought back in return, when she was chased on the open Lake, fired into and seized by an armed vessel of the said *United States*, and carried into an American port, and although security was tendered at the port whence she was taken, by one of the owners, to abide the decision of any charge that might be brought against her of having violated the Revenue Laws of the *United States*; yet she was refused to be given up, and upon war being declared by the *United States* against Your Majesty's Royal Predecessor, in June 1812, the said vessel was taken into the service of the *United States*, armed, and



and in a night action with Your Majesty's Fleet on Lake *Ontario*, under the command of Commodore Sir *James Yeo*, she was sunk.

We further beg leave to represent to Your Majesty that although the owner has used every possible endeavour to obtain remuneration for the loss of his property, yet to this hour he has been unsuccessful, notwithstanding the Courts of Justice of the *United States* did decree the payment of the value of the said vessel to him, but owing, as it is said, to the Clerk of the said Court having embezzled that, with other moneys deposited in his hands, the amount of the award has never been paid to him.

The Legislative Assembly believing that a case of greater hardship than the one herein submitted for Your Royal consideration, could hardly occur, humbly approach Your Majesty with the confident hope that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to cause inquiry to be made, and that should Your Majesty be satisfied that a great wrong has been done to a loyal subject, Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to instruct Your Ambassador at *Washington* to cause a definite declaration to be made by the American Government, and if indemnification is longer withheld, that Your Majesty will direct such other measures to be taken to obtain justice in the case as Your Majesty may deem proper for that purpose.

ALLAN N. MACNAB,  
*Speaker.*

Legislative Assembly,  
*Friday, 28th March, 1845.*

Address  
agreed to.

*It was moved* to agree with the Legislative Assembly in the said Address to Her Majesty, by severally filling up the blanks with "Legislative Council and the."

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that the Speaker do sign the said Address on behalf of this House.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the said Address by severally filling up the blanks with "Legislative Council and the."

An Address to  
His Excellency  
to transmit the  
last mentioned  
Address.

*It was moved* that the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable CHARLES THEOPHILUS, BARON METCALFE, of *Fernhill*, in the County of *Berks*, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Legislative Council

of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament Assembled, beg leave to approach Your Excellency with our respectful request that You will be pleased to transmit our Joint Address on the subject of the capture and detention, on the part of the *United States* Government, of the schooner *Lord Nelson*, in the year 1812, in such a way as Your Excellency may deem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that the Speaker do sign the said Address on behalf of this House.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed the last mentioned Address to His Excellency the Governor General, to which they desire their concurrence.

Sent to Assembly for concurrence.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Laurin*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act authorising the establishment of Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, and the Act to continue and amend the same," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Mutual Insurance Bill ; \*

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

Read 2nd time ;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie*, *Massue* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Referred to a Select Committee.

A Message

Montreal and  
Chambly Road  
Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Lacoste*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend the Ordinance relative to the Turnpike Road from *Montreal to Chambly*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

Read 2nd time.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Bruneau* and *de Boucherville*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Message from  
the Assembly  
for a Confer-  
ence on Militia  
Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper*, and others, in the following words:

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,  
Friday, 28th March, 1845.

*Resolved*, that a Conference be desired with the Honorable the Legislative Council, for the purpose of communicating to them, the reasons which induced this House not to concur in the amendments made by their Honors to the Bill intituled "An Act to revive and continue for a limited time, a certain Ordinance therein mentioned for regulating the Militia in *Lower Canada*, and to suspend for a like time a certain provision of the Militia Law of *Upper Canada*."

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper* do go to the Legislative Council, and desire the said Conference.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,  
Clk. Assy.

And then they withdrew.

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

Same agreed  
to, and

*Resolved*, that this House do concur in the conference desired.

The Assembly  
informed  
thereof;

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council agrees to the Conference desired upon the subject matter of the amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled "An Act

"to revive and continue for a limited time a certain Ordinance therein mentioned for regulating the Militia in *Lower Canada*, and to suspend for a like time a certain provision of the Militia Law of *Upper Canada*," and that the Managers on the part of this House are to be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks* and *Fergusson*, who are to meet the number of Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly required by Parliamentary usage, presently, in the Committee Room of the Legislative Council.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* reported that the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* and himself had attended the Conference desired this day by the Legislative Assembly, on the subject matter of the amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled "An Act to revive and continue for a limited time a certain Ordinance therein mentioned for regulating the Militia in *Lower Canada*, and to suspend for a like time a certain provision of the Militia Law of *Upper Canada*," to which the Assembly have not agreed, have attended such Conference as such Managers, and the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Smith*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Sherwood*, and Mr. *Gowan*, attended as Managers for the Assembly, who delivered the Bill with the amendments, and also a paper containing as follows:

Report of the  
Committee ap-  
pointed to at-  
tend the Con-  
ference.

*Reasons* to be offered to the Honorable the Legislative Council, at a Conference to be held upon the amendments made by their Honors to the Bill intituled "An Act to revive and continue for a limited time a certain Ordinance therein mentioned for regulating the Militia in *Lower Canada*, and to suspend for a like time a certain provision of the Militia Law of *Upper Canada*."

Reasons of the  
Assembly for  
not agreeing to  
the amend-  
ments of the  
Council to  
Militia Bill.

1st. *Because* the annual training of the Militia in *Upper Canada*, under the present Law, is felt to be a great burden, without any corresponding advantage either to the people, or for the defence of the Province, inasmuch as a meeting of one day in the year is wholly useless for the purpose of Military training.

2nd. *Because* the power of the Governor General to call out the Militia in case of emergency

gency is all that is at present necessary for the public service or defence.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,  
Clk. Assy.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the same be taken into consideration presently.

The Report and amendments considered;

The said Report was then read by the Clerk, and the amendments made by this House, to which the Assembly disagreed, being also read.

*It was moved*, not to insist on the said amendments.

The question was put, whether this House shall insist on the said amendments?

*It was resolved* in the negative.

The amendments not insisted upon.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council does not insist on their amendments to the said Bill, to which the Legislative Assembly disagree.

Speakers' Salary Bill, read 1st, 2nd and 3rd times;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Draper*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for granting a sum of money for the salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Council," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery down do go to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Montreal Incorporation Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the provisions of the Ordinance to incorporate the City and Town of *Montreal*,

"and of a certain Ordinance amending that Ordinance, and to vest other powers in the Corporation created by the said first mentioned Ordinance," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly. Read 2nd time;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Bruneau* and *Ferrie*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Gowan*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Corporation of the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning to dispose of certain portions of Land for the better support of the University of *M'Gill College* at *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. M'Gill College Bill;

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently. Read 2nd time;

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M'Gill*, *Bruneau* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,  
Friday, 28th March, 1845.

*Resolved*, that a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, acquainting their Honors that this House hath agreed to the Address to His Excellency the Governor General on the subject of the capture and detention, on the part of the *United States* Government, of the Schooner *Lord Nelson* in the year 1812.

*Ordered*, that Mr. *Johnston* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,  
Clk. Assy.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, that such Members of the Executive Council who 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 Addresses.

Time appointed by His Excellency for receiving the Address to Her Majesty respecting the Schooner *Lord Nelson*.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* reported that he had, according to order, waited upon His Excellency the Governor General, humbly to know what time His Excellency will please to appoint to be attended with the Joint Address to Her Majesty and the Joint Address to His Excellency on the subject of the capture and detention on the part of the *United States Government* of the Schooner *Lord Nelson*, in the year 1812, and that His Excellency had named tomorrow at two o'clock in the afternoon for that purpose.

The Assembly informed that the Address will be presented by Members of the Executive Council only.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that His Excellency the Governor General has appointed tomorrow at two o'clock P. M. to be attended with the Addresses of both Houses, on the subject of the capture and detention, on the part of the *United States Government*, of the Schooner *Lord Nelson*, in the year 1812, and that in consequence of the advanced state of the Session, the Legislative Council have ordered that such Members of the Executive Council only, do attend His Excellency at that time on the part of this House.

Report of the Select Committee on the Contingent Accounts presented.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom it was referred to examine and report on the Contingent Accounts of this House, presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Wednesday, 26th March, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom were referred the Contingent Accounts of this Honorable House, and to whom were also referred the Report of the Select Committee on the Petitions of *Frederick Starr Jarvis*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, and *John Bright*, Messenger to the House, and also the Petition of *Olivier Vallerand*, Sergeant-at-Arms, have the honor now to offer their first Report.

That in examining the Report of the Select Committee on the salaries of the Officers of

this House presented on the 23rd July 1841, Your Committee find it there stated that in the House of Lords, the Officers holding the same rank as the Clerk of the Legislative Council, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, the Sergeant-at-Arms and the Doorkeeper, are named by the Crown, and these Officers have been here appointed by His Excellency the late *Lord Sydenham*, who at the same time fixed their salaries. Your Committee is, however, of opinion that the allowance of £100 currency to the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod and the Sergeant-at-Arms, is not sufficient, and that an Address should be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to augment their salaries for the future by the sum of £50 currency each, per annum, dating from the commencement of the present Session.

The Committee, after the experience of four years, think it also proper at the same time to augment the salaries of the Assistant Clerks of this House by the sum of £100 each, making a total allowance of £450 each, but on condition and with the understanding that Mr. *De Lery* shall superintend the printing of the Journals in the French Language, and Mr. *Taylor* superintend the like printing in the English Language, and this during the recess, without any other indemnity.

That the Clerk of Committees, who also acts as Law Clerk and English Translator, ought to have for the whole of his services throughout the year, the sum of 350 currency, per annum, dating from like period.

The Committee recommend for the French Translator, a sum of £275 currency for the whole of his services throughout the year, dating from like period.

To the first Office Clerk a sum of £275 for the whole of his services throughout the year, dating from like period.

To an Assistant Librarian, a sum of £60 for the whole of his services throughout the year, dating from like period.

To an Assistant to the Chief Messenger for all his services during the recesses the sum of £25 currency per annum.

Your Committee concur in that part of the Report of the Select Committee referred to them, which relates to the Petition of *John Bright*, and recommend that his case be mentioned in the Address proposed to be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, with

with a view to his obtaining a retiring allowance in consequence of long services and declining health.

Your Committee would recommend to your Honorable House, that all the Officers of this House should for the future be required to reside at the seat of Government.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU,  
Chairman.

Resolution establishing the Salary of the 1st Clerk Assistant at £450 per annum.

*It was moved to resolve*, as the opinion of this House, that the salary of Mr. *De Lery*, the first Assistant Clerk of this House, should be permanently established at the sum of four hundred and fifty pounds, per annum, on the condition and with the understanding that Mr. *De Lery* superintend the printing of the Journals of this House in the French Language, to commence from and after the first day of the present Session.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Resolution establishing the Salary of the 2nd Clerk Assistant at £450 per annum.

*It was moved to resolve*, as the opinion of this House, that the salary of Mr. *Taylor*, the second Assistant Clerk of this House, should be permanently established at the sum of four hundred and fifty pounds, per annum, on the condition and with the understanding that Mr. *Taylor* superintend the printing of the Journals of this House in the English Language, to commence from and after the same period.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Resolution establishing the Salary of the Law Clerk at £350 per annum.

*It was moved to resolve*, as the opinion of this House, that the salary of Mr. *Armour*, the Clerk of Committees, who also acts as Law Clerk and English Translator, should be permanently established at the sum of three hundred and fifty pounds, per annum, for the whole of his services throughout the year, to commence from and after the same period.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Resolution establishing the Salary of the French Translator at £275 per annum.

*It was moved to resolve*, as the opinion of this House, that the salary of Mr. *Lemoine*, the French Translator, should be permanently established at the sum of two hundred and seventy-five pounds per annum for the whole of his services throughout the year, to commence from and after the same period.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*It was moved to resolve*, as the opinion of this House, that the salary of Mr. *Taylor*, Junr., the first Office Clerk of this House, should be permanently established at the sum of two hundred and seventy-five pounds, per annum, for the whole of his services throughout the year, to commence from and after the same period.

Resolution establishing the Salary of the 1st Office Clerk at £275 per annum.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*It was moved to resolve*, as the opinion of this House, that the salary of the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod should be permanently established at the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds, per annum, for the whole of his services throughout the year, to commence from and after the same period.

Resolution establishing the Salary of the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod at £150 per annum.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*It was moved to resolve*, as the opinion of this House, that the salary of the Serjeant-at-Arms should be permanently established at the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds, per annum, for the whole of his services throughout the year, to commence from and after the same period.

Resolution establishing the Salary of the Serjeant-at-Arms at £150 per annum.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*It was moved to resolve*, as the opinion of this House, that an Assistant Librarian be appointed and that his salary be permanently established at the sum of sixty pounds, per annum, for the whole of his services throughout the year, to commence from and after the same period.

Resolution appointing an Assistant Librarian, at a Salary of £60 per annum.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*It was moved to resolve*, as the opinion of this House that the Chief Messenger be allowed, annually, the sum of twenty-five pounds, to engage the services of an assistant, during all the recesses that may occur during each year, to commence from and after the close of the present session.

Resolution allowing the Chief Messenger £25 annually for an assistant.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Resolution allowing the Messengers £5 each for travelling expenses.

*It was moved to resolve*, as the opinion of this House, that there be allowed to the following Messengers, to-wit: *John Bright, Antoine Lachance, John Fenwick, Edward Botterel, and Timothy Neary*, the sum of five pounds each to cover their travelling expenses to the Seat of Government at the commencement of the present Session.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Adjourn.

The Speaker declared this House continued until tomorrow at ten o'clock, A. M., the House so decreeing.

SATURDAY.

**Saturday, 29th March, 1845.**

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *René E. Caron*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs	The Honorable Messieurs
<i>M' Gill,</i>	<i>Bruneau,</i>
<i>Morris, William</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>
<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Joliette,</i>	<i>Massue,</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>de Boucherville,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Morris, James</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Neilson.</i>

PRAYERS.

Motion for an Address to His Excellency respecting the Officers and Servants of the House;

*It was moved to resolve*, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, informing His Excellency that the Legislative Council having decided upon placing the Officers and Servants of this House upon a permanent footing, have concurred in the Report of a Select Committee appointed to examine the Contingent Accounts of this House, (a copy of which Report is herewith transmitted,) and have also adopted certain Resolutions, herewith communicated, to which they request His Excellency's favorable consideration, and humbly pray that His Excellency will cause the names of such officers and servants to be placed upon the Estimates for the year 1846, at the several sums therein mentioned, and also to inform His Excellency that this House have concurred in the Report of the Select Committee recommending, that a retiring allowance be made to *John Bright*, one of the Messengers of this House, on account of long services and declining health.

The question of concurrence being put on the said Address,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Adopted.

*It was moved to resolve*, that the Clerk Assistant of this House be authorized to pay out of the Contingent Funds of this House to the several Officers and Servants thereof, as have been recommended for permanent salaries, in the Resolutions adopted by this House yesterday, such sums of money as will make up to them the amount of the salaries recommended by this House yesterday, to be computed from the period to which the last payments of their several extra allowances of last Session referred to, to the close of the present year, and to the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod and Serjeant-at-Arms the sums of fifty pounds each for the present year.

Motion for the Clerk Assistant to make certain payments to the officers of this House;

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Adopted.

*Ordered*, that such Members of the Executive Council who are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom it was referred to examine and report on the Contingent Accounts, presented their second Report.

2nd Report of the Select Committee on Contingent Accounts, presented;

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Thursday, 27th March, 1845.

The Report;

The Select Committee to whom it was referred to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of Your Honorable House during the Session, beg leave to present their second Report.

That the Clerk Assistant of this House has submitted to Your Committee two several statements, marked A and B, for the expenses of Your Honorable House during the last Session, which had been sanctioned by the House, and for expenses incurred during the Recess.

Statement A, amounting to . . .	£3038 10 2
Do B, amounting to . . .	2241 14 8½
	£5280 4 10½

which having been fully examined, and compared with vouchers, by Your Committee, have been finally approved of.

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The Clerk Assistant has also submitted a statement marked C, amounting to £3441 15 9½ an account of the expenses of the last and present Session and not yet paid, the accounts of which, in detail, Your Committee having found to be correct, they have directed them to be paid and discharged.

The balance now in the hands of the Clerk Assistant is £3506 5 0, against which must be placed the further expenses of this Session, the allowances to extra writers, postages, and the expenses during the ensuing Recess.

Your Committee are desirous of bringing under the notice of Your Honorable House the necessity there is of having a large Chandelier for the Council Chamber, which Your Committee recommend that the Clerk Assistant should be authorised to import before the next Session.

In reference to the present order for supplying copies of the *Canada Gazette*, the *Upper Canada Gazette*, and the *Quebec Gazette*, to each of the Members of the House, Your Committee recommend that so much of that order as refers to supplying *Upper Canada* Members with the *Quebec Gazette*, and *Lower Canada* Members with the *Upper Canada Gazette*, be forthwith rescinded.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU,  
Chairman.

**Ordered**, that the said Report be adopted.

Report adopted.

Quebec Winter Roads Bill;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Laurin*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal two certain Ordinances therein mentioned relating to Winter Roads in that part of the Province heretofore *Lower Canada*, in so far as regards the district of *Quebec*, the District of *Gaspé*, and that part of the District of *Three Rivers* which is or was in the Municipal District of *Portneuf*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

Read 2nd time;

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

**Ordered**, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bruneau*, *de Boucherville* and *Neilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *M'Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Corporation of the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning to dispose of certain portions of Land for the better support of the University of *M'Gill College* at *Montreal*," reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Report of the Select Committee on *M'Gill College* Bill, presented;

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

**It was resolved** in the affirmative.

Passed.

**Ordered**, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *Crooks* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to provide more effectually for the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams or Streams in the District of *Huron*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Report of the Select Committee on Mill Dams Aprons Bill, presented;

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

**It was resolved** in the affirmative.

Passed.

**Ordered**, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *Crooks*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Saint Catharines*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Report of the Select Committee on *St. Catharines* Incorporation Bill, presented;

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

Bill read 3rd time;

The

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Report of the Select Committee on Quebec Incorporation Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Massue*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Ordinances incorporating the City of *Quebec*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, that the Report be now received, and

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Press 2, line 5.—Leave out from "and" to "repealed," in the 12th line, both inclusively.

Amendment agreed to.

The said amendment being read the second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read the third time presently.

Bill read 3rd time;

The same was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Report of the Select Committee on Montreal Insurance Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Massue*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act authorizing the establishment of Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, and the Act to continue and amend the same," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The same was then read the third time accordingly. Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *Massue*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend a certain Ordinance therein mentioned relative to the Turnpike Roads near *Quebec*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment. Report of the Select Committee on Quebec Turnpike Roads Bill, presented;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The same was then read the third time accordingly. Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *M'Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Mechanics Institute of *Montreal*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment. Report of the Select Committee on Montreal Mechanics' Institute Bill, presented;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The same was then read the third time accordingly. Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend the Ordinance Report of the Select Committee on Montreal and Chambly Road Bill, presented;

" Ordinance relating to the Turnpike Road " from *Montreal to Chambly*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

Bill read 3rd time ;

The same was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Report of the Select Committee on Montreal Incorporation Bill, presented ;

The Honorable Mr. *M' Gill*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled " An Act to amend and consolidate " the provisions of the Ordinance to incorporate the City and Town of *Montreal*, and of " a certain Ordinance amending that Ordinance, and to vest certain other powers " in the Corporation created by the said " first mentioned Ordinance," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

Bill read 3rd time ;

The same was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Montreal Building Society Bill ;

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, with a Bill intituled " An Act for the incorporation " of certain individuals under the name and " style of the *Montreal Building Society*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

Read 2nd time ;

The same was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M' Gill*, *Bruneau* and *Ferrie*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Boulton*, and others, with a Bill intituled " An Act to incorporate " certain persons under the name and style of " the President, Directors and Company of " the *Humber Harbour and Road*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. Humber Harbour Bill ;

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

The same was then read the second time accordingly. Read 2nd time ;

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

*Ordered*, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *M' Gill*, *Crooks* and *Fergusson*, to meet and adjourn as they please. Referred to a Select Committee.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled " An Act to repeal two certain " Ordinances therein mentioned relating to " Winter Roads in that part of the Province " heretofore *Lower Canada*, in so far as regards " the District of *Quebec*, the District of *Gaspé*, " and that part of the District of *Three Rivers* " which is or was in the Municipal District of *Portneuf*," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House with several amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same. Report of the Select Committee on Quebec Winter Roads Bill, presented ;

*Ordered*, that the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Press 1, line 31.—Leave out " repealed," and insert " suspended for and " during the space of one " year."

Title, line 1.—Leave out " repeal " and insert " suspend for a " limited time."

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read the third time presently. Report adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Neilson* presented a Petition from *William Botham*, and others, inhabitants Petition, From William Botham, and others of Mis-

sisquoi, presented.

habitants of the County of *Missisquoi*, praying that no portion of the Clergy Reserves may be ceded for the exclusive benefit of the Church of *England*.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the Table.

Report of the Select Committee on Expiring Laws, presented ;

The Honorable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred to report on the Law Clerk's Index to Expiring Laws, and also upon the Bill intituled "An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned," presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee-Room,  
Saturday, 29th March, 1845.

The Report.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the list of Expired and Expiring Laws submitted by the Law Clerk, in obedience to the rule of Your Honorable House, have, in conformity with the order of reference, examined the said list, and find it contains the usual information contained in preceding lists prepared by that officer. It embodies all Laws of a temporary nature, of the late Parliament in *Upper Canada*, or of the present Legislature, which have expired during the ten years preceding the 1st November last, and also all similar laws of the same Legislature which will expire at various periods after that period. To render this complete it has required the careful examination of about 3000 Statutes, scattered over a number of volumes.

It would appear from the statement of the Law Clerk to your Committee, that in the new Revised Statutes of *Upper Canada*, several Acts which had been reserved for the signification of the Royal Pleasure have been removed from the Session in which they were passed by the other branches of the Legislature, and either mixed up with the current Legislation of the year, when the Royal assent thereto has been signified, or placed as a continuation of the then last Session, thereby creating a confusion in citing the years and chapters of such Acts, and a difference between the former and the revised edition of the Laws.

Your Honorable House having referred to Your Committee the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled "An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned," they have exami-

ned the same and find that it continues until the 31st December 1849, and the end of the then next Parliament, thirteen temporary Acts, being apparently all the Acts of a temporary nature which would have expired before the next meeting of Parliament, except those which have been superseded by the Legislation of the present Session.

They therefore report the said Bill without any amendment.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU,  
Chairman.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The same was then read the third time accordingly. Bill read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

*It was moved*, that the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the benefit of a certain Act of *Upper Canada* therein mentioned, to the Clergymen or Ministers of the Evangelical Association," be now read the third time. Evangelical Association Bill, read 3rd time ;

The question of concurrence being put thereon,

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative. Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal certain Ordinances therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities in *Lower Canada*," presented their Report. Report of the Select Committee on Municipal Ordinance Bill, presented ;

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Saturday, March 29, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled "An Act to repeal certain Ordinances therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities in *Lower Canada*," have, in obedience to the order of reference, examined the said Bill, and report the same with the following amendments:

Press 20, line 9.—After "thereof" insert the following clauses A and B.

Clause A

"And be it enacted, that no counsellor nor assessor shall be elected or appointed or enabled to act under the provisions of this Act, unless he shall be a qualified voter resident in such Parish, Township or Municipality, and holding real property therein to the value of two hundred and fifty pounds, Currency, over and above every charge or incumbrance thereon.

Clause B

"And be it enacted, that this Act shall continue and be in force for and during the period of two years, and from thence to the end of the then next ensuing Session of the Provincial Parliament, and no longer."

The Honorable Mr. Neilson and Mr. Bruneau dissent from this Report.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU,  
Chairman.

*Ordered*, that the said Report be adopted.

*Ordered*, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read the third time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Christie, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize certain sums of money therein mentioned advanced and applied towards defraying certain necessary and indispensable expenses of the Government for the years one thousand eight hundred and forty-three and one thousand eight hundred and forty-four not otherwise provided for, to be charged upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

The same was then read the second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The same was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 Mr. Chauveau, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Ordinance incorporating the City of Quebec," 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 Mr. Bruneau, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to make better provision for Elementary Instruction in *Lower Canada*," presented their Report.

*Ordered*, that it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
Committee Room,  
Saturday, March 29th, 1845.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled "An Act to make better provision for Elementary Instruction in *Lower Canada*,"

Certain expenses Covering Bill, read 1st, 2nd and 3rd times;

Quebec Incorporation Bill returned from the Assembly, with amendments agreed to.

Report of the Select Committee on Elementary Instruction Bill, presented;

Report adopted.

Bill for 3rd reading, presently.

have examined the said Bill and report the same with the following amendment:

Press 15, line 22.—After “same” insert the following clause:

“And be it enacted,  
“that this Act shall continue and be in force for  
“and during the period of  
“two years, and from  
“thence to the end of the  
“then next ensuing Session  
“of the Provincial Parliament, and no longer.”

The Honorable Mr. Neilson and Mr. Bruneau dissent from this Report.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

Frs. P. BRUNEAU,  
Chairman.

Report adopted.  
Bill for 3rd reading presently.

**Ordered**, that the said Report be adopted.

**Ordered**, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read the third time presently.

Report of the Select Committee on Quebec School of Medicine Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. Massue, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intitled “An Act to incorporate the Quebec School of Medicine,” reported that the Committee 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 the same.

**Ordered**, that the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:

Press 3, line 1.—Leave out from “that” to “Corporation” in the 19th line, both inclusively, and insert “that the said Corporation shall yearly and every year cause to be delivered at least one hundred and twenty lectures of at least one hour each in the English language, and the like number and of the same duration in the French language, on the following branches of Medical Science, to wit: Anatomy and Physiology, Chemistry and Pharmacy, Materia Medica, Theory

“and Practice of Physic,  
“Principles and Practice  
“of Surgery and Midwifery, and Diseases of  
“Women and Children, to  
“be given by competent  
“lecturers at some place  
“in the City of Quebec,  
“between the first day of  
“October and the last day  
“of April.”

Press 3, line 22.—Leave out from “and” to “shall” in the 27th line, both inclusively, and insert “to.”

“4, line 14.—Leave out “and examination.”

““line 22.—Leave out “qualification” and insert “attendance.”

““lines 28 and 29.—Leave out “duly qualified to practice, and having if they shall deem it necessary,” and insert “having attended such lectures and having.”

““line 31.—Leave out “and.”

““line 33.—Leave out from “provided” to “qualification” in press 5, line 11, both inclusively.

Press 5, line 12.—Leave out “no member” and insert “each and every member.”

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

**Ordered**, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read the third time presently. Bill for 3rd reading presently.

The Honorable Mr. McGill, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intitled “An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the President, Directors and Company of the Humber Harbour and Road,” reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment. Report of the Select Committee on Humber Harbour Bill, presented;

**Ordered**, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly. Bill read 3rd time;

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The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Report of the Select Committee on Montreal Building Society's Bill;

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act for the incorporation of certain individuals under the name and style of the Montreal Building Society," reported that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

*Ordered*, that the said Bill be read the third time presently.

Bill read 3rd time ;

The said Bill was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Report of the Select Committee on Registration of Titles Bill, presented;

The Honorable Mr. *Massue*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act and Ordinance therein mentioned relative to the Registration of Titles to and Incumbrances upon real property in *Lower Canada*," reported that the Committee 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 the same.

Press 3, line 36.—After "instrument" insert the following clause.

"And be it enacted, that this Act shall continue and be in force for and during the space of two years, and to the end of the then next ensuing Session of the Provincial Parliament, and no longer."

The said amendment being read the second time and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read the third time presently.

Bill for 3rd reading, presently.

Pursuant to order, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal two certain Ordinances therein mentioned relating to Winter Roads in that part of the Province heretofore *Lower Canada*, in so far as regards the District of *Quebec*, the District of *Gaspé*, and that part of the District of *Three Rivers* which is or was in the Municipal District of *Portneuf*," was, as amended, read the third time.

