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## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

OF THE

### PROVINCE OF CANADA.

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FROM THE 18th DAY OF JANUARY TO THE 30th DAY OF MAY,

BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE,

AND IN THE TWELFTH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF OUR SOVEREIGN LADY

QUEEN VICTORIA.

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BEING THE SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRD PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT OF CANADA.

SESSION, 1849.

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# PROCLAMATIONS.

Province of }  
Canada. } *ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.*

*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 second day of the month of May now next, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

## A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the twenty-third day of March last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the second day of the month of May now 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 Monday, the twelfth day of the month of June next, 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 right well beloved Cousin *James*, Earl of *Elgin and Kincardine*, Knight of the most ancient and most noble Order of the Thistle, 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, this twenty-sixth day of April, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and in the eleventh year of Our Reign.

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

Province of }  
Canada. } *ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.*

*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 June instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

## A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the twenty-sixth day of April last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the twelfth day of the month of June 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 Monday, the twenty-fourth day of the month of July next, 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 right well beloved Cousin *James*, Earl of *Elgin and Kincardine*, Knight of the most ancient and most noble Order of the Thistle, 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, this seventh day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and in the eleventh year of Our Reign.

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

Parliament  
prorogued to  
12th June  
1848.

Parliament  
prorogued to  
24th July  
1848.

Province of }  
Canada. } *ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.*

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

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

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

Royal Assent  
to Bills :

Lake Erie  
Railway and  
Harbour Bill.  
Bytown and  
Britannia  
Railroad Bill.  
Carillon and  
Grenville  
Railroad Bill.  
Lake St. Louis  
Railway Bill.  
Montreal and  
Province Line  
Railroad Bill.  
Canada and  
Nova Scotia  
Railroad Bill.  
Toronto and  
Goderich  
Railroad Bill.

*L. H. LaFontaine*, } WHEREAS, at a Session  
Atty. Genl. } of the Parliament of  
Our Province of *Canada*, holden at the City of *Montreal*, in Our said Province, on the second day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, and prorogued on the twenty-eighth day of July, then next ensuing, in the tenth and eleventh years of Our Reign, a certain Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Woodstock* and "*Lake Erie* Railway and Harbour Company," and also a certain other Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Bytown* and *Britannia* Railway Company," and also a certain other Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Carillon* and *Grenville* Railway Company," and also a certain other Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Lake St. Louis* and Province Line Railway Company," and also a certain other Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Canada*, *New Brunswick*, and *Nova Scotia* Railway Company," and also a certain other Bill, intituled, "An Act for incorporating the *Toronto* and *Goderich* Railway Company," were passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, and were, at the prorogation of the said Session on the twenty-eighth day of July aforesaid, presented to Our Governor General of Our said Province, for Our assent thereto, who, in pursuance of the authority vested in him by a certain Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, passed in the Session 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 Bills for the signification of Our pleasure thereon: Now know ye, that the aforesaid Bills, respectively, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Woodstock* and *Lake Erie* Railway and Harbour Company;" "An Act to incorporate the *Bytown* and *Britannia* Railway Company;" "An Act to incorporate the *Carillon* and *Grenville* Railway Company;" "An Act to incorporate the *Lake St. Louis* and Province Line Railway Company;" "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* and Province Line Junction Railway Company;" "An Act to incorporate the *Canada*, *New Brunswick*, and *Nova Scotia* Railway Company;" and "An Act for incorporating the *Toronto* and *Goderich* Railway Company," having been laid before Us in Council, on the fifteenth day of April now last past, We have been pleased to assent to each and every of the same; And We do by these presents, and according to the provisions of the said Act of Parliament of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, passed in the third and fourth years of Our Reign, assent to each and every of the aforesaid respective Bills; of all which Our loving subjects, and all others whom these presents may concern, are hereby required to 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 right well beloved Cousin *James*, Earl of *Elgin* and *Kincardine*, Knight of the most ancient and most noble Order of the Thistle, 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*, in Our said Province, this twenty-third day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and in the eleventh year of Our Reign.

By Command,

R. B. SULLIVAN,  
Secretary.

Province of }  
Canada. } *ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.*

*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 twenty-fourth day of the month of July instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the seventh day of June last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the twenty-fourth day of the month of July 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 Saturday, the second day of the month of September next, 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.

Parliament  
prorogued to  
2d September  
1848.

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 right well beloved Cousin *James*, Earl of *Elgin* and *Kincardine*, Knight of the most ancient and most noble Order of the Thistle, 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, this seventeenth day of July, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and in the twelfth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

Province of }  
*Canada.* } *ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.*

*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 second day of the month of September next, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the seventeenth day of July last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the second day of the month of September 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 Saturday, the twelfth day of the month of October next, 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 right well beloved Cousin *James*, Earl of *Elgin* and *Kincardine*, Knight of the most ancient and most noble Order of the Thistle, 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, this twenty-

fourth day of August, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and in the twelfth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

Province of }  
*Canada.* } *ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.*

*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 October instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the twenty-fourth day of August last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the twelfth day of the month of October 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 Thursday, the sixteenth day of the month of November next, 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.

Parliament  
prorogued to  
16th November  
1848.

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 right well beloved Cousin *James*, Earl of *Elgin* and *Kincardine*, Knight of the most ancient and most noble Order of the Thistle, 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, this seventh day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and in the twelfth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

Parliament  
prorogued to  
12th October  
1848.

Province of }  
Canada. } *ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.*

*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 sixteenth day of the month of November instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the seventh day of October last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the sixteenth day of the month of November 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 Thursday, the twenty-first day of the month of December next, 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 right well beloved Cousin *James*, Earl of *Elgin and Kincardine*, Knight of the most ancient and most noble Order of the Thistle, 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, this eleventh day of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and in the twelfth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

Province of }  
Canada. } *ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.*

*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 twenty-first day of December instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the meeting of Our Provincial Parliament stands prorogued to the twenty-first day of December instant, nevertheless, for certain causes and considerations, We have thought fit further to prorogue the same to Thursday, the eighteenth day of January next, so that you nor any of you, on the said twenty-first day of December instant, at Our City of *Montreal* to appear, are to 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 the tenor of these presents enjoining you and every one of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on Thursday, the eighteenth day of January next, at Our City of *Montreal* aforesaid, personally you be and appear, for the Despatch of Business, to treat, do, act and conclude upon those things which, in Our said Provincial Parliament, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may by the favor of God be ordained.

In testimony whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed: Witness, Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin *James*, Earl of *Elgin and Kincardine*, Knight of the most ancient and most noble Order of the Thistle, 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, this ninth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and in the twelfth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

Parliament  
prorogued to  
21st December  
1848.

Parliament  
prorogued to  
18th January  
1848.

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SESSION, 1849.

*Jovis 18<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;*

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Message to attend His Excellency.

A MESSAGE from His Excellency the Governor General, by *Frederick Starr Jarvis*, Esquire, Gentlemen Usher of the Black Rod:  
Mr. Speaker,

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

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went to the Council Chamber:—And being returned;

Montreal, Quebec, North and South Ridings of York, Verchères, Terrebonne, Kent, Three Rivers, and Oxford Writs.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That, pursuant to the Orders of the House of the last Session, he had issued his Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out new Writs for the election of Members to serve in the present Provincial Parliament, in the room of Members whose seats had become vacant; and that the Clerk of this House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery the following Certificates of Returns of Members elected upon the said new Writs:—

Province of *Canada*.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
*Montreal*, 31st March, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the fifteenth March, instant, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the City of *Montreal*, (*Alexandre Maurice Delisle*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the City of *Montreal* in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *Louis Hypolite LaFontaine*, Esquire, who had vacated his seat, by his acceptance of the office of Her Majesty's Attorney General for that part of this Province formerly called the Province of *Lower Canada*, the Honorable *Louis Hypolite LaFontaine*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the twenty-eighth day of March instant, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Province of *Canada*.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
*Montreal*, 5th April, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the fifteenth day of March last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the City of *Quebec*, (*Archibald Campbell*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said City of *Quebec* in the present Parliament, in the room of *Thomas Cushing Aylwin*, Esquire, who had vacated his seat, by his acceptance of the office of Her Majesty's Solicitor General for that part of this Province formerly called *Lower Canada*, the Honorable *Thomas Cushing Aylwin*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the twenty-eighth day of March now last past, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Province of *Canada*.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
*Montreal*, 10th April, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the fifteenth day of March last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the North Riding of the County of *York*, (*Michael Empey*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said Riding in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *Robert Baldwin*, Esquire, who had vacated his seat, by his acceptance of the office of Her Majesty's Attorney General for that part of this Province called *Upper Canada*, the Honorable *Robert Baldwin*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the first day of April instant, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Aylwin for Quebec.

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Lafontaine for Montreal.

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Baldwin for the North Riding of York.

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Price for the South Riding of York.

Province of Canada.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
Montreal, 10th April, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the fifteenth day of March last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the South Riding of the County of York, (*Amos Thorne*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said Riding in the present Parliament, in the room of *James Hervey Price*, Esquire, who had vacated his seat, by his acceptance of the office of Her Majesty's Commissioner of Crown Lands for this Province, the Honorable *James Hervey Price*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the thirty-first day of March now last past, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Cartier for Verchères.

Province of Canada.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
Montreal, 15th April, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the fifteenth day of March last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the County of Verchères, (*Pierre Menard*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said County in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *James Leslie*, Esquire, who had vacated his seat, by his acceptance of the office of Chairman of the Committee of the Executive Council for this Province, *George Etienne Cartier*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the seventh day of April instant, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Viger for Terrebonne.

Province of Canada.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
Montreal, 18th April, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the fifteenth day of March last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the County of Terrebonne, (*Louis Marteau*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said County of Terrebonne in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *Louis Hypolite LaFontaine*, Esquire, who had vacated his seat, by his acceptance of the office of Her Majesty's Attorney General for that part of this Province formerly called the Province of Lower Canada, the Honorable *Louis Michel Viger*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the fourteenth day of April instant, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Cameron for Kent.

Province of Canada.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
Montreal, 18th April, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twentieth day of March last, and directed to the Returning Officer for the County of Kent, (*John Waddell*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said County of Kent

in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *Malcolm Cameron*, Esquire, who had vacated his seat, by his acceptance of the office of Her Majesty's Assistant Commissioner of Public Works of this Province, the Honorable *Malcolm Cameron*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the tenth day of April instant, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Province of Canada.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
Montreal, 29th April, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-eighth day of March last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the Town of Three Rivers, (*Valère Guillet*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said Town of Three Rivers in the present Parliament, the Returning Officer at the last General Election not having returned any Member to serve for the said Town, *Antoine Polette*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the twenty-sixth day of April instant, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Province of Canada.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
Montreal, 4th May, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-fourth day of March last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the County of Oxford, (*Jared Vinning*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said County of Oxford in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, Esquire, who had vacated his seat, by his acceptance of the office of Her Majesty's Inspector General of Public Accounts for the said Province, the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the twenty-eighth day of April, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Speaker then acquainted the House, That during the Recess he had also issued his Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out new Writs for the election of Members to serve in the present Provincial Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *Thomas Cushing Aylwin*, Member for the City of Quebec, who had accepted the office of Puisné Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of Quebec; also, in the room of *William Hume Blake*, Esquire, Member for the East Riding of the County of York, who had accepted the office of Her Majesty's Solicitor General for Canada West; also, in the room of *Lewis T. Drummond*, Esquire, Member for the County of Shefford, who had accepted the office of Her Majesty's Solicitor General for Lower Canada; also, in the room of the Honorable *Marc Paschal de Sales LaTerrère*, Member for the County of Saguenay, who had accepted the

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Polette for Three Rivers.

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Hincks for Oxford.

Writs issued in the Recess.



office of Deputy Adjutant General of Militia; and also, in the room of *William Hamilton Merritt*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Lincoln*, who had accepted the office of President of the Executive Council for the Province of *Canada*; and that the Clerk of this House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the following Certificates of Returns of Members elected during the said Recess, upon the said new Writs:—

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Méthot for Quebec.