Quebec Winter Roads Bill, read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to order, the bill intituled "An Act to make better provision for Elementary Instruction in *Lower Canada*," was, as amended, read the third time.

Elementary Instruction Bill, read 3rd time ;

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

Dissentient :

1st. *Because* this Bill, which could only originate in the Assembly, has been sent to this House at the close of the Session, when this House cannot exercise its Constitutional right of fully examining the same, and making the necessary amendments.

Protest of the Hon. Mr. Neilson thereon.

2nd. *Because* the authority given in the Bill to the Governor in Council, to appoint persons empowered to impose, levy, and apply rates and taxes, is unprecedented in the Legislation of the Imperial Parliament and the British Provinces in America, and contrary to the fundamental principle of British Freedom that the subject can only be taxed by vote of the Tax-payers, or by Representatives freely chosen, and the proceeds applied for their use and accounted for to the contributors.

3rd. *Because* the granting of the said powers, besides its unconstitutionality, is founded on the unjust and injurious presumption that the inhabitants of *Lower Canada* are unwilling to provide for the Education of their children or avail themselves of the proffered aid from the Provincial funds for that purpose, and

and this offensive presumption is the more marked, as it has not been deemed necessary to introduce any such provision in the Elementary School Act for *Upper Canada*.

4th. *Because*, the rates and taxes authorized to be imposed on real and personal property will occasion great trouble, and in assessing and collecting them unnecessary expenses, and will bear unequally.

5th. *Because*, the Bill is prolix, extending to fifty-two clauses, replete with unnecessary forms, requiring voluminous and distant correspondence, the whole difficult to be understood and executed, occasioning law suits and heavy expenses, both local and Provincial.

6th. *Because*, a Bill of this nature can hardly fail to meet with much opposition, and will rather retard than advance the progress of Education, which has already suffered so much from the inhabitants not having been facilitated by legal enactments for establishing and managing Schools in their different local divisions, according to their own free will for the Elementary Education of the children.

J. NEILSON.

Dissentient:

*Because* the said Bill, after having for a very long period been under the consideration of the Legislative Assembly, was not brought up to this House, till a period when its several provisions could not be thoroughly examined.

*Because* the said Bill will lead to a system of partial taxation, unjust as well as impolitic.

*Because* the said Bill in its various provisions confers powers and authorities of too complicated a nature upon small Municipalities, wholly uncalled for by the existing circumstances of the country.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to order, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal certain Ordinances therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities in *Lower Canada*," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Dissentient:

For reasons similar to those contained in the Protest on the passing of the Education Bill. Protest of the Hon. Mr. Neilson thereon.

J. NEILSON.

Dissentient:

*Because*, the said Bill, after having for a very long period been under the consideration of the Legislative Assembly, was not brought up to this House, till a period, when its several provisions could not be thoroughly examined. Protest of the Hon. Mr. Bruneau thereon.

*Because*, the said Bill will lead to a system of partial taxation, unjust as well as impolitic.

*Because*, the said Bill in its various provisions confers powers and authorities of too complicated a nature upon small Municipalities, wholly uncalled for by the existing circumstances of the country.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to order, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec School of Medicine*," was read the third time. Quebec School of Medicine Bill, read 3rd time;

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

Passed.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Taché*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec School of Medicine*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment. Quebec School of Medicine Bill returned from the Assembly, with amendments agreed to.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Laurin*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relating to Winter Roads in that part of the Province heretofore *Lower Canada*, in as far as regards the District of *Quebec*, the District of *Gaspé*, and that part of the District of

Quebec Winter Roads Bill returned from the Assembly, with amendments agreed to.

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Protest of the Hon. Mr. Bruneau thereon.

Municipal Ordinance Bill, read 3rd time;

Passed.

" of *Three Rivers* which is or was in the Municipal District of *Portneuf*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

Petition,

From the Hon. P. B. de Blaquière, presented.

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented a Petition from the Honorable *P. B. de Blaquière*, praying that no Legislation touching the University of King's College may be sanctioned without the consent of the Council of the said College, and the approbation of Her Majesty.

*Ordered*, that the same do lie on the table.

Presentation of the Address to Her Majesty on the Capture of the Schooner *Lord Nelson*, reported.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* reported that he had, according to order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General, on the part of this House, with the Address of both Houses of Parliament to Her Majesty, on the subject of the capture and detention, on the part of the United States Government, of the Schooner *Lord Nelson* in the year 1812, and that His Excellency had been pleased to say that he would transmit the same to the Secretary of State, in order that it may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Presentation of the Address to His Excellency on the Salaries of the Officers of the Legislative Council, reported.

The Honorable Mr. *William Morris* also reported that he had, according to order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General, with the Address respecting the Salaries of the several Officers and Servants of this House, and that His Excellency was pleased to say that he would take the same into consideration.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

Registration of Titles Bill, read 3rd time;

Pursuant to order, the Bill intituled " An Act to amend the Act and Ordinance therein mentioned relative to the Registration of Titles to and Incumbrances upon real property in *Lower Canada*," was, as amended, read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended shall pass?

Passed.

*It was resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, that one of the Masters in Chancery 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 the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

Municipal Ordinance Bill returned from the Assembly, with amend-

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *deBleury*, and others, to return the Bill intituled " An Act to repeal

" certain Ordinances therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities in *Lower Canada*," 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 Mr. *Laurin*, and others, to return the Bill intituled " An Act to amend the Act and Ordinance therein mentioned relative to the Registration of Titles to and Incumbrances upon real property in *Lower Canada*," 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 Mr. *Hale*, and others, to return the Bill intituled " An Act to make better provision for Elementary Instruction in *Lower Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

His Excellency the Right Honorable *Charles Theophilus*, Baron *Metcalf*, of *Fernhill*, in the County of *Berks*, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of *British North America*, being seated in the Chair on the Throne, 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 Titles of the Bills to be passed severally, as follow :

" An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned.

" An Act to extend the benefit of a certain Act of *Upper Canada* therein mentioned, to the Clergymen or Ministers of the Evangelical Association.

" An Act to provide for the collection of arrears of Taxes in the District of *Johnstown*, and for other purposes."

" An Act to provide for the distribution of the printed copies of the Laws."

" An Act to Incorporate the Town of *Saint Catharines*."

" An

ments agreed to.

Registration of Titles Bill returned from the Assembly, with amendments agreed to.

Elementary Instruction Bill returned from the Assembly with amendments agreed to.

His Excellency comes to the House and commands the attendance of the Assembly;

Assembly attend;

Acts continuation Bill;

Evangelical Association Bill;

Johnstown District Taxes Bill;

Laws distribution Bill;

St. Catharines Incorporation Bill;

Gloucester Taxes Bill;	" An Act to authorize the assessment and collection of Taxes in the Township of <i>Gloucester</i> , for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-four."	" An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishops of <i>Toronto</i> and <i>Kingston</i> in <i>Canada</i> , in each Diocese."	Roman Catholic Bishops' Bill;
Lumber Bill;	" An Act to regulate the culling and measurement of Timber, Masts, Spars, Deals, Staves and other articles of a like nature, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned."	" An Act to revive certain provisions of the Acts incorporating the Great Western Rail-Road Company and to enable them to carry on that work."	Great Western Rail Road Bill;
Niagara Plank Road Bill;	" An Act to incorporate certain persons as the <i>Niagara</i> and <i>Ten Mile Creek</i> Plank Road Company, for the purpose of constructing a Plank Road from a certain place in <i>Niagara</i> , to the <i>Ten-Mile Creek</i> , in <i>Grantam</i> ."	" An Act to suspend for a limited time two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relating to Winter Roads in that part of the Province heretofore <i>Lower Canada</i> , in so far as regards the District of <i>Quebec</i> , the District of <i>Gaspé</i> , and that part of the District of <i>Three-Rivers</i> which is or was in the Municipal District of <i>Portneuf</i> ."	Quebec Winter Roads Bill;
Niagara Incorporation Bill;	" An Act to incorporate the Town of <i>Niagara</i> , and to establish a Police therein."	" An Act to prevent persons Riding or Driving at a fast rate over bridges of more than a certain length in <i>Upper Canada</i> ."	Driving on Bridges Bill;
Regiopolis College Bill;	" An Act to authorize the conveyance of certain Real Estates to the College of <i>Regiopolis</i> , and to enable the said College to acquire and hold real property to a certain amount."	" An Act to render permanent two certain Acts therein mentioned incorporating the Boards of Trade of <i>Montreal</i> and <i>Quebec</i> ."	Montreal and Quebec Boards of Trade Bill;
Testatum Writs Bill;	" An Act to allow the issuing of <i>Testatum Writs</i> of <i>Capius ad respondendum</i> in the several Districts in <i>Upper Canada</i> , and for other purposes therein mentioned."	" An Act supplementary to an Act of the last Session of the Legislature, relating to the administration of Justice in the <i>Gaspé</i> District."	Gaspé Judicature Bill;
Municipal District Liabilities Bill;	" An Act for ascertaining the liabilities of the several Municipal Districts in <i>Lower Canada</i> , and their means of discharging the same."	" An Act to regulate the Fees of certain District Officers in that part of this Province called <i>Upper Canada</i> ."	District Officers Fees Bill;
Reporter in Chancery Bill;	" An Act to authorize the appointment of a Reporter in the Court of Chancery."	" An Act to repeal a certain provision of the Act incorporating the Town of <i>Kingston</i> and to provide for the assessment and collection of the District Taxes in the said Town, by an Assessor and Collector to be appointed by the District Council."	Kingston Assessment Bill;
Registration of Titles Bill;	" An Act to amend the Act and Ordinance therein mentioned, relative to the Registration of Titles to and Incumbrances upon real property in <i>Lower Canada</i> ."	" An Act to provide more effectually for the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams or Streams in the District of <i>Huron</i> ."	Mill Dams Aprons Bill;
Actions Limitation Bill;	" An Act for the Limitation of Actions, for avoiding Suits at Law, and for rendering a written memorandum necessary to the validity of promises and engagements in that part of the Province which heretofore constituted the Province of <i>Lower Canada</i> ."	" An Act to enable the Corporation of the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning to dispose of certain portions of land for the better support of the University of <i>M'Gill College</i> at <i>Montreal</i> ."	M'Gill College Bill;
Tenure Commutation Bill;	" An Act the better to facilitate Optional Commutation of the Tenure of Lands <i>en roture</i> , in the Seigniories and Fiefs in <i>Lower Canada</i> , into that of <i>franc-aleu roturier</i> ."	" An Act to empower the District Councils of Municipal Districts, and Boards of Police of Incorporated Towns in <i>Upper Canada</i> , to impose a tax on Dogs within their respective Districts and Towns."	Dog Tax Bill;
Sunday observance Bill;	" An Act to prevent the profanation of the Lord's Day, commonly called 'Sunday,' in <i>Upper Canada</i> ."	" An Act to declare Lands in <i>Upper Canada</i> liable to assessment and oblige the owners of such lands to make returns thereof to the District Treasurer."	U. C. Lands Assessment Bill;
Public Improvements Bill;	" An Act to correct and amend an Act passed in the Session held in the fourth and fifth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled ' An Act to appropriate certain sums of money for public improvements in this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned.' "	" An Act to amend the Act authorizing the establishment of Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, and the Act to continue and amend the same."	Mutual Insurance Bill;

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Quebec Incorporation Bill;	" An Act to amend the Ordinances incorporating the City of <i>Quebec</i> ."	" An Act to incorporate the <i>Chambly</i> Cotton Manufacturing Company.	Chambly Cotton Manufacturing Bill;
U. C. Small Debts Bill;	" An Act to amend an Act passed in the fourth and fifth years of the Reign of Her Majesty, intituled ' An Act to repeal the laws now in force in that part of this Province formerly <i>Upper Canada</i> , for the recovery of Small Debts, and to make other provisions therefor.' "	" An Act to amend a certain Ordinance therein mentioned relative to the Turnpike Roads near <i>Quebec</i> ."	Quebec Turnpike Roads Bill;
Montreal Incorporation Bill;	" An Act to amend and consolidate the provisions of the Ordinance to incorporate the City and Town of <i>Montreal</i> , and of a certain Ordinance amending that Ordinance, and to vest certain other powers in the Corporation created by the said first mentioned Ordinance."	" An Act to amend the Act for purchasing the Stock in the <i>Welland</i> Canal held by private Shareholders."	Welland Canal Stock Bill;
Island of Orleans Detachment Bill;	" An Act to detach the Island of <i>Orleans</i> from the County of <i>Montmorency</i> , for the purposes of Registration of Titles, and to establish a Registry Office in the said Island."	" An Act to incorporate the <i>Quebec</i> School of Medicine."	Quebec School of Medicine Bill;
Fiefs Nazareth Bill;	" An Act to empower the Seigniors of the Fiefs <i>Nazareth</i> , <i>Saint Augustin</i> and <i>Saint Joseph</i> , in the City of <i>Montreal</i> , or either of them, to invest the monies arising from any Commutation of Tenure granted by them, in real property and other securities."	" An Act to amend and extend the Ordinance relative to the Turnpike Road from <i>Montreal</i> to <i>Chambly</i> ."	Montreal and Chambly Road Bill;
Humber Harbour Bill;	" An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the President, Directors and Company of the Humber Harbour and Road."	" An Act to incorporate the <i>Quebec</i> Charitable Firewood Society."	Quebec Firewood Society's Bill;
Toronto Gas Light Bill;	" An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the City of <i>Toronto</i> Gas Light and Water Company."	" An Act to repeal and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in force for the preservation of Salmon in that part of this Province formerly <i>Upper Canada</i> , and for other purposes therein mentioned."	Salmon preservation Bill;
Commissioners' Courts Bill;	" An Act to repeal part of a certain Ordinance therein mentioned, and to enable Notaries to act as Clerks of Circuit and Commissioners' Courts."	" An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors in <i>Upper Canada</i> , and for other purposes therein mentioned."	Insolvent Debtors Bill, U. C.;
Municipal Ordinance Bill;	" An Act to repeal certain Ordinances therein mentioned and to make better provision for the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities in <i>Lower Canada</i> ."	" An Act for better enforcing the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of <i>Upper Canada</i> , for the regulation of Ferries, and for protecting the rights of the Lessees of Ferries."	Ferries regulation Bill;
Colonial Association Bill;	" An Act to give further powers to the North American Colonial Association of <i>Ireland</i> ."	" An Act to revive and continue for a limited time, a certain Ordinance therein mentioned for regulating the Militia in <i>Lower Canada</i> , and to suspend for a like time a certain provision of the Militia Law of <i>Upper Canada</i> ."	Militia Bill;
Montreal School of Medicine Bill;	" An Act to incorporate the <i>Montreal</i> School of Medicine and Surgery."	" An Act to prevent certain wild Fowl and Snipes from being destroyed at improper seasons of the year, and to prevent the trapping of Grouse and Quail in this Province."	Wild Fowl preservation Bill;
Montreal Building Society Bill;	" An Act for the incorporation of certain individuals under the name and style of the <i>Montreal</i> Building Society."	" An Act to authorize <i>John Yule</i> , the younger, to build a Toll Bridge over the River <i>Richelieu</i> in the Parish of <i>Saint Joseph de Chambly</i> , to fix the rates of Toll for passing thereon, and to provide Regulations for the same."	Yule's Bridge Bill, and
Sherbrooke Cotton Factory Bill;	" An Act to incorporate the <i>Sherbrooke</i> Cotton Factory."	" An Act to amend an Act passed in the sixth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King <i>William</i> the Fourth intituled, ' An Act to incorporate the City of <i>Toronto</i> and Lake <i>Huron</i> Rail-Road Company.' "	Lake Huron Rail Road Bill;
Montreal Mechanics' Institute Bill;	" An Act to incorporate the Mechanics' Institute of <i>Montreal</i> ."	To these Bills the Royal Assent was severally pronounced by one of the Clerks Assistant to this House, in the words following:	
		" In Her Majesty's Name, His Excellency the Governor General doth assent to this Bill."	Assented to in Her Majesty's name.

Then

Then the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the Titles of seven Bills to be passed as follows :

Harris' Divorce Bill;

" An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Elizu Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Title to Lands Settlement Bill, L. C.;

" An Act to quiet the Title to Lands of persons naturalized under the Statute of *Lower Canada*, passed in the first year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William the Fourth*, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Ordinance Bill;

" An Act to explain and amend part of an Act passed in the seventh year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, ' An Act for vesting in the Principal Officers of Her Majesty's Ordinance, the Estates and Property therein described, for granting certain powers to the said Officers, and for other purposes therein mentioned.' "

Beverley boundary Bill;

" An Act to establish the boundaries of the Lots and Gores of Lands in the sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth Concessions of the Township of *Beverley*, in the County of *Halton*."

Legal Claims Bill;

" An Act to provide a legal recourse to Her Majesty's Subjects in this Province, having legal or just claims upon the Executive Government thereof, and to enable Her Majesty the more effectually to do justice in such cases."

Official Salaries attachment Bill, and

" An Act to authorize to a certain extent, the seizure and attachment of Official Salaries towards payment of the Incumbents' Debts."

Alien Bill;

" An Act to make further provision regarding Aliens."

Then to each of these Bills one of the Clerks Assistant to this House, by His Excellency's command, did thereupon say :

Reserved for the Signification of Her Majesty's pleasure.

" His Excellency the Governor General doth Reserve this Bill for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon."

Then the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, after a speech to His Excellency, delivered the Money Bills to one of the Clerks Assistant to this House, who brought them to the Table, when the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follow :

Supply Bill;

" An Act to make provision for defraying

" certain expenses of the Civil Government of this Province for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-five."

" An Act to provide for the payment of claims arising out of the Rebellion and Invasion in *Upper Canada*, and to appropriate the duties on Tavern Licenses to local purposes."

Rebellion Claims Bill, and

" An Act to make provision for the levying of Tolls on certain Public Works, and for the proper use of the said Works."

Public Works Tolls Bill;

To these Bills the Royal Assent was then severally pronounced by one of the Clerks Assistant to the House, in the words following :

" In Her Majesty's Name, His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her Loyal Subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

Assented to in Her Majesty's name.

" An Act to provide for the Improvement and Enlargement of the Harbour of *Montreal*; to authorize the Commissioners to borrow a further sum of money for that purpose; to consolidate the Laws now in force relating to the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Montreal Harbour Bill;

" An Act to make better provision for Elementary Instruction in *Lower Canada*."

Elementary Instruction Bill;

" An Act for granting a sum of money for the salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Council."

Speaker's Salary Bill;

" An Act to authorize certain sums of money therein mentioned, advanced and applied towards defraying certain necessary and indispensable expenses of the Government for the years one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, not otherwise provided for, to be charged upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province."

Certain expenses Covering Bill;

" An Act to repeal an Act of the present Session relative to the duties on Stills, and to make further provision on the same subject."

Still Duty Bill;

" An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned and better to encourage Agriculture in *Lower Canada*, by the establishment of Agricultural Societies therein."

Agriculture Bill, L. C.;

" An Act to authorize the charge of a certain sum of money therein mentioned, advanced from the Treasury of the Province by the Executive Government thereof without the authority of the Provincial Parliament, for defraying, during a period therein specified, certain necessary and indispensable

Indemnity Bill;



“sable expenses of the Civil Government of the Province and Public works therein, upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund thereof, and of indemnity therefor to all concerned.”

Agricultural Societies Bill, U. C.;

“An Act for the encouragement of Agricultural Societies and Agriculture in *Upper Canada*.”

To these Bills the Royal Assent was severally pronounced by one of the Clerks Assistant to this House, in the words following :

Assented to in Her Majesty's Name.

“In Her Majesty's Name, His Excellency the Governor General doth assent to this Bill.”

Then His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to deliver the following Speech.

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,*

Speech of His Excellency.

I thank you for your indefatigable attention to the laborious duties which you have had to perform during this unusually long Session. I trust that the Acts which have been passed will prove beneficial to the Province, and I consider myself justified in especially congratulating you on those for improving the Administration of Justice in *Upper Canada*, and those relating to Education and Municipal Institutions in *Lower Canada*, all of which are of the highest value, and promise to render essential service to the community. I regret, at the same time, to notice that several important measures have been unavoidably postponed. On this account I am reluctant to part with you, for I am loth to lose your assistance while any thing remains to be done which the good of the Country requires. Nevertheless, I am sensible that your presence is much required at your homes, and that it would be unreasonable to expect your longer attendance at the present period. Whatever has been left incomplete will I hope be accomplished at our next meeting.

I have had the satisfaction of assenting, in Her Majesty's name, to nearly all of the Enactments which you have passed, and the few reserved for the decision of Her Majesty's Government have been so dealt with under circumstances, which, from positive instructions or otherwise, have rendered it imperative on me to pursue that course. The Act to amend the Ordnance Act of the last Session of the late Parliament comes necessarily under that description, as it affects the property of the Crown.

I have received authentic information of the passing of an Act by the Legislature of the *United States*, which may seriously affect the commercial interests of this Province. I will not

fail to submit the subject for the attention of Her Majesty's Government, and I am sure that it will receive the most earnest consideration.

*Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,*

I return you my hearty thanks for the liberality with which you have provided the requisite means for the due administration of our Affairs. I shall anxiously co-operate with you in every measure of economy consistent with the efficiency of the Public Service. It is satisfactory to observe that the prosperous condition of our Revenue enables us, after providing for a reduction of the Public Debt, by commencing the establishment of a Sinking Fund for the redemption of the Guaranteed Loan, to apply a considerable sum to additional Public Works, calculated to produce great advantage.

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,*

You are about to return to your homes, to resume those occupations which in most cases are indispensable for the support of your families, and which are unavoidably interrupted with some degree of injury to yourselves, by your attendance on Parliamentary Duties. I earnestly hope that you may be successful in your undertakings, and I beg you to convey to your several constituencies the assurance that Her Majesty's Government ardently desires the welfare of this Province, and is anxious that the whole of its Inhabitants, without distinction and with perfect equality, may enjoy all the the rights and privileges of a Free People, and experience the prosperity, contentment and happiness which are naturally derived from unfettered industry, prudent enterprise, good fellowship and brotherly love. And now, Gentlemen, with the heartfelt wish that you may be partakers in these blessings, I will say farewell until we meet again. I cannot, however, conclude, without expressing my warmest thanks for the aid and support which you have afforded to Her Majesty's Government, by your loyal, zealous and patriotic labours.

Then the Speaker of this House said,

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, And Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,*

It is His Excellency the Governor General's will and pleasure that this Provincial Parliament be prorogued until Thursday, the eighth day of May next, to be here held, and this Provincial Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Thursday, the eighth day of May next.

Parliament prorogued to 8th May next.

# APPENDIX

TO THE

FOURTH VOLUME

OF THE

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## APPENDIX NO. 1.

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Picton, 8th May, 1845.

In conformity with the provisions of the Sixth Section of the Act for the Reunion of the *Canadas*, I hereby resign my seat as a Member of the Legislative Council of *Canada*.

I have, &c.

(Signed,)

SIMEON WASHBURN.

To His Excellency

Sir C. T. Metcalfe, Bart.

Governor General, &c. &c. &c.

Letter of Resignation from the Hon. Mr. Washburn.

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## APPENDIX NO. 2.

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(Vide Journal, page 24.)

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The Librarian has the honor to state that the Books have been conveyed from *Kingston* to *Montreal*, without loss or injury to a single volume,

The removal of the Library has rendered necessary the compilation of a new Catalogue, which the Librarian has the honor herewith to lay upon the Table of Your Honorable House.

The Books in the Library at the conclusion of the last Session amounted to 5,179 volumes, which, with 521 since added, according to direction of the Library Committee, and under

the sanction of the Honorable Speaker, make 5,800 volumes at present on the shelves.

Hoping that the present classification of the Books may be found convenient, and the double arrangement of the Catalogue satisfactory, and that Your Honorable House will extend to the Librarian your usual kind indulgence, he has the honor humbly to submit this his Report.

(Signed,)

W. AGAR ADAMSON,

Librarian.

December 2d, 1844.

Librarian's Report on the Library.

Appendix

## APPENDIX NO. 3.

(Vide Journal, page 24.)

To the Honorable the Legislative Council of the Province of Canada, in Parliament Assembled.

Law Clerk's  
Report on Ex-  
piring Laws.

In obedience to the order of Your Honorable House, of the 13th September, 1841, which directs, that it shall be the duty of the Law Clerk of this House to prepare, at the commencement of each Session, for the information of the Committee on Expiring Laws, a list of such Acts as are about to expire, the undersigned has now the honor of complying with such order.

The model of this list is essentially the same

as those adopted during the preceding Sessions of the Parliament, and exhibits a complete view of the Legislation of the former Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, and of the present United Province of a temporary character, prospective as well as retrospective, for the last ten years, reckoning from the 1st instant.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

ROBERT ARMOUR, Junior,  
Law Clerk.

Law Clerk's Office,  
Legislative Council,  
November 29th, 1844.

## APPENDIX NO. 4.

(Vide Journal, page 46.)

SCHEDULE of Despatches accompanying the Governor General's Message to the Legislative Council, of the 16th December, 1844.

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119	17th Nov.	In reply to the Address to the Queen on the birth of the Princess Alice.
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Extract	27th March.	Communicating the decision of Her Majesty's Government on the Reserved Bill regarding the admission of Land Surveyors in Upper Canada; the Bill relating to the Market Block in the Town of Niagara; and that for regulating the Navigation of the River St. Lawrence.
Extract	27th March.	Respecting the Reserved Bill for securing the Independence of the Legislative Assembly.
Extract	27th "	Reserved Bill for the discouragement of Secret Societies.
201	18th April.	Respecting the Reserved Bill for securing the Independence of the Legislative Council.

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No. 119.

*Downing Street,*  
17th November, 1843.

SIR,

Answer of Her Majesty to the Address on the birth of the Princess Alice.

I have laid before the Queen the Address to Her Majesty on the Birth of Her Royal Highness the Princess Alice, adopted by the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in their present Session, and enclosed in your Despatch, No. 103, of the 21st October.

I have received Her Majesty's Command to instruct you to assure the Legislative Council, that Her Majesty has received with much gratification this renewed expression of the attachment of that House to Her Majesty's Person, and of their sympathy with Her Majesty's feelings.

I have transmitted to Prince *Albert*, the Address to His Royal Highness, which was also enclosed in your Despatch, No. 103, of the 21st October.

I have, &amp;c.,

(Signed,) STANLEY.

Governor,

The Right Honorable

Sir *C. T. Metcalfe*, Bart., &c., &c., &c.

(Copy.)

No. 130.

*Downing Street,*  
29th November, 1843.

SIR,

Answer of Prince Albert to the Address on the birth of the Princess Alice.

With reference to my Despatches, Nos. 118 and 119, of the 17th instant, I enclose herewith the replies of Prince *Albert* to the Addresses to His Royal Highness, from the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of *Canada*, on the occasion of the birth of Her Royal Highness the Princess Alice; and I have to request that you would cause them to be delivered to the respective Speakers of those Houses.

I have, &amp;c.

(Signed,) STANLEY.

The Right Honorable

Sir *Charles Metcalfe*, Bart. G. C. B.

&amp;c., &amp;c., &amp;c.

WINDSOR CASTLE,  
November 25, 1843.

SIR,

I am commanded by His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, to return thanks to the Mem-

bers of the Legislative Council of *Canada*,<sup>Despatches.</sup> for their Address of congratulation on the happy event of the birth of the Princess.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G. E. ANSON.

R. S. Jameson, Esquire,

Vice Chancellor,

Speaker.

(Copy.)

No. 132.

*Downing Street,*  
2nd December, 1843.

SIR,

I have laid before the Queen, the joint Address of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament Assembled, enclosed in your Despatch of the 10th November, 1843, No. 123, in which the Houses of the Provincial Parliament submit to the Queen their opinion, that it is expedient that the Seat of Her Majesty's Provincial Government for *Canada* should be at the City of *Montreal*, and assure Her Majesty that upon Her Majesty, in the gracious exercise of Her Royal Prerogative, giving directions for the location of it at that place, the Houses pledge themselves to provide the necessary supply for the expenditure which may be expected to attend the Establishment of the Seat of Government at that City.

Despatch on the subject of the Seat of Government.

The Queen having taken this Address into Her consideration, and adverting to the terms of the Act of the Imperial Parliament for reuniting the Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, and for the Government of *Canada*, has been pleased to command me to instruct you, to acquaint the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, that, in compliance with their expressed wish and opinion, it is Her Majesty's pleasure that the City of *Montreal* be henceforward the place of the habitual residence of yourself and your successors in the Government of *Canada*; and that it is Her Majesty's further pleasure, that the future Sessions of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province, be holden at *Montreal*, subject, of course, to the strict observance of the provisions of the Statute already mentioned, respecting the selection of the proper place or places for that purpose.

The Queen is further pleased to direct you to acquaint the Legislative Council and the  
Legislative



Despatches.

Legislative Assembly, that Her Majesty accepts their offer of providing the necessary supplies for the expenditure which may be attendant on this measure, and will give the necessary orders for ensuring the effective and economical application of any such funds, in executing the service for which they may be so appropriated.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) STANLEY.

The Right Honorable

Sir *Charles Metcalfe*, Bart., G. C. B.

&c., &c., &c.

Extract of Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord *Stanley*, Secretary of State for the Colonies, to the Right Honorable Sir *C. T. Metcalfe*, Bart. G. C. B., Governor General, dated 27th March, 1844.

Extract of a Despatch on Land Surveyors, Niagara Market Block, and St. Lawrence Navigation Bills.

“The Bill regarding the admission of Land Surveyors in *Upper Canada*, and the Bill respecting the Market Block in the Town of *Niagara*, are both reserved, because each of them pre-supposes the enactment of a Law which has not in fact been enacted. Her Majesty’s decision on these Acts will be suspended until it shall be ascertained whether significance and effect may have been imparted to them by any other Laws to be passed in the ensuing Session.

“Her Majesty’s decision on the Bill relating to the navigation of the St. Lawrence, will also be postponed until it shall appear whether it will be superseded in the ensuing Session by the more general measure which you anticipated.”

Extract of Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord *Stanley*, Secretary of State for the Colonies, to the Right Honorable Sir *C. T. Metcalfe*, Bart, G. C. B. Governor-General, dated 27th March, 1844.

Extract of a Despatch on Assembly’s Independence Bill.

“The Bill for better securing the Independence of the Legislative Assembly, will be confirmed and finally enacted by the Queen in Council. On a subject so peculiarly affecting the Rights and Privileges of the House of Assembly, Her Majesty defers to the judgment and recommendation of the two Houses of local Legislature, as the surest guide by which Her decision could be directed. It has not, however, been without

“some distrust of the wisdom of some of the provisions of this Law, that Her Majesty has so decided.

“I assume that the exclusion from the Assembly, of all Recorders of Cities, of all Sheriffs, of the Adjutant-General of Militia, and of the Master of the Trinity House, *Quebec*, is justified by some reason which does not exist in the case of holders of the corresponding offices in England. But what those reasons may be is not explained.

“I cannot concur in the opinion, that the prohibition of Ministers of Religion, of whatever Faith or form of Worship, from holding Seats in the Assembly, and from voting for Members of that House, will really remove them from political and party strife. Nor, if I could anticipate that result, should I regard it as an advantage sufficient to countervail the great inconvenience of so detaching the whole Body of the Religious Teachers of the Province from their fellow Countrymen on questions in which all educated men must feel a lively interest, and in regard to which the great majority of such men have duties to perform from which no such regulation can debar them.”

Extract of Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord *Stanley*, Secretary of State for the Colonies, to the Right Honorable Sir *C. T. Metcalfe*, Bart., G. C. B., Governor-General, dated 27th March, 1844.

“Her Majesty’s assent will not be given to the Bill for the discouragement of Secret Societies. The Queen cannot be advised to concur in an enactment placing any class of Her Majesty’s Subjects beyond the protection of the Law, and depriving them, without a previous conviction for crime, of the privileges to which all British Subjects have a common title. You have, as I understand, adopted every necessary measure to restrain demonstrations calculated to disturb the public peace: and, much as I regret the existence of the Societies against which this Bill is aimed, it appears to me more safe, more just, and more constitutional, to rely on the Executive Government for the prevention of their possible excesses, and on their leaders’ good sense and loyalty, acting on the advice, which I am sure you will tender to them, in a friendly spirit, for their ultimate dissolution, than to  
“encounter

Extract of a Despatch on Secret Societies’ Bill.

“ encounter the evil by Legislation, affording  
 “ a too ready precedent of severity and vio-  
 “ lence for imitation in future times and on  
 “ other occasions.”

(Copy.)

No. 201.

*Downing Street,*  
 18th April, 1844.

SIR,

I have received from Her Majesty's Attorney and Solicitor General, a Report, dated the 9th instant, on the Bill passed by the Council and Assembly of *Canada*, on the 9th December, 1843, and reserved by you for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, intituled, “ An Act for the better securing the “ Independence of the Legislative Council of “ this Province.”

In that Report it is stated that the proposed Bill appears very materially to interfere with

the power vested in Her Majesty by the Act <sup>Despatches.</sup> of the Imperial Parliament of the third and fourth year of Her Majesty's Reign, ch. 25, in reference to the appointment of the Members of the Legislative Council.

It is consequently not competent to the Queen, in point of law, to assent to this Bill. In the absence of any other reason, this, of course, would be a conclusive and insuperable objection to the ratification and final enactment of it by Her Majesty.

That ratification will consequently be withheld, and the Bill will not take effect as Law in the Province of *Canada*.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) STANLEY.

Governor,

The Right Honorable  
 Sir *Charles Metcalfe*, Bart.,  
 &c., &c., &c.

#### APPENDIX NO. 5.

(*Vide Journal, page 57.*)

WEDNESDAY, 15th January, 1845.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill intituled “ An Act “ to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William “ Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and “ for other purposes therein mentioned,” and for hearing Counsel for and against the same, and for the Members to be summoned;

Counsel were accordingly called in;

And *Frederick Griffin*, Esquire, appearing as Counsel on behalf of the petitioner, and no Counsel appearing for *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*,

*Ordered*, that the Counsel for the petitioner be permitted to examine at the Bar of this House, any witnesses, and to produce any other evidence to establish that due notice of the order for the second reading of the said Bill, and a copy of the same, have been duly served upon the party from whom the divorce is sought, or to establish the impossibility of complying with the seventy-sixth Rule of this House.

Then Mr. *Moses Judah Hays* was called in, <sup>Evidence of M. J. Hays.</sup> and having been sworn, was examined as follows:

1.—(*By Counsel.*) Do you know, and how long have you known the petitioner, Captain *Henry William Harris*, of the 24th Regiment, and his now wife, and each of them?

I have known Captain *Harris* and his wife, by sight, for about ten years; I have never spoken to him or her. I knew her by sight before her marriage.

2.—Where and when did you last see the said wife of Captain *Harris*?

When at *New York*, on the 25th November last.

3.—Was Mrs. *Harris* then residing at *New York*, and with whom?

Mrs. *Harris* was then residing at *New York* with *Eleazer David David*, Esquire, formerly of *Montreal*.

4.—Did you see them together, and did they remain at *New York*, or depart therefrom?

I saw them on the morning on the 23rd November, at the *Whitehall Ferry*, having gone

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gone there to meet Mr. *David*, who had informed me of his intention to sail in the *Cornelia*, for *Santa Cruz*, in the *West Indies*. The wind not being favorable that day, they did not then take their departure; but on the 25th, I saw Mr. *David*, Mrs. *Harris*, and their family, embark on board the small steamboat that was to take them to the Quarantine ground, where the vessel was then riding; and they sailed that day.

5.—Did you see the vessel sail, and have you any reason to doubt that the said *E.D. David* and Mrs. *Harris*, sailed in the said vessel?

I did not see the vessel sail, as she left in the afternoon, but I am certain of their having taken their departure, as letters have been since received, announcing their safe arrival, on board of that vessel, at *Santa Cruz*.

6.—Were they accompanied by any children and servants?

They were accompanied by three children and one servant.

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

*Ordered*, that the Counsel for Petitioner be permitted to read, as evidence of the attempt to serve a copy of the order of this House for the second reading of the said Bill, and a copy of the same, on *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, the affidavit of the person by whom that attempt was made.

The affidavit was then read, as follows:

United States of America, }  
State and City of *New York*, to wit: }

Affidavit of M.  
Levy.

*Myer Levy*, of the City of *New York*, in the State of *New York*, and of the *United States of America*, gentleman, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that on the twenty-first day of December instant, he received at the said City of *New York*, the annexed two instruments in writing, attested by *Charles de Léry*, Esquire, Acting Clerk of the Honorable the Legislative Council of the Province of *Canada*, (each one of the said instruments in writing containing or purporting to contain a true copy of a Bill intituled "An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and of an order in relation to the said Bill, made by the said Legislative Council, on the eleventh day of

December instant,) with instructions from *Frederick Griffin*, of the City of *Montreal*, acting therein as Attorney and Solicitor of the said *Henry William Harris*, to serve one of the said instruments in writing upon the said *Eliza Walker*, alias *Eliza Lock Walker*, and return the other with this deponent's affidavit of the said service, to him the said *Frederick Griffin*, in like manner as this deponent did in the month of June last past, at the said City of *New York*, serve upon the said *Eliza Walker* alias *Eliza Lock Walker*, a copy of a notice by or on behalf of the said *Henry William Harris*, to the effect that it was his intention to apply to the Legislature of the said Province of *Canada* at its then next Session, for a Bill or Act of Divorce from his said wife, for cause of adultery. And this deponent further deposeth and saith, that he is unable to serve upon and deliver to the said *Eliza Walker*, alias *Eliza Lock Walker*, one of the said instruments in writing hereunto annexed, by reason that she no longer resides in or near the City of *New York*, having to this deponent's personal knowledge, on or about the twenty-fifth day of November, now last past, sailed from the said City of *New York*, in a ship or vessel, for some port or place in the *West Indies*. And this deponent further deposeth and saith, that for about twenty years last past, he has known and been well acquainted with *Eleazer David David*, formerly of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, (named in the said "Bill" hereunto annexed,) that to this deponent's personal knowledge, the said *Eleazer David David* and *Eliza Walker*, alias *Eliza Lock Walker*, came together to the City of *New York*, in or about the summer of the year one thousand eight hundred and forty, and from that time they continued to dwell and cohabit together as man and wife in the vicinity of the City of *New York*, until the aforesaid twenty-fifth day of November last past, when they sailed together in the said ship or vessel for the *West Indies*, as aforesaid, taking with them three infant children, whom they treated as, and whom they gave this deponent to understand, were their own issue. And this deponent further deposeth and saith, that at and before the time of the sailing, for the *West Indies*, of the said ship or vessel, he understood from the said *Eleazer David David* and *Eliza Walker*, alias *Eliza Lock Walker*, that their object in visiting the *West Indies* was to benefit her health, which was, and for some months previously had been, in a weak and precarious state, and that it was not their intention

tention to return from the said *West Indies* until next spring; and further this deponent saith not.

(Signed,) MYER LEVY.

Sworn at the City of *New York*, the twenty-third day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, before me, as witness my hand and official seal.

(Signed,) JAMES HARPER,  
Mayor of the City of *New York*.

*Her Britannic Majesty's Consulate New York.*

I, *Anthony Barclay*, Esquire, Her Majesty's Consul, do hereby certify, that *James Harper*, Esquire, who hath subscribed his name with his own proper hand to the *Jurat* of the annexed affidavit, and hath affixed thereto the Seal of the Mayoralty of the City of *New York*,—was the Mayor of the said City on the day of the date of said *Jurat*, and that to his official acts as such, full faith and credit are due.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my Seal of Office, this thirtieth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

(Signed,) ANTHONY BARCLAY.

(The documents annexed to the said affidavit, are two copies of the order of the House of the 11th December last, for the second reading of the Bill on the twenty-sixth of the same month, and of two copies of the Bill; all attested by the signature of *Charles de Léry*, Esquire, Acting Clerk of this House.)

*It was then moved*, that this House will not further proceed with this Bill, unless further proof be adduced at the Bar of the House, of the attempt of complying with the 76th Rule or Standing Order.

*Ordered*, that the Counsel for Petitioner be now heard upon the said motion.

Mr. *Griffin* was then heard upon the said motion.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw.

The question of concurrence having then been put on the motion for this House not to proceed further with the said Bill, it was un-animously carried in the affirmative.

FRIDAY, 31st January, 1845.

Harris' divorce Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Gill* presented a Petition from *Henry William Harris*, Captain in Her Majesty's 24th Regiment, by his Attorney, *Frederick Griffin*, Esquire, praying that in addition to the evidence already adduced before the Legislative Council, in support of the Bill intituled "An Act to dissolve the marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," he may be allowed to adduce the testimony of Captain *Frederick L. Ingall*, who has been appointed to act as the Agent for the Petitioner's said wife, and also that such other relief may be afforded in the premises as may be deemed expedient.

Petition from H. W. Harris, 24th Regt. presented;

*Ordered*, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*Ordered*, that the said Petition do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, that the Counsel for Petitioner may have leave to produce at the Bar of the House, such witnesses or other evidence, as he may think fit.

Leave granted to call witnesses;

The Counsel for Petitioner was accordingly called in.

Then *Frederick Lennox Ingall*, Esquire, a Captain in Her Majesty's service, was sworn at the Bar of the House to the following Affidavit:—

Affidavit of F. L. Ingall, Esq.

Province of *Canada*.

*Frederick L. Ingall*, of the City of *Quebec*, in the Province of *Canada*, Captain in, and Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General to Her Majesty's Forces, maketh oath and saith, that for eighteen years and upwards last past, he, the deponent, and Mrs. *Ingall*, his wife, have been on the most intimate terms of friendship and correspondence with *Charles Walker*, Esquire, Captain and Paymaster of Her Majesty's Fifteenth Regiment of Foot, and his wife, at present in *Ireland*; that during the winter of one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine, and one thousand eight hundred and thirty, this deponent and his wife and family resided at *Quebec*, in the same house with the said Captain *Charles Walker*, and his wife and family; that among the children of the said Captain *Charles Walker*, and his wife,

Certificate of A. Barclay, Esq.

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Same agreed to.

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wife, this deponent and Mrs. *Ingall*, his wife, have, from her childhood, known and been intimately acquainted with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, the now wife of Captain *Henry William Harris*, of Her Majesty's Twenty-Fourth Regiment of Foot, with whom also this deponent has been well acquainted ever since the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine; that after the elopement from her husband of the said *Eliza*, wife of the said *Henry William Harris*, with *Eleazer D. David*, of *Montreal*, Esquire, in May, one thousand eight hundred and forty, and that this deponent had discovered their place of residence, this deponent and Mrs. *Ingall*, his wife, prompted by friendship for the said Captain *Charles Walker*, and wife, and their said daughter *Eliza*, opened a correspondence by letter with the said *Eliza*, with a view of detaching her from her connexion with the said *Eleazer D. David*, and of inducing her to return to the home of her parents, then in *England*, who also had signified to this deponent their anxious desire that she should do so; that in the month of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, this deponent's wife, at his request, by letter, intimated to the said *Eliza*, then residing with the said *Eleazer D. David*, at *Marmaroneck*, in *West Chester County*, in the State of *New York*, that this deponent had learned that an application had been made to the Legislature of this Province, by the said Captain *H. W. Harris*, for an Act to dissolve his marriage with his said wife, for cause of adultery; that in answer thereto this deponent received from the said *Eliza*, through the Post Office, a letter directed to him for Mrs. *Ingall*, his wife, bearing date and post-marked at *Marmaroneck* aforesaid, the twenty-fifth of October, in the same year, in which, after acknowledging the receipt of the letter of this deponent's wife, conveying the intimation aforesaid, the said *Eliza* wrote as follows: "It was the first intimation I had of any steps having been taken to procure the introduction of a Bill. I know not how to thank Capt. *Ingall* for his interest with Mr. *Black*. You can easily fancy how pained I am that the Bill has been allowed to remain with only one reading, when by the papers, received a day or two since, I find so many have been passed. The only reason for the delay must be that the fee of twenty pounds, or twenty-five pounds, necessary to be paid to the Clerk of the House, previous to the Bill going to its second reading, was not forthcoming at the

" proper time, otherwise I am convinced the Bill would now have become a law, and I removed from my painful situation. Dare I beg of Capt. *Ingall*, before the ensuing Session, to see that this is arranged. None of the parties interested would, I know, hesitate to pay so small a sum to secure that which all desire to see accomplished. If it be done, however, will Captain *Ingall* kindly see it paid himself, into the hands of the proper Officer, for I feel almost sure this has been the only obstacle." That the said letter closed with other matter of a private and confidential nature, which debars this deponent from attaching it hereto; that the said letter was and is in the handwriting and signed by the said *Eliza*, as this deponent doth verily and in his conscience believe, and that such, this deponent's belief, is founded as well on his personal knowledge of her handwriting, and the character thereof, having frequently seen her write and sign her name, as on the style and subject of the said letter, and its having been received in a regular course in answer to the letter of this deponent's wife, before mentioned, to which it purports to be an answer; that since the receipt of the said letter, this deponent and Mrs. *Ingall*, his wife, have received several other letters from the said *Eliza*, asking, among other matters, for information on the subject of the application of the said Captain *H. W. Harris*, for a divorce from her, expressing her anxiety that the application should be granted, and intimating her desire that this deponent should attend to her interest in the matter; and this deponent further saith, that in divers letters from the said Captain *Charles Walker*, to this deponent, the said *Charles Walker* has expressed a like desire that this deponent should attend to the interest of the said *Eliza*, his daughter, in the matter of her husband's said application to the Legislature of this Province for a divorce, as appears from the following extracts from the said *Charles Walker's* letters to this deponent, to wit,—from one dated "*Chester*, March 31st, 1843." "I must again return you many thanks for the kind attention you pay to that in which we are so deeply interested, for I am sure it must severely test your patience to write on this never to be ended affair—however, on the arrival of the new Governor, I hope he will not delay opening Parliament, and that Mr. *Black* and those concerned will obtain a speedy termination to this unpleasant suspense." From another dated "*Templemore*,  
" Oct.

"Oct. 1st, 1843:" "Your House of Assembly will soon meet, and I sincerely hope the Divorce Bill will be proceeded with—I assure you it will be a heavy load removed from our minds, &c." "Once more, poor girl, I pity her infatuation, which appears a species of madness—pray do all that you can for her, in getting the proper persons to push the divorce; at least you can remind them to give an early attention to the matter." From another, dated "Templemore, February 1st, 1844." "I sincerely hope you will be good enough not to lose sight of the Bill of Divorce when the House does meet, for it will be the greatest comfort when we know that all is settled." And from another, dated "Limerick, June 30th, 1844:" "I observe the Parliament was to meet 24th inst. I sincerely hope the Divorce Bill will be brought forward." And this deponent further saith, that each and every of the original letters from which the foregoing extracts are made, are to the best of this deponent's knowledge and belief, in the handwriting and signed by the said Captain *Charles Walker*, and that this deponent is well acquainted with the handwriting and signature of the said *Charles Walker*, having frequently seen him write and sign his name; and further this deponent saith not.

F. L. INGALL.

Sworn at the Bar of the Honorable the Legislative Council, this thirty-first day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-five.

R. E. CARON,  
Speaker.

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw.

The affidavit of *Frederick Lennox Ingall* was then read by the Clerk.

THURSDAY, 6th February, 1845.

*Ordered*, that the Petition of Captain *Henry William Harris*, presented on Friday last, with the affidavit of Captain *Frederick Lennox Ingall*, sworn to at the Bar of the House on the same day, be taken into consideration tomorrow, and that the Solicitor for the Bill in the said Petition mentioned, and the said Captain *Ingall*, do then attend.

FRIDAY, 7th February, 1845.

The Order of the Day being read, for considering the Petition presented to the House on Friday last, from *Henry William Harris*, a

Captain in Her Majesty's 24th Regiment, by his Attorney *Frederick Griffin*, Esquire, praying that, in addition to the evidence already adduced before the Legislative Council, in support of the Bill intituled, "An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and also that such other relief may be afforded in the premises as may be deemed expedient, and likewise for considering the affidavit of *Frederick Lennox Ingall*, Esquire, a Captain in Her Majesty's Service, sworn to at the Bar of this House on the same day,

*It was ordered*, that the said Petition be now again read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*It was then ordered*, that the said Affidavit be now again read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

*It was then moved*, that the leaving a copy of the orders for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and a copy of the said Bill, with the said Captain *Frederick L. Ingall*, shall be deemed good service of the said orders and Bill, in like manner as if the same had been personally served on the said *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*.

Motion respecting the service of certain orders.

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

Adopted.

*It was then moved*, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next, and that the Counsel be then heard for and against the same, and that the Members be summoned.

Bill for 2d reading on Monday.

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

*It was then moved*, that the following persons attend this House on Monday next, the tenth instant, in order to their being examined

Witnesses to attend.

as

Petition of H. W. Harris to be considered tomorrow;

Petition to hear further evidence on Harris' Divorce Bill read.



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as witnesses on the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, "his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," viz:—*William Badgley*, *James Crawford*, M. D., *John Honey*, *Moses Samuel David* and *Moses Judah Hayes*, all of the City of *Montreal*, Esquires, and Captain *Frederick L. Ingall*, of the City of *Quebec*, Deputy Assistant Quarter-Master General.

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

MONDAY, 10th February, 1845.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, "and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for hearing Counsel for and against the same, and for the Members to be summoned.

Counsel were accordingly called in.

Counsel ap-  
pears.

And *Frederick Griffin*, Esquire, appearing as Counsel on behalf of the Petitioner,

Agent appears.

And Captain *Frederick L. Ingall*, appearing as Agent for the said *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, stated that it was not his intention to employ any Counsel on her behalf;

Mr. *Griffin* was heard to open the allegations of the Bill.

C. T. Pals-  
grave, Esq.

Then *Charles T. Palsgrave*, Esquire, was called in, and being sworn, was examined, as follows:—

7.—(By Counsel.) Have you served an office copy of this Bill, and of the orders of this House for the second reading thereof, upon Captain *Frederick L. Ingall*, of *Quebec*, Deputy Assistant Quarter-Master General?

I did serve a copy of the Bill now shown to me, and of the orders of this House relating thereto.

8.—When and where did you serve the same.

In the Office of the Clerk of this House on Saturday last.

9.—Did you, at the same time, exhibit to Captain *Ingall* the original Bill?

I did.

10.—Did you, before serving and leaving with Captain *Ingall*, the said office copy of this Bill, and of the orders of this House for the second reading thereof, examine the said copy with the original Bill, and was it a true copy?

I did compare them with the Bill and orders now shown to me, and they were true copies.

The witness was directed to withdraw.

Then *John Honey*, Esquire, was called in, and having been sworn, was examined as follows:—

Jno. Honey,  
Esq.

11.—Are you, and in what capacity, in the employ of the Prothonotaries of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Montreal*?

I am principal Clerk and Cashier of the Prothonotaries' Office for that District.

12.—Have you free access to all Records and Registers of which the Prothonotaries are the official keepers?

I have.

13.—Are the Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials kept in and for the Garrison of *Montreal*, for the year 1832, and for the eight following years, in the official custody of the Prothonotaries?

They are.

14.—Do you produce an authenticated extract from the Register in which is registered the Marriage of Captain *Henry William Harris*, and *Eliza Walker*?

I now produce it.

The same was delivered in and read as follows:

1.

Province of *Canada*, }  
District of *Montreal*. }

Extract from the Register of the Acts of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials performed by the Reverend *Brook Bridges Stevens*, Chaplain to His Majesty's Forces, or other Ministers legally inducted and regularly officiating as Chaplains to the Forces, aforesaid, in the Garrison and District of *Montreal*, in the Province of *Lower Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two.

Register of  
marriage.

*Henry*

Henry William Harris, Captain in His Majesty's Twenty-Fourth Regiment of Foot, and Eliza Walker of the City of Montreal, Spinster, and were Married by License, on the 3rd day of September, 1832.

By me (Signed,) Wm. HOPWOOD,  
C. H. M. F.

This Marriage } (Signed,) H. W. HARRIS,  
was Solemnized } Capt. 24th. Regt.  
between us, } " E. L. WALKER,

In pre- } (Signed,) CHARLES WALKER,  
sence of } " CAROLINE GRIERSON,  
us, } " W. GRIERSON,  
Majr. 15th Regt.

Prothono-  
taries' Certifi-  
cate.

We, the Prothonotaries of the Court of King's Bench for the District of Montreal, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true extract from the Register of the Acts of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials of the Garrison of Montreal, in the said District, the said Register deposited in our office.

Given at Montreal, this fifth day of May, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and Forty-one.

(Signed,) MONK & MORROGH,  
P. K. B.

(Endorsed) The 3rd day of September, 1832.

Marriage Extract of Henry William Harris, and Eliza Walker.

2201. Harris, } Produced at trial by  
vs. } the Plaintiff this 6th  
David. } day of May, 1841,  
and read to the Jury.

(Signed,) M. & M., P. K. B.

15.—Is that a true extract, and have you examined it with the original entry in the Montreal Garrison Register of Marriages, &c. in 1832, now in the custody of the Prothonotaries ?

It is a true extract, having examined it.

16.—By whom is the said extract certified, and in whose handwriting is the signature "Monk & Morrogh, P. K. B." subscribed to the certificate authenticating the said extract ?

It is in the handwriting of the late Robert Lester Morrogh, Esquire, then Joint Prothonotary with Samuel Wentworth Monk, Esquire.

17.—Did you, in his life time, frequently see the said late Mr. Morrogh write and sign his own and his Prothonotarial name ?

Yes.

18.—Whose are the initials "M. & M., P. K. B." indorsed on the said extract ?

The late Mr. Morrogh's.

The same was read

19.—Have you any extracts from the Montreal Garrison Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials, in the custody of the Prothonotaries, shewing the Baptisms of the children of Captain Henry William Harris and wife ? If yea, produce them.

I have, and now produce them ?

20.—Are those extracts respectively true, and have you examined them with the original entries in the said Montreal Garrison Registers ?

They are true, and I have examined them.

21.—By whom, and in whose handwriting, are those extracts respectively authenticated ?

By Samuel Wentworth Monk, Esquire, now Joint Prothonotary of the Court of Queen's Bench, with Messrs. Coffin and Papineau.

The said two extracts were read.

22.—Have you an authenticated copy of Captain and Mrs. Harris's Contract of Marriage ? If yea, produce it, and state by whom it is authenticated.

I have a true copy, authenticated by the late G. D. Arnoldi, Notary Public, of Montreal.

23.—Have you examined that copy with the original minute of the said Contract in the notariat of the late Mr. George D. Arnoldi, Notary, and is it a true copy ?

I have, and found it a true copy ?

24.—In whose custody is the said notariat ?

In the custody of Messrs. Monk, Coffin and Papineau, Joint Prothonotaries of the Court of Queen's Bench, for the District of Montreal.

25.—Whose, and in whose handwriting are the initials "M. & M., P. K. B." indorsed on the said copy ?

In the handwriting of the late Mr. Morrogh, and they are the initials of Monk & Morrogh, late Joint Prothonotaries of the Court of King's Bench, for the District of Montreal.

The said Contract was read.

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26.—Have you brought with you an exemplification of the record and proceedings in a cause No. 2201, *Harris vs. David*, instituted in the year 1840, in the then Court of King's Bench for the District of *Montreal*?