Province of *Canada*.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
*Montreal*, 16th June, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twelfth day of May last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the City of *Quebec*, (*Archibald Campbell*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said City of *Quebec* in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *Thomas Cushing Aylwin*, Esquire, who, since his last election as Representative of the said City of *Quebec*, had vacated his seat in the said Parliament, by his acceptance of Puisné Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*, *François Xavier Méthot*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the ninth day of June instant, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Blake for the East Riding of York.

Province of *Canada*.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
*Montreal*, 10th July, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the sixteenth of June last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the East Riding of the County of *York*, (*Francis Leys*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said East Riding of the said County in the present Parliament, in the room of *William Hume Blake*, Esquire, who had vacated his seat, by the acceptance of the office of Her Majesty's Solicitor General for *Canada West*, *William Hume Blake*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the fifth of July instant, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Drummond for Shefford.

Province of *Canada*.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
*Montreal*, 28th July, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the nineteenth day of June last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer of the County of *Shefford*, (*Horace Lyman*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said County in the present Parliament, in the room of *Lewis T. Drummond*, Esquire, who, since his election for the said County, had vacated his seat, by his acceptance of the office of Her Majesty's Solicitor General for that part of the Province heretofore constituting the Province of *Lower Canada*, *Lewis T. Drummond*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ,

dated the eleventh day of July instant, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Province of *Canada*.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
*Montreal*, 9th September, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the fifth day of August now last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the County of *Saguenay*, (*Charles Pierre Huot*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said County of *Saguenay* in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *Marc Paschal de Sales LaTerrière*, who, since his election for the said County, had accepted the office of Deputy Adjutant General of Militia within and for the Province of *Canada*, the Honorable *Marc Paschal de Sales LaTerrière* has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the fifth day of September instant, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Latérière for Saguenay.

Province of *Canada*.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
*Montreal*, 11th October, 1848.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the nineteenth day of September now last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the County of *Lincoln*, (*Elias S. Adams*, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said County of *Lincoln* in the present Parliament, in the room of *William Hamilton Merritt*, Esquire, who, since his election for the said County, had accepted the office of President of the Committee of the Executive Council of Her Majesty in and for the Province of *Canada*, the Honorable *William Hamilton Merritt*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the sixth of October instant, which is lodged of record in my office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Certificate of the Return of Mr. Merritt for Lincoln.

The Honorable *Louis H. LaFontaine*, Member for the City of *Montreal*; the Honorable *Robert Baldwin*, Member for the North Riding of the County of *York*; the Honorable *James H. Price*, Member for the South Riding of the County of *York*; *George E. Cartier*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Verchères*; the Honorable *Louis M. Viger*, Member for the County of *Terrebonne*; the Honorable *Malcolm Cameron*, Member for the County of *Kent*; *Antoine Polette*, Esquire, Member for the Town of *Three Rivers*; the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, Member for the County of *Oxford*; *François Xavier Méthot*, Esquire, Member for the City of *Quebec*; *William Hume Blake*, Esquire, Member for the East Riding of the County of *York*; *Lewis T. Drummond*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Shefford*; and the Honorable *William Hamilton Merritt*, Member for the County of *Lincoln*, having previously taken the Oath, according to law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took their seats in the House.

Members take their seats.

Resignation of  
a Member.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House, a Paper purporting to be the resignation of *Joseph Webster*, Esquire, Member representing the County of *Waterloo*, which is as followeth:—

To the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*,—

As empowered by 4 & 5 *Vic. cap. 4*, I hereby declare that I resign my seat as Representative in this present Parliament for the County of *Waterloo*.

Witness my hand and seal, at *Fergus*, in the said County of *Waterloo*, District of *Wellington*, and Province of *Canada*, this eighth day of *January*, 1849.

JAMES WEBSTER.

In presence of

*Thomas W. Valentine*,  
*Gilbert Hunter*.

Justices of the  
Peace Oath of  
Office Bill.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the administration of the Oath of Office to persons appointed to be Justices of the Peace in this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker  
reports His  
Excellency's  
Speech.

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

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,  
Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

I have much satisfaction in informing you, that uninterrupted tranquillity has prevailed in the Province during the Recess.

The proofs which the people of *Canada* have furnished during this period of general excitement and disquietude, of their love of order, and of the attachment they bear to their institutions, will tend, I trust, to establish the credit of the Province on a firmer basis, and to promote its prosperity.

I am authorized to state for your information, that it is Her Majesty's purpose to exercise the prerogative of Mercy in favour of all persons who are still liable to penal consequences for political offences, arising out of the unfortunate occurrences of 1837 and 1838; and I have the Queen's commands to invite you to concur with me in passing an Act to give full effect to Her Majesty's most gracious intentions.

It affords me much pleasure to state, that in compliance with the desire of the local Legislature expressed in a joint Address of the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament, the Imperial Parliament has passed an Act repealing the Clause in the Union Act which imposed restrictions on the use of the French Language.

I have been in communication, during the Recess, with Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, and with the Lieutenant Governors of *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, on the subject of the Provincial Post Office, and I am enabled to inform you, that on the meeting of the Imperial Parliament steps will be taken for conferring on the Provincial Authorities the entire control and management of this Department. I trust that when the necessary arrangements for effecting this object shall have been completed, it may be found practicable to establish a low and uniform Rate of Postage for the British *North American* Provinces.

I am disposed to believe that an increase in the Representation would be attended with considerable advantage to the public interests; and I recommend this subject, which is one of no ordinary importance, to your best consideration.

It gives me much gratification to state, that the opposition manifested at one time in certain parts of *Lower Canada*, to the School Act, has in a great measure subsided. I am of opinion, nevertheless, that this Act may, with advantage, be amended in some of its details, and I feel confident that you will readily consent to make such alterations in it as shall render it as little as possible onerous to the Rate-payer, without, however, compromising the important principle which it has consecrated, in securing for all the youth of this section of the Province, the blessing of Education.

Among the subjects which will probably engage your attention, are the system of Judicature in both sections of the Province—the Laws for the regulation of Municipalities, and the Constitution of the University of King's College.

The Officers employed in exploring the Country between *Quebec* and *Halifax*, with the view of discovering the best line for a Railway to connect these two points, have presented a Report which contains much valuable information, and sets forth in a strong light the advantages of the proposed undertaking. I shall lay it before you, together with a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies expressive of the interest taken by Her Majesty's Government in the execution of this great work.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

I shall direct the Public Accounts, with the Estimates for the year, to be laid before you.

I rely on your readiness to grant the Supplies which are necessary for the Public Service.

Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen,

I have observed, with much concern, that *Canada* has participated largely in the Commercial depression by which the past year has been so unfavorably characterized.

I have not failed to impress on Her Majesty's Ministers the urgent necessity which exists for the removal of such provisions from the Imperial Statute Book, as may tend to restrict the Commerce of the Province, by checking the resort of foreign Shipping to its Ports in search of freight; and I have much satisfaction in stating that my representations on this head have been cordially responded to by the Queen's Government.

Among the measures which seem to merit the attention of the Provincial Parliament at the present time, as being calculated to raise the credit of the Province, to extend its trade, and to contribute to the development of its resources, I recommend to your consideration the following as specially important.

The provision of such funds as may be required for the completion of the *St. Lawrence* Canals, at the earliest period. These great works may, it is believed, be so far perfected at a small additional expense as to permit vessels drawing nine feet on the outwards, and eight feet on the inwards voyage, to pass from *Lake Erie* to the Ocean, soon after the opening of the navigation. When this object shall be accomplished, *Canada* will possess an Inland Navigation unparallded in capacity and length, and connecting the marts of a Commerce to the growth of which it is impossible to assign limits.

The enactment of a Law authorizing the alienation of works of a purely local character which have been executed at the cost of the Province, and giving the Government such powers as may be necessary for the re-organization of the Provincial Debt, and creation of an efficient Sinking Fund. This Debt has been contracted not in the prosecution of costly wars, whether of defence or aggression, but in the construction of works of utility, the more important of which can hardly fail, when completed, to prove remunerative. The existence of a large revenue derived from Customs, places the creditor of the Cana-

dian Public in a very advantageous position, which will be improved when the principle of a Sinking Fund is brought into active operation.

The amendment of the existing Immigration Act, with a view to the removal of such provisions as tend to prevent Immigrants who propose to settle in Canada, or the Western States of the Union, from proceeding to their destination by the route of the *St. Lawrence*. The Passenger Trade is an important branch of the trade inwards, which cannot be discouraged without prejudice to the trade outwards. I shall not fail to make every exertion which the interests of the public health will permit, to reduce the expenditure of the Immigration Department to the scale of the years preceding 1847, when a passenger tax, considerably less onerous than that now levied, with the occasional addition of a small grant from the Public Treasury, sufficed to cover it.

I would further recommend for your consideration the expediency of setting apart a portion of the Public Domain, in order that the Revenue derived from the sales thereof may form a Fund, the interest of which shall be applied to the support of Common Schools. It may probably be deemed advisable to authorize the Government to invest the Capital arising from this source, either in the Stocks of the Province or in those of some of the principal Railways, the construction of which has been sanctioned by Parliament.

In maturing these and all kindred measures which have the promotion of the moral and economical well-being of the people of this important Province for their object, you will find me ever willing and desirous to co-operate with you. In the possession of a Revenue derived from so many independent sources, and exempt from numerous charges that weigh heavily on the resources of other communities, Canada enjoys great and singular advantages. May we hope that, under God's blessing, our Legislation may be so directed as to enable her to reap the full benefit of them.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*,

Speech to be considered.

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

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of *Adam J. Ferguson*, Esquire, and others, Electors of the County of *Waterloo*.

By Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*,—The Petition of *William K. Mackenzie*, of *L'Orignal*, in the County of *Prescott*, Esquire.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,—The Petition of *T. M. Daly*, and others, of *North Easthope* and other Townships, in the County of *Huron*, and of the Government Lands north of the eastern section of the District of *Huron*; the Petition of *James Dougall* and others, of *Amherstburg* and its vicinity, in the Western District; the Petition of *John Ireton* and others, of the Township of *Verulam*; the Petition of *Thomas Horner* and others, of the Township of *Anderdon*, in the Western District; the Petition of *William Ketchum* and others, of the Township of *Bosanquet*; the Petition of *John Sloan* and others, of the Township of *Anderdon*, Western District; and the Petition of *Thomas Boyle* and others, Members of the Total Abstinence Society of *Malden*.

By Mr. *Davignon*,—The Petition of Messieurs *J. G. Mackenzie* and Company, and others, of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Jobin*,—The Petition of *J. C. Bachand* and others, of the District of *Montreal*, Notarial Students; and the Petition of the Reverend Messire *St. Germain*, Curé of the Parish of *St. Laurent*, County of *Montreal*.

By Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*,—The Petition of the Reverend *David Gibbs* and others, of *Granby* and vicinity; and the Petition of *J. Bte. Cadieux de Courville*, of the Township of *Orford*.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of *John Burwell*, of *Port Burwell*, Esquire.

On motion of Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, seconded by Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*,

Postage on Letters to and from Members.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk be directed to charge to the Contingencies of the House, the Postage on all Letters not exceeding one ounce in weight, and on printed papers, to and from Members of this House, during the present Session; provided that when Petitions to this House are enclosed, the postage thereon shall be charged without restriction as to weight.

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

Veneris, 19° Januarii;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

MR. Speaker communicated to the House, a Report of Librarian. Report received from the Librarian, of the present state of the Library of the House, pursuant to a Standing Order of the 19th June, 1841; which Report is as followeth:—

The Librarian of the Honorable the Legislative Assembly begs leave respectfully to report,—

That owing to the brief duration of the last Session of Parliament, no Library Committee was appointed, and consequently no provision was made by Your Honorable House for the increase of the Library.

That, nevertheless, during the past Recess, it has been considerably augmented, principally by the receipt from Messrs. *Armour* and *Ramsay*, of the large order entrusted to them by the Committee in 1847; but which, as was noted in the last Annual Report, was unfortunately lost on its way to this country, by the total wreck of the vessel in which it was shipped. On learning this unfortunate circumstance, no time was lost by the Agents in renewing their order; and in the course of the past summer the books were received.

About the same time also, the French order, of the same date, entrusted to Messrs. *Fabre* and Company, was duly executed; the delay, in this instance, having arisen from its not having been possible to place the order in their hands in sufficient time to ensure its speedier fulfilment.

It is satisfactory to state, that both the English and French Agents have discharged their respective commissions with care and attention.

The description of binding formerly obtained for the French books having elicited much complaint, as being of an inferior description, a much better kind has been substituted, at a trifling additional expense, which it is hoped will meet with general approbation.

Upon the close of the last Session, without provision being made for the purchase of books in the ensuing Recess, beyond those already ordered, the

Honorable the Speaker liberally empowered the Librarian to procure, from time to time, any special works they might meet with, which they should think likely to prove desirable acquisitions for the Library. They have availed themselves of this permission to collect a few works of a legal, historical, and miscellaneous nature; for a list of which, reference is respectfully requested to the Appendix of this Report.

Mr. *Faribault* also, has not relaxed his usual indefatigable labours, on behalf of the American Department, but has enriched it, during the past year, with many valuable and curious works, illustrative of the general history of this Continent.

Intelligence has been indirectly received, through a gentleman from *Paris*, of a very munificent and handsome donation about to be made to the Library, by the Republic of *France*, of a series of important historical works, published by order of the late Government of that Kingdom, whose intention it was to present copies of the same to the Canadian Legislative Assembly, as a memento of the connexion which formerly existed between this Colony and *France*. For the carrying out of the intention of the late Government, our thanks are due to the courtesy of the Authorities of the Republic.

Upon the arrival of the books, every suitable arrangement will be made for their proper preservation.

It has not been thought advisable to publish a supplementary catalogue of the books added to the Library since the last Session, inasmuch as the present edition of the general catalogue, published in 1846, is nearly exhausted; and it will be necessary, before another Session, to prepare and print a new one, in which the whole contents of the Library will be included.

The number of books now in the Library, exclusive of those relating to the History of *America*, may be estimated at 10,702 volumes—that collection amounts to 1,630 volumes, making a total of 12,332 volumes.

For a list of the books received under the orders of the Library Committee of 1847, Your Honorable House is respectfully referred to the Committee's Report of that year,—all the books therein mentioned, with very few exceptions, having been obtained.

The list of books procured by authority of the Honorable the Speaker, by donation, or under the Copyright Act, will be seen on reference to the Appendix of this Report.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM WINDER,  
Librarian.

Library, Legislative Assembly,  
19th January, 1849.

#### APPENDIX.

List of Books added to the Library by purchase, under Mr. Speaker's authority, since the last Report:

##### Theology, &c.

Constitutions and Canons of the Apostles; edited by Dr. Chase. 1848.

##### Government, Politics, &c.

Saint Edmc. Dictionnaire de la Pénalité. 5 vols. 1824.

Grimke, on the Nature and Tendency of Free Institutions. 1848.

##### Political Economy, Statistics, &c.

M'Culloch's Statistical Account of the British Empire. 2 vols. 1846.

Bastial, Sophisms of the Protective Policy. 1848.

##### Law of Nations.

Reddie's Researches into International Law. 1842.

##### Parliamentary Law.

Lutwyche's Registration Cases. Vol. 1. 1847.

Evans, on the Bribery Laws. 1847.

##### Statute and Common Law.

Archbold, on Pleading and Evidence. 1846.

Crabb's Digest to the Statutes, Part 4. 1847.

##### American Law.

Blunt's Ship Masters' Assistant. 1848.

Holcombe's Digest of Decisions of Supreme Court. 1848.

Holcombe's Law of Debtor and Creditor in the United States and Canada. 1848.

##### Physical Science.

Smith's Natural History of the Human Species. 1848.

##### Fine Arts.

Modern Painters. 2 vols. 1847-8.

Holbein's Dance of Death. 1816.

Stuart's Dictionary of Architecture. 3 vols. 1830.

Hosking's Guide to the Erection of Public Buildings. 1848.

##### Art of War.

Aide-Mémoire to the Military Sciences; vols. 1 and 2. 1845-6.

##### Medicine, &c.

Dioscoride, Commentaires.

Chapman's Therapeutics. 2 vols. 1831.

Durglison's Therapeutics. 2 vols. 1846.

———— Human Physiology. 2 vols. 1846.

———— Dictionary of Medical Science. 1846.

Gray's Supplement to the Pharmacopœia. 1847.

Wood & Bache's American Dispensatory. 1847.

M'Williams' Medical History of the Niger Expedition. 1843.

Macculloch on Marsh Fever. 2 vols. 1828.

Cloquet, Anatomie descriptive. 2 vols. 1836.

Wallace on Venereal Disease. 1838.

Ellis' Medical Formulary. 1838.

##### Belles-Lettres.

Knight's Half-hours with the best Authors. 2 vols. 1847-8.

Vericour, Modern French Literature. 1848.

Howitt's Visits to Remarkable Places. 2 vols. 1840-2.

Bibliotheca Londinensis. 1848.

Index to Periodical Literature. 1848.

Burton's Anatomy of Melancholy. 1847.

Ellis' Specimens of Early Metrical Romances. 1848.

Herodotus; translated by Cary. 1848.

##### Dictionaries.

Walker's Dictionary. 1847.

Bartlett's Dictionary of Americanisms. 1848.

##### History and Biography.

Chronicles of the Crusades. 1848.

Mallet's Northern Antiquities. 1847.

Bede's Ecclesiastical History. 1847.

Six Old English Chronicles. 1848.

William of Malmesbury's Chronicle. 1847.

Buxton's (Sir T. F.) Life. 1848.

Fry, Mrs. Elizabeth, Memoirs. 2 vols. 1848.

Talfourd's Final Memorials of Lamb. 1848.

Jesse's Memoirs of the Pretenders. 2 vols. 1845.

Bower's History of the University of Edinburgh. 3 vols. 1817.

Lamartine's History of the Girondists. 3 vols. 1847.

Bedford, John, Duke of, Correspondence. 3 vols. 1842-1846.

##### Heraldry and Genealogy.

Moule's Bibliotheca Heraldica. 1822.

Nicolas' Siege of Carlarverock. 1828.

- Craik's Romantic History of the Peerage. Vol. 1. 1848.
- Burke's Heraldic Illustrations. 3 vols. 1844-46.
- Books presented under the Copyright Act:—  
By Messrs. *Lovell and Gibson*, Publishers.  
Andrews' Collection of Original Sacred Music. 1848.  
Abrégé de Géographie; à l'usage des Ecoles Chrétiennes. 2<sup>e</sup> édition. 1845.  
— le meme ouvrage. 3<sup>e</sup> édition. 1847.  
Traité d'Arithmétique; à l'usage des Ecoles Chrétiennes. 1844.  
— le meme ouvrage. 4<sup>e</sup> édition. 1847.  
Abrégé de l'Histoire Sainte, de France, et du Canada. 1846.
- By Messrs. *Fabre & Co.*, Publishers.  
Boucher-Belleville, Principes de la Langue Française. 1848.
- Books presented to the Library as Donations.  
By Dr. *Winder*:—Lambard's Perambulation of Kent. 1576.  
By Mr. *Fleming*:—Rac's Political Economy. 1834.
- Books relating to the History of *America*, chiefly purchased by Mr. *Faribault*:—  
Abrégé de la Révolution d'Amérique, par D. B. in-12. Paris, 1778.  
Acosta (Joseph D') The Natural and Moral History of the East and West Indies. 8vo. London, 1604.  
Alexander's (J. E.) Transatlantic Sketches, comprising Visits to the most interesting Scenes in America, &c. 2 vols. 8vo. London, 1833.  
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On motion of Mr. *Jobin*, seconded by Mr. *Duchesnay*,

*Ordered*, That the Select Committee appointed (during the last Session) to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Stormont*, have leave to adjourn till Thursday next, at ten o'clock, A. M.

*Stormont Election.*

Mr. *Duchesnay*, from the Select Committee appointed (during the last Session) to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Town of *Cornwall*, reported; That pursuant to the directions of the Statute of *Upper Canada*, 4 Geo. 4, c. 4, regulating the trial of Controverted Elections, the Committee met at twelve o'clock, noon, this day, and owing to the absence of Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Marquis*, Mr. *Egan*, and Mr. *Dumas*, Members of the Committee, they were unable to proceed to business.

*Cornwall Election.*

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Marquis*, Mr. *Egan* and Mr. *Dumas*, do severally attend in their places, in this House, on Monday next.

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

*Petitions brought up.*

By Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of *William H. LeMoine*, Esquire, and others, of *Côte de Beauport*, County of *Montmorency*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,—The Petition of *William Gooden* and others, of the northern Townships of the County of *Kent*; and the Petition of *Froome Talfourd*, Esquire, and others, of the northern Townships of the County of *Kent*.

By Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*,—The Petition of *James Bowie*, of the City of *Montreal*, Physician; and the Petition of *Joseph Ouimette* and others, of *St. Eustache* and other Parishes, in the County of *Two Mountains*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*,—The Petition of the Reverend *James Jones* and others, of the Township of *Stanbridge*, District of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of *William Benson* and others, of the Township of *Dumouch*, District of *London*; and the Petition of *Benjamin Paine* and others, of the Township of *Delaware*, District of *London*.

By Mr. *Taché*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Charles Begin* and others, of the Parish of *Rivière Ouelle* and vicinity.

By Mr. *Méthot*,—The Petition of *Thomas C. Lee* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, and others interested in the Shipping frequenting the Port of *Quebec*.

By Mr. Malloch,—The Petition of the Reverend T. Smith and others, Roman Catholics of Upper Canada.

By Mr. Fortier,—The Petition of J. P. Pacaud and others, of Arthabaska and other Townships; and the Petition of Jean Gaulette and others, of Stanfold and other Townships.

By Mr. Price,—The Petition of Joseph Richard Thompson, of the Township of Brock, Home District.

By Mr. M'Farland,—The Petition of Archibald Thompson and others, of the Township of Stamford, District of Niagara; the Petition of Robert Hobson and others, District Councillors and Magistrates of the District of Niagara; the Petition of Charles Park and others, of the District of Niagara; and the Petition of Solomon Doan and others, of the Township of Crowland, District of Niagara.

By Mr. DeWitt,—The Petition of the Reverend Messire Charland and others, of St. Clément and other Parishes, County of Beauharnois.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin,—The Petition of William Bagshaw and others, of the Township of Brock, Home District; and the Petition of Patrick Finn and others, Trustees of the Roman Catholic separate School of the Town of Niagara.

By Mr. Macdonald of Glengary,—The Petition of L. Duvernay and others, Proprietors of Newspapers in the City of Montreal.

By Mr. Christie,—The Petition of Joseph Meagher, Esquire, and others, of the Township of La Nouvelle, County of Bonaventure; the Petition of J. Douglas, Esquire, and others, of the City of Quebec; the Petition of James Cormier and others, of the Magdalen Islands; and the Petition of Archibald Norman and others, of the District of Gaspé.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Boulton have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in Upper Canada, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on this day three weeks.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Boulton have leave to bring in a Bill to alter the Law relating to the limitation of Actions in this Province.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Price,

Ordered, That the Order of the twenty-second March last, for the attendance of John George Vansittart, Esquire, Returning Officer for the County of Oxford at the last General Election, at the Bar of this House, on the fourth day of the present Session, be discharged.

Ordered, That the time granted to the said John George Vansittart, Esquire, to produce evidence in relation to his conduct at the said Election, be extended to Monday next; and that he do attend at the Bar of this House on that day.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General LaFontaine,

The House adjourned until Monday next.

Lunæ, 22<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE Honorable Marc Paschal de Sales LaTerrère, Mr. Laterrère takes his seat. Member for the County of Saguenay, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

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

By Mr. Thompson,—The Petition of Abraham Nash and others, of the Township of Cayuga, District of Niagara; the Petition of the President, Directors, and Company of the Gore Bank; and the Petition of John Jones and others, of the Township of Walpole.

By Mr. M'Lean,—The Petition of Adam Cockburn and others, of Finch, and the adjoining Townships.

By the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent,—The Petition of John E. W. Daly, Esquire, and others, of North Easthope and other Townships, in the County and District of Huron, and of others of the Government Lands north of the eastern section of the said District.