I have.

27.—Is the same a true exemplification, and have you examined it with the original record and proceedings in the custody of the Prothonotaries of the said Court?

It is, and I have examined it.

28.—By whom is the said exemplification certified or authenticated, and did you see the certificate or authentication, at the end thereof, signed and sealed, and by whom?

The certificate is authenticated by the signature of *Monk, Coffin & Papineau*, in the handwriting of Mr. *Monk*, and was signed in my presence, and the seal thereto affixed is the seal of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Montreal*.

The said exemplification was read.

29.—Were any writs of execution issued under the final judgment in the said cause, against the Defendant's goods and chattels, and lands and tenements?

An execution *fi. fa. de bonis* issued on the 7th July, 1841, and an execution *fi. fa. de terris*, on the 10th July, 1841.

30.—Have you authenticated copies of those writs and of the returns thereto? If yea, produce them.

I have, and now produce them.

31. Are those true copies, and have you examined them with the original writs of record in the said cause?

They are, and I have so examined them.

32.—By whom are those copies certified, or authenticated as true copies?

By the signature of *Monk, Coffin & Papineau*, in the handwriting of Mr. *Monk*, one of the Joint Prothonotaries of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Montreal*.

The said writs were read.

33.—Do you produce an authenticated copy of the judgment of distribution of the money levied, under the writ of execution, against the Defendant's lands and tenements?

I do.

34.—Is that a true copy, and have you examined it with the original?

It is, and I have so examined it.

35.—By whom, and in whose handwriting is it certified to be a true copy?

By the certificate of *Monk, Coffin & Papineau*, and in the handwriting of Mr. *Coffin*, one of the joint Prothonotaries of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Montreal*.

The said judgment was read as follows:—

2.

Province of *Canada*, }  
District of *Montreal*. } COURT OF KING'S  
BENCH.

Judgment in  
the case of  
*Harris vs. Da-  
vid*.

Saturday, the nineteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one.

*Present :*

The Honorable Mr. Justice PYKE.  
“ “ Mr. Justice ROLLAND.  
“ “ Mr. Justice GALE.

*Henry William Harris*, of *Montreal*, in the District of *Montreal*, Captain in Her Majesty's Twenty-Fourth Regiment of Foot.

*Plaintiff :*

*vs.*

*Eleazer D. David*, of *Montreal*, in the District of *Montreal*, Esquire,

*Defendant.*

The Court having heard the parties on the Plaintiff's motion of this day for a judgment on the verdict of the jury in this cause, rendered on the sixth day of May last, and having deliberated thereon, doth grant the said motion, and in consequence, doth condemn the Defendant to pay to the Plaintiff the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, Halifax currency, amount of damages assessed by the said jury in favor of the Plaintiff, for the causes mentioned in the declaration in this cause filed, with interest from this day, the whole with costs of suit. Distraction whereof the Court doth award to Messrs. *Smith & Fisher*, the said Plaintiff's Attorneys, upon their motion to that effect.

(Endorsed) No. 2201

B. R.

June Term, 1841.

H. W. HARRIS, *Plaintiff;*

*vs.*

E. D. DAVID, *Defendant.*

Copy of Judgment.

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Then

J. Crawford,  
Esq.

Then *James Crawford*, Esquire, M. D., was called in, and having been sworn, was examined as follows:—

36.—Were you ever, and if yea, in what capacity, and how long, in Her Majesty's 24th Regiment of Foot?

I was Assistant Surgeon of that Regiment from 1829 to 1836.

37.—Was Captain *Henry William Harris*, the Petitioner in this case, in the Regiment while you were in it?

He was.

38.—Did you know the said Captain *Harris*, and his now wife, before their marriage?

I did.

39.—While in the Garrison of *Montreal*, did Captain and Mrs. *Harris* reside in Barracks, or in their own Dwelling House.

In their own Dwelling House.

40.—To what Church or religious denomination did they belong?

To the Church of *England*.

41.—Were you intimately acquainted with them after their marriage, and up to the time of her elopement from him in May, 1840?

I was.

42.—What was their general conduct towards each other, and towards their children?

They appeared to be exceedingly affectionate and loving.

43.—Did they ever appear to be otherwise than on affectionate terms with each other?

No, never.

44.—Did you see Captain *Harris*, soon after his wife's elopement from him, and how did he appear to be affected by that event?

I saw him a few days after, I do not know how soon; he appeared to be very much distressed.

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw.

The Agent was also directed to withdraw.

**Ordered**, that the further consideration and second reading of the said Bill be put off till to-morrow, and that the same do stand as the first item upon the Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 11th February, 1845.

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration and second reading of

the Bill, intituled "An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Henry William Harris*, Esquire, "with *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, his now wife, and to enable "him to marry again, and for other purposes "therein mentioned," and for a further hearing of Counsel for and against the same, and for the Members to be summoned,

Harris' divorce  
Bill.

Counsel and Agent were accordingly called in.

Then *Moses S. David*, Esquire, was called in, and being sworn, was examined as follows:—

M. S. David,  
Esq.

45.—Did you know the Petitioner, Captain *Henry William Harris*, of the 24th Regiment and his wife, and how long have you known them?

I do, and have known them for several years.

46.—Did you know them before their marriage?

I knew them by sight only.

47.—Where did you reside in May, 1840?

At *Odelltown*, on the frontier.

48.—Did you, in that month, hear of Mrs. *Harris'* elopement from her husband, in *Montreal*?

I did.

49.—Did you in May, 1840, or in the following month, and where, see Mrs. *Harris*?

I saw her at *Rouse's Point* on *Lake Champlain*, either at the latter end of May, or beginning of June, I cannot exactly recollect which.

50.—Was she accompanied by any grown person of either sex, and had she any child with her?

She was accompanied by Mr. *E. D. David*, and I believe she had a child with her.

51.—Was that child acknowledged or treated by Mr. *David* and Mrs. *Harris* as their own?

I cannot say.

52.—Have you since seen Mr. *David* and Mrs. *Harris* together, and where and when?

I saw them at *Hampstead*, on *Long Island*, in the State of *New York*, but I cannot positively state when.

53.—When and where, the last time?

At the same place, but I cannot distinctly state when. It might be a year after I saw them at *Rouse's Point*.

54.—Were they living together in the same house, as man and wife, and had they any child

or

Counsel and  
Agent with-  
draw.

2nd reading of  
the Bill post-  
poned till to-  
morrow.

Order for 2nd  
reading *Harris'*  
divorce  
Bill, read.

Harris' divorce  
Bill.

or children which they acknowledged and treated as their own ?

They were living in the same house, but I cannot positively say, as man and wife. There were children in the house ; but I do not know if they treated them as their own.

55.—Judging from general appearances, do you believe they were living together as man and wife ?

Judging from general appearances, I do believe so.

56.—Since Mrs. *Harris*' elopement in May, 1840, have you not frequently received letters addressed to her, to be by you forwarded to her ?

I have received letters from Captain *Ingall*, Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General, addressed to Mrs. *Harris*, to be forwarded to her.

57.—(By a Member) Was it at a public hotel where the parties resided, and if it was, did you happen to see their names entered in the public book ?

I believe it to have been a private house where they were living, and I saw no book there where their names were entered, nor was I asked to enter my own name.

58.—(By Counsel) To what place, and to whom did you generally send the letters already alluded to, so as to ensure their reaching their destination ?

I sent them to Mr. *E. D. David*, but not to any one particular place, as he often changed his residence, and he informed me whenever he changed his place of abode.

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Then *Moses Judah Hayes*, Esquire, was called in, and being sworn, was examined as follows :—

59.—Do you know the Petitioner, Captain *Henry William Harris* of the 24th Regiment, and his wife, and did you know them before their marriage ?

I knew them by sight, and before their marriage.

60.—When and where did you last see Mrs. *Harris* ?

At *New York*, on the 24th November last.

61.—Was she then residing at *New York*, and with whom ?

She was residing at *New York* with Mr. *E. D. David*.

62.—Were Mr. *David* and Mrs. *Harris* then living together as man and wife.

I cannot say, for I did not visit their house.

63.—Did they leave *New York* about that time, and for what place did they leave it.

They left *New York* about that time for *Santa Cruz*, a Danish West India Island.

64.—When they sailed together from *New York* for *Santa Cruz*, were they accompanied by any children ?

They were accompanied by three children and a servant, as I understood.

65.—Did either of them, and which of them, give you to understand that those children were their own ?

Mr. *David* led up a child to me, while on the Battery, at *New York*, near the steam-boat wharf, and said it was one of his children, and I presumed it was by Mrs. *Harris*.

66.—(By a Member) Was Mrs. *Harris* present ?

She was in a carriage about twenty or thirty yards from where I was standing.

67.—Did she hear what was said by Mr. *David* ?

She could not hear it.

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Then *William Badgley*, Esquire, was called in, and being sworn, was examined as follows :—

68.—In Captain *Henry William Harris*' Action of Damages for Criminal Conversation with his wife, instituted against Mr. *Eleazer D. David*, in the Court of King's Bench for the District of *Montreal*, in June, 1840, were you the Defendant's Attorney ?

I was.

69.—Were you present at the trial of the cause on the sixth of May, 1841 ?

I was.

70.—Look at the paper writing or Letter now produced, and say, was that Letter read to the Jury on the trial ?

It was.

71.—Before the Letter was read to the Jury, was it proved to be in the handwriting of Mrs. *Harris*, the Plaintiff's wife ?

It was clearly proved.

72.—At what stage of the proceedings was the said Letter filed in that cause ?

I think

M. J. Hays,  
Esq.

I think the Letter was attached to the *Commission Rogatoire*, and formed part of it, which was opened and read at the trial.

73.—Whose are the initials “M. & M.” endorsed on the said Letter under the words “2201 *Harris vs. David*, Paper Writing A. “filed by Plaintiff this 7th day of April, 1841?”

The initials are of the handwriting of Mr. *Monk*, one of the then Joint Prothonotaries for the then Court of King’s Bench, for the District of Montreal, and is the usual *paraphe* of such Prothonotaries to all papers filed in that Court.

74.—Do those initials of the Prothonotary certify that the said Letter was filed in the said cause No. 2201, *Harris vs. David*, on the seventh day of April, 1841?

They do.

75.—Whose are the initials “G. P.” and “J. R. R.” endorsed on the said Letter, and when, and for what purpose were they so endorsed?

They are the initials of the Honorable *George Pyke*, then one of the Judges of the then Court of King’s Bench, and of the Honorable *Jean Roch Rolland*, also one of the said Judges, and are placed there, as I suppose, for the purpose of identifying the said Letter as a Document filed in the cause; they must have been signed there when the *Commission Rogatoire*, to which this Letter was attached, was allowed by the Judges.

The said Letter was then read as follows:

*Henry*, we may meet no more. I have gone with him, whose child the little unfortunate Girl is. I have left you and my Boys, be to them what I ought to have been, watch over our poor little *Fitz*, he needs most your care; how I have done what I have, God only knows, think not I am happy, I am miserable; my heart will soon be broken. In this world, I shall have no peace. Had I never been left here, I should still have been worthy of, even you—all good, as I think you. For your kindness a month ago, I am indeed not ungrateful; it is this, that will for ever haunt me, day and night, I had never expected you to act towards me in that manner. I was in the family way; the child was not yours and I had not intended to have remained with you, till the time it should be born, I would not have done so, if I had to starve; but the state of anxiety I was in, for some time previous, brought on my confinement much before the

time, and you behaved to me as no other mortal would have done, what a return I make—what misery I bring on all—but I could never again be what I was, I cannot hold up my head before you. I know my poor child would be treated by you as your own, but what affection could you feel for it—none. Happy with you I could not be, for I am not worthy of you—I once was, and then I was happy.

Blame none for assisting me to-night. I have done it alone. Watch over our poor Boys—never neglect them. Make *Anny* stay while you can—she will I am sure do so. Pray that tho’ so fallen, I may yet be forgiven, let our children yet pray for me. Would to God that the struggle against this twelve months back had caused my death—it did nearly, but I was doomed to pass my remaining days in unhappiness and remorse.

Do not seek him—he will never leave or never cease to love me, or his child. He knows it is his, and only his. Again I wish you, *Henry*, to pray always for me, and may Heaven bless you. My poor *Fitz* will never forget me—bring them up to be like yourself, I can wish them no better.

(On the back of the Letter) Let *Fitz* see this, and tell him to console our poor Father, and to ask Papa to let you be to him what I was. I cannot write to him now.

(Signed,)

G. P.  
J. R. R.

Captain Harris.

(Endorsed)

2201.

HARRIS,

vs.

DAVID.

Paper Writing A.

Filed by Plaintiff, this 7th day of April, 1841.

(Signed,)

M. & M.

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Then Captain *Frederick L. Ingall* was called in, and being sworn, was examined as follows:—

76.—Do you know, and how long have you known, Captain *Henry William Harris*, of the 24th Regiment of Foot, and *Eliza Walker*, alias *Eliza Lock Walker*, his wife?

I have known Captain *Harris* for upwards of fifteen years, and Mrs. *Harris*, his wife, for eighteen years.

Harris' divorce Bill.

Capt. F. L. Ingall.



Harris' divorce  
Bill.

77.—To what religious denomination did Captain and Mrs. *Harris* belong?

They are communicants of the Church of *England*.

78.—Are you acquainted with Mrs. *Harris*' handwriting, and have you often seen her write and sign her name?

I am acquainted with her handwriting, and have often seen her write and sign her name.

79.—Look at the Letter now produced, and say, to the best of your knowledge and belief, whether the same is of the proper handwriting of the said Mrs. *Harris*, wife of the said Captain *Henry William Harris*?

To the best of my belief, it is her handwriting; it is written evidently when in a state of great agitation, and does not look so firm as she generally wrote, but I sincerely believe it to be her handwriting.

80.—Have you any, and what knowledge, of the receipt of that Letter by Captain *Henry William Harris*?

A Copy of that Letter was sent to me by *Fitzwilliam Walker*, now Captain in the 15th Regiment, the brother of Mrs. *Harris*, who was then in pursuit of the fugitives, with Capt. *Harris*, to be by me forwarded to her unhappy mother, and I have a letter from Mrs. *Walker*, acknowledging its receipt.

81.—Where is Capt. *Fitzwilliam Walker* at present?

Living with the 15th Regiment in *Ireland*.

82.—Since Mrs. *Harris*' elopement in May, 1840, to which you allude, have you, or Mrs. *Ingall*, your wife, received any letters from her.

Several.

83.—Did Mrs. *Harris*, in any of those letters, say where, with whom, and in what situation she was living?

She said she was living in the State of *New York*, with Mr. *David*, and from the general tenor of these letters, I should infer, cohabiting with him as man and wife; I have no doubt of the matter.

84.—Did Mrs. *Harris*, in any of her said letters, mention the probability of her approaching confinement in child-bed; if she did, produce and read the same?

In one letter, received by Mrs. *Ingall*, in October, 1840, she alludes to a child—"that her baby was weaned." In consequence of a

question put by me to her for the information of her father, relating to her expected confinement, she replies to Mrs. *Ingall*, 6th September, 1841:—"I have still one question to answer—the last one in your letter—I regret to say it is the case, but it will not be sooner than the latter end of January."

85.—Did you and Mrs. *Ingall* understand that passage in Mrs. *Harris*'s letter to have reference to her approaching confinement in child-bed.

We did.

86.—Can you not produce, and leave with this House the said letters?

I can produce the said letters, but would crave the indulgence of the House, as the remainder of the letters relate to private matters of a pecuniary nature, totally irrelevant to the matter. I solemnly declare the letters to be of her handwriting, and I have quoted them correctly. Mrs. *Harris*, from long acquaintance, looked upon Mrs. *Ingall* in the light of a mother, and in all her letters wrote in full confidence relating to all her affairs, and many private matters are therefore contained in her letters, which cannot well be disclosed.

87.—Do you think it possible, or even probable, that Captain *Harris* and his wife ever met each other after her elopement with Mr. *David*?

I believe it is possible, but I feel perfectly convinced they never did.

88.—To whom, in *Montreal*, did you send letters addressed to Mrs. *Harris*, to be forwarded to her?

To Mr. *David*, a gentleman connected with the Water Works, and who was stated to be a brother of the Mr. *David* who had eloped with Mrs. *Harris*.

89.—Were they so sent at her request?

They were.

90.—Are you acquainted with Captain *H. W. Harris*' handwriting, and have you seen him write and sign his name?

I am; and have seen him write and sign his name.

91.—To the best of your knowledge and belief, is or is not the signature "*H. W. Harris*," set and subscribed to the power of Attorney in favor of *Arthur Ross* and *Frederick Griffin*, now shown to you, the signature, and of the proper handwriting of the said Captain *Henry William Harris*, the Petitioner in this case?

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It is: and I have a letter from Captain *Harris*, informing me that he had appointed Mr. *Griffin* his Attorney for this matter.

92.—(By a Member) How long had Captain *Harris* been in the country when he married Mrs. *Harris*?

From the latter part of the year 1829 to 1832, for about three years.

93.—How long did he live in the country after the said marriage?

He went home in 1841, being about 8 years.

94.—Can you point out the different places where Captain *Harris* resided after his marriage till the time he left *Canada*?

Chiefly in *Montreal*, *Kingston* and *Toronto*.

95.—Was Captain *Harris* living at *Montreal* when he married; if not, state where he lived at that time?

He was married in *Montreal*: I think his Regiment was at *Quebec*, and his residence was there,—I cannot exactly recollect, but I think it was at *Quebec*.

96.—Where did Captain *Harris* go to after leaving this country?

He went home, and is at present quartered with his Regiment in *Ireland*.

97.—Has he returned to this country since he left it, as you have stated?

Never, to the best of my belief.

98.—(By Counsel) Did Mrs. *Harris* remain in *Montreal* when Captain *Harris* went to *Upper Canada*, or did she accompany him?

When the Regiment first went up to *Upper Canada*, she accompanied him, but on the second time, when in 1838 he proceeded on duty to *Upper Canada*, she remained in *Montreal*. Harris' divorce Bill.

99.—Were the periods of Captain *Harris*' absence in *Upper Canada* of long duration?

I cannot call it to my mind.

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

*Ordered*, that the Standing Order, No. 77, of this House, requiring the attendance of the Petitioner for the second reading of this Bill, be dispensed with. 77th Standing Order dispensed with.

The Counsel stated he had no further evidence to offer. Evidence closed.

The Agent being asked whether he intended to offer any evidence on the part of *Eliza Walker*, otherwise called *Eliza Lock Walker*, stated that he had no evidence to offer.

The Counsel was then heard to close the case.

The Counsel and Agent were then directed to withdraw. Counsel and Agent withdrew.

*Ordered*, that the further consideration and second reading of the Bill be put off until Tuesday next. 2nd reading Bill postponed till Tuesday.

*Ordered*, that the last mentioned Bill, together with the evidence produced before this House, be printed in both languages, for the use of Members.

## APPENDIX NO. 6.

(Vide Journal, page 74.)

*Montreal*,  
30th January, 1845.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that I have tendered to His Excellency the Governor General, as representative of the Sovereign from whom I received that distinction, the resignation of my Seat in the Honorable the Legislative Council, and that His Excellency has been pleased to accept the same.

I beg therefore to communicate to you, as Speaker of that Honorable House, the fact of my resignation.

I cannot let pass this opportunity of expressing my grateful acknowledgment to the House, for the kind consideration I have always experienced as one of its Members, and to yourself for the uniform courtesy and attention I have received at your hands.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient humble servant,

W. H. DRAPER.

The Honorable

R. E. CARON,

&c. &c. &c.

Letter of resignation from the Hon. W. H. Draper.

## APPENDIX NO. 7.

(Vide Journal, page 76.) -

Statement re-  
specting cer-  
tain advan-  
ces from the  
Military Chest.

EXTRACT from a Statement furnished by the Commissary General on the 28th December, 1843, of advances from the Military Chest in *Canada*, on account of the Colonial Government, and which are still outstanding.

Date.	Particulars.	Amount Sterling at 4s. 2d. per Dollar.		
		£	s.	d.
1838				
October,	Balance due on the amount advanced from the Military Chest on account of Salaries of the Colonial Officers, at the rate of Exchange ruling at the time of payment,.....£	13513	10	3

Commissariat *Canada*,  
*Montreal*, 28th December, 1843.

(Signed,)

WILLIAM FILDER,  
C. G.

(Copy.)

*In Council*,  
20th January, 1845.

On a Letter from the Commissary General, dated 28th December, 1843, relating to a balance of £13,513 10s. 3d. due to the Commissariat ;

The Committee have had reference to the approved Minute of Council of the 27th August, 1842, and would recommend to Your Excellency to refer the subject of this claim, by Message, to both Houses of the Legislature.

Certified.

(Signed,) E. PARENT.

To the Civil Secretary,  
&c. &c. &c.

and approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the same day, on the subject of the debt due from the late Province of *Lower Canada* to the Imperial Treasury, on account of the advance from the Military Chest in 1838, of the sum necessary to pay the arrears due to the Civil Officers of that Province, on account of their salaries.

His Excellency the Governor General in Council is of opinion that the Law does not admit the payment of the balance of £13,513 10s. 3d. due to Her Majesty's Treasury, under the Ordinance of *Lower Canada*, 1st Victoria cap. 11, and that therefore a necessity exists of submitting the matter to Parliament. It is therefore agreed, that a Message on the subject be communicated to the Legislative Assembly, at such period of the next Session as His Excellency shall find convenient.

Certified.

(Signed,) T. G. HURD,  
*Actg. C. E. Council.*

(Copy.)

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Executive Council, dated 27th August, 1842,

## APPENDIX NO. 8.

(Vide Journal, page 81.)

Montreal,  
3rd February, 1845.

SIR,

Letter from J.  
Leeming, Esq.

Having at the purchase of the extensive Library of the late *John Fleming*, Esq. of this City, (well known for his assiduity and research, in obtaining rare, valuable, and curious books,) become possessed of a work on the Christian Religion, by *Marsilio*, an eminent philosopher, and published in *Italy* in 1484, but a few years after the art of printing had become known in that country, I am desirous of presenting the same to the Legislative Council of *Canada*, to be perpetually

preserved in its Library, not only as a typographical curiosity in itself, but as a memento of its former owner, one of the most intellectual and intelligent of the Merchants of this City, and one whose industry in the collection of works deserves to be borne in recollection.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your very obedient servant,

JOHN LEEMING.

To the Honorable

*R. E. Caron*,

Speaker,

Legislative Council,

## APPENDIX NO. 9.

(Vide Journal, pages 116 and 117.)

(Copy.)

No. 334.

Downing Street,  
26th January, 1845.

MY LORD,

I have laid before the Queen the Address of the Legislative Council of *Canada*, to Her Majesty on the Birth of H. R. H. Prince *Alfred*, which accompanied Your Lordship's Despatch, No. 195, of the 27th ultimo.

I have received Her Majesty's Commands to instruct you to convey to the Legislative Council the assurance of the high satisfaction with which Her Majesty has received this

additional proof of the attachment of that House to Her Majesty's Person and Government.

I have transmitted to Prince *Albert* the Address to His Royal Highness, which was also enclosed in Your Despatch.

I have, &amp;c.

(Signed,)

STANLEY.

The Right Honorable

The Lord *Metcalf*, G.C.B.,

&amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c.

Windsor

Despatch in  
Answer to the  
Address to Her  
Majesty on the  
birth of Prince  
*Alfred*.

Windsor Castle,  
January 25th, 1845.

SIR,

Letter from G.  
E. Anson, Esq.  
on the birth of  
Prince Alfred.

I am commanded by His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, to return thanks to the Members of the Legislative Council of *Canada*, for their Address of Congratulation on the

happy event of the Birth of His Royal Highness Prince *Alfred*.

I have the honor to be,  
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G. E. ANSON.

R. E. Caron, Esquire,  
Speaker.

APPENDIX NO. 10.

(Vide Journal, page 179.)

(Copy.)  
No. 348.

Downing Street,  
22d February, 1845.

MY LORD,

Despatch on  
the precedence  
of the Legis-  
lative Councils.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of Your Lordship's Despatch of the 31st December, No. 199, in which you enclose an Address to the Queen, from the Legislative Council of *Canada*, praying that Her Majesty would signify Her pleasure upon certain questions, which have arisen regarding the precedence of the Members of the Legislative Council, and the propriety of conferring the title of Honorable on the Members of that Board.

I have submitted this Address to the Queen, and I have to acquaint Your Lordship that Her Majesty has commanded me to instruct you to signify to the Legislative Council Her Majesty's pleasure, that henceforth, the Members of that Board should take precedence amongst themselves according to the date of the instrument by which each Member may have been summoned to take his seat there.

It is further the pleasure of Her Majesty that the Members of the Executive Council, who are also Legislative Councillors, should not, in virtue of their seats in the Executive

Council, take precedence at the Legislative Council over the Members of that House.

I am further commanded to signify to Your Lordship, Her Majesty's pleasure that every Member of the Legislative Council should be entitled to the titular designation of Honorable, and should be so described in all Acts and Instruments, which may be issued under your authority.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) STANLEY.

The Right Honorable  
The Lord *Metcalf*, G.C.B.  
&c. &c. &c.

(Copy.)  
No. 353.

Downing Street,  
2nd March, 1845.

MY LORD,

With reference to my Despatch, No. 342, of the 4th ultimo, I have the honor to acquaint Your Lordship that Her Majesty's Government concluded an agreement, on the 14th of February last, with the Post Master General of the *United States*, for the conveyance through that country of the British Mails to and from *Canada*. Under this agreement the correspondence between this country and *Canada*.

Despatch on  
the convey-  
ance of the  
British Mails  
to and from  
*Canada*.

Despatches.

*nada*, will, after this Mail, be landed and embarked at *Boston* instead of at *Halifax*, as at present. The letters will be forwarded through the *United States* in iron boxes, and placed under the charge of an Officer appointed by the Post Master General.

The first homeward mail to be despatched by this route, will be conveyed by the Packet

appointed to leave *Boston* on the 1st of next May.

I have, &c.

(Signed,)

STANLEY.

The Right Honorable

The Lord *Metcalfe*, G.C.B.,  
&c. &c. &c.

APPENDIX NO. 11.

(Vide Journal, page 197.)

Supplementary Estimate.

Supplementary Estimate of certain sums required for the expenses of the Civil Government of the Province of *Canada*, during the present year.

For salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Council, from 8th November to 31st December, 1843, at the rate of £1000 cy. per annum,.....	£146	14	9
Salary for the year 1844,.....	1000	0	0
Do. for the year 1845,.....	1000	0	0
			9
Total,.....	£2146	14	9
Deduct amount paid on account,.....	250	0	0
			0
Sum for which a provision is required, currency,.....	£1896	14	9

Inspector General's Office,  
*Montreal*, 18th March, 1845

(Signed,)

W. B. ROBINSON,  
Inspector General.





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Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 95. Read 1st time, 95. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 98. They report the Bill with an amendment, 109. Considered by the House, 113. The amendment, 113. Read second time and adopted, 114. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 115. Amendment of the Legislative Council amended by the Assembly, 138. Read 1st

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time, 138. The amendments, 139. Considered by the House, 141. Motion for agreeing to same, 141. Adopted and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 142. Royal assent given to the Bill, 219.

## 41. ——— SHERIFFS' DUTY BILL :—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Fergusson, 98. Read 1st time and ordered to be printed 98.

## 42. ——— CUSTOMS MANAGEMENT BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 98. Read 1st time, 98. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 100. They report the Bill with amendments, 103. Discharged from the Order of the Day, 108. Amendments considered by the House, 110. Read 1st time, 110. The amendments, 110. Read 2nd time and adopted, 110. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 111. Agreed to by that House, 122. Royal assent given to the Bill, 155.

## 43. ——— QUEBEC FIREWOOD SOCIETY'S BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 100. Read 1st time, 100. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 101, 102. They report the Bill without amendment, 106. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 109. Royal assent given to the Bill, 220.