By Mr. Duchesnay,—The Petition of G. O. Stuart, Esquire, and others, of the City of Quebec, and of the Counties of Quebec and Portneuf.

By Mr. M'Farland,—The Petition of Alexander Douglas and others, of the District of Niagara; and the Petition of Charles Park and others, of the vicinity of the Welland River and the Welland Canal, District of Niagara.

By Mr. Fortier,—The Petition of the Corporation of the College of Nicolet.

By Sir Allan N. MacNab,—The Petition of Hugh C. Baker, Esquire, President, and others the Vice-President and Directors of the Canada Life Assurance Company.

By Mr. Smith, of Wentworth,—The Petition of Alfred Digby and others, of Brantford and other Townships.

By Mr. Wetenhall,—The Petition of the Trafalgar, Esquesing, and Erin Road Company.

By Mr. Fournier,—The Petition of F. X. Fournier and others, of the Parish of Saint Jean Port Joli.

By Mr. Polette,—The Petition of Mrs. Julie Angélique Badeaux, of the Town of Three Rivers, widow of the late Louis Charles Cressé, Esquire.

By Mr. Morrison,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Home District (Boundary Lines.)

By Mr. DeWitt,—The Petition of Robert Barrie and others, of the western division of Hinchinbrooke and Godmanchester; the Petition of Fisher Ames and others, of the County of Beauharnois, and the Petition of M. A. Primeau and A. A. Trottier, of the County of Beauharnois.

By Mr. Egan,—The Petition of Peter Aulen and others, of the County of Ottawa; and the Petition of James Wadsworth and others, of the County of Ottawa.

By Mr. Cauchon,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of Rimouski (Court House and Gaol;) the Petition of N. M'Farlane and others, of the Fief Marie Anne, District of Three Rivers; and the Petition of Joseph Smolinski, of Montreal.

By Mr. Dumas,—The Petition of Alexandre M. Delisle and B. H. LeMoine, of the City of Montreal, Esquires, and of Jean Bte. Debien, junior, of the Parish of Ste. Rose, in the District of Montreal.

By Mr. Davignon,—The Petition of J. A. C. Marchand and others, of the Counties of Chambly, Rouville, and Huntingdon.

By the Honorable Mr. Sherwood,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Toronto,

Joint Stock Road Companies (U. C.) Bill.

Limitation of Actions Bill.

Oxford Election.



and others, subscribers to the *Toronto* General Dispensary Fund.

By Mr. *Jobin*.—The Petition of the Sisters of the Holy Cross of the Parish of *St. Laurent*, County of *Montreal*.

Petitions read.

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

Of *Adam J. Fergusson*, Esquire, and others, Electors of the County of *Waterloo*; setting forth:—That at the late Election in and for the County of *Waterloo*, of a Member to represent the said County in this Parliament, *James Webster*, Esquire, and the Petitioner, *Adam Johnston Fergusson*, were the candidates; and that the other Petitioners are, and at the time of the said Election were Electors of the said County, having a right to vote at the Election to which this Petition relates, and that they voted for the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson* at the said Election: That at the said Election the said *James Webster* was declared and returned as duly elected by the Returning Officer, on which occasion the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson* tendered to the said Returning Officer a written protest against the return of the said *James Webster*, which protest the said Returning Officer refused to receive: That the Petitioners have good reason to believe, and verily do believe, that a large majority of legal votes was recorded at the said Election in favor of the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson*, and that the majority of the said *James Webster* is only a colorable one, being composed of persons not entitled to the franchise: That Polls were held at the said Election in the Townships of *Arthur*, *Normanby*, *Egremont*, *Bentinck*, *Glenelg*, *Sullivan*, *Holland*, *Derby*, and *Sydenham*, which are situated in the extensive and newly settled territory commonly known as the *Owen's Sound* Tract, and that vast numbers of votes were recorded in these Townships for the said *James Webster*, whereby the large majority obtained by the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson* in the old-settled portion of the County, was overborne and outnumbered: That the Petitioners have reason to believe, and verily do believe, that great numbers of patents from the Crown were issued to inhabitants of these Townships immediately before the said Election, and for the express purpose of influencing the said Election in favor of the said *James Webster*: That the Petitioners have also reason to believe, and verily do believe, that a very great proportion of the persons who voted for the said *James Webster*, in those Townships, at the said Election, were not freeholders at the time of voting, and that the lands in right of which they were allowed to vote, were at the time vested in the Crown, no patents having ever issued therefor: That in the said Townships, no free, orderly, or peaceable Election was held on the said occasion; but, on the contrary, a general scene of outrage, intimidation and violence prevailed: That the most fearful threats, attended in some cases by actual violence, were offered to the supporters of the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson* in the said Townships, by the supporters of the said *James Webster*, whereby the former were, almost without exception, deterred and prevented from voting for the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson*, as they would otherwise have done: That the agents of the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson* in four of the said Townships, were seized, at the said Election, by the supporters of the said *James Webster*, and forcibly carried off and imprisoned by them; so that the said agents were unable to be present at the respective Polls which they had been appointed to attend, and the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson* was in consequence entirely unrepresented thereat: That others of the agents of the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson*, in the other

Townships of the said *Owen's Sound* Tract, were assaulted, threatened, and ill-treated by the supporters of the said *James Webster*, in order to prevent them from doing their duty as such agents: That the Deputy Returning Officers in all the said Townships of the *Owen's Sound* Tract admitted persons to vote for the said *James Webster* indiscriminately, and without regard to their property qualification: That the said Deputy Returning Officers, at such of the said Townships as the agents of the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson* were permitted to attend, generally refused to make the voters of the said *James Webster* swear to their freehold qualification, as required by law, though the same was expressly demanded by the agents of the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson*: That the said Deputy Returning Officers also refused, in many instances, to permit the said agents of the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson* even to ask the voters of the said *James Webster* whether they had deeds or not; and that many of the said voters openly admitted, at the time of voting, that they had no deeds; notwithstanding which, their votes were recorded by the said Deputy Returning Officers: That during the polling in the said Townships of the said *Owen's Sound* Tract, refreshments and intoxicating liquors were openly and profusely supplied to the voters at the polling places and elsewhere, by the agents and supporters of the said *James Webster*, for the purpose of promoting his Election; and that party flags and colors were also exhibited and used by the supporters of the said *James Webster*, in certain of the said Townships, at the said Election, contrary to the statute in that behalf: That in the Township of *Waterloo*, at the said Election, the Poll was not kept open a sufficient length of time to permit of all the Electors recording their votes, whereby a very great number of the Electors in the said Township of *Waterloo*, who were desirous of voting for the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson*, were deprived of an opportunity to record their suffrages; and that, from the absence of proper arrangements for the taking of the votes there, much crowding, confusion, and unnecessary delay occurred, to the prejudice of the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson*, and that much time was unnecessarily wasted there on the said occasion, from the want of due despatch in going through the business of the Election, and more especially from the putting of unnecessary questions to the Electors, and the inserting of unnecessary entries in the Poll book, to the like prejudice of the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson*; and praying for the above causes, that the said Election and Return of the said *James Webster* for the County of *Waterloo*, may be declared void, or amended, and that the said *Adam Johnston Fergusson* may be declared elected and returned in his place and stead, as the Member to represent the said County of *Waterloo* in this Parliament,—or if the same shall not be granted, then that a new Writ may be issued by the proper authority, for holding an Election for the said County of *Waterloo*,—or that the Petitioners may have such other relief in the premises as the nature of the case requires and deserves.

Of *William K. Mackenzie*, of *L'Orignal*, in the County of *Prescott*, Esquire; setting forth:—That the Petitioner is, and, at the last General Election of a Representative to represent the County of *Prescott* in the present Parliament, was a freeholder in the said County of *Prescott*, and claims to have had a right to vote, and did vote, at the said General Election, wherein *Donald M'Donald*, *Neil Stewart*, and *Thomas Hall Johnson*, Esquires, were candidates for the representation thereof: That, at such Election, the said *Thomas Hall Johnson* was declared by the Returning Officer duly elected as the Representative of the said County of *Prescott*,

by a majority of one over the said *Neil Stewart*: That some of the voters, who voted for the said *Thomas Hall Johnson*, voted without the Township wherein the property in right of which they voted at the said Election was situated, as may be seen by a reference to the Poll Books kept at the said Election: That several of the voters who voted for the said *Thomas Hall Johnson* at the said Election, were not, at the time of such voting, possessed of the necessary property qualification to entitle them to vote at the said Election, in consequence of which several illegal votes were polled for the said *Thomas Hall Johnson*: That, in the Township of *West Hawkesbury*, in the said County of *Prescott*, where votes were polled for the said *Thomas Hall Johnson*, *Donald McDonald* and *Neil Stewart*, the property in right of which such votes were given, were not (but with very few exceptions) entered in the Poll Book kept for the said Township, at the said Election; thus rendering it impossible, on a scrutiny of votes, to determine who had the majority of legal votes at the Election so holden in the said Township: That an open house was kept in the said Township of *West Hawkesbury* on the days of the said Election, within a few acres of the hustings, where many of the voters of the said *Thomas Hall Johnson* were entertained with liquor, food, and beds, at (the Petitioner believes) the expense of the said *Thomas Hall Johnson*: That bribery, corruption, and intimidation were resorted to by the said *Thomas Hall Johnson* at the said Election, and that promises of place were made by the said *Thomas Hall Johnson* to persons who voted for him at the said Election; and praying that the House will enquire into the allegations of the Petitioner, and act in the premises in such a manner as may appear to the House consonant with law and justice; that the Return made by the Returning Officer at the said General Election be cancelled, and that a new Writ of Election be issued for the said County of *Prescott*.

Of *T. M. Daly* and others, of *North Easthope* and other Townships, in the County of *Huron*, and of the Government Lands north of the eastern section of the District of *Huron*; praying that the said Townships and Lands may be set apart and erected into a new District.

Of *James Dougall* and others, of *Amherstburg* and its vicinity, in the Western District; praying the adoption of Legislative measures for the suppression of Intemperance in the use of intoxicating liquors.

Of *John Ireton* and others, of the Township of *Verulam*; praying a grant of money to improve the main Road through the said Township.

Of *Thomas Horner* and others, of the Township of *Anderdon*, in the Western District; praying certain amendments to the Common School Act.

Of *William Ketchum* and others, of the Township of *Bosanquet*; praying that the said Township, with nine others therein mentioned, may be set apart and erected into a separate District, with *Eniskillen* as the District Town.

Of *John Sloan* and others, of the Township of *Anderdon*, Western District; praying for the incorporation of Townships, Towns, Counties, and Cities of *Upper Canada*, according to the provisions of a Bill introduced in the third Session of the first Parliament of this Province.

Of *Thomas Boyle* and others, Members of the Total Abstinence Society of *Malden*; praying the adoption of Legislative measures for the suppression of Intemperance in the use of intoxicating liquors.

Of Messieurs *J. G. Mackenzie* and Company, and others, of *Montreal*; praying the repeal of the present Bankrupt Law, and also of the Ordinance of *Lower Canada* which would be revived by its expiration; and that the Common Law be left in force as to Insolvent Debtors.

Of *J. C. Bachand* and others, of the District of *Montreal*, Notarial Students; praying that the Act 10 & 11 Vic. c. 21, be so amended as to authorize the "*Montreal Board of Notaries*" to admit them to practise the Notarial Profession.

Of the Reverend Messire *St. Germain*, Curé of the Parish of *St. Laurent*, County of *Montreal*; praying that he and others be incorporated as "*La Corporation de l'Académie Industrielle de Saint Laurent*."

Of the Reverend *David Gibbs*, and others, of *Granby* and vicinity; praying aid for an Academy recently established in the village of *Granby*.

Of *J. Bte. Cadieux de Courville*, of the Township of *Orford*; praying compensation for certain losses sustained by him in consequence of the making of a Turnpike Road through his property.

Of *John Burwell*, of *Port Burwell*, Esquire; praying a grant for the improvement of *Port Burwell Harbour*, on *Lake Erie*.

Of *William H. LeMoine*, Esquire, and others, of *Côte de Beaupré*, County of *Montmorency*; praying that the Commissioners of the *Quebec Turnpike Trust* may be authorized to borrow a sum of money for the improvement of the *Beauport Road*.