## 44. ——— PUBLIC WORKS PEACE PRESERVATION BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 100. Read 1st time, 100. Read 2nd time, 102. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 103. Royal assent given to the Bill, 156.

## 45. ——— DISTRICT COURTS BILL, U. C. :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 100. Read 1st time, 100. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 102. They report the Bill with an amendment 125. Considered by the House, 132. The amendment, 132. Bill referred back to the same Select Committee, 133. They report the Bill without any amendment, 133. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 133, 134. Royal assent given to the Bill, 156.

## 46. ——— OFFICE OF SURVEYOR GENERAL ABOLITION BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 101. Read 1st time, 101. Read 2nd time, 104. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 106, 107. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 155.

## 47. ——— LA CONGRÉGATION NOTRE DAME DE MONTREAL BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 101.

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101. Read 1st time, 101. Read 2nd time, 104. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 106, 107. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 155.
48. ——— NIAGARA INCORPORATION BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 104. Read 1st time, 104. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 109. They report the Bill with amendments, 131. Bill and Report committed, 134. Amendments reported, 134. Read 1st time, 134. The amendments, 134. Read 2nd time and adopted, 135. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, 137. Further amendments ordered, 137. Bill, as amended, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 137. Agreed to by that House, 156. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 219.
49. ——— LEGAL CLAIMS BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 108. Read 1st time, 108. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 109. They report the Bill without amendment, 111. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 115. Bill reserved, 221.
50. ——— NIAGARA PLANK ROAD BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 108. Read 1st time, 108. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 109, 110. They report the Bill with amendments, 121. Committed, 124. Amendments reported, 124. Considered by the House, 126. Read 1st time 126. The amendments, 126. Read 2nd time and adopted, 128. Further amendments ordered, 128. Bill, as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 132. Agreed to by that House, 156. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 219.
51. ——— ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS INCORPORATION BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 109. Read 1st time, 109. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 113. They report the Bill with amendments, 132. Read 1st time, 132. The amendments, 132. Read 2nd time and adopted, 132. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 134. Agreed to by that House, 144. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 219.
52. ——— BRITISH AND CANADIAN SCHOOL BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 109. Read 1st time, 109. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 113. They report the Bill without amendment, 115. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 118.

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53. ——— QUEBEC HIGH SCHOOL BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 109. Read 1st time, 109. Read 2nd time, 113. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 115. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 155.
54. ——— MONTREAL AND QUEBEC BOARDS OF TRADE BILL :—  
Brought up by the Hon. Mr. Walker, 111. Read 1st time, 111. Read 2nd time, 118. Read 3rd time and passed, 121. Title ordered and the Bill sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 121. Passed by that House without amendment, 189. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 219.
55. ——— YULE'S TOLL BRIDGE BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 113. Read 1st time, 113. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 116. They report the Bill with amendments, 145. Considered by the House, 147. Read 1st time, 147. The amendments, 147. Read 2nd time and adopted, 147. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 151. Agreed to by that House, 157. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 220.
56. ——— ALIEN LAW AMENDMENT BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 113. Read 1st time, 113. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 118. They report the Bill with amendments, 162. Bill and Report committed, 178. Reported, and leave granted to sit again, 178. Re-committed, 181. Amendments reported, 181. Read 1st time, 181. The amendments, 181. Read 2nd time and adopted, 183. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 185, 186. Agreed to by that House, 189. Bill reserved, 221.
57. ——— NOTARIAL PROFESSION BILL, L. C. :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 113. Read 1st time, 113. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 116. Their Report, 131. Same adopted, 131.
58. ——— MARRIAGES IN GASPÉ BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 117. Read 1st time, 117. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 120. Petition of J. Hardeley referred to the same Committee, 154. Their Report presented, 189. Read, 189. The Report, 189. Adopted, 190.
59. ——— MONTREAL COLLEGE OF MEDICINE BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 117. Read 1st time, 117. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 120. Their Report, 140. Presented, 140. Read, 140.

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140. The Report, 140. Committed, 143. Reported, and leave granted to sit again, 143. Bill discharged from the Order of the Day and referred again to a Select Committee, 146. They report the Bill with amendments, 168. Considered by the House, 177. Read 1st time, 177. The amendments, 177. Read 2nd time and adopted, 178. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 181. Agreed to by that House, 189. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 220.
60. ——— REGISTRY LAWS BILL, U. C.:—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 122. Read 1st time, 122. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 125. They report the Bill with amendments, 168. Bill and Report committed, 178. Reported, and leave granted to sit again, 178. Recommitted, 181. House resumes, 181.
61. ——— INSOLVENT DEBTORS' RELIEF BILL, U. C.:—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 124. Read 1st time, 124. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 130. They report the Bill without amendment, 136. Bill and report committed, 138. An amendment reported, 138. Read 1st time, 138. The amendment, 138. Read 2nd time and adopted, 138. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 141. Agreed to by that House, 148. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 220.
62. ——— WINTER ROADS BILL, L. C.:—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 124. Read 1st time, 124. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 130. They report the Bill with amendments, 140. Order of the Day read for receiving the Report, 143. Same discharged, 143. Amendments considered by the House, 145. Read 1st time, 145. Bill referred back to the same Select Committee, 145. They report the Bill with amendments, 150. Order of the Day read for receiving the Report, 155. Same discharged, 155. Amendments reported by the Select Committee considered by the House, 175. The amendments, 175. Read 2nd time and adopted, 177. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 186.
63. ——— VESSELS REGISTRY BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 139. Read 1st time, 139. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 142. They report the Bill without amendment, 149. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 150. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 155.

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64. ——— UNITARIANS' RELIEF BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 139. Read 1st time, 139. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 142. They report the Bill without amendment, 144. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 146. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 155.
65. ——— CHAMBLY COTTON MANUFACTURING COMPANY'S BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 139. Read 1st time, 139. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 142. An instruction to the Committee moved, 142. Question negatived, 142. They report the Bill without amendment, 161. Motion for reading the Bill a 3rd time, 162. Objected to, 162. Question put and carried, 162. Bill read 3rd time, 162. The passing of the Bill moved for, 162. Objected to, 162. Question put and carried, 162. The Assembly acquainted thereof, 162. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 220.
66. ——— SMALL DEBTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 139. Read 1st time, 139. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 142. They report the Bill without amendment, 152. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 152. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 220.
67. ——— TORONTO AND LAKE HURON RAIL-ROAD BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 139. Read 1st time, 139. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 144. They report the Bill with amendments, 150. Read 1st time, 150. The amendments, 150. Read 2nd time and adopted, 150. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 151. Agreed to by that House, 156. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 220.
68. ——— PERES OBLATS BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 139. Read 1st time, 139. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 144.
69. ——— AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES' BILL, L. C.:—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 139. Read 1st time, 139. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 143. They report the Bill without amendment, 143. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 146. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 221.
70. ——— REBELLION CLAIMS' BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 142. Read 1st time, 142. Read 2nd time, 145.

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145. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 146. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 221.

## 71. ——— UPPER CANADA LOAN AND TRUST BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 142. Read 1st time, 142. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 145. They report the Bill without amendment, 146. Discharged from the Order of the Day, 148. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 149. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 155.

## 72. ——— ATLANTIC RAIL-ROAD BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 142. Read 1st time, 142. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 145. They report the Bill with amendments, 147. Read 1st time, 147. The amendments, 147. Read 2nd time and adopted, 147. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 148. Agreed to by that House, 152. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 156.

## 73. ——— WILD FOWL PRESERVATION BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 144. Read 1st time 144. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time instant, 146. Objected to, 146. Question put and carried, 146. The Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 146. They report the Bill with amendments, 158. Read 1st time, 158. The amendments, 158. Considered by the House, 160. Again read, 160. Read 2nd time and adopted, 160. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 160. Agreed to by that House, 165. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 220.

## 74. ——— SUNDAY OBSERVANCE BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 144. Read 1st time, 144. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 147. They report the Bill with amendments, 155. Considered by the House, 158. Read 1st time, 158. The Amendments, 158. Read 2nd time and adopted, 159. Order of the Day read for reading the Bill as amended a 3rd time, 160. Motion for reading the same a 3rd time instant, 160. Objected to, 160. Question put and carried, 160. Bill as amended read 3rd time and passed, 160. Protest of the Hon. Mr. Neilson against the same, 160. Bill, as amended, sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 160. Agreed to by that House, 165. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 219.

## 75. ——— KINGSTON ASSESSMENT BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly,

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144. Read 1st time, 144. Read 2nd time, 147. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 149. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 219.

## 76. ——— BEVERLEY BOUNDARY BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 148. Read 1st time, 148. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 151. They report the Bill without amendment, 179. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 179. Bill reserved, 221.

## 77. ——— BYTOWN POLICE BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 148. Read 1st time, 148. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 151. They report the Bill with amendments, 153. Bill and Report committed, 156. Reported, and leave granted to sit again, 156. Discharged from the Order of the Day, 159. Recommitted, 162. Amendments reported, 162. Read 1st time, 162. The amendments, 162. Read 2nd time and adopted, 165. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 173.

## 78. ——— TESTATUM WRITS BILL, U. C. :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 148. Read 1st time, 148. Discharged from the Order of the Day, 152. Read 2nd time, 153. Read 3rd time, passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 158. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 219.

## 79. ——— CUSTOMS DUTIES BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 151. Read 1st time, 151. Read 2nd time and 46th Rule dispensed with, 153. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 153. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 156.

## 80. ——— LAWS DISTRIBUTION BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 151. Read 1st time, 151. Read 2nd time and 46th Rule dispensed with, 153. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 153. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 218.

## 81. ——— CLERKS OF CIRCUIT COURTS BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 151. Read 1st time, 151. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 153. They report the Bill without amendment, 158. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 160. Royal assent given to the Bill, 220.

## 82. ——— GLOUCESTER TAXES BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 151. Read 1st time, 151. Read 2nd time



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- time and referred to a Select Committee, 153. They report the Bill without amendment, 154. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 158. Royal assent given to the Bill, 219.
83. ——— **DRIVING ON BRIDGES REGULATION BILL :—**  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 157. Read 1st time, 157. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 159. They report the Bill without amendment, 159. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 159. Royal assent given to the Bill, 219.
84. ——— **ISLAND OF ORLEANS DETACHMENT BILL :—**  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 157. Read 1st time, 157. Read 2nd time, 159. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 160. Royal assent given to the Bill, 220.
85. ——— **DISTRICT OFFICERS' FEES BILL :—**  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 161. Read 1st time, 161. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 165. Their report presented, 180. Read 180. The Report, 180. Bill and Report discharged from the Order of the Day, 186. Bill read 3rd time, passed; and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 199. Royal assent given to the Bill, 219.
86. ——— **JOHNSTOWN DISTRICT TAXES BILL :—**  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 161. Read 1st time, 161. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 165. They report the Bill without amendment, 168. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 168. Royal assent given to the Bill, 218.
87. ——— **FERRIES REGULATION BILL :—**  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 161. Read 1st time, 161. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 165. They report the Bill without amendment, 168. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 168. Royal assent given to the Bill, 220.
88. ——— **COLONIAL ASSOCIATION BILL :—**  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 161. Read 1st time, 161. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 165. They report the Bill without amendment, 168. Order of the Day read for a 3rd reading of the Bill, 174. Motion for a 3rd reading of the same, instant, 174. Objected to, 174. Debated, 174. Question put and carried, 174. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 175. Royal assent given to the Bill, 220.

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89. ——— **AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES' BILL, U. C. :—**  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 161. Read 1st time, 161. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 165. They report the Bill without amendment, 180. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 180. Royal assent given to the Bill, 222.
90. ——— **PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS BILL :—**  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 162. Read 1st time, 162. Read 2nd time, 173. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 175. Royal assent given to the Bill, 219.
91. ——— **LUMBER BILL :—**  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 162. Read 1st time, 172. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 173. They report the Bill with amendments, 173. Considered by the House, 178. Read 1st time, 178. The amendments, 178. Read 2nd time and adopted, 178. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 179. Amendments amended by that House, 186. Amendment of the Assembly read 1st time, 186. The amendment, 186. Read 2nd time, 186. Motion for agreeing to the same, 186. Question put and carried, 186. The Assembly acquainted thereof, 187. Royal assent given to the Bill, 219.
92. ——— **TITLES TO LANDS SETTLEMENT BILL, L. C. :—**  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 168. Read 1st time, 168. Petition from Joseph Donegani, against the Bill, presented, 177. Read, 177. 2nd reading of the Bill postponed, 177, 186. Counsel to be heard at the Bar of the House, for and against the Bill, 177, 186. Order of the Day read for a 2nd reading of the Bill, 190. Counsel for and against the same called in and appear at the Bar, 190. They withdraw therefrom, 190. Order of the Day read for reading the Bill a 2nd time, 199. Motion for reading the same a 2nd time, instant, 199. Objected to, 200. Debated, 200. Question put and carried, 200. Bill read 2nd time and 46th Rule dispensed with, 200. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 200. Bill reserved, 221.
93. ——— **SALMON PRESERVATION BILL, U. C. :—**  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 168. Read 1st time, 168. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 177. They report the Bill without amendment, 188. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 188. Royal assent given to the Bill, 220.

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## 94. ——— INDEMNITY BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 186. Read 1st time, 186. Read 2nd time, 196. 46th Rule dispensed with, 196. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 196. Royal assent given to the Bill, 221.

## 95. ——— MONTREAL HARBOUR BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 188. Read 1st time, 194. 46th Rule dispensed with, 194. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 194. They report the Bill without amendment, 199. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 199. Royal assent given to the Bill, 221.

## 96. ——— MILITIA BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 188. Read 1st time, 194. 46th Rule dispensed with, 194. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 194. They report the Bill with amendments, 198. Read 1st time, 198. The amendments, 198. Read 2nd time and adopted, 198. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 198. A conference requested by that House, on the subject of the amendments, 205. Same agreed to by the Council, 205. Reasons of the Assembly for not agreeing to the amendments, reported by the Managers on the part of this House, 205. The report and amendments considered by the House, 206. Same read, 206. Motion for not insisting on the amendments, 206. Question put whether the House shall insist on same, 206. Negatived, 206. Assembly informed that the House does not insist on their amendments, 206. Royal assent given to the Bill, 220.

## 97. ——— ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION BILL, L. C. :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 188. Read 1st time, 195. 46th rule dispensed with, 195. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 195. Petition from Robert Ross, and others; and also the Petition from the Rev. L. T. Fortier, and others, referred to the Committee, 196. They report the Bill with amendments, 214. Amendments read, 214. The amendments, 215. Adopted, 215. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time and passed, 216. Protest of the Hon. Messrs. Neilson and Bruneau, against the same, 216, 217. Bill, as amended, sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 217. Agreed to by that House, 218. Royal assent given to the Bill, 221.

## 98. ——— MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES' BILL, L. C. :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly,

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189. Read 1st time, 195. 46th Rule dispensed with, 195. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 195. They report the Bill with amendments, 213. The Report adopted, 214. Bill, as amended read 3rd time and passed, 217. Protest of the Hon. Messrs. Neilson and Bruneau, against the same, 217. Bill, as amended, sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 217. Agreed to by that House, 218. Royal assent given to the Bill, 220.

## 99. ——— FIEFS NAZARETH, &amp;C. BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 189. Read 1st time, 195. 46th Rule dispensed with, 195. Bill read 2nd time, 195. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 195. Royal assent given to the Bill, 220.

## 100. ——— GREAT WESTERN RAIL-ROAD BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 189. Read 1st time, 195. 46th Rule dispensed with, 195. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 195. They report the Bill without amendment, 198. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 198. Royal assent given to the Bill, 219.

## 101. ——— ORDNANCE BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 189. Read 1st time, 195. 46th Rule dispensed with, 195. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 195. They report the Bill without amendment, 199. Committed, 199. Reported without amendment, 199. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 199. Bill reserved, 221.

## 102. ——— EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION BILL, U. C. :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 189. Read 1st time, 195. 46th Rule dispensed with, 195. Bill read 2nd time, 195. Committed, 200. Reported, and leave granted to sit again, 200. Motion for reading the Bill a 3rd time instanter, 213. Question put and carried, 213. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 213. Royal assent given to the Bill, 218.

## 103. ——— LAW SUITS LIMITATION BILL, L. C. :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 189. Read 1st time, 196. 46th Rule dispensed with, 196. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 196. They report the Bill without amendment, 197. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 197. Royal assent given to the Bill, 219.

## 104. ——— SUPPLY BILL :—

Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 190.



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190. Read 1st time, 190. 46th Rule dispensed with, 190. Read 2nd time, 190. Read 3rd time and passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 190. Royal assent given to the Bill, 221.
105. ——— U. C. LANDS ASSESSMENT BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 190. Read 1st time, 190. 46th Rule dispensed with, 190. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 190. Reported without amendment, 199. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 199. Royal assent given to the Bill, 219.
106. ——— KINGSTON INCORPORATION AMENDMENT BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 196. Read 1st time, 196. Bill discharged from the Order of the Day, 200.
107. ——— STILL DUTIES REPEAL BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 196. Read 1st time, 196. Read 2nd time, 200. 46th Rule dispensed with, 200. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 200. Royal assent given to the Bill, 221.
108. ——— WELLAND CANAL STOCK BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 200. Read 1st time, 200. Read 2nd time, 200. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 200. Royal assent given to the Bill, 220.
109. ——— PUBLIC WORKS TOLLS BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 200. Read 1st time, 200. Read 2nd time, 200. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 201. Royal assent given to the Bill, 221.
110. ——— REGIOPOLIS COLLEGE BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 201. Read 1st time, 201. Read 2nd time, 201. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 201. Royal assent given to the Bill, 219.
111. ——— QUEBEC INCORPORATION BILL :—  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly, 201. Read 1st time, 201. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 201. They report the Bill with an amendment, 211. Read 1st time, 211. The amendment, 211. Read 2nd time and adopted, 211. Bill, as amended, read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 211. Agreed to by that House, 214. Royal Assent given to the Bill, 220.
112. ——— MILL DAMS APRONS BILL, District of Huron :  
Brought up from the Legislative Assembly,

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105. ——— CARTER, HENRY, and others, of Shefford and Granby, praying that the Road from Stukely to Granby may be completed, presented, 34.
538. ——— CHADERTON, REV. W., and others, of the Chapelry of St. Peters, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 99.
490. ——— CHAMBERLAND, A., and others, Pilots of the River St. Lawrence, praying that no alteration may be made in the Law regulating the Trinity House of Quebec, presented, 79.
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93. ——— CLEMENT, L. C., of Eboulements, praying to be remunerated for his services in taking the Census for the County of Saguenay, presented 34.
571. ——— CLEVELAND, L., and others, of the Townships of Kingsey, Shipton and Tingwick, praying for the improvement of the Road from Sydenham to Glen Douglass, presented, 111.
444. ——— COATES, M., and others, of Barrie, and its vicinity, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 69.
68. ——— COBOURG, the Board of Police of the Town of, praying that the Act establishing a Police in the said Town may be amended, presented, 32.
396. ——— COLTON, R. P., and others, of Brockville, praying for an increased duty upon Iron Castings, presented, 62.
203. ——— COLVILLE, E., of Beauharnois, praying for an Act to give certain powers to the North American Colonial Association, presented, 42.
316. ——— CONNOR, W., and others, of the Victoria District, praying that a duty of 30 per cent. may be imposed on all imported manufactured Leather articles, presented, 55.
144. ——— COOK, REV. T., and others, of Three Rivers, praying for aid to a School in the said Town, presented, 37.

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164. ——— COOK, REV. J., and others, of Quebec, praying for aid in support of a School, presented, 38.
311. ——— COOPER, REV. H. C., and others, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 54.
372. ——— COPP, W. W., and others, of the County of Stanstead, praying that the Road from Bald Mountain, may be repaired, presented, 60.
418. ——— CORDNER, REV. J., and others, of Montreal, praying that certain privileges may be extended to the religious denomination of Christian Unitarians of Montreal, presented, 65.
511. ——— CORN., J., and others, of Winchester, praying that no alteration may be made in the boundary between the second and third Concessions of the said Township, presented, 90.
143. ——— COTTINGHAM, W., of Emily, praying for compensation for damages done to his property by the erection of a Dam at the Buckhorn Rapids, presented, 37.
66. ——— COTTERELL, FRANCIS, and others, of the Seignior of St. Antoine LaBaye, praying that the Common of LaBaye St. Antoine may be divided amongst the Censitaires of the said Seignior, presented, 32.
130. ——— COUILLARD, A. G., and others, of the County of L'Islet, praying for a Law for the preservation of Wild Fowl, presented, 36.
553. ——— CRANE, S., and others, of the District of Johnstown, praying for the construction of a Plank Road from Prescott to Bytown, presented, 102.
650. ——— CRAWFORD, G., of the District of Johnstown, praying that increased aid may be given to Agricultural Societies, presented, 146.
280. ——— CREIEN, REV. T., and others, of Niagara, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 53.
91. ——— CREVIER, REV. EDWARD, of St. Hyacinthe, praying for pecuniary aid to the Hôtel Dieu of St. Hyacinthe, presented, 34.
267. ——— CROOKS, HONORABLE J., of the Gore District, praying for the completion of various Macadamized Roads in the said District, presented, 52.
317. ——— CROOKS, THE HONORABLE JAMES, praying to be indemnified for the loss of the Schooner Lord Nelson. Presented, 55. Referred to a Select Committee, 95. *Vide Committee No. 31, and Address No. 13.*
577. ——— CUBITT, F., and others, of Darlington and Clarke,

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- Clarke, praying for the repeal of the School Act, presented, 114.
411. ——— CUMMINGS, A., and others, praying for compensation for certain losses, presented, 65.
21. ——— CUNNINGHAM, C., and others, Members of the Gaspé District Fishing and Coal Mining Company, praying for the passing of an Act to confirm the Imperial Statute which authorizes the formation of the said Company, presented, 27.
581. ——— CUTTER, H. S., and others, of Kingsey and Durham, praying for the completion of the Road between Montreal and Craig's Road, presented, 114.
464. ——— DALY, D., of the Town of Cornwall, praying to be indemnified in consequence of damage done to his property by a party of labourers on the St. Lawrence Canal, presented, 74.
421. ——— DANK, R., and others, of Compton, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of M'Gill or King's Colleges, presented, 65.
148. ——— DAoust, J., and others, of the Island of Montreal, praying for the repeal of the Sleigh Ordinance, presented, 37.
491. ——— DARLING, REV. W. S., and others, of Scarborough, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England, may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 82.
212. ——— DAUTH, G., of Ste. Anne Laperade, praying for the payment of a certain sum due to him as Contractor for erecting a Bridge over the River Ste. Anne, presented, 42.
515. ——— DAWES, REV. W., and others, of the Parish of St. John's, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England, may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 94.
434. ——— DAWSON, J., and others, of Romney, praying that the cultivation of Tobacco may be encouraged, presented, 68.
278. ——— DEACON, REV. J., and others, of Fredericksburgh and Adolphustown, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 52.
507. ——— DEACON, REV. J., and others, of Adolphustown and Fredericksburgh, praying for the repeal of the School Act, presented, 88.
57. ——— DEAN, JAMES, and others, of Quebec, praying for an act to incorporate them as the Quebec Forwarding Company, presented, 31.
688. ——— DE BLAQUIERE, HONORABLE P. B., praying that no Legislation touching the Uni-

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- versity of King's College, may be sanctioned without the consent of the Council of the said College and the approbation of Her Majesty, presented, 218.
128. ——— DE GUISE, P., of St. Thomas, praying that his Salary as Clerk of the Municipal Council of the District of St. Thomas may be paid, presented, 35.
661. ——— DENISON, G. T., and others, Commissioners of the West York Macadamized Road, praying that their powers under certain circumstances may be augmented, presented, 152.
323. ——— DENROCHE, REV. E., and others, of Brockville, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England, may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 55.
491. ——— DENROCHE, E., and others, of Brockville, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England, may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 81.
379. ——— DESILET, REV. L. O., and others, of St. Barnabé, praying that no alteration may be made in the Law regulating Winter Vehicles, presented, 61.
354. ——— DEWITT, C., and others, of the Parish of St. Joachim, praying for aid to construct a Bridge on the Chateauguay, presented, 58.
225. ——— DICKSON, W., and others, residing on the Grand River, in the District of Gore, praying that Magistrates may have authority to impose fines on individuals who ride or drive across Bridges at a greater pace than a walk, presented, 44.
579. ——— DOLSON, J., and others, of the Western District, praying for the completion of the Road between Sandwich and the Township of Raleigh, presented, 114.
17. ——— DONEGANI, JOSEPH, of Montreal, praying for an Act to confirm his possession of certain real property, presented, 26.
681. ——— DONEGANI, J., of Montreal, praying to be heard by Counsel on the Bill to quiet the title to certain lands in Lower Canada, presented, 177.
98. ——— DOOLITTLE, REV. L., and others, of the District of St. Francis, praying for aid to support the Insane in the said District, presented, 34.
607. ——— DOOLITTLE, REV. L., and others, of Sherbrooke and Lennoxville, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England, may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 123.

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14. ——— DORVAL, A., and others, Cullers, of Quebec, praying for the amendment of the Lumber Act, presented, 26.
254. ——— DORWIN, J. H., and others, of Rawdon, praying the imposition of a duty upon American Sawed Lumber, presented, 51.
296. ——— DOSTALER, M., and others, of Berthier, praying that no alteration may be made in the Law regulating Winter Vehicles, presented, 53.
353. ——— DOZOIS, J. B., and others, of the Seignior of DeLéry, praying for an alteration of the Seigniorial Tenure, presented, 58.
92. ——— DUBERGER, J. B., and others, of Saguenay, praying for pecuniary aid to construct various Roads, presented, 34.
109. ——— DUCHARME, REV. W., and others of the Parishes of St. Martin, Ste. Rose, Ste. Thérèse, and St. Jérôme, praying for the removal of the Registry-Office from Terrebonne to Ste. Thérèse de Blainville, presented, 34.
186. ——— DUCHARME, THE REV. MR., Founder of the College of Ste. Thérèse de Blainville, praying for the incorporation of the said establishment, presented, 40.
187. ——— DUCHARME, THE REV. MR., Founder of the College of Ste. Thérèse de Blainville, praying for aid to the said establishment, presented, 40.
468. ——— DUCKETT, W., and others, of the Township of Lancaster, praying that the Road from the Rivière de Lisle to the Province Line, in connexion with the Upper Dundas Street, may be opened and kept in order, presented, 75.
625. ——— DUMOULIN, P. B., of Three Rivers, praying that the sum of £90 may be paid him for rent, presented, 133.
4. ——— DURANSAUX, ANTOINE, and others, of Montreal, praying for the completion of the Macadamized Road from Montreal to Lachine, presented, 24.
131. ——— DUVAL, J. F., and others, of the Quebec Education Society, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 36.
126. ——— EGAN, J., and others of the County of Ottawa, praying that the said County be declared an Inferior District, presented, 35.
127. ——— EGAN, J., of the Township of Hull, praying for the construction of a Plank Road from Bytown to Aylmer, presented, 35.
308. ——— ELDER, W., and others, of the District of Huron, praying for the passing of an Act to compel absentee Landholders to pay their Taxes, presented, 54.
97. ——— ELIEN, JOSEPH, and others, of Shefford Mountain, praying that a survey may be made of the Land on the said Mountain, presented, 34.