Of *William Goodem* and others, of the northern Townships of the County of *Kent*; praying that the said Townships may be set apart and erected into a new District, and that they may continue annexed to the Western District until their population shall warrant such division.

Of *Froome Talfourd*, Esquire, and others, of the northern Townships of the County of *Kent*; praying that the said Townships may be set apart and erected into a new District, and that they may continue annexed to the Western District until their population shall warrant such division.

Of *James Bowie*, of the City of *Montreal*, Physician; praying remuneration for extraordinary services rendered, and property lost by him at the Emigrant Sheds, during the season of 1847.

Of *Joseph Ouimette* and others, of *St. Eustache* and other Parishes, in the County of *Two Mountains*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize them to appoint a certain number of Commissioners or Trustees for the purpose of causing to be made a Canal or Water-course for draining the lands flooded by the *River du Chêne*.

Of the Reverend *James Jones* and others, of the Township of *Stanbridge*, District of *Montreal*; praying aid in support of an Academical School established in the Village of *Bedford*.

Of *William Benson* and others, of the Township of *Dunwich*, District of *London*; praying that a certain sum due to the said *William Benson*, for his services as a Common School Teacher, may be paid him.

Of *Benjamin Paine* and others, of the Township of *Delaware*, District of *London*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish the Boundary Line between the second and third Concessions of the said Township.

Of the Reverend *Charles Begin* and others, of the Parish of *Rivière Ouelle* and vicinity; praying a grant to enable them to enlarge the Building erected in the said Parish as a School for the education of young ladies.

Of *Thomas C. Lee* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, and others interested in the Shipping frequenting the port of *Quebec*; praying for the repeal of the Provincial Act for regulating the shipping of Seamen,—and that measures be adopted for obtaining the amendment of the Imperial Statute 7 & 8 Vic. c. 112.

Of the Reverend *T. Smith* and others, Roman Catholics of *Upper Canada*; praying that provision be made for the College of *Regiopolis* at *Kingston*,

commensurate with the wants of the Roman Catholic population of the Province.

Of *J. P. Pacaud* and others, of *Arthabaska* and other Townships; praying aid to complete the Road from the Church of *Arthabaska* to that of *Somerset*.

Of *Jean Gaulette* and others, of *Stanford* and other Townships; praying aid to improve the Route commonly called *La Grande Route de Blandford*.

Of *Joseph Richard Thompson*, of the Township of *Brock*, Home District; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the Courts of Chancery and Queen's Bench, in their discretion, to admit him to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney.

Of *Archibald Thompson* and others, of the Township of *Stamford*, District of *Niagara*; praying that a Charter may not be granted to any local Company for constructing a Railway from the Suspension Bridge on the *Niagara* River, to *Table Rock* at the Falls of *Niagara*.

Of *Robert Hobson* and others, District Councillors and Magistrates of the District of *Niagara*; praying that the District Town of the said District may be removed to a more convenient site, at the option of the District Council.

Of *Charles Park* and others, of the District of *Niagara*; praying that the District Town of the said District may be removed to a more convenient site.

Of *Solomon Doan* and others, of the Township of *Crowland*, District of *Niagara*; praying that the District Town of the said District may be removed to a more central site, to be chosen by the District Council.

Of the Reverend Messire *Charland* and others, of *St. Clément* and other Parishes, County of *Beauharnois*; praying that the Registry Office and the Circuit Court of the said County may be established and held in the Village of *Beauharnois*.

Of *William Bagshaw* and others, of the Township of *Brock*, Home District; praying that the division of the said District, intended to be proposed, may not be granted.

Of *Patrick Finn* and others, Trustees of the Roman Catholic separate School of the Town of *Niagara*; praying that the Common School Act may be amended by providing for a more equitable apportionment of the School Fund.

Of *L. Duvernay* and others, Proprietors of Newspapers in the City of *Montreal*; praying the House to take means to facilitate the publication of its daily Proceedings.

Of *Joseph Meagher*, Esquire, and others, of the Township of *La Nouvelle*, County of *Bonaventure*; praying that the said Township may be laid out and subdivided, in order that its boundaries may be clearly defined for facilitating purchases and securing possession therein.

Of *J. Douglas*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying that the commutation of lands held *en roture* in that City into free and common socage, may be rendered compulsory upon the *Seigneur*, at the option of the *Cénsitaire*.

Of *James Cormier* and others, of the *Magdalen* Islands; praying the abolition of the Custom House and Circuit Courts on the said Islands, and for certain alterations in their Rents.

Of *Archibald Norman* and others, of the District of *Gaspé*; praying that free grants of land be made ten miles apart on the *Metis* or *Kempt* Road, with an annual allowance, to encourage persons to settle on the same, for the purpose of keeping the said Road open; and recommending to the consideration of the House *Thomas Evans*, of *Assemetquagan* River, and *John Low*, of *Lake Matapedia*, for their zeal and benevolence upon the said Road.

On motion of Mr. *Notman*, seconded by Mr. *Wetenhall*,

Ordered, That the Petition of *Adam J. Ferguson*, Esquire, and others, Electors of the County of *Waterloo*, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *James Webster*, Esquire, as a Member to represent the said County of *Waterloo* in the present Parliament, be taken into consideration by this House, on Monday, the fifth day of February next, at the hour of four o'clock, P. M.; and that notice to that effect, in writing, be forthwith given by Mr. Speaker to the Petitioners, their Counsel or Agent, and to the sitting Member, according to the provisions of the second clause of an Act passed by the Parliament of *Upper Canada*, during the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty, *George* the Fourth, chapter four.

Waterloo Election.

Resolved, That the Petition of *Robert Hobson* and others, District Councillors and Magistrates of the District of *Niagara*, be referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *M'Farland*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Cauchon*, Mr. *Hall*, Mr. *Notman*, Mr. *Armstrong*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, and Mr. *Morrison*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Petition of R. Hobson and others;

Ordered, That the Petition of *Charles Park* and others, of the District of *Niagara*; and the Petition of *Solomon Doan* and others, of the Township of *Crowland*, District of *Niagara*, be referred to the said Committee.

Of C. Park and others, referred.

Mr. *Richards*, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Town of *Cornwall*, reported, That pursuant to adjournment, the Committee met on Saturday last at twelve o'clock, noon, and having waited for one hour, they were unable to proceed to business in consequence of the absence of Mr. *Egan*, Mr. *Dumas*, Mr. *M'Connell*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Marquis*, Mr. *Stevenson*, Mr. *Sawageau*, and Mr. *Mongenais*, members of the Committee; also, that the Committee met this day at the same hour, and were unable to proceed to business, in consequence of the continued absence of Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Egan*, Mr. *Mongenais*, Mr. *Marquis*, Mr. *Sawageau*, and Mr. *Stevenson*, members of the Committee.

Cornwall Election.

Ordered, That Mr. *Egan*, Mr. *Dumas*, Mr. *M'Connell*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Marquis*, Mr. *Stevenson*, Mr. *Sawageau*, and Mr. *Mongenais*, do severally attend in their places in this House, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* have leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws of Patents for Inventions in this Province.

Laws of Patents Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* have leave to bring in a Bill to improve the Law of Evidence, and to abolish unnecessary Oaths.

Law of Evidence Bill.

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

Resolved, That Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:—

Standing Committees to be appointed.

- 1.—ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS,
- 2.—ON EXPIRING LAWS,
- 3.—ON RAILROAD AND TELEGRAPH LINE BILLS,
- 4.—ON ROAD AND BRIDGE BILLS,
- 5.—ON MISCELLANEOUS PRIVATE BILLS,
- 6.—ON STANDING ORDERS,
- 7.—ON PRINTING,
- 8.—ON CONTINGENCIES,

which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to them by the House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Committee to prepare Lists.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee of eleven Members be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed, Lists of Members to compose the said Standing Committees ordered by this House; and that the said Committee be composed of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, Mr. *Boutillier*, Mr. *Cauchon*, Mr. *Christie*, Mr. *Dumas*, Mr. *Hall*, Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, Mr. *McConnell*, and Mr. *Richards*.

Libel Law Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Guy* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law respecting Libel.

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

Amnesty.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying, he will be pleased to lay before this House, copies of all Correspondence between the Home Government and His Excellency relative to the proposed Amnesty for political offences committed in this Country, in the years 1837 and 1838,

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Brooks*, *Cayley*, *Crysler*, *Guy*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *McConnell*, *M'Lean*, *Papineau*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, and *Stevenson*.—(18.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Christie*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Egan*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Smith* of *DURIAM*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(47.)

So it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,

Restrictions upon Commerce.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying he will be pleased to lay before this House, copies of all Communications between the Imperial and Provincial Governments relative to the proposed removal of Restrictions imposed by Imperial Acts upon the Commerce of this Province.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill to confirm the Erection of certain Townships, and for other purposes relative to the Erection of Townships. Townships Erection Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the thirtieth instant.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof. Election Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the thirtieth instant.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill for better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the *United States of America*, for the apprehension and surrender of certain Offenders. Offenders Treaty Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the thirtieth instant.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* have leave to bring in a Bill for removing doubts as to the legal effect of the Act of the Legislature of *Lower Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, and intituled, "An Act for rendering valid Conveyances of Lands and other immoveable property held in free and common socage within the Province of *Lower Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for the greater uniformity of the Law relative to Real Property in *Lower Canada*. Real Property Conveyance Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the thirtieth instant.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill for the punishment of Warehousemen and others giving false receipts for Merchandise, and of persons receiving advances upon Goods, and afterwards fraudulently disposing of the same. Warehousemen's Punishment Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend and extend certain provisions of "An Act to facilitate the partition of Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments in certain cases in *Lower Canada*." Partition of Lands, &c., Bill.

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

Cornwall  
Election.

According to Order, *Norbert Dumas*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Leinster*, who was absent, on Friday last, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Town of *Cornwall*, attended in his place; and having given satisfactory reasons for his not being present at the meeting of the Committee on that day; and having verified the same upon oath;

Ordered, That Mr. *Dumas* be excused for not attending the Committee, on Friday last.

According to Order, *Pierre Canac dit Marquis*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Kamouraska*, who was absent, on Friday and Saturday last, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Town of *Cornwall*, attended in his place; and having given satisfactory reasons for his not being present at the meetings of the Committee on those days; and having verified the same upon oath;

Ordered, That Mr. *Marquis* be excused for not attending the Committee, on Friday and Saturday last.

According to Order, *John Egan*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Ottawa*, who was absent, on Friday and Saturday last, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Town of *Cornwall*, attended in his place; and having given satisfactory reasons for his not being present at the meetings of the Committee on those days; and having verified the same upon oath;

Ordered, That Mr. *Egan* be excused for not attending the Committee, on Friday and Saturday last.

Speech con-  
sidered.

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

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* moved, seconded by Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now take into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature.

The Honorable Mr. *Papineau* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Sawageau*, That after the word "consideration" the following words be inserted: "in a Committee of the whole House."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

YEAS.

Messieurs *Christie*, *Fournier*, *Papineau*, *Prince*, and *Sawageau*.—(5.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Cayley*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fourquin*, *Guy*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *M'Lean*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(54.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now take into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature.

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

Mr. *Dumas* moved, seconded by Mr. *Wetenhall*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for his gracious Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Session of the Provincial Parliament:

To assure His Excellency that this House cordially concurs in the satisfaction expressed by His Excellency, that uninterrupted tranquillity has prevailed in the Province during the Recess:

That the proofs which the people of *Canada* have furnished during this period of general excitement and disquietude, of their love of order, and of the attachment they bear to their institutions will, they feel assured, tend to establish the credit of the Province on a firmer basis, and to promote its prosperity:

That they learn with the greatest satisfaction that it is the purpose of their beloved Sovereign to exercise the prerogative of Mercy in favor of all persons who are still liable to penal consequences for political offences arising out of the unfortunate occurrences of 1837 and 1838, and to assure His Excellency that they will with humble gratitude concur in passing any Act that may be proposed to give full effect to this Her Majesty's most gracious intention:

That it affords this House much pleasure to learn, that in compliance with the desire of the Legislature of this Province, expressed in a joint Address of the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament, the Imperial Parliament has passed an Act repealing the Clause in the Union Act which imposed restrictions on the use of the French Language:

That this House learns with pleasure, that His Excellency has during the Recess been in communication with Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, and with the Lieutenant Governors of *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, on the subject of the Provincial Post Office, and that on the meeting of the Imperial Parliament steps will be taken for conferring on the Provincial Authorities the entire control and management of this Department; and they trust that when the arrangements for effecting this object shall have been completed, it may be found practicable to establish a low and uniform Rate of Postage for the British *North American* Provinces:

That they concur with His Excellency in the belief that an increase in the Representation would be attended with considerable advantage to the public interest, and to assure His Excellency, that the subject, which is one of no ordinary importance, will not fail to receive their best consideration:

That they cordially concur in the gratification expressed by His Excellency, at the opposition manifested at one time in certain parts of *Lower Canada*, to the School Act, having in a great measure subsided; and that they will readily consent to make such alterations in it, as shall render it as little as possible onerous to the Rate-payer, without, however, compromising the important principle which it has consecrated, in securing for all the youth of this section of the Province, the blessing of Education:

That the system of Judicature in both sections of the Province—the Laws for the regulation of Municipalities, and the Constitution of the University of King's College, shall receive their best attention:

That they learn with great satisfaction that the Officers employed in exploring the Country between *Quebec* and *Halifax*, with the view of discovering the best line for a Railway to connect these two points,



have presented a Report containing much valuable information, and setting forth in a strong light the advantages of the proposed undertaking; and that a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been received by His Excellency, expressive of the interest taken by Her Majesty's Government in the execution of this great work:

That they will give their best consideration to the Accounts for the past, and the Estimates for the present year, when they shall be submitted by His Excellency; and they beg to assure His Excellency, that he may rely on their readiness to grant the Supplies which are necessary for the Public Service:

That this House participates in the concern expressed by His Excellency, that *Canada* has been seriously affected by the Commercial depression by which the past year has been unfortunately characterised:

That they feel grateful to His Excellency for having impressed on Her Majesty's Ministers the urgent necessity which exists for the removal of such provisions from the Imperial Statute Book as may tend to restrict the Commerce of this Province, by checking the resort of foreign Shipping to its Ports in search of freight; and that they receive with the highest satisfaction the information that His Excellency's representations on this head have been cordially responded to by the Queen's Government:

That among the measures to which His Excellency has been pleased to refer, as meriting the attention of the Provincial Parliament at the present time, as being calculated to raise the credit of the Province, to extend its trade, and to contribute to the development of its resources, this House is gratified at finding that His Excellency has particularly directed their attention to the following as specially important:

The provision of such funds as may be required for the completion of the *St. Lawrence* Canals, at the earliest period. With respect to which great works, they are happy to learn that, it is believed, that they may be so far perfected at a small additional expense as to permit Vessels drawing nine feet on the outward, and eight feet on the inward voyage, to pass from Lake *Erie* to the Ocean, soon after the opening of the navigation; and that when this object shall be accomplished, *Canada* will possess an Inland Navigation unparalleled in capacity and length, and connecting the marts of a Commerce to the growth of which it is impossible to assign limits:

The enactment of a Law authorizing the alienation of works of a purely local character which have been executed at the cost of the Province, and giving the Government such powers as may be necessary for the re-organization of the Provincial Debt, and creation of an efficient Sinking Fund. That it is gratifying to feel that this debt has not been contracted in the prosecution of costly wars, whether of defence or aggression, but in the construction of works of utility, the more important of which can hardly fail, when completed, to prove remunerative; and further, that the existence of a large revenue, derived from Customs, places the creditor of the Canadian Public in a very advantageous position, which will be improved when the principle of a Sinking Fund is brought into active operation:

The amendment of the existing Immigration Act, with a view to the removal of such provisions as tend to prevent Immigrants who propose to settle in *Canada*, or the Western States of the Union, from proceeding to their destination by the route of the *St. Lawrence*. With respect to which important subject this House fully concurs with His Excellency, that the Passenger Trade is an important branch of the trade inwards, which cannot be discouraged without prejudice to the trade outwards, and thanks His

Excellency for the assurance that he will not fail to make every exertion which the interests of the public health will permit, to reduce the expenditure of the Immigration Department to the scale of the years preceding 1847, when a passenger tax, considerably less onerous than that now levied, with the occasional addition of a small grant from the Public Treasury, sufficed to cover it:

That this House receives with peculiar gratification the recommendation of His Excellency to consider the expediency of setting apart a portion of the Public Domain, in order that the revenue derived from the sales thereof, may form a Fund, the interest of which shall be applied to the support of Common Schools; and to assure His Excellency that the subject will receive their best attention, as well as the important suggestion of His Excellency to invest the Capital arising from this source, either in the Stocks of the Province or in those of some of the principal Railways, the construction of which has been sanctioned by Parliament:

That this House feels grateful to His Excellency for the assurance that in maturing these and all kindred measures which have the promotion of the moral and economical well-being of the people of this important Province for their object, they will ever find His Excellency willing and desirous to cooperate with them:

That they fully concur with His Excellency that in the possession of a Revenue derived from so many independent sources, and exempt from numerous charges that weigh heavily on the resources of other Communities, *Canada* enjoys great and singular advantages; and they cordially unite with His Excellency in the hope that, under God's blessing, Legislation may be so directed as to enable her to reap the full benefit of them.

The Honorable Mr. *Papineau* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*, that the words, "That the proofs which the people of *Canada* have furnished during this period of general excitement and disquietude, of their love of order, and of the attachment they bear to their institutions will, they feel assured, tend to establish the credit of the Province on a firmer basis, and to promote its prosperity," be left out, and the following inserted: "That this tranquillity of the people of the *Canadas*, amidst the deep and general agitation which has urged the most enlightened Nations of *Europe* to the noblest exertions, often crowned with success, to alter and reform their vicious Governments, unwisely clinging to usurpations made by fraud or conquered by violence during the dark ages, but now intolerable, and that soon must become untenable in presence of free discussion, and yield to the reason and knowledge of the nineteenth century, proves that Canadians of all classes and of all origins have shown themselves friendly to order to a degree proving them entitled of right to be endowed with political institutions much more free and liberal than the defective Constitution imposed on them against their known and declared wishes, through their remonstrances and reiterated Petitions against the re-union of the two *Canadas*, wisely separated to their mutual advantage in 1791: That until the philanthropic and most judicious plan advocated by that pre-eminent and far-seeing Statesman, *Charles James Fox*, be realized, by the reform of our Constitution, through the extension of the elective principle to many other offices and departments than those wherein it now applies, and to such a degree, that Canadians, as he said, should see nothing to envy in the institutions of their neighbours, we have no better chance in time to come, than we had during a long and painful

“ past, to obtain the good government of the Province, and through good government its general prosperity, and the general contentment of its inhabitants.”

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. Scott, of *Two Mountains*, seconded by Mr. Smith, of *Frontenac*,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow, and be then the first Order of the day.

The Order of the day for the attendance at the Bar of this House, of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, Returning Officer at the last General Election for the County of *Oxford*, to produce evidence in relation to his conduct at the said Election, being read:

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

Then, on motion of Mr. Cauchon, seconded by Mr. Smith, of *Frontenac*,  
The House adjourned.

Martis, 23<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. DeWitt,—The Petition of *J. E. Brown*, Esquire, and others, of the Parishes of *Ste. Marline* and *St. Clément*, in the County of *Beauharnois*.

By Mr. Sauvageau,—The Petition of the Reverend *E. H. Blyth* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Martine de Beauharnois*.

By Mr. Taché,—The Petition of *Alexis Rivard* and others, of the County of *Rimouski*.

By Mr. Egan,—The Petition of *James Blackburn* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; the Petition of *Joseph Aumont* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; the Petition of *Charles Symmes* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; and the Petition of *James Wadsworth* and others of the County of *Ottawa*, and others residing on the shores of the River *Ottawa* and its tributaries.

By the Honorable Mr. LaTerrière,—The Petition of *Frederic Tremblay* and others, of the Parish of *Baie St. Paul*, County of *Saguenay*; and the Petition of the Reverend *François Boucher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ambroise de la Jeune Lorette*, District of *Quebec*.

By Mr. Jobin,—The Petition of *Michel Henrichon* and others, of the *Côte St. Paul*, in the Parish of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of *Kent*,—The Petition of *François Denault dit Jérémie*, of the City of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *Daniel M'Pherson* and others, of the Town of *Stratford*, and other places, in the eastern section of the District of *Huron*.

By the Honorable Mr. Macdonald,—The Petition of the City Council of the City of *Kingston*.

By the Honorable Mr. Viger,—The Petition of *J. O. Alfred Turgeon*, Esquire, and others, of the Counties of *Terrebonne* and *Leinster*.

By Mr. Prince,—The Petition of *A. Rankin*, Esquire, and others.

By Mr. Boutillier,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of *St. Hyacinthe*, (Seigniorial Tenure); and the Petition of *E. Couillard Després*, Esquire, Surveyor.

By Mr. Wetenhall,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore* (*Seneca* and *Oneida* Townships); the Petition of the Municipal Council

of the District of *Gore* (division of District); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore* (remuneration of Wardens); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore* (Road allowance); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore* (Assessment Rolls); and the Petition of *George Thomson* and others, of *West Flamborough* and other Townships, in the District of *Gore*.

By Mr. Davignon,—The Petition of *V. P. W. Dorion* and others, members of the “*Institut Canadien*” of *Montreal*; the Petition of *Daniel M'Callum*, of the Seigniority of *Foucault*, County of *Rouville*, yeoman; and the Petition of *M. Townsend* and others, the Board of Directors of the *Clarenceville Academy*, County of *Rouville*.

By Mr. Fourquin,—The Petition of *Alexandre Louis Gouin* and others, Municipal Councillors of the Municipality of *Yamaska* (Seigniorial dues.)

Resolved, That the Petition of *Joseph Ouimette* and others, of *St. Eustache* and other Parishes, in the County of *Two Mountains*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Scott, of *Two Mountains*, Mr. Jobin, Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Cauchon, and Mr. Taché, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Petition of J. Ouimette and others, referred.

Mr. Richards, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Town of *Cornwall*, reported, That pursuant to adjournment, the Committee met this day, at twelve o'clock, noon, and having waited for one hour, they were unable to proceed to business, in consequence of the absence of Mr. Chauveau and Mr. Stevenson, members of the Committee.

Cornwall Election.

Ordered, That Mr. Chauveau and Mr. Stevenson, do severally attend in their places in this House, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Macdonald, of *Glengary*, seconded by Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,

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

Votes and Proceedings to be printed.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Badgley have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, and to punish fraudulent debtors. He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday, the thirty-first instant.

Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Badgley have leave to bring in a Bill to relieve from Arrest for Debt in *Lower Canada*, persons residing in *Upper Canada*.

Bill to relieve certain persons from Arrest for Debt.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday, the thirty-first instant.

On motion of Mr. Christie, seconded by Mr. Gagy,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of the documentary evidence, exhibits, and papers, in virtue whereof the Order of His Excellency in Council, bearing date at *Montreal*, the twenty-first day of November

Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company.

last, relating to "The *Gaspé* Fishery and Coal "Mining Company," took place, giving effect to the Act passed in the seventh year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Charles Cunningham, Richard Norman, Samuel Amory,* and others, forming a Joint "Stock Company for carrying on the Fishery in "the *Gaspé* District and Gulf of *St. Lawrence,* "and Coal Mining, in the said District," and the Acts supplementary to it.

*Ordered,* That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Notman,* seconded by Mr. *Wetenhall,*

Waterloo  
Election.

*Ordered,* That the Entries in the Journal of this House, of the 9th, 13th, 17th, and 21st March last, relating to the Controverted Election for the County of *Waterloo,* be now read. And the same were read accordingly.

Uncultivated  
Lands (L. C.)  
Bill.

*Ordered,* That Mr. *Fortier* have leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate the settlement of uncultivated Lands in the Townships of *Lower Canada,* and for other purposes therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the twelfth of February next.

Road and  
Bridge Com-  
panies (U. C.)  
Bill.

*Ordered,* That the Honorable Mr. *Cameron,* of *Kent,* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the formation of incorporated Road and Bridge Companies in *Upper Canada.*

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

Bill respecting  
Aprons to Mill  
Dams.

*Ordered,* That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the several Laws in force in *Upper Canada,* regulating the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams, and to make provision for better defining the mode of constructing the same.

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

Executive  
Functionaries-  
Bill.

*Ordered,* That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* have leave to bring in a Bill to limit the number of Executive Functionaries, and the Salaries to be accorded to each, and for other purposes relating to their appointments to office.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the sixth of March next.

On motion of Mr. *McFarland,* seconded by Mr. *Thompson,*

Niagara Dis-  
trict Town.

*Ordered,* That the Entries in the Journals of this House, of the 16th April, 1846, and 21st March, 1848, which relate to the removal of the District Town of the District of *Niagara,* and contain the proceedings on the Petition of the Municipal Council of the said District, be now read.

And the same were read accordingly.

Intemperance.

*Resolved,* That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Gugy,* Mr. *DeWitt,* Mr. *Brooks,* Mr. *Flint,* Mr. *Jobin,* Mr. *Bell,* and Mr. *Taché,* be appointed to enquire whether any, and what, Legislative

measures can be adopted to repress the evils growing out of Intemperance, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

On motion of Mr. *Gugy,* seconded by Mr. *Brooks,* *Resolved,* That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement, in detail, of the income derived by the Sheriffs of the District of *Montreal,* in virtue of their office; distinguishing the several sources thereof, and specifying the amount of public monies in their hands, together with the profit in the shape of interest, or otherwise, derived by them for the last five years.

Sheriff of the  
District of  
Montreal.

*Ordered,* That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Gugy,* seconded by Mr. *Brooks,* *Resolved,* That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement, in detail, of the income derived in virtue of their offices, by the Crier and Tipstaff respectively of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Montreal,* for the last five years; distinguishing the several sources of such income.

Crier and Tip-  
staff of the  
District of  
Montreal.

*Ordered,* That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Gugy,* seconded by Mr. *Brooks,* *Resolved,* That this House will, on Tuesday the sixth day of February next, resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the expediency of amending so much of the Ordinance 25 *Geo. 3,* as empowers the Sheriffs of that part of the Province formerly constituting *Lower Canada,* to retain two and a half per cent out of the public monies in their hands.

Sheriffs per  
centage.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Amendment which was yesterday proposed to be made to the Question, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for his gracious Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Session of the Provincial Parliament:

Speech further  
considered

To assure His Excellency that this House cordially concurs in the satisfaction expressed by His Excellency, that uninterrupted tranquillity has prevailed in the Province during the Recess:

That the proofs which the people of *Canada* have furnished during this period of general excitement and disquietude, of their love of order, and of the attachment they bear to their institutions will, they feel assured, tend to establish the credit of the Province on a firmer basis, and to promote its prosperity:

That they learn with the greatest satisfaction that it is the purpose of their beloved Sovereign to exercise the prerogative of Mercy in favor of all persons who are still liable to penal consequences for political offences arising out of the unfortunate occurrences of 1837 and 1838, and to assure His Excellency that they will with humble gratitude concur in passing any Act that may be proposed to give full effect to this Her Majesty's most gracious intention:

That it affords this House much pleasure to learn, that in compliance with the desire of the Legislature



of this Province, expressed in a joint Address of the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament, the Imperial Parliament has passed an Act repealing the Clause in the Union Act which imposed restrictions on the use of the French Language :

That this House learns with pleasure, that His Excellency has during the Recess been in communication with Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, and with the Lieutenant-Governors of *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, on the subject of the Provincial Post Office, and that on the meeting of the Imperial Parliament steps will be taken for conferring on the Provincial Authorities the entire control and management of this Department; and they trust that when the arrangements for effecting this object shall have been completed, it may be found practicable to establish a low and uniform Rate of Postage for the British *North American* Provinces :

That they concur with His Excellency in the belief that an increase in the Representation would be attended with considerable advantage to the public interest, and to assure His Excellency, that the subject, which is one of no ordinary importance, will not fail to receive their best consideration :

That they cordially concur in the gratification expressed by His Excellency, at the opposition manifested at one time in certain parts of *Lower Canada*, to the School Act, having in a great measure subsidised; and that they will readily consent to make such alterations in it, as shall render it as little as possible onerous to the Rate-payer, without, however, compromising the important principle which it has consecrated in securing for all the youth of this section of the Province, the blessing of Education :

That the system of Judicature in both sections of the Province—the Laws for the regulation of Municipalities, and the Constitution of the University of King's College, shall receive their best attention :

That they learn with great satisfaction that the Officers employed in exploring the Country between *Quebec* and *Halifax*, with the view of discovering the best line for a Railway to connect these two points, have presented a Report containing much valuable information, and setting forth in a strong light the advantages of the proposed undertaking; and that a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been received by His Excellency, expressive of the interest taken by Her Majesty's Government in the execution of this great work :

That they will give their best consideration to the Accounts for the past, and the Estimates for the present year, when they shall be submitted by His Excellency; and they beg to assure His Excellency, that he may rely on their readiness to grant the Supplies which are necessary for the Public Service :

That this House participates in the concern expressed by His Excellency, that *Canada* has been seriously affected by the Commercial depression by which the past year has been unfortunately characterised :

That they feel grateful to His Excellency for having impressed on Her Majesty's Ministers the urgent necessity which exists for the removal of such provisions from the Imperial Statute Book as may tend to restrict the Commerce of this Province, by checking the resort of foreign Shipping to its Ports in search of freight; and that they receive with the highest satisfaction the information that His Excellency's representations on this head have been cordially responded to by the Queen's Government :

That among the measures to which His Excellency has been pleased to refer, as meriting the attention of the Provincial Parliament at the present time, as being calculated to raise the credit of the Province, to extend its trade, and to contribute to

the developement of its resources, this House is gratified at finding that His Excellency has particularly directed their attention to the following as specially important :

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The enactment of a Law authorizing the alienation of works of a purely local character which have been executed at the cost of the Province, and giving the Government such powers as may be necessary for the re-organization of the Provincial Debt, and creation of an efficient Sinking Fund. That it is gratifying to feel that this debt has not been contracted in the prosecution of costly wars, whether of defence or aggression, but in the construction of works of utility, the more important of which can hardly fail, when completed, to prove remunerative; and further, that the existence of a large revenue, derived from Customs, places the creditor of the Canadian Public in a very advantageous position, which will be improved when the principle of a Sinking Fund is brought into active operation :

The amendment of the existing Immigration Act, with a view to the removal of such provisions as tend to prevent Immigrants who propose to settle in *Canada*, or the Western States of the Union, from proceeding to their destination by the route of the *St. Lawrence*. With respect to which important subject this House fully concurs with His Excellency, that the Passenger Trade is an important branch of the trade inwards, which cannot be discouraged without prejudice to the trade outwards, and thanks His Excellency for the assurance that he will not fail to make every exertion which the interests of the public health will permit, to reduce the expenditure of the Immigration Department to the scale of the years preceding 1847, when a passenger tax, considerably less onerous than that now levied, with the occasional addition of a small grant from the Public Treasury, sufficed to cover it :

That this House receives with peculiar gratification the recommendation of His Excellency to consider the expediency of setting apart a portion of the Public Domain, in order that the revenue derived from the sales thereof, may form a Fund, the interest of which shall be applied to the support of Common Schools; and to assure His Excellency that the subject will receive their best attention, as well as the important suggestion of His Excellency to invest the Capital arising from this source, either in the Stocks of the Province or in those of some of the principal Railways, the construction of which has been sanctioned by Parliament :

That this House feels grateful to His Excellency for the assurance that in maturing these and all kindred measures which have the promotion of the moral and economical well-being of the people of this important Province for their object, will ever find His Excellency willing and desirous to co-operate with them :

That they fully concur with His Excellency that in the possession of a Revenue derived from so many independent sources, and exempt from numerous charges that weigh heavily on the resources of other communities, *Canada* enjoys great and singular ad-

vantages; and they cordially unite with His Excellency in the hope that, under God's blessing, Legislation may be so directed as to enable her to reap the full benefit of them.

And which Amendment was, that the words, "That the proofs which the people of *Canada* have furnished during this period of general excitement and disquietude, of their love of order, and of the attachment they bear to their institutions will, they feel assured, tend to establish the credit of the Province on a firmer basis, and to promote its prosperity," be left out, and the following inserted: "That this tranquillity of the people of the *Canadas*, amidst the deep and general agitation which has urged the most enlightened Nations of *Europe* to the noblest exertions, often crowned with success, to alter and reform their vicious Governments, unwisely clinging to usurpations made by fraud or conquered by violence during the dark ages, but now intolerable, and that soon must become untenable in presence of free discussion, and yield to the reason and knowledge of the nineteenth century, proves that Canadians of all classes and of all origins have shown themselves friendly to order to a degree proving them entitled of right to be endowed with political institutions much more free and liberal than the defective Constitution imposed on them against their known and declared wishes, through their remonstrances and reiterated Petitions against the re-union of the two *Canadas*, wisely separated to their mutual advantage in 1791: That until the philanthropic and most judicious plan advocated by that pre-eminent and far-seeing Statesman, *Charles James Fox*, be realized, by the reform of our Constitution, through the extension of the elective principle to many other offices and departments than those wherein it now applies, and to such a degree, that Canadians, as he said, should see nothing to envy in the institutions of their neighbours, we have no better chance in time to come, than we had during a long and painful past, to obtain the good government of the Province, and through good government its general prosperity, and the general contentment of its inhabitants."

And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until to-morrow, and be then the first Order of the day.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, seconded by Mr. *Thompson*,  
The House adjourned.

*Mercurii, 24<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;*

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

By Mr. *Hall*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Colborne* (Land Tax); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Colborne* (Act 9 *Geo.* 4, c. 3); the Petition of *C. R. Irish* and others, of the Township of *Mariposa*; and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Colborne* (expenses of administration of Justice).

By Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of *Flavien Valerand* and others, heretofore Clerks of the Municipal Councils of *Lower Canada*.

By Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. Provancher* and others, of the Township of *Tring*, in the County of *Megantic*.

By Mr. *Guillet*,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. X. Côté* and others, of the County of *Champlain*.

By Mr. *Méthot*,—The Petition of *John Gordon* and others, Shareholders in the *Quebec Warehousing Company*.

By Mr. *Polette*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Town of *Three Rivers*.

By Mr. *Bell*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst* (Division Courts); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst* (Road from the *St. Lawrence* to *Perth*); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst* (*Tay Canal*); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst* (Municipal Law); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst* (Assessment Law); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst* (Education); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst* (Market); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst* (Roads); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst* (Road between *Perth* and *Lanark*); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst* (Common School Act); and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst* (new District).

By Mr. *Laurin*,—The Petition of *B. Marquette* and others, the President, Officers, and Members of the Association of Teachers of the District of *Quebec* (Act of Incorporation); the Petition of *Patrick Noonan* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Giles* and *St. Sylvester*; the Petition of *Charles Cazeau* and others, Cullers of the District of *Quebec*; the Petition of *B. Marquette* and others, the President, Officers, and Members of the Association of Teachers of the District of *Quebec* (Education Law); and the Petition of *François Normand* and others, of the *Banlieue of Three Rivers*.

By Mr. *Stevenson*,—The Petition of *Stephen Bowerman*, of the Township of *Hallowell*, District of *Prince Edward*.

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,—The Petition of *N. McKinnon* and others, of the Township of *Bayham*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*,—The Petition of *Skiffington Connor*, Esquire, and others, members of the Legal Profession of *Upper Canada*.

By Mr. *Holmes*,—The Petition of *James McGill Des Rivières*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of *H. W. Whitney* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of the *Montreal and Lachine Railroad Company*; the Petition of *J. O. Alfred Turgeon*, Esquire, and others, the Mayor and Councillors of the County of *Terrebonne*; the Petition of *John H. Aussem*, Esquire, and others, of *New Glasgow*, County of *Terrebonne*; and the Petition of *Moyse Ollier* and others, of *Ste. Anne des Plaines*, County of *Terrebonne*.