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24. ——— ELKINS, C. P., Clerk of the Circuit Court of Stanstead, praying to have certain expenses refunded to him, presented, 27.
25. ——— ELKINS, C. P., Clerk of the Circuit Court of Stanstead, praying for a salary, presented, 27.
227. ——— ELLIOT, REV. F. G., and others, of Colchester, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 55.
281. ——— ELLIOT, REV. A., and others, Missionary, and Indians of the Six Nations, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 53.
429. ——— ESSON, REV. H., and others, of Montreal, praying that no public aid be given to M'Gill College, and that the Charter of King's College may be amended, presented, 67.
61. ——— EVANS, WILLIAM, proprietor of a newspaper called the Agricultural Journal, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 31.
204. ——— EVANS, REV. F., and others, of the Town and neighbourhood, of Simcoe, praying for an Act to enable the Bishop of Toronto to dispose of a certain piece of Land in the Township of Woodhouse, presented, 42.
461. ——— EVANS, W., of Côte St. Paul, praying for an Agricultural Survey of this Province, presented, 72.
286. ——— EWING, A. J., of Crowland, praying to be naturalized, presented, 53.
230. ——— FARIBAUT, G. B., President of the Literary and Historical Society of Quebec, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 45.
613. ——— FINLAY, C. H., Contractor on the Beauharnois Canal, praying to be indemnified for losses sustained by him, presented, 124.
218. ——— FINN, P., and others, of Niagara, praying for the imposition of a duty of 30 per cent. on Boots and Shoes imported into this Province, presented, 42.
512. ——— FISER, L., and others, of Gaspé, praying for a grant of money to complete the Road from Percé to the head of the Bay of Chaleurs, presented, 94.
293. ——— FISETTE, REV. A., and others, of St. Cuthbert, praying that no alteration may be made in the Law regulating Winter Vehicles, presented, 53.
618. ——— FLANAGAN, REV. J., and others, of Leeds, in the County of Megantic, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may

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- may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 130.
300. — FLEMING, ANNE, praying for compensation, as the compiler of a small School Book, presented, 53.
523. — FLEMING, REV. C. B., and others, of Shipton, Melbourne, and parts adjacent, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 96.
562. — FLEMING, P., Civil Engineer, praying that he may be professionally employed by the Government, presented, 108.
659. — FOGARTY, J., and others, Labourers, employed by John Campbell, a Contractor on the Lake Ontario and Rice Lake Road, praying for the adoption of such measures as will enable them to obtain the various sums respectively due to them as such Labourers, presented, 149.
193. — FORBES, C. J., and others, of Two Mountains, praying for the repeal of the Act passed in 1841, amending the Ordinance regulating Winter Roads, presented, 40.
147. — FORTIER, FELIX, Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, praying to be compensated for the loss of certain Fees, presented, 37.
593. — FORTIER, REV. L. T., and others, of Nicolet, praying that the Elementary Education Bill may not be passed into a Law, presented, 119.
597. — FORTIER, P., and others, Medical Students of M'Gill College, praying against the incorporation of any other School of Medicine in Montreal, presented, 121.
384. — FOSTER, R., and others, of the Township of Mersca, praying that the growth of Tobacco may be encouraged, presented, 61.
339. — FOURNIER, C. E., and others, of L'Islet, praying for the removal of the Registry Office from St. Thomas to L'Islet, presented, 58.
257. — FREELAND AND TAYLOR, of Toronto, praying for certain alterations in the Tariff, presented, 51.
417. — FROSTE, R., of Montreal, praying for compensation for injury done his property, presented, 65.
314. — FULLER, REV. T. B., and others, of the Niagara District, praying that the Charter of King's College may not be disturbed, presented, 55.
315. — FULLER, REV. T. B., and others, of Thorold, praying for the repeal of the School Act, presented, 55.
330. — FULLER, REV. T. B., and others, of Thorold, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the

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- portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 55.
448. — FULLER, REV. T. B., and others, of Thorold, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 69.
439. — FURNISS, A., of Montreal, praying for an Act to enable the City of Toronto to ratify its agreement with the City of Toronto Gas Light and Water Company, presented, 69.
289. — GAGNON, REV. C. E., and others, of Arthabaska, praying for aid to open a Road from Danville to the Gosford Road, presented, 38.
582. — GAGNON, J. A., and others, of St. Mary's, St. Lawrence and Queen's Wards, Montreal, praying that each of the said Wards may be sub-divided into three, and the representation proportionably increased, presented, 114.
26. — GALT, A. T., and others, of the Town of Sherbrooke, praying to be incorporated as a Cotton Factory Company, presented, 27.
165. — GALT, A. T., and others, of the Counties of Sherbrooke and Stanstead, praying for the construction of a Rail-Road between Montreal and Boston, presented, 38.
632. — GALT, J., praying that in the Bill to alter the Charter of the Toronto and Lake Huron Rail-Road Company, no obstacle may be presented to the proposed Road from Hamilton to Goderich, presented, 138.
124. — GAMBLE, WM., and others, of the Home District, praying to be incorporated as the Humber Harbour and Road Company, presented, 35.
602. — GAMBLE, C., and others, of Toronto, praying against the passing of King's College Charter Amendment Bill, presented, 122.
228. — GARBUTT, J., and others, of West Gwillimbury and Innisfil, praying that the whole or a part of the money granted for improving the Penetanguishene Road may be expended on the line via Bradford and Barrie, presented, 44.
158. — GAULIN, RIGHT REV. R., Bishop of Kingston, and others, praying for pecuniary aid in support of the Female Academy in Kingston, presented, 38.
328. — GEDDES, REV. J., and others, of Hamilton, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 55.

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604. ——— GLEY, J., of the Parish of St. Joseph, praying for relief on account of services rendered to the Province, both as a Seaman and a Soldier, presented, 122.
291. ——— GERO, G., and others, of Blandford, praying for aid to repair the Road from the River Bécancour to Gentilly on the St. Lawrence, presented, 53.
222. ——— GIBBS, D., and others, of Russeltown and vicinity, praying that no public aid be given to M'Gill College, presented, 43.
122. ——— GILCHRIST, JOHN, praying for redress in consequence of damage sustained by him from the erection by the Government, of a Dam across the River Trent, presented, 35.
23. ——— GILMAN, JOHN G., and others, of Stanstead, praying that four terms of the Circuit Court may be held at that place during the year, presented, 27.
435. ——— GIRTY, P., and others, of the Township of Gosfield, praying that the cultivation of Tobacco may be encouraged, presented, 68.
207. ——— GLACKEMEYER, E., acting Mayor of Quebec, praying for various amendments in the Act incorporating the said City, presented, 42.
63. ——— GLEN, JOHN, and others, Trustees of the Longueuil and Chambly Turnpike Road, praying for the exclusive privilege of plying a Ferry from Montreal to Chambly, presented 32.
192. ——— GLOBENSKY, F. G., and others, of the County of Two Mountains, praying for the repeal of the Law allowing the use of Trains, presented, 40.
628. ——— GOODING, J. K., and others, of the District of Huron, praying for the construction of a Rail-Road from Hamilton to Goderich, presented, 136.
69. ——— GORE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the amendment of the School Act, presented, 32.
601. ——— GORE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying against the repeal of the Common School Act, presented, 122.
275. ——— GRAHAM, REV. G., and others, of Nassagaweya and parts adjacent, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 52.
475. ——— GRAHAM, R., and others, of Bertie, praying that measures may be adopted to prevent Smuggling, presented, 76.
262. ——— GRANGE, G. J., and others, of the Wellington District, praying that the Macadamized Road from Hamilton to Dundas may be completed and continued to Owen's Sound, presented, 52.
90. ——— GRANT, BARON DE LONGUEUIL, and others, of

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- Dorchester, praying for the amendment of the Lower Canada Judicature Law, presented, 33.
151. ——— GRANT, BARON DE LONGUEUIL, and others, of the Counties of St. Hyacinthe, Richelieu, and Chambly, praying that the project for constructing a Rail-Road from Montreal to Boston may be favourably entertained, presented, 38.
583. ——— GRANT, J., of Martintown, in the County of Glengarry, praying that the inhabitants of the Indian Reservation may enjoy the Elective Franchise, presented, 117.
646. ——— GRIERSON, G. H., and others, of the Colborne and Newcastle Districts, praying for a grant of money to erect a Bridge over the River Otonabee, presented, 141.
270. ——— GRIFFIN, C. B., of Niagara, praying to be naturalized, presented, 52.
285. ——— GROUT, REV. G. R., and others, of Grimsby, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 53.
343. ——— GROUT, REV. G. R., and others, of Grimsby, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 58.
248. ——— GUY, E., of Montreal, praying to be remunerated for his expenses as Returning Officer at the last Montreal Election, presented, 50.
172. ——— HALE, J. and others, of the British and Canadian School Society, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 38.
569. ——— HALE, E., and others, of Portneuf, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 110.
132. ——— HALL, REV. R. V., and others, of Stanstead, praying that no public aid may be given to M'Gill College, presented, 36.
136. ——— HALL, LUKE, of New Ireland, praying for relief in consequence of his losses as a Contractor on the Gosford Road, presented, 36.
28. ——— HAM, RICHARD, and others, Lutherans, of Fredericksburgh and Ernestown, praying for the naturalization of the Reverend S. W. Chaplin, presented, 27.
349. ——— HAMILTON, S., and others, of Bytown, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 58.

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370. ——— HAMMILL, J., of Brantford, praying for the payment of his claim for a balance due to him for erecting a Bridge across the Grand River, presented, 60.
667. ——— HARDELY, J., Agent for Isaac Hilgrove Gosset, praying that the Gaspé Marriage Bill may not be passed, presented, 154.
76. ——— HARRIS, HENRY WILLIAM, Captain in the 24th Regiment, praying for an Act to dissolve his marriage with Eliza Walker, alias Eliza Lock Walker, and to enable him to marry again, presented, 83.
334. ——— HARRIS, H. W., of the 24th Regiment, by his Attorney, F. Griffin, Esq., of Montreal, praying that his attendance at the second reading of the Bill to dissolve his marriage may be dispensed with, presented, 56.
259. ——— HARRIS, H. W., Captain in the 24th Regiment, by his Attorney, F. Griffin, of Montreal, praying that certain rules and proceedings may be dispensed with in respect to the Bill to dissolve his marriage with his present wife, presented, 52.
478. ——— HARRIS, H. W., Captain in the 24th Regiment, by his Attorney, F. Griffin, Esq., praying for leave to adduce further testimony in support of the Bill to dissolve his marriage with his present wife, presented, 77.
35. ——— HARROWER, R., and others, of Sorel and Yamaska, praying that the destruction of Wild Ducks and Muskrats at improper seasons may be prevented, presented, 28.
53. ——— HART, B., and others, of Montreal, praying for the amendment of the Municipal Council Act, presented, 30.
404. ——— HARWOOD, R. H., and others, of Vaudreuil, praying for the construction of a Turnpike Road across Isle Perrot to Ste. Ann's, presented, 64.
456. ——— HATCHE, W., and others, of the Township of Bayham, praying that the said Township may be annexed to the District of Brock, presented, 69.
460. ——— HATELIE, W., and others, of Mosa, praying for the construction of a Harbour at Creek No. 16 on Lake Erie, presented, 71.
609. ——— HATELIE, A., and others, of the Township of Carradoc, praying for the repeal of the School Act, presented, 124.
46. ——— HAWKINS, A., of Montreal, praying for the adoption of certain measures for his benefit, presented, 29.
73. ——— HAYDEN, EDWARD L., of William Henry, praying that the Legislature will purchase the copyright to a concise Grammar of the English Language, presented, 32.

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37. ——— HEBERT, C., of Quebec, praying for an indemnity for his services as messenger and door-keeper to the Quebec District Council since 1841, presented, 28.
547. ——— HELLIWELL, T., and others, of Toronto, praying that the Bill for levying a duty on Distillers and Brewers may not be passed into a Law, presented, 100.
497. ——— HENDERSON, D., and others, of the Township of Nichol, praying that the Pilkington block may be annexed to the Township of Nichol, presented, 84.
546. ——— HENRY, J., and others, of the Township of Glanford, praying that no portion of the Clergy Reserve Lands may be vested in the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto, but that they may be sold agreeably to the Statute, presented, 100.
378. ——— HEROUX, P. J., and others, of St. Anne d'Yamachiche, praying that no alteration be made in the Law regulating Winter Vehicles, presented, 61.
596. ——— HEROUX, M., and others, of St. Philippe, praying for remuneration for their services as Militamen, presented, 121.
276. ——— HICKIE, REV. J., and others, of Wilmot, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 52.
443. ——— HILL, J., and others, of Newmarket, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 69.
612. ——— HILL, REV. G. S. S., and others, of Chingua-cousy, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 124.
665. ——— HILL, REV. G. S. J., and others, of Caledon, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 154.
450. ——— HOBSON, REV. W. R., and others, of Chathan, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 69.
7. ——— HOME DISTRICT MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, praying for the amendment of the Municipal and School Acts, and that the charge for the administration



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- ministration of justice in Upper Canada may be defrayed out of the general Revenue of the Province, presented, 25.
32. ——— HORNE, THOMAS, and others, Batteau-men, of Quebec, praying that in the Act regulating the Trinity House, no tax may be imposed upon them, presented, 28.
149. ——— HOULE, M., and others, Carters, of Montreal, praying that the Sleigh Ordinance may be revived, and extended to other parts of the Province, presented, 37.
390. ——— HOWARD, H., and others, of Amherst Island, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 62.
654. ——— HOYLE, H., and others, of the Seigniorship of Lacolle, praying that Physicians and Surgeons of the United States may be allowed to practise in this Province to a limited extent, presented, 149.
34. ——— HUOT, REV. P., and others, of St. Foy, praying for aid to improve the road from St. Foy to Carouge, presented, 28.
518. ——— HURLBUT, A., and others, of Missisquoi, praying for the amendment of the Judicature Act, presented, 95.
545. ——— HURON DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the Counties Division Bill may not be passed in its present shape, presented, 102.
29. ——— HYACINTHE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the amendment of the Municipal Council Act, presented, 27.
106. ——— JACKSON, REV. C., and others, Clergymen of the Church of England, praying that they may not be deprived of their right to vote at Elections, presented, 34.
488. ——— JACKSON, REV. C., and others, of Hatley, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of King's and McGill Colleges, presented, 79.
560. ——— JACKSON, REV. C., and others, of Hatley, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 106.
319. ——— JAMIESON, REV. A., and others, of the Township of Brock, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves belonging to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 55.
428. ——— JARVIS, F. S., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, praying that his salary may be increased,

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- presented, 67. Read and referred to a Select Committee, 67.—*Vide Committees, No. 4 and 13, and Address, No. 14.* Petition of John Bright referred to the same Committee, 67.
671. ——— JESSUP, H. D., and others, of Prescott, praying that the profits of a Ferry between the said Town and the Town of Ogdensburg may be placed at the disposal of the authorities of the said Town, presented, 157.
530. ——— JOHNSON, REV. T., and others, of Abbotsford and Rougemont, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 98.
620. ——— JOHNSON, H., and others, of Bayham, Malahide, and Middleton, praying for the repeal of the School Act, presented, 130.
576. ——— JOHNSTON, REV. J., and others, of Hull, in the Diocese of Québec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 111.
455. ——— JOHNSTONE, J., and others, of Caradoc and parts adjacent, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 69.
1. ——— JOHNSTOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the endowment of Grammar Schools, and that the charge for the administration of Justice in Upper Canada may be defrayed out of the general Revenues of the Province, presented, 24.
2. ——— JOHNSTOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the completion of the Macadamised Road from Brockville to St. Francis, presented, 24.
3. ——— JOHNSTOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the Township of Yonge may be declared a separate Township, presented, 24.
535. ——— JOHNSTOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the removal of certain doubts respecting the Assessment of Lands, presented, 99.
51. ——— JONES, SIDNEY, and others, of the Johnstown District, praying that the charge of the St. Francis and Brockville Road may be assumed by the Government, presented, 30.
674. ——— JONES, D., and others, Militiamen of Upper Canada, praying that they may be allowed to draw Land for their services during the late war, presented, 158.
684. ——— KELLER, J., of Montreal, praying that the Clerk of the Legislative Council may be authorised

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- thorized to pay, for the benefit of the Creditors of the Estate of Mary Fleming Johnson, a certain sum of money, presented, 196. Read and referred to the Select Committee on Contingent Accounts, 196. *Vide Committee No. 4.*
367. ——— KENNEDY, REV. T. S., and others, of Darlington, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 59.
350. ——— KERR, JOHN W., and others, of Bayham, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 58.
409. ——— KERR, JAMES, of Quebec, praying for compensation for the loss of his office of Judge of the Court of King's Bench, presented, 64.
89. ——— KEYS, FLINT L., of Simcoe, in the Talbot District, praying for an extension of the time allowed by Law to naturalize Aliens, presented, 33.
322. ——— KEYS, A., and others, of Oxford, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 55.
484. ——— KILBORN, J., and others, Proprietors of Lands on the Rideau Canal, praying that the limits at the waters edge at which the Ordnance Department may occupy Lands may be defined, presented, 79.
504. ——— KING, REV. W., and others, of Burg, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 88.
652. ——— KINGSTON, THE ARCHDEACON OF, and others, of Lot number Twenty-four, in the Township of Kingston, praying that the said Lot may not be incorporated with the said Town, presented, 147.
391. ——— KIRBY, THE HONORABLE J., and others, of Kingston, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 62.
683. ——— KNIGHT, REV. R., and others, of the Townships of Frampton and Standon, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 188.
288. ——— LABRIE, F. X., and others, of Quebec, praying

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- that the Custom House may be converted into a Marine Hospital, and that a new Custom House may be erected, presented, 53.
16. ——— LACHANIE, G. L., and others, of the Parishes of St. Pierre, Ste. Famille, St. François and St. Laurent, in the Island of Orleans, praying for the removal of the Registry Office from Chateau Richer to Ste. Famille, presented, 26.
111. ——— LAFLÈCHE, L. R., and others, of Guillet, praying to be indemnified for losses sustained by them as Commissioners for the erection of a bridge over the River Ste. Anne, in the County of Champlain, presented, 35.
595. ——— LANG, R., and others, praying for the extension of the benefits of the Bankruptcy Law, presented, 121.
52. ——— LANDON, WELLINGTON, and others, of the Johnstown District, praying that the charge of the St. Francis and Brockville Road may be assumed by the Government, presented, 30.
552. ——— LANGEVIN, I., of Montreal, praying to be protected in his claim against the Municipal Council of the District of Quebec, presented, 102.
247. ——— LAPRAIRIE, MEMBERS OF THE MAISON DE LA PROVIDENCE OF, praying for pecuniary aid in support of the poor of that Parish, presented, 50.
241. ——— LASSISERAYE, C. H., of Three Rivers, praying for certain arrears of salary, presented, 49.
157. ——— L'ASSOMPTION, CORPORATION OF THE COLLEGE OF, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 38.
294. ——— LAVIGNE, J. B., and others, of Isle du Pads, praying that no alteration may be made in the Law regulating Winter Vehicles, presented, 53.
221. ——— LAWRENCE, H., and others, of the Townships of Brompton, Ely and Stukley, praying for aid to make a road from Brompton to the Sherbrooke Road, presented, 43.
675. ——— LAYFIELD, R., and others, residing near the Gosford Road, in the County of Megantic, praying for a grant to complete the said road, presented, 161.
676. ——— LAYFIELD, R., and others of the County of Megantic, praying for the passing of a Bill to secure the Enregistration of Voters in Lower Canada, presented, 161.
594. ——— LEACH, REV. W. T., and others of St. George Chapel, Montreal, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 120.
337. ——— LECOUR, J., and others, of Montreal, praying that the Trustees of the Montreal and Chambly

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- bly Road may not have the exclusive right to a Ferry from Montreal to Longueuil, presented, 57.
49. ——— LEE, THOMAS C., and others, of Quebec, praying for authority to erect a free Bridge over the River St. Charles, presented, 30.
269. ——— LEEMING, REV. W., and others, of Chippawa, praying for aid to re-build the Church, presented, 52.
342. ——— LEEMING, REV. W., and others, of Chippawa, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 58.
686. ——— LEFRANÇOIS, LOUIS C., Registrar of the County of Montmorenci, praying that the Island of Orleans may not be detached from the said County, and that his salary may be increased, presented, 197.
526. ——— LEGENDRE, LOUIS, and others, of Lotbinière, praying for the removal of the District Court from St. Croix to Lotbinière, presented, 98.
331. ——— LEMIEUX, E., and others, of Quebec, praying that the duty on imported Leather may be increased, presented, 56.
113. ——— LEMOINE, W. H., of Montmorency, praying for the payment of certain expenses incurred by him as a Returning Officer, presented, 35.
188. ——— LEONARD, THE REV. J. G., of Longueuil, Member of the Community called the Reverend Pères Oblats, praying for the incorporation of the said Order, presented, 40.
202. ——— LEVESQUE, J. E., and others, of St. Barthélemi, praying that no alteration may be made in the Law regulating Winter Vehicles, presented, 53.
346. ——— LINDSAY, REV. J. G. B., and others, of Williamsburg and Edwardsburg, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 58.
411. ——— LIVINGSTON, JAMES, and others, of Kingston, praying that the Bill to impose a duty on Distillers and Brewers may not be passed into a Law, presented, 69.
510. ——— LONSDALL, REV. R., and others, of Tingwick, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of King's and M'Gill Colleges, presented, 90.
543. ——— LONSDALL, REV. R., and others, of Tingwick, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 99.

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77. ——— LOWE, HAMILTON, and others, Millers and dealers in Sawed Wood, praying that the various restrictions imposed by the Lumber Act may be removed, presented, 33.
578. ——— LOWE, C. A., and others, of the Eastern and Ottawa Districts, praying for the improvement of the Road between Cornwall and L'Orignal, presented, 114.
36. ——— LYNCH, PETER, and others, of Lachine, Pointe Claire, and Ste. Anne, praying for a Turnpike Road from Lachine to Ste. Anne, presented, 28.
424. ——— LYON, JOHN, and others, of Esquesing, praying that no alteration be made in the Tenure of the Clergy Reserves, presented, 66.
445. ——— MACK, REV. F., and others, of Amherstburgh, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 69.
492. ——— MACKIE, REV. G., and others, of the High School, Quebec, praying that the said Institution may be incorporated, presented, 82.
561. ——— MACKIE, REV. G., and others, Members of the Church of England, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 106.
351. ——— MACLAREN, J., Keeper of the Common Gaol in the District of Quebec, praying for an increase of Salary, presented, 58.
191. ——— MAÇON, Z., and others, of the County of Two Mountains, praying for aid to make a Macadamized Road from the River Jesus to Lachapelle's, presented, 40.
209. ——— MARQUIS, L. D., M. D., and others, of Ste. Anne de la Pocatière, and of the Township of Ixworth, praying for a grant of money to continue a Road opened by Government in the said Township of Ixworth, presented, 42.
663. ——— MASKINONGÉ COMMON, THE PRESIDENT OF, praying that the Proprietors of the Common may be incorporated, presented, 154.
154. ——— MASSON, R., and others of Montreal, praying for the imposition of a duty on manufactured Leather when imported into this Province, presented, 38.
467. ——— MASSON, P. T., and others, of Vaudreuil, praying that the Ordinance relating to Winter Vehicles may be revived, presented, 75.
211. ——— MATHEWSON, J., of Montreal, praying that the Act for imposing duties on Agriculture may not be continued, presented, 42.
297. ——— MATHEWSON, D. M., and others, of the Townships

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- ships of Tingwick, Shipton, Melbourne, and Ely, praying that a certain line of Road between Quebec and Montreal may be completed, presented, 53.
470. ——— MATHIESON, J. A., and others, of Vaudreuil, praying that the Road from the Cedars to Lachine may be Macadamized, presented 75.
268. ——— MATTHEWSON, B., and others, occupants of Clergy Lands, praying that their lands may be valued preparatory to granting the Patents, presented, 52.
371. ——— MATTHEWSON, JOHN, and others, of Montreal, praying for an alteration in the Tariff, presented, 60.
245. ——— MAYOR AND CORPORATION OF QUEBEC, praying that the possession and control of Dorchester Bridge may be invested in them, presented, 50.
196. ——— McBEAN, JOHN, of Lancaster, praying for compensation for constructing a Lock at French's Reef, Côteau du Lac, presented, 40.
214. ——— McCONVILLE, J., Teacher in the Berthier Academy, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 42.
335. ——— McDONALD, J., and others, of Stormont, praying to be exempted from the payment of the duty imposed upon wheat and other grain manufactured in the United States, presented, 57.
40. ——— McDONELL, THE VERY REV. ANGUS, Roman Catholic Chaplain to the Penitentiary, praying that a salary may be allowed to him, presented, 28.
56. ——— McDONELL, VERY REV. ANGUS, praying for a certain sum due to him as a rent for a building occupied by Her Majesty's Forces in the year 1838, presented, 31.
643. ——— McDONELL, M., and others of the District of Bathurst, praying for the construction of a main road from Kingston to Perth, presented, 138.
274. ——— McDUGAL, D., and others, of Niagara, praying that the said Town may be incorporated, presented, 52.
232. ——— McDUGALL, D. L., Attorney to the Bankrupt Estate of A. H. Vass, and others, Merchants of Quebec, praying that certain duties paid by them on Bastard Sugar may be refunded, presented, 45.
459. ——— MCGEE, WILLIAM, and others, of Malden, praying that encouragement may be given to the growers of Tobacco, presented, 71.
117. ——— MCGILL COLLEGE, MEDICAL FACULTY OF, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 35.

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118. ——— MCGILL COLLEGE, MEDICAL FACULTY OF, praying that no Act of Incorporation may be granted to five Physicians of Montreal, calling themselves a College of Medicine, presented, 35.
427. ——— MCGILLIS, R., and others, Cullers, of Quebec, praying that the Lumber Act may not be altered, presented, 66.
486. ——— MCGREGOR, A., late Sergeant in the Seventy-first Regiment, praying for a grant of Land, presented, 79.
660. ——— MCGREGOR, D., and others, praying that certain Ministers, of the Associate Presbyterian Church in Canada may be permitted to solemnize Marriages and register Baptisms, presented, 152.
227. ——— MCINTYRE, REV. J., and others of Orillia, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 44.
634. ——— MCKACHERN, D., and others, of the County of Megantic, praying for a Road from Inverness to Grantham, presented, 138.
414. ——— MCKINNON, A., and others, of Bayham, praying for the improvement of the Big Otter Creek Harbour, presented, 65.
171. ——— MCKINNY, A., and others, of Shefford, praying for aid towards an Academy on Shefford Plain, presented, 38.
249. ——— MCKENZIE, J. D., and others, of Beverley, in the District of Gore, and of Thomas George Chapman, in the Village of Galt, praying to be compensated for their losses in consequence of their being deprived of their lands by the award of the Boundary Line Commissioners of the District of Gore, presented, 50.
386. ——— MCLEOD, A., of Stamford, praying for redress in consequence of severe losses and numerous wrongs having been inflicted upon him by the United States Government, presented, 62.
70. ——— McMICKING, GILBERT, of Chippawa, praying that his licence of occupation to certain Lands in the Township of Willoughby may be continued, presented, 32.
321. ——— McMURRAY, REV. W., and others, of Ancaster and Dundas, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 55.
432. ——— McNAIR, L. J., and others, Commissioners of the House of Correction for the District of  
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- Three Rivers, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support of that Establishment, presented, 67.
658. ——— MEREDITH, H. W., and others, Creditors of John Campbell, a Contractor on the Rice Lake and Lake Ontario Road, praying that their claims against the said John Campbell may be liquidated, presented, 149.
62. ——— MERLIN, REV. JOHN, of Hemmingford, praying for an Act to indemnify him from the consequences of having voted at the recent Election, presented, 31.
135. ——— MERRY, J., and others, of the Townships of Bolton and Hatley, praying for the erection of a new Township, presented, 36.
27. ——— MIDLAND DISTRICT MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, praying that the charge of the Kingston and Napanee Macadamized Road may be assumed by the Board of Works, presented, 27.
563. ——— MIDLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the prayer of the Petition of the Corporation of the Town of Kingston on the subject of Taxation may not be granted, presented, 108.
142. ——— MIGNAULT, REV. P. M., of Chambly, praying for aid to his Institution, presented, 36.
260. ——— MIGNAULT, REV. P. M., and others, of the West side of Chambly Basin, praying for aid to construct a Bridge, presented, 52.
662. ——— MILNE, G., and others, of New Carlisle, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 154.
651. ——— MILLER, J., and others, of Edwardsburgh, praying that the original Survey of the said Township may not be altered, presented, 147.
121. ——— MILLS, T., and others, of Chambly, praying to be incorporated as the Chambly Cotton Manufactory, presented, 35.
394. ——— MISSISQUOI DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the said District may be re-established as it existed under the Judicature Ordinance, presented, 62.
395. ——— MISSISQUOI DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the construction of a Plank Road from Stanbridge Upper Mills to Jones' Bridge on the Richelieu, presented, 62.
318. ——— MABERLY, J., and others, of Tiny, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England, may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 55.
246. ——— MOFFATT, HONORABLE GEORGE, and others, of Montreal, praying that the Montreal High School may be incorporated, presented, 50.