By Mr. *Richards*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Johnstown*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock* (King's College); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock* (a lot of Land); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock* (Boundaries and Road Allowance); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock* (By-Law); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock* (Township of *Bayham*); and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock* (Courts of Assize).

Orders  
deferred

Petitions  
brought up

By Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*,—The Petition of *Ralph Merry* and others, of the Township of *Bolton*.

By Mr. *Dumas*,—The Petition of *Daniel Desjardins* and others, of *Ste. Rose* and other Parishes, in the County of *Terrebonne*; and the Petition of *Luc Varrier* and others, of *St. Vincent de Paul* and *St. Martin*, in the County of *Terrebonne*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*,—The Petition of *Pierre Boucher* and others, of *St. Rémi*, County of *Huntingdon*; the Petition of *John Clark* and others, of the City of *Montreal* and vicinity; and the Petition of *John Clark*, of the Parish of *Longue Pointe*, in the District of *Montreal*, Esquire.

Petitions read.

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

Of *Abraham Nash* and others, of the Township of *Cayuga*, District of *Niagara*; praying that a certain part of the said Township may be set off as a separate Township.

Of the President, Directors, and Company of the *Gore Bank*; praying that the value of each Share of their Capital Stock be reduced, and the amount of their Capital increased.

Of *John Jones* and others, of the Township of *Walpole*; praying for Legislative action to adjust certain difficulties arising out of the boundary line between the said Township and that of *Woodhouse*.

Of *Adam Cockburn* and others, of *Finch* and the adjoining Townships; praying aid for constructing certain Roads, and erecting a Bridge over South *Petite Nation River*, near *Crysler's Mills*.

Of *John E. W. Daly*, Esquire, and others, of *North Easthope* and other Townships, in the County and District of *Huron*, and of others of the Government Lands north of the eastern section of the said District; praying for the erection of the said Townships into a separate District.

Of *G. O. Stuart*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*, and of the Counties of *Quebec* and *Portneuf*; praying that certain Roads in the Parish of *Ste. Foye*, be put under the control of the *Quebec Turnpike Trustees*, and that the said Trustees be empowered to raise funds in the usual way, to complete and keep said Roads in repair.

Of *Alexander Douglas* and others, of the District of *Niagara*; praying for the renewal of the Charter of the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*, and that a longer time be given for the completion of the said Railroad.

Of *Charles Park* and others, of the vicinity of the *Welland River* and the *Welland Canal*, District of *Niagara*; praying that measures be adopted to relieve them from the unhealthy consequences resulting from stagnant waters occasioned in that vicinity by the construction of the said Canal.

Of the Corporation of the College of *Nicolet*; praying aid in support of the said College.

Of *Hugh C. Baker*, Esquire, President, and others the Vice President and Directors of the *Canada Life Assurance Company*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *Alfred Digby* and others, of *Brantford* and other Townships; praying that certain Townships therein mentioned be set apart as a separate District, with *Brantford* as the District Town.

Of the *Trafalgar, Esquesing, and Erin Road Company*; praying that the District Councils of the Districts of *Gore* and *Wellington* be authorized to take and hold Stock in the said Company, or to transfer to it a Loan on the security of the said Districts.

Of *F. X. Fournier* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Jean Port Joli*; praying for the repeal or amendment of the Education Law of *Lower Canada*.

Of Mrs. *Julie Angélique Badeaux*, of the Town of *Three Rivers*, widow of the late *Louis Charles Cressé*, Esquire; praying indemnification for damage sustained by her in consequence of the erection of a Public Bridge, and the use of a Road, interfering with her private and personal rights.

Of the Municipal Council of the Home District; praying for the passing of an Act to establish a tribunal for the settlement of disputed boundary lines.

Of *Robert Barrie* and others, of the western division of *Hinchinbrooke* and *Godmanchester*; representing the inadequacy of the Municipal Council Act—the Education Act—the Road Law—and the Judiciary system, to the wants of the country,—and praying that they be repealed or amended; and also, praying aid to construct a Road from *Trout River* to the Village of *Anicet*,—and that the Laws intended for country places should be drawn up and worded without ambiguity.

Of *Fisher Ames* and others, of the County of *Beauharnois*; praying that the Law for establishing Elementary Schools in *Lower Canada* be repealed or amended.

Of *M. A. Primeau* and *A. A. Trotter*, of the County of *Beauharnois*; praying to be authorized to construct a Toll Bridge over the River *Chateauguay*, in the Parish of *Ste. Martine*, and to make a Road in connection therewith.

Of *Peter Aylen* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; praying a grant of money to macadamize the Road from *Bytown* to *Aylmer*.

Of *James Wadsworth* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; praying that the said County be erected into a separate District for Judicial purposes.

Of the Municipal Council of *Rimouski*; praying for the establishment of Courts of Justice, and the building of a Gaol at *Rivière du Loup*.

Of *N. M. Farlane* and others, of the Fief *Marie Anne*, District of *Three Rivers*; praying the Government to compel their *Seigneur* to grant them a Title to their Lands.

Of *Joseph Smolinski*, of *Montreal*; praying the House to patronize his patented Calorifers, by ordering the Parliament Buildings to be heated by means thereof.

Of *Alexandre M. Delisle* and *B. H. LeMoine*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquires, and of *Jean B. Debien*, junior, of the Parish of *Ste. Rose*, in the District of *Montreal*; praying for an Act to authorize them to construct a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, and to improve a certain Road on the *Isle Jésus*, in the said Parish.

Of *J. A. C. Marchand* and others, of the Counties of *Chambly*, *Rouville*, and *Huntingdon*; praying that measures be adopted to facilitate the commutation of the tenure of Lands held *en fief* or *en censive*.

Of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Toronto*, and others, subscribers to the *Toronto General Dispensary Fund*; praying an annual grant in aid of the said Fund.

Of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, of the Parish of *St. Laurent*, County of *Montreal*; praying an Act of Incorporation, for purposes of Education and Charity.

Mr. *Richards*, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Town of *Cornwall*, reported, That pursuant to adjournment, the Committee met this day, but in consequence of the continued absence of Mr. *Chauveau*, a member of the Committee, they were unable to proceed to business.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chauveau* do attend in his place, in this House, to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the eight Stand-

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Standing Committees.

ing Committees ordered by this House, reported, That they had prepared Lists of Members accordingly; and the same were read, as follow:—

- 1st.—On Privileges and Elections.—The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, the Honorable Mr. *Cayley*, Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Dickson*, Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, Mr. *Fourquin*, Mr. *Notman*, the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*, and Mr. *Richards*.—(9.)
- 2nd.—On Expiring Laws.—Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, Mr. *Dumas*, Mr. *Polette*, Mr. *Seymour*, Mr. *Smith of Durham*, Mr. *Smith of Frontenac*, Mr. *Watts*, and Mr. *Wilson*.—(9.)
- 3rd.—On Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.—Mr. *Boutillier*, Mr. *Brooks*, Mr. *Cauchon*, Mr. *Hall*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, Mr. *M'Farland*, Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Mongenais*, Mr. *Prince*, the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood of Toronto*, and Mr. *Wetenhall*.—(11.)
- 4th.—On Road and Bridge Bills.—Mr. *Armstrong*, Mr. *Cameron of Cornwall*, Mr. *Davignon*, Mr. *Fortier*, Mr. *Guillet*, Mr. *Johnson*, the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, Mr. *Marquis*, and Mr. *Meyers*.—(9.)
- 5th.—On Miscellaneous Private Bills.—Mr. *Cartier*, Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Mr. *Daly*, Mr. *Egan*, Mr. *Flint*, the Honorable Mr. *LaTernière*, Mr. *Morrison*, Mr. *Prince*, and Mr. *Sherwood of Brockville*.—(9.)
- 6th.—On Standing Orders.—The Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, Mr. *Burritt*, Mr. *Duchesnay*, Mr. *Fournier*, Mr. *Gugy*, Mr. *Lemieux*, Mr. *Robinson*, and Mr. *Scott of Bytown*.—(9.)
- 7th.—On Printing.—The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Jobin*, Mr. *Laurin*, Mr. *Macdonald of Glengary*, Mr. *M'Connell*, Mr. *M'Lean*, Mr. *Stevenson*, and Mr. *Taché*.—(9.)
- 8th.—On Contingencies.—Mr. *Bell*, Mr. *Christie*, Mr. *Crysler*, Mr. *DeWitt*, Mr. *Lyon*, Mr. *Malloch*, Mr. *Sauvageau*, Mr. *Scott of Two Mountains*, and Mr. *Thompson*.—(9.)

*Ordered*, That the said Report be taken into consideration, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Richards*, seconded by Mr. *Holmes*,

*Resolved*, That the Petition against the Return of the Sitting Member for the County of *Glengary* is not now pending, the Petitioners having failed to enter into the Recognizance required by Law.

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*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *LaTernière* have leave to bring in a Bill to compel Pilots' Apprentices to qualify themselves to pilot vessels by the north channel of the River *St. Lawrence*, below the Island of *Orleans*, and to oblige the Trinity House of *Quebec* to lay down buoys to mark the shoals in the said channel, and to facilitate the traverse from the south to the north, from *Isle aux Reaux* to *Cap Tourment*.

Pilots Appren-  
tices Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time: and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. *M'Lean*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will cause the proper Officer to lay before this House, a Return of the sums collected under the provisions of the Act, intituled, "An Act to provide for the payment of claims arising out of the Rebellion and Invasion in

Rebellion  
Claims (U. C.)

"*Upper Canada*, and to appropriate the Duties "on Tavern Licences to local purposes."

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Amendment which was, on Monday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for his gracious Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Session of the Provincial Parliament:

Speech further  
considered.

To assure His Excellency that this House cordially concurs in the satisfaction expressed by His Excellency, that uninterrupted tranquillity has prevailed in the Province during the Recess:

That the proofs which the people of *Canada* have furnished during this period of general excitement and disquietude, of their love of order, and of the attachment they bear to their institutions will, they feel assured, tend to establish the credit of the Province on a firmer basis, and to promote its prosperity:

That they learn with the greatest satisfaction that it is the purpose of their beloved Sovereign to exercise the prerogative of Mercy in favor of all persons who are still liable to penal consequences for political offences arising out of the unfortunate occurrences of 1837 and 1838, and to assure His Excellency that they will with humble gratitude concur in passing any Act that may be proposed to give full effect to this Her Majesty's most gracious intention:

That it affords this House much pleasure to learn, that in compliance with the desire of the Legislature of this Province, expressed in a joint Address of the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament, the Imperial Parliament has passed an Act repealing the Clause in the Union Act which imposed restrictions on the use of the French Language:

That this House learns with pleasure, that His Excellency has during the Recess been in communication with Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, and with the Lieutenant Governors of *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, on the subject of the Provincial Post Office, and that on the meeting of the Imperial Parliament steps will be taken for conferring on the Provincial Authorities the entire control and management of this Department; and they trust that when the arrangements for effecting this object shall have been completed, it may be found practicable to establish a low and uniform Rate of Postage for the British *North American* Provinces:

That they concur with His Excellency in the belief that an increase in the Representation would be attended with considerable advantage to the public interest, and to assure His Excellency, that the subject, which is one of no ordinary importance, will not fail to receive their best consideration:

That they cordially concur in the gratification expressed by His Excellency, at the opposition manifested at one time in certain parts of *Lower Canada*, to the School Act, having in a great measure subsided; and that they will readily consent to make such alterations in it, as shall render it as little as possible onerous to the Rate-payer, without, however, compromising the important principle which it has consecrated, in securing for all the youth of this section of the Province, the blessing of Education:

That the system of Judicature in both sections of the Province—the Laws for the regulation of Municipalities, and the Constitution of the University of King's College, shall receive their best attention:

That they learn with great satisfaction that the Officers employed in exploring the Country between

*Quebec* and *Halifax*, with the view of discovering the best line for a Railway to connect these two points, have presented a Report containing much valuable information, and setting forth in a strong light the advantages of the proposed undertaking; and that a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been received by His Excellency, expressive of the interest taken by Her Majesty's Government in the execution of this great work:

That they will give their best consideration to the Accounts for the past, and the Estimates for the present year, when they shall