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197. ——— MOLSON, WILLIAM, and others, Proprietors of Real Estate in the Village of Hochelaga, praying that the Northern Boundary of the City of Montreal may be extended, presented, 40.
220. ——— MONSARRAT, C., and others, of the Town of London, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 43.
47. ——— MONTREAL, the Presbytery of, praying for an Act of indemnity on behalf of certain Clergymen who have voted at the late Elections, presented, 29. Read, 30.
54. ——— MONTREAL BOARD OF TRADE, praying for the extension of the Jurisdiction of the Montreal Trinity House, presented, 32.
59. ——— MONTREAL LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 31.
64. ——— MONTREAL ROMAN CATHOLIC ORPHAN ASYLUM, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 32.
79. ——— MONTREAL COUNTY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, praying for various amendments to the Acts under which they are established, presented, 33.
107. ——— MONTREAL PROTESTANT ORPHAN ASYLUM, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 34.
108. ——— MONTREAL CONGREGATION OF THE SISTERS DE NOTRE DAME, praying for aid towards the Schools established by them, presented, 34.
155. ——— MONTREAL LYING IN HOSPITAL, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 38.
156. ——— MONTREAL, THE SISTERS OF CHARITY, administering the General Hospital of, praying for pecuniary aid, presented 38.
205. ——— MONTREAL, THE BISHOP OF, and others, praying to be incorporated as the Quebec Charitable Fire-Wood Society, presented, 42.
233. ——— MONTREAL CORPORATION, praying for certain amendments to the Ordinance incorporating the said City, presented, 45.
255. ——— MONTREAL GENERAL HOSPITAL, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 51.
256. ——— MONTREAL, HOTEL DIEU OF, praying that they may be authorized to invest in real Estate all the moneys arising from the Commutation of certain Lands held from them in the Fief Nazareth, presented, 51.
287. ——— MONTREAL, NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY OF, praying for pecuniary aid, presented 53.
359. ——— MONTREAL BIBLE SOCIETY, praying that the rate of postage may be reduced, presented, 58.
373. ——— MONTREAL BOARD OF TRADE, praying for the further improvement of the Navigation of the River Ottawa, presented, 60.

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382. ——— MONTREAL, THE CORPORATION OF, praying for various amendments to their Act of Incorporation, presented, 61.
397. ——— MONTREAL TEMPERANCE SOCIETY, praying for a reduced rate of Postage, presented, 62.
422. ——— MONTREAL, THE LORD BISHOP OF, as President of the Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 66. The same by leave of the House withdrawn, 67.
458. ——— MONTREAL, THE RIGHT REV. THE LORD BISHOP OF, President of the Church Society in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 71.
513. ——— MONTREAL, THE CORPORATION OF, praying for certain alterations in their Act of Incorporation in regard to the Offices of Surveyor and Inspector of Weights and Measures, presented, 94.
514. ——— MONTREAL, THE RIGHT REV. THE LORD BISHOP OF, praying for authority to alienate and dispose of a certain portion of the Real Estate of M'Gill College, presented, 94.
589. ——— MONTREAL BANK, CITY BANK, AND PEOPLE'S BANK, praying for a repeal of the Law imposing a duty on Bank Notes, presented, 119.
485. ——— MOORE, W. H., and others, of the District of Colborne, praying that the Clergy Reserves may be sold in conformity with the provisions of the Imperial Statute, presented, 79.
355. ——— MORIN, REV. A., and others, of Lachenaie, Mascouche, and St. Lin, praying that the said Parishes may be annexed to the County of Leinster, presented, 58.
13. ——— MORING, P. H., and others, of Sandwich, praying for remuneration on account of losses sustained during the late Rebellion, presented, 26.
631. ——— MORRIN, W., and others, of the County of Two Mountains, praying that the route recommended for a Macadamized Road from L'Abord à Plouf may not be carried out, but that a shorter line of Road may be adopted, presented, 137.
499. ——— MORRIS, REV. W., and others, of the Village of Huntingdon, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 84.
463. ——— MORRISON, W., and others, of the Township

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- of Brandon, praying that they may obtain Titles to their Lands in Free and Common Soccage, presented, 74.
447. ——— MORSE, W., and others, of the Village of Paris, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 69.
345. ——— MORTIMER, H., and others, of Thornhill, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England, may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 58.
440. ——— MORTON, J., and others, of Kingston, praying to be heard by Counsel against the Bill to impose a duty on Distillers and Brewers, presented, 69.
385. ——— MUNGER, J. SENR., and others, of the Township of Colchester, praying that the growth of Tobacco may be encouraged, presented, 62.
544. ——— MUSSEN, J. S., and others, of Augusta, praying for the repeal of the School Act, presented, 102.
452. ——— NELLES, REV. A., and others, Missionary to the Mohawk Indians, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 69.
502. ——— NESBITT, H., and others, of Sherrington, praying that the said Township may be declared a new Electoral Division, presented, 85.
656. ——— NEVE, F. S., and others, of Clarendon, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 149.
8. ——— NEWCASTLE DISTRICT MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, praying for the amendment of the Municipal Act, presented, 25.
185. ——— NEYRON, THE REV. R., Curé of St. Benoit, praying to be indemnified for the loss of the Church and Presbytery of that Parish during the insurrection of 1837, presented, 39.
80. ——— NIAGARA DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for an Act to regulate the manner in which Fish are taken in the Twenty Mile Creek, presented, 33.
81. ——— NIAGARA DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the Government will assume the expense of the Queenston and Grimsby Road, presented, 33.
82. ——— NIAGARA DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the charges for the administration of Justice may be defrayed out of the Public Revenues, and that



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- that the proceeds of Tavern and other Licenses may be placed at the disposal of the Municipal Councils, presented, 33.
83. — NIAGARA DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for an Act to compel parties keeping Public Houses to have suitable accommodations for those frequenting the same, presented, 33.
84. — NIAGARA DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the imposition of a Tax upon Dogs, presented, 33.
85. — NIAGARA DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for authority to compel the owners of Wild Land to make the necessary returns, presented, 33.
619. — NIAGARA DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the amendment of the School Act, presented, 130.
213. — NOEL, R. S., and others, of the County of Lotbinière, praying for aid to repair certain Bridges, in the Parish of St. Croix, presented, 42.
112. — NORMAND, EDWARD, of Cap de la Madeleine, praying for the exclusive use of a Ferry from Three Rivers to the opposite side of the River St. Lawrence, presented, 35.
303. — NUTBROWN, T., and others, of Leeds, praying that a Road may be opened to Craig's Road, presented, 54.
224. — O'BEIRNE, M. J., and others, Roman Catholic Inhabitants of Toronto, praying for the amendment of the School Act, presented, 44.
176. — ODELL, LOOP, and others, of Huntingdon, praying to be indemnified for their losses during the rebellion, presented, 39.
199. — ODELL, L., and ANTOINE MERIZZI, of Napierville, praying for the payment of a certain sum advanced by them as Commissioners for erecting a Court House and Gaol in the said Village, presented, 41.
341. — O'MEARA, REV. F. A., and others, at the Mahnetoahning Islands, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 58.
623. — O'REILLY, M., and others, of Hamilton, praying for the repeal of the School Act, presented, 131.
181. — ORFROY, REV. M., and others, of the Parishes of St. Charles, Beaumont, &c., praying for the removal of the Registry Office from St. Jervais to St. Michael, presented, 39.
271. — ORT, H., of the Township of Niagara, praying to be naturalized, presented, 52.
442. — OSLER, J., and others, of Tecumseth and West Gwillimbury, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vest-

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- ed in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 69.
567. — OSTELL, J., and others, of Montreal, praying that the Mechanics' Institute of the said Town may be incorporated, presented, 110.
534. — OUDLETTE, J. F., of Montreal, praying for a patent right to a certain invention, presented, 99.
301. — OWENS, R., and others, of March and Huntley, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England, may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 53.
431. — PACARD, E., and others, of Three Rivers, praying that the said Town may be incorporated, presented, 67.
225. — PADFIELD, REV. J., and others, of Smith's Falls, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England, may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 55.
516. — PAINCHAUD, J., and others, Physicians and Surgeons of Quebec, praying for the incorporation of a School of Medicine in that City, presented, 94.
517. — PANGMAN, J., and others, of Mascouche, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 94.
119. — PAPINEAU, A. A., and others, of St. Hyacinthe, praying for aid to a College established in the said Parish, presented, 35.
201. — PAPINEAU, P., and others, Ferryman from the City of Montreal to the opposite Shores during the period of the late war with the United States, praying for compensation, presented, 42.
50. — PAQUIN, REV. J., and others, of St. Eustache, praying to be indemnified for the destruction of the Church and Presbytere and Convent in that Village by Her Majesty's Troops, presented, 30.
338. — PAQUIN, E., and others, of St. Ursule, praying against any alteration being made in the Law relating to Winter Vehicles, presented, 57.
608. — PARMELIE, R., and others, of Shefford, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of McGill and King's Colleges, presented, 123.
630. — PATERSON, J., and others, of the Townships of Toronto, Chinguacouc and Caledon, praying for the construction of a Plank Road, between the Village of Port Credit and Nottawasga Bay, presented, 137.

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266. ——— PATTERSON, J., and others, of Dundas, praying that the said Village may be incorporated, presented, 52.
239. ——— PATTON, REV. H., and others, of Kemptville, and its vicinity, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England, may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 48.
258. ——— PENNER, C., and others, Members of the District of Montreal Agricultural Society, praying for the revival of the Ordinance of the Special Council regulating Winter Roads, presented, 52.
348. ——— PENTLAND, REV. JOHN, and others, of Whitby, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 58.
152. ——— PEPIN, REV. T., and others, of Boucherville, praying for an amendment of the Laws relative to Winter Roads, presented, 38.
446. ——— PETRIE, REV. G., and others, of Burford, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 69.
39. ——— PHELAN, THE RIGHT REV. PATRICK, AND THE VERY REVEREND AUGUS M'DONELL, praying that the Corporation of Regiopolis College may be authorized to acquire and hold lands, presented, 28.
67. ——— PHELAN, THE RIGHT REV. PATRICK, AND THE VERY REVEREND AUGUS M'DONELL, praying for aid to complete Regiopolis College, presented, 32.
425. ——— PHILIP, A., and others, of Richmond, praying that a survey and estimate may be made of a Plank Road from Kingston to Bytown, presented, 66.
11. ——— PHILLIPS, REV. T., D. D., late Chaplain to the Legislative Council, praying for a Pension, presented, 26.
496. ——— PIERSON, J., and others, of the Merchants' Seaman's Society, in Kingston, praying for the incorporation of the said Society, presented, 83.
295. ——— PIETTE, M., and others, of Ste. Elizabeth, praying that no alteration may be made in the Law regulating Winter Vehicles, presented, 53.
145. ——— PIGOTT, JANE, of Quebec, praying for the sum of fifty pounds intended by the House of Assembly of Lower Canada for her late husband, presented, 37.

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615. ——— PLEAS, REV. R. G., and others, of Russelltown Flats, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 125.
251. ——— POZER, G., of Quebec, praying that the powers of the Corporation may be more clearly defined, presented, 51.
299. ——— POMROY, B., and others, of the Townships of Compton and Hereford, in the District of St. Francis, praying for a grant of money to complete a certain Road, presented, 53.
509. ——— PORLIER, REV. F. P., and others, of Terrebonne, praying for aid to complete the School House, presented, 90.
115. ——— POSTON, C., and others, of Quebec, praying that the Quarantine Station at Grosse Isle may be discontinued, presented, 35.
189. ——— POWER, RIGHT REV. M., ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF TORONTO AND THE RIGHT REVEREND P. PHELAN, praying that the said Bishops may have the power to acquire and hold Real Estate for Religious purposes, presented, 40.
332. ——— PREVOST, L., and others, Members of the Quebec Discussion Society, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 56.
366. ——— PRIDHAM, E., and others, of Grenville, praying for a grant of money to erect certain Bridges, presented, 59.
48. ——— PRIMEAU, REV. C. J., and others, of Valrennes, praying for amendments to the Road Acts, and for protection to Agriculture, presented, 30.
493. ——— PROULX, REV. M., and others, of the County of Lotbinière, praying for the removal of the Registry Office from the Parish of Lotbinière to that of St. Antoine de Tilly, presented, 62.
585. ——— PULSFORD, R., and others, Shareholders of the Upper Canada Trust and Loan Company, praying for the amendment of their Act of Incorporation, presented, 119.
521. ——— PYKE, G., and others, Members of the Church Society in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 96.
18. ——— QUEBEC CHARLES STREET INFANT SCHOOL, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 26.
22. ——— QUEBEC INFANT SCHOOL, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 27.
31. ——— QUEBEC MERCANTILE ASSOCIATION, praying for an Act of Incorporation, presented, 28.

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33. ——— QUEBEC CHARITABLE ASSOCIATION, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 28.
55. ——— QUEBEC, THE CORPORATION OF, praying for authority to purchase a certain piece of ground, presented, 31.
58. ——— QUEBEC FEMALE ORPHAN ASYLUM, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 31.
60. ——— QUEBEC NATIONAL SCHOOL, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 31.
76. ——— QUEBEC HIGH SCHOOL, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 32.
210. ——— QUEBEC MALE ORPHAN ASYLUM, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 42.
206. ——— QUEBEC BOARD OF TRADE, praying that the existing Tariff may be altered, presented, 42.
234. ——— QUEBEC BOARD OF TRADE, praying for the amendment of the Lumber Act, presented, 45.
253. ——— QUEBEC TURNPIKE ROAD TRUSTEES, praying for authority to raise a further Loan, presented, 51.
438. ——— QUEBEC BRITISH AND CANADIAN SCHOOL SOCIETY, praying for an Act of Incorporation, presented, 69.
482. ——— QUEBEC, THE CORPORATION OF, praying for a grant of money for the Marine Hospital, presented, 79.
588. ——— QUEBEC BANK, praying for a repeal of the Law imposing a duty on Bank Notes, presented, 119.
666. ——— QUEBEC, THE CORPORATION OF, praying for authority to impose a Tax in support of a River Police, presented, 154.
685. ——— QUEBEC BOARD OF TRADE, praying that the Lumber Bill may not be passed into a Law without certain alterations, presented, 197.
376. ——— QUEEN'S COLLEGE, KINGSTON, THE TRUSTEES OF, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to hold certain Lands, presented, 61.
380. ——— QUEEN'S COLLEGE, KINGSTON, THE TRUSTEES OF, praying that the Charter of the University of King's College may be amended, presented, 61.
383. ——— RAPELJE, R. V. A., and others, of the District of Talbot, praying for aid to construct a Plank Road, from the Town of Simcoe to intersect the Road from Hamilton to Port Dover, presented, 61.
453. ——— REA, A., of Compton, praying to be compensated for certain injuries sustained by him in the year 1835, presented, 69.
95. ——— REID, JOHN, AND ROBERT SHEPHERD Contractors, on the St. Lawrence Canal, praying for the settlement of their claim for work done on the Canal, presented, 34.

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527. ——— REID, REVEREND J., and others, of St. Armand, East, praying that no alteration be made in the Charters of King's and McGill Colleges, presented, 98.
528. ——— REID, REVEREND JAMES, and others, of St. Armand, East, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 98.
498. ——— REYNOLDS, W., and others, of the Township of Woolwich, praying that the Pilkington Block may be annexed to the Township of Nichol, presented, 84.
140. ——— RICE, ISRAEL, of the Township of Ham, praying for relief, presented, 36.
86. ——— RICHARDSON, CHARLES, and others, of Niagara, praying to be incorporated as the Niagara and Ten Mile Creek Plank Road Company, presented, 33.
99. ——— RICHARDSON, C. L., and others, of the District of Montreal, praying for aid to repair the Road from Lake Memphremagog to Mount Johnson, presented, 34.
647. ——— RICHARDSON, H. and others, Shipowners and Mariners, praying that the Harbour of Port Hope may become public instead of private property, presented, 141.
15. ——— RIMOUSKI DISTRICT, MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF, praying for aid towards the construction of certain Bridges and Wharves, and the completion of the Road between Metis and Matane, presented, 26.
137. ——— RITCHIE, W., Registrar of the County of Sherbrooke, praying for a reasonable compensation to enable him to make certain Indexes to the Registry Book, presented, 36.
138. ——— RITCHIE, W., and others, Trustees of the Sherbrooke Academy, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 36.
664. ——— RITCHIE, J. M. and others, Shareholders of the Great Western Railway, praying for the revival of their Charter, presented, 154.
402. ——— ROBISON, T. W., and others of Kingston, praying for the construction of a Road from Kingston to the Ottawa River, presented, 63.
669. ——— ROBINSON, HONORABLE CHIEF JUSTICE, and others, Visitors of the University of King's College, praying that the proposed Bills altering the Charter of the said University may not be passed into Laws, presented, 156.
238. ——— ROLLAND, HONORABLE J. R., and others, of Montreal, praying for a grant of public money to erect a Lunatic Asylum, presented, 48.
529. ——— ROSS, REV. E. G. W., and others, of Rivière du Loup, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that

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- that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 98.
542. — Ross, Rev. J. M., and others, of Drummondville, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 99.
575. — Ross, R., and others, of Frampton, Stuneton, and Cranbourne, praying that no Act imposing Local Taxes in Lower Canada may be passed into a Law, presented, 111.
208. — ROUTIER, T., and others, of St. Ambroise and St. Foy, praying for amendments to the Quebec Turnpike Road Ordinance, presented, 42.
38. — ROY, HONORABLE GABRIEL, and others, of St. Laurent, praying for the improvement of the Highway between the St. Laurent and Sault-au-Recollet Turnpike Road, presented, 28.
412. — ROY, J., praying for remuneration for services performed by her late husband, presented, 65.
678. — RYLAND, G. H., of Quebec, praying for relief in consequence of the Government not having performed certain engagements entered into with him, presented, 167.
611. — SANSON, REV. A., and others, of the Township of York, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 124.
629. — SANSON, J., and others, of the Townships of Orillia, Oro, Medonte, Tay, Tiny, Ramah, Mara, and Thorah, praying for the construction of a Plank Road from Windsor Bay to Sturgeon Bay, presented, 136.
304. — SELBY, J., and others, of Missisquoi, praying that the Stage Road between St. Johns and Stanstead may be planked, presented, 54.
273. — SCHRYER, O., of the Township of Bertie, praying to be indemnified for losses sustained by him as Deputy Collector of Customs, at the Port of Fort Erie, presented, 52.
506. — SCOTT, N. S., and others, praying for aid to the College of Medicine in Montreal, presented, 88.
621. — SCOTT, REV. J., and others, of Brome, Sutton, and Stukely, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 130.
682. — SCRIVER, J., and others, of Hemmingford, praying that no measures may be adopted res-

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- pecting the Clergy Reserves which will prevent the settlers thereon from acquiring a Title, presented, 185.
96. — SHEFFORD ACADEMY, DIRECTORS OF, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 34.
174. — SHERBROOKE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the amendment of the Road and School Acts, presented, 39.
175. — SHERBROOKE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the construction of a Railway from the River St. Lawrence to the Province Line, presented, 39.
133. — SHERRILL, REV. E. J., and others, of Eaton, praying that no public aid may be given to M'Gill College, presented, 36.
326. — SHIRLEY, REV. P., and others, of Camden, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 55.
389. — SHORTT, REV. J., and others, of Port Hope, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 62.
479. — SILVERTHORN, A., AND JAMES EAKINS, praying that a certain amount expended by them as Commissioners for erecting a Bridge over Etobicoke Creek may be refunded to them, presented, 77.
160. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for an alteration in the mode of taxing rateable Property, presented, 38.
161. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the authority of the Sheriff may be more clearly defined, presented, 38.
162. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the removal of the Registry Office, presented, 38.
231. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the powers of the Municipal Council may be increased, presented, 45.
361. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the Common Schools may be placed under the direction of the Municipal Councils, presented, 58.
362. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that relief may be given to an Idiot, presented, 59.
540. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that no portion of the Township of West Guillimbury may be annexed to the Home District, presented, 99.
636. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the removal of all doubt as to the power of Sheriffs to offer Lands for sale under certain circumstances, presented, 138.

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637. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the Western Branch of the Holland River may be improved, and that no Public aid may be given to improve the Eastern Branch of the said River, presented, 138.
638. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for authority to tax the Land of Absentees, presented, 138.
639. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the Registry Office may be removed to the Town of Barrie, presented, 138.
640. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for a reduction on the rates of Postage, presented, 138.
641. — SIMCOE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the Members of the said Council may receive compensation during the time they give their attendance, presented, 138.
644. — SIMPSON, W., and others of Penetanguishene, praying for the repeal of the School Act, presented, 141.
536. — SLACK, REV. G., and others, of Granby and Milton, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England, may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 99.
539. — SLACK, REV. G., and others, of Granby and Milton, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of King's and M'Gill Colleges, presented, 99.
9. — SMITH, HENRY, Warden of the Provincial Penitentiary, praying for an increase of salary, presented, 26.
178. — SMITH, A., and others, of Kingston, praying that a duty of 25 per cent. may be imposed on Boots and Shoes imported into this Province from the United States, presented, 39.
344. — SMITH, H., and others, of Nelson and Trafalgar, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 58.
312. — SMOLENSKI, J., of Quebec, praying that the Russian Stoves invented by him may be used in the Public Offices of the Province, presented, 55.
375. — SOMERVILLE, J., and others, of Godmanchester, praying for aid to construct a Plank Road from the Village of Huntingdon to the Beauharnois Canal, presented, 61.
473. — SOUTHWORTH, J., and others, of the County of Dundas, praying for the construction of a Road from the County of Dundas to Bytown, presented, 76.
557. — SPARKS, N., and others, of Bytown, praying

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- that a certain piece of Land, the right to which has been assumed by the Ordnance Department may be surrendered to the legal proprietors, presented, 102.
657. — SQUIER, A. C., and others, of Missisquoi, praying that in the event of the Church of England receiving her proportion of the Clergy Reserves, the interests of the occupiers may be duly regarded, presented, 149.
103. — STANSTEAD SEMINARY, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 34.
139. — STEELE, S., and others, of the Township of Stanstead, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 36.
668. — STEELE, J., of the Newcastle District, praying for the amendment of the School Act, presented, 154.
679. — STEVENS, L., and others, of Dunham, praying that no portion of the Clergy Reserves may be vested for the exclusive benefit of the Church of England, presented, 168.
223. — STILES, A., and others, of Granby, praying that no Public aid be given to M'Gill College, presented, 44.
401. — STRONG, REV. E. S., and others, of Bytown, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 63.
123. — STUART, THE REV. G. O'KILL, Archdeacon of Kingston, and others, praying that Lot No. 24 may not be incorporated with the said Town, presented, 35.
168. — ST. HYACINTHE DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for aid to a College established there, presented, 38.
216. — ST. HYACINTHE, COLLEGE OF, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 43.
545. — ST. LOUIS, A., and others, of the County of Richelieu, praying that they may be relieved from the payment of certain charges imposed upon Vessels by the Montreal Trinity House, presented, 100.
159. — SUELL, MARY ANN, of Montreal, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 38.
564. — SUTTON, REV. G., and others, of Christieville, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 108.
586. — TAIT, J., Representative of N. Tait, praying for the payment of a certain sum due to N. Tait, as a Contractor on the St. Lawrence Canal, presented, 119.
87. — TALBOT DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the limits

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- limits of the Townships of Walpole, Woodhouse, and Townsend, may be established, presented, 33.
298. ——— TAYLOR, S. M., and others, of the Townships of Melbourne and Shipton, praying for the erection of a Bridge between the Villages of Melbourne and Richmond, presented, 53.
489. ——— TAYLOR, REV. J., and others, of Eaton, praying that no alteration may be made in the Charters of King's and M'Gill Colleges, presented, 79.
505. ——— TAYLOR, REV. J., and others, of Eaton, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 88.
19. ——— TEED, JOHN, of Quebec, praying to be indemnified for certain losses sustained by him in consequence of his arrest in 1837, presented, 26.
347. ——— TENNANT, G., and others, of Carlton Place, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 58.
360. ——— TETT, B., and others, of the Bathurst and other Districts, praying for the imposition of a duty on Sawed Lumber when imported into this Province, presented, 58.
129. ——— TETU, M., of the Parish of St. Thomas, praying for the payment of his salary as District Treasurer, presented, 35.
617. ——— THERIEN, B., and others, of Drummond and Yamaska, praying that a Road may be opened from Stanfold to Grantham, presented, 130.
368. ——— THOMPSON, J., and others, of Cavan, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 59.
65. ——— THREE RIVERS, THE NUNS OF THE URSULINE CONVENT OF, praying for an Act to confirm them in the legal possession of their Land, presented, 32.
320. ——— TOMLINSON, J., and others, of Richmond, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 55.
116. ——— TOUSIGNANT, J. B., and others, of St. Louis de Lotbinière, praying for the erection of a Bridge over the River du Chêne, presented, 35.
179. ——— TORONTO BOARD OF TRADE, praying for an Act of Incorporation, presented, 39.

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180. ——— TORONTO AND LAKE HURON RAIL-ROAD COMPANY, praying for various amendments to their Charter, presented, 39.
217. ——— TORONTO, THE HONORABLE AND RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF, representing the Church Society, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 43.
302. ——— TORONTO, THE HONORABLE AND RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF, and others, praying for the repeal of the School Act, presented, 53.
462. ——— TORONTO, THE HONORABLE AND RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF, and others, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 74.
645. ——— TORONTO, THE HONORABLE AND RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF, praying that no measure affecting the interest of the University of King's College may be entertained during the present Session, presented, 141.
673. ——— TORONTO, THE HONORABLE AND RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF, on behalf of the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the Bills for altering the Charter of King's College may not be passed into Laws, presented, 158.
229. ——— TOURANGEAU, J. G., and others, of Quebec, praying that the number of Representatives in the Corporation of the said City may be increased, presented, 44.
495. ——— TOWNLEY, REV. A., and others, of Dunnville, in the Diocese of Toronto, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 82.
677. ——— TOWNLEY, REV. A., and others, of the Township of Dunn, praying for the repeal of the School Act, presented, 161.
74. ——— TOWNSEND, REV. M., and others, of the County of Rouville, praying for pecuniary aid towards the erection of an Academy at Clarenceville, presented, 32.
622. ——— TOWNSEND, REV. M., and others, of the Parishes of St. George and St. Thomas, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 130.
626. ——— TREMBLAY, L., and others, Pilots of Quebec, praying that no alteration may be made in the Laws by which they are at present governed, presented, 134.
525. ——— TRUDEL, O., and others of Batiscan, praying for



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- for the repeal of the Ordinance relating to Winter Vehicles, presented, 97.
533. ——— TRUDEL, O., and others, Censitaires and Freeholders, in the Seignior of Batiscan, praying that certain arrears due by them may be remitted, presented, 99.
78. ——— TRY, JOHN, and others, of the Canada Baptist Missionary Society, praying for an Act to incorporate the said Society, presented, 33.
94. ——— TURGEON, C., of Quebec, praying to be remunerated for the rent of a House and the use of the Furniture therein by the Quebec District Council, presented, 34.
531. ——— UPSTONE, J., and others, of Shefford, in the Diocese of Quebec, praying that the portion of the Clergy Reserves assigned to the Church of England may be vested in the Church Society of the said Diocese, presented, 98.
398. ——— VALLERAND, O., Sergeant at Arms, praying for an increase to his salary, presented, 62. Read and referred to the Select Committee on Contingent Accounts, 62.—*Vide Committee, No. 4.*
627. ——— VALLERAND, F., of Montreal, praying for arrears of salary as Clerk to the Richelieu District Council, presented, 134.
356. ——— VALOIS, S., and others, of Hochelaga, praying that the northern limits of the City of Montreal may not be extended, presented, 56.
600. ——— VANFELSON, G., and others, Members of the Quebec Bar Association, praying for the appointment of Reporters to the Courts of Justice in Lower Canada, presented, 122.
146. ——— VEZINA, L., of Three Rivers, praying that the Lunatic Asylum for Lower Canada may be erected at the said Town, presented, 37.
399. ——— VEZINA, P., on behalf of the inhabitants of Three Rivers, praying that the said Town may be incorporated, presented, 62.
72. ——— VICTORIA DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that certain Bridges may be re-built, presented, 32.
572. ——— VICTORIA DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for the amendment of the School Act, presented, 111.
537. ——— VICTORIA DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for aid to construct a Road from Belleville to the Madoc Iron Works, presented, 111.
574. ——— VICTORIA DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the expense of the administration of Justice in Upper Canada, may be defrayed out of the Provincial Revenue, presented, 111.
240. ——— VON ROHR, HENRY, praying to be naturalized, presented, 48.
649. ——— WALLER, S., and others, of Deroham and Brock, praying for the repeal of the Common School Act, presented, 143.

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519. ——— WARR, REV. G. W., and others, of Trafalgar, praying for the repeal of the School Act, presented, 96.
215. ——— WASHBURN, THE HONORABLE S., of Picton, praying to be indemnified for the loss of a raft of Oak Timber during the late War between Great Britain and the United States, presented, 42.
465. ——— WATERS, W., and others, of the County of Vaudreuil, praying that the Plank Road from the Cédars to Montreal may be continued, presented, 74.
20. ——— WATERSON, JOHN F., and others, Deal Cutlers, of Quebec, praying for the amendment of the Lumber Act, presented, 26.
548. ——— WEIR, J. G., and others, of Chatham, praying that a certain piece of Land now vested in the Trustees for School purposes may be placed under the control of the Municipal Council, presented, 100.
333. ——— WELDON, G., and others, Censitaires of Lacolle, praying that the Tenure under which they hold their Lands may be altered, presented, 56.
263. ——— WESTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying for an increased duty on Tobacco, presented, 52.
264. ——— WESTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL, praying that the proposed Municipal Council Act may be passed into a Law with certain alterations, presented, 52.
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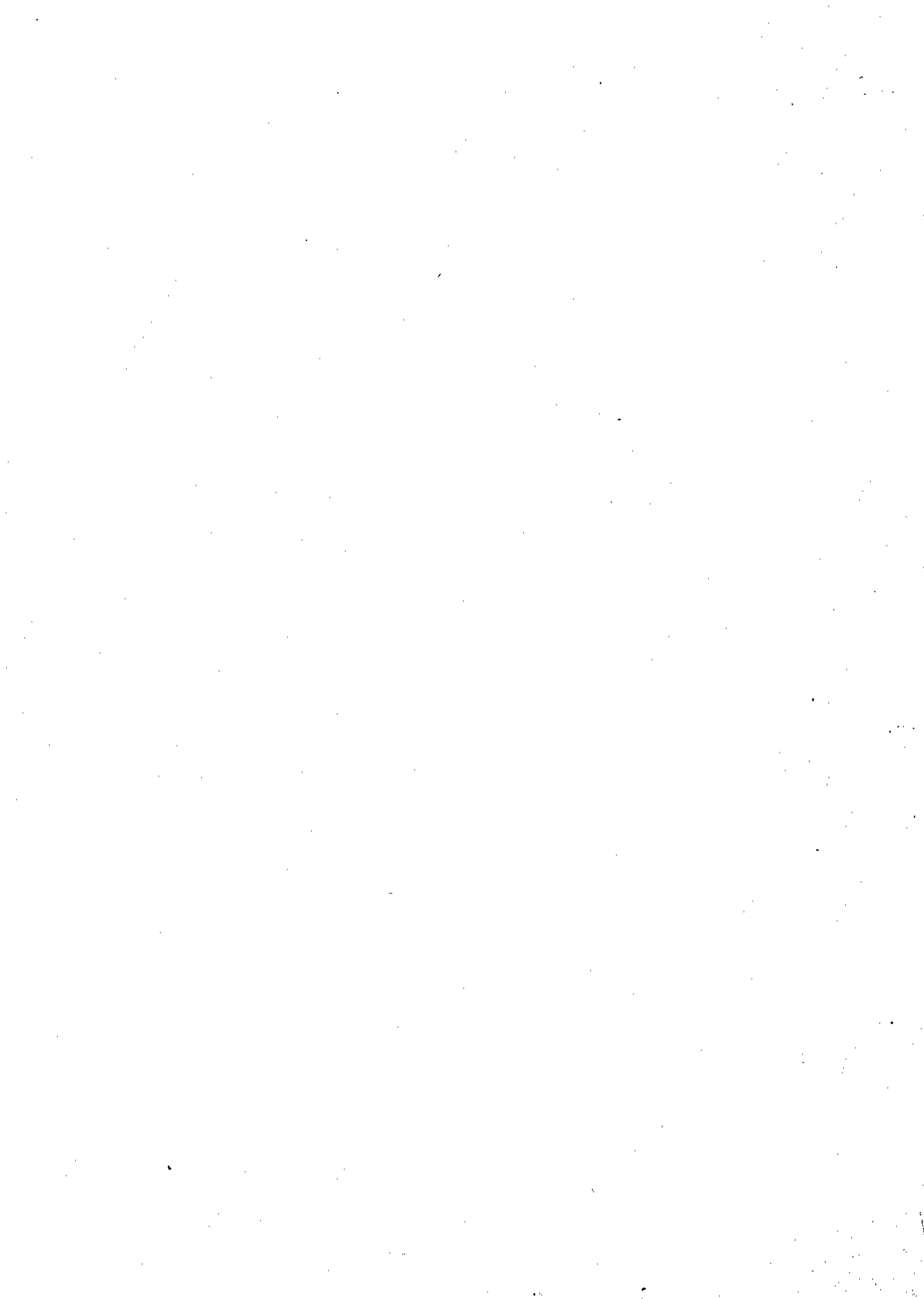
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CONTINGENT EXPENSES of the Legislative Council of Canada, approved of, and ordered to be paid by the Clerk Assistant, in the Session of 1843.

1843.	Vour.	£	s.	d.	
Nov.... 28	Robert Armour, Junior, Law Clerk, vote of the Legislative Council, ... ..	1	144	8	10
	Robert Lemoine, French Translator, vote of ditto ditto, ... ..	2	36	2	2
	O. Vallerand, Writing Clerk, 25 days employment, at 15s.,... ..	3	18	15	0
	Robert Lemoine, Clerk, 2 months salary, ... ..	4	37	10	0
	J. E. Doucet, Writing Clerk, 62 days, at 15s., ... ..	5	46	10	0
" 29	James Fitzgibbon, Esquire, vote of Legislative Council, superintending the Printing of the Journal and Laws,	6	150	0	0
Dec.... 1	J. F. Taylor, Clerk, vote of Legislative Council, ... ..	7	100	0	0
" 2	J. F. Taylor, Junior, Clerk, salary, ... ..	8	73	12	2
" 4	M. Keating, as recommended by the Select Committee, ... ..	9	25	0	0
" 4	Ontario Stevens, the Port Hope Gazette, ... ..	10	1	0	0
" 5	W. A. Adamson, Sundry Newspapers, ... ..	11	24	11	1
" 5	Thomas Cary & Co., for Printing, ... ..	12	415	2	10
" 5	Desbarats & Cary, Printing, &c., ... ..	13	69	16	1½
" 5	Desbarats & Derbishire, Printing, &c.,... ..	14	42	18	3
" 5	Desbarats & Derbishire, Printing and Stationary, ... ..	15	209	18	11½
" 6	Ramsay, Armour & Co., Stationary and Books. ... ..	16	28	6	6
" 6	The Morning Courier, Newspaper, ... ..	17	4	11	6
" 6	A. Hunter, Cabinet Maker, Carpeting, &c., ... ..	18	35	1	0
" 6	J. Desturnell, Maps and Gazetteers of the United States, ... ..	19	4	15	0
" 6	Geo. H. Hackstaff, the "London Enquirer," ... ..	20	1	2	6
" 7	Edward J. Barker, Printing, ... ..	21	3	5	0
" 7	Martin and Widdowson, Labels for Library, ... ..	22	4	13	6
" 7	Alfred Patrick, distributing the Statutes, ... ..	23	4	0	0
" 7	R. Hall, Bell-hanging, ... ..	24	3	5	0
" 7	James Mink, Carriage hire, ... ..	25	10	13	9
" 7	The Post Office, Kingston, Postage, ... ..	26	363	12	0
" 7	Samuel Rowlands, Printing, ... ..	27	6	1	6
" 7	Robert Stanton, Printing, ... ..	28	516	0	11
" 7	"Statesman," null, see 1844, ... ..	29	0	0	0
" 7	E. J. Barker, "The British Whig," Newspaper, ... ..	30	2	10	0
" 8	W. A. Maingy, copying Laws for England, ... ..	31	13	19	9
" 8	M. Keating, Washing Towels, &c., ... ..	32	2	7	3
" 8	M. Keating, two Gilt Branches, ... ..	33	4	10	0
" 8	Pierre Forton, Firewood, ... ..	34	9	7	6
" 8	J. H. Scott, Audubon's Quadrupeds, ... ..	35	7	10	0
" 9	G. A. Barber, "The Toronto Herald," ... ..	36	0	12	6
" 9	J. Richardson, "The Canadian Loyalist," ... ..	37	1	10	0
" 11	Chronicle & Gazette Office, Kingston, Binding and Stationary, ... ..	38	4	1	3
" 11	Robert Stanton, Printing, ... ..	39	89	19	0
" 11	Edward Botterel, services as extra Messenger, ... ..	40	18	7	6
" 11	W. A. Maingy, 13 days services, ... ..	41	9	15	0
" 11	John Kerr, copying Municipal Bill for Printing, ... ..	42	0	15	0
" 11	Morley & Jenkins, repairing the Usher's Rod, &c., ... ..	43	4	3	9
" 11	Morley & Jenkins, Hardware, &c., ... ..	44	39	11	9½
" 11	Thomas Overend, Carpenter Work, ... ..	45	46	6	6½
" 11	O. Vallerand, Writing Clerk, ... ..	46	9	15	0
" 11	J. F. Taylor, Junior, 2 months salary, ... ..	47	37	10	0
" 11	J. E. Doucet, Writing Clerk, ... ..	48	9	15	0
" 11	Null, ... ..	49	0	0	0
" 11	H. & W. Rowsell, Stationary, ... ..	50	156	15	6
" 11	Wm. Fitzgibbon, copying Laws, ... ..	51	15	3	0
" 11	W. Fitzgibbon, copying Laws for Printer, ... ..	52	9	15	3
" 11	H. & W. Rowsell, Parchment, ... ..	53	10	12	6
" 11	W. A. Maingy, Copying Clerk, ... ..	54	46	10	0
" 11	H. & W. Rowsell, Stationary, ... ..	55	0	13	3
" 11	John Noon, carrying wood, ... ..	56	1	17	6
" 11	J. Gingras, Carpenter Work, ... ..	57	0	15	0
" 11	M. Keating, Cab hire, &c., ... ..	58	0	7	6
" 11	M. Keating, Washing Towels, &c., ... ..	59	0	16	6
" 11	Alex. Dixon, fixing Letter Bag, ... ..	60	0	3	9
" 11	Charles DeLéry, per vote of Legislative Council, ... ..	60	100	0	0
		£	3038	10	2

# Statement B.

STATEMENT OF MONIES paid on account of the Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Council, by C. DELERY, Clerk Assistant, since January, 1844.

1844.			Vour.	£	s.	d.	
Jan'y	10	O. Vallerand, Writing Clerk, ... ..	61	4	0	0	
"	22	W. A. Maingy, Engrossing sundry Acts, ... ..	62	32	8	0	
		Samuel Taylor, do. do. ... ..	63	29	7	3	
		James Fitzgibbon, do. do. ... ..	64	28	4	6	
		W. A. Maingy, services in the Council Office, ... ..	65	7	0	0	
		J. E. Doucet, Writing Clerk, ... ..	66	5	0	0	
		Edward Stavelly, services in the Council Office, ... ..	67	7	10	0	
	31	Robert Lemoine, salary as French Translator, ... ..	68	30	0	0	
Feb'y	22	J. F. Taylor, Junr., 2 months salary, ... ..	69	37	10	0	
April	10	Felix Fortier, Translation, ... ..	70	2	10	0	
	30	J. F. Taylor, Junr., 3 months salary, ... ..	71	56	5	0	
May	9	W. A. Adamson, Insurance on Library, ... ..	72	7	10	0	
"	13	St. Catherine's Journal Office, ... ..	73	1	5	0	
"	15	N. Aubin, "The Fantasque" Newspaper, ... ..	74	2	2	6	
"	25	A. Fréchette, "Le Canadien" do., ... ..	75	1	6	0	
June	4	H. Voyer, French Translation, ... ..	76	4	13	4	
"	5	J. Richardson, "The Canadian Loyalist," ... ..	77	2	0	0	
"	7	Desbarats & Derbishire, on account of Printing, &c., ... ..	78	350	0	0	
"	14	Edward Botterel, packing Library, ... ..	79	8	5	0	
July	9	George Hunter, packing Furniture, ... ..	80	14	14	8	
"		A. Lachance, packing Library and Furniture, ... ..	81	7	10	0	
"	12	Charles Donlery, "The Toronto Mirror," ... ..	82	0	15	0	
"	16	O. Vallerand, packing Furniture, ... ..	83	2	10	0	
August	8	Quebec Fire Office, Insurance on Library, ... ..	84	12	10	0	
"	16	Steamer Queen, Freight and Passage, ... ..	85	3	16	6	
"		Jean Benoit, on account of Joiner Work, ... ..	86	15	0	0	
"	17	Samuel Walsh, services in Library, ... ..	87	6	0	0	
"		F. Cinq Mars, "L'Aurore des Canadas," ... ..	88	2	0	0	
"		W. A. Maingy, services in Library, ... ..	89	6	0	0	
"	19	O. Vallerand, unpacking Furniture, &c., ... ..	90	4	0	0	
"	22	Antoine Lachance, packing and unpacking Effects, ... ..	91	16	10	0	
"		M. Keating, sundry disbursements, ... ..	92	24	5	4½	
"		A. Chamberland, making Carpets, ... ..	93	10	18	6	
"	24	Jean Benoit, on account, Joiner Work, ... ..	94	20	0	0	
Sept.	10	M. F. Johnson, on account, Furniture, ... ..	95	150	0	0	
"	14	J. F. Taylor, Junr., on account, salary, ... ..	96	100	0	0	
"	15	M. Keating, sundry disbursements, ... ..	97	5	3	10	
Oct.	10	A. Chamberland, ... ..	98	6	0	0	
"	11	Steamer Lord Sydenham, freight of Furniture, ... ..	99	15	15	5	
"	12	Jean Benoit, on account, Joiner Work, ... ..	100	75	0	0	
"	14	M. F. Johnson, on account, Furniture, ... ..	101	100	0	0	
"		W. A. Maingy, on account, services, ... ..	102	11	5	0	
"	25	Joseph Gingras, for Joiner Work, ... ..	103	22	4	9	
Nov.	13	John Humphrey, Marbling Walls, ... ..	104	10	15	0	
"	14	M. F. Johnson, on account, Furniture, ... ..	105	50	0	0	
"	15	Jean Benoit, on account, Joiner Work, ... ..	106	35	0	0	
"	16	J. F. Taylor, Junr., balance of 6 months salary, ... ..	107	12	10	0	
"	20	M. F. Johnson, on account, Furniture, &c., ... ..	108	20	0	0	
"	26	M. F. Johnson, on account, ditto, ... ..	109	50	0	0	
Dec.	2	M. Reynolds, "The Examiner" Newspaper, ... ..	110	1	0	0	
"	3	F. O. Frénière, Painting Numbers, ... ..	111	5	10	0	
"		Benjamin Hill, Papering a Room, ... ..	112	1	10	0	
"		Joseph H. Townsend, on account, Plumber Work, ... ..	113	50	0	0	
"	7	Joseph Andrew, on account, Carpenter Work, ... ..	114	50	0	0	
"		"Statesman" Newspaper, ... ..	115	1	5	0	
"	9	"The Morning Courier," Newspaper, ... ..	116	2	10	0	
"	12	M. Keating, Cab-hire and other disbursements, ... ..	117	13	18	5½	
"	14	John Smith, on account, Gilding, &c., ... ..	118	30	0	0	
"		A. Lachance, on account of allowance as a Messenger, ... ..	119	10	0	0	
"	16	H. R. Cushing, Fire-Wood, ... ..	120	61	7	7½	
"	19	A. Hawkins, Quebec Directory, ... ..	121	2	0	0	
"		Nicholas Derocher, attending the Hot Air Stoves, ... ..	122	3	6	6	
"	20	J. E. Doucet, Writing Clerk, on account, ... ..	123	10	0	0	
"		J. F. Taylor, on account, salary, ... ..	124	25	0	0	
1845.							
Jan'y	15	G. F. Prowse, Tinsmith, on account, ... ..	125	150	0	0	
"	16	Desbarats & Derbishire, on account, Printing, ... ..	126	300	0	0	
"		F. O. Frénière, Painter, on account, ... ..	127	5	0	0	
"	17	M. Keating, sundry disbursements, ... ..	128	4	4	6	
"		Andrew Morris, repainting the Portrait of Lord Dorchester, ... ..	129	6	0	0	
"		Edward Botterel, on account of wages, ... ..	130	10	0	0	
"		Jean Benoit, on account, Joiner Work, ... ..	131	30	0	0	
"		James Atkins, preparing a Catalogue for Library, ... ..	132	5	0	0	
"	18	Nicholas Derocher, 12 days work, ... ..	133	2	2	0	
"	23	J. J. Audubon, Quadrupeds, ... ..	134	15	0	0	
"		J. F. Taylor, Junr., on account, salary, ... ..	135	10	0	0	
"	24	A. Lachance, Messenger, on account, ... ..	136	10	0	0	
				£	2241	14	8½

# Statement C.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF CANADA, for Contingent Expenses,

To C. DELERY, Clerk Assistant, Dr.

1845.	To Paid.	Vour.	£	s.	d.
Feb'y	8 Armour & Ramsay, on account, ... ..	1	350	0	0
"	10 Desbarats & Derbishire, do., ... ..	2	500	0	0
"	11 "Steamer Queen," freight of a Box, ... ..	3	0	5	0
"	12 Joseph Andrew, balance of account, No. 29, ... ..	4	25	2	6
"	14 Thomas Mussen, amount of ditto, No. 43, ... ..	5	141	13	2½
"	14 Desbarats & Derbishire, on account, ... ..	6	350	0	0
"	15 George A. Barber, amount of ditto, No. 6, ... ..	7	1	5	0
"	15 Benjamin & Brothers, amount of ditto, No. 48, ... ..	8	93	12	2
"	17 Liston & Clarke, amount of ditto, No. 41, ... ..	9	18	10	11
"	18 J. F. Taylor, Junr., balance of salary to 13th inst., ... ..	10	2	10	0
"	18 R. Hall, amount of account, No. 38, ... ..	11	27	1	1
"	19 John Smith, on account, ... ..	12	100	0	0
"	21 Savage & Son, amount of account, No. 30, ... ..	13	43	6	6
"	21 James Atkins, amount ditto, ... ..	14	1	10	0
"	21 Nicholas Derocher, amount ditto, ... ..	15	5	5	0
"	22 A. Laurie & Co., amount of account, No. 35, ... ..	16	38	3	10
"	22 Scott, Shaw & Co., amount of ditto, No. 40, ... ..	17	15	15	5
"	22 Scott, Shaw & Co., amount of ditto, No. 50, ... ..	18	9	15	7
"	22 Nelson & Butters, amount of ditto, No. 37, ... ..	19	4	9	0
"	22 John Bright, Messenger, on account, ... ..	20	5	0	0
"	22 Armour & Ramsay, balance of account, No. 26, ... ..	21	107	2	6
"	22 Armour & Ramsay, amount of ditto, No. 25, ... ..	22	8	15	10
"	22 Ramsay & Armour, amount of ditto, No. 32, ... ..	23	8	10	0
"	24 Desbarats & Derbishire, on account, ... ..	24	200	0	0
"	24 William Rice, amount of ditto, No. 16, ... ..	25	1	12	6
"	26 Montreal Gas Light Company, amount of account, No. 13, ... ..	26	23	13	0
"	26 A. Laflamme, amount of account, No. 31, ... ..	27	4	11	1
March.	1 W. A. Townsend, amount of account, No. 64, ... ..	28	35	5	0
"	1 T. A. Stayner, amount of account for Postage, No. 79, ... ..	29	230	11	7
"	1 H. Pelson, amount of account, No. 70, ... ..	30	1	7	6
"	1 John Smith, balance of account, No. 27, ... ..	31	23	4	6
"	1 John Humphrey, amount of account, No. 17, ... ..	32	0	15	0
"	1 A. LaChance, Messenger, on account, ... ..	33	5	0	0
"	3 G. F. Prowse, Tinsmith, amount of account, No. 55, ... ..	34	34	13	9
"	3 G. Brown, Architect, amount of ditto, No. 54, ... ..	35	36	0	0
"	3 M. A. Skinner, making Table Covers, ... ..	36	9	8	0
"	4 Alfred Patrick, distributing Laws of last Session, ... ..	37	6	0	0
"	4 "L'Aurore des Canadas," advertising per account No. 65, ... ..	38	0	13	6
"	4 F. O. Fréniere, Painter, balance of account, No. 10, ... ..	39	3	12	5
"	4 S. Derbishire, sundry Books per account, No. 80, ... ..	40	2	16	6
"	4 Jean Benoit, Carpenter, balance of account, No. 58, ... ..	41	3	4	0
"	4 Ditto amount of ditto, No. 63, ... ..	42	7	2	1
"	4 Ditto amount of ditto, No. 56, ... ..	43	69	5	1½
"	4 Ditto amount of ditto, No. 57, ... ..	44	62	7	1½
"	4 James Atkins, short entered, B. V. 132, ... ..	45	2	10	0
"	4 J. J. Audubon, do. do., B. V. 134, ... ..	46	0	10	0
"	5 John Kay, collecting Statutes, per account, No. 42, ... ..	47	0	8	9
"	5 "Hamilton Gazette," subscription to 12th January, 1845, ... ..	48	2	5	0
"	5 John Walton, Books, per account, No. 76, ... ..	49	1	8	0
"	5 F. O. Fréniere, Lettering Sundries, ditto, No. 78, ... ..	50	2	12	8
"	5 A. Savage & Co., Sperm Oil, ditto, No. 83, ... ..	51	10	1	9
"	6 A. Bourne, a Brass Stamp, ditto, No. 52, ... ..	52	0	17	6
"	6 R. W. S. McKay, "Montreal Directory," per account, No. 44, ... ..	53	4	0	0
"	6 Augustin Côté & Co., "Journal de Québec," ditto, No. 63, ... ..	54	2	0	0
"	6 Samuel Taylor, copying Bill, Banque du Peuple, ditto, No. 81, ... ..	55	2	3	3
"	6 Proprietor "Quebec Gazette," advertising, ditto, No. 2, ... ..	56	12	12	0
"	6 E. R. Fabre, Books, ditto, No. 77, ... ..	57	1	12	6
"	6 Fisher & Kemble, "Official Gazette," ditto, No. 5, ... ..	58	34	8	8
"	7 R. Chalmers, a Map of Montreal, ditto, No. 21, ... ..	59	1	2	3
"	8 "Ottawa Advocate," Newspaper, ditto, No. 74, ... ..	60	0	15	0
"	8 Ludger Duvernay, advertising, ditto, No. 84, ... ..	61	0	13	6
"	8 M. Keating, sundry disbursements, ditto, No. 85, ... ..	62	5	10	10½
"	8 John F. Taylor, Senior, ditto, No. 86, ... ..	63	0	6	7
"	10 Desbarats & Derbishire, on account, ... ..	64	200	0	0
"	10 Wilmer & Smith, balance of sundry Newspapers, per account No. 12, sterl. £12 9s. 1d. at 11 p. ct. prem. ... ..	65	15	7	3
"	10 Robert Armour, Books for Library, ditto, No. 87, ... ..	66	8	6	0
"	10 Benjamin, subscription to the "Intelligencer," to 12th instant, ditto, No. 82, ... ..	67	1	0	0
"	10 William Nelson, subscription to the "Quebec Gazette," to 15th December, 1843, ditto, No. 33, ... ..	68	0	9	9
"	10 William Nelson, ditto to ditto, to 1st May, 1844, ditto, No. 31, ... ..	69	1	4	0
"	12 James Thompson, subscription to the "Bathurst Courier," to 12th September, 1844, ditto, No. 72, ... ..	70	0	16	3
"	12 G. F. Prowse, balance of account, No. 28, ... ..	71	54	18	1
"	12 Samuel Rowlands, subscription to the "News," 15th September, 1844, per account, No. 9, ... ..	72	1	0	0
"	12 C. W. Jenkins, Hardware, ditto, No. 73, ... ..	73	3	15	5
"	12 J. & T. Melun, Bricklaying, ditto, No. 1, ... ..	74	1	13	0
"	12 John Wansly, subscription to the "Kingston Herald," to 13th December, 1844, ditto, No. 63, ... ..	75	0	18	9
"	14 John Wells, valuation of sundry work, ditto, No. 93, ... ..	76	4	0	0
"	14 Corporation of Montreal, Chimney Taxes, ditto, No. 94, ... ..	77	3	15	0
"	15 Charles Lavolette, Sawing Wood, ditto, No. 95, ... ..	78	1	19	6
"	12 Watson & Stanton, "The Upper Canada Gazette," ditto, No. 23, ... ..	79	30	0	2
"	19 H. & W. Rowsell, balance of account, No. 4, ... ..	80	6	2	8
"	19 Ditto, Stationary, &c., per account, No. 45, ... ..	81	235	15	8
"	19 Ditto, an Almanack, ditto, No. 46, ... ..	82	2	2	7½
"	20 J. Starke & Co., Printing, Catalogue of Library, ditto, No. 96, ... ..	83	60	0	0
"	20 J. H. Townsend, on account, Plumber Work, ... ..	84	63	12	7
"	20 "Toronto Examiner," to 7th February, 1845, per account, No. 67, ... ..	85	0	18	0
"	22 A. Connell, Binding Catalogue of Library, ditto, No. 88, ... ..	86	18	10	10
"	24 D. McDonald, Printing, admission Cards, ditto, No. 89, ... ..	87	1	10	0
"	24 Hutchins & Proctor, Soap and Candles, ditto, No. 91, ... ..	88	17	6	0
"	24 C. & W. Wright, Earthenware, ditto, No. 89, ... ..	89	1	19	3
			£ 3441	15	9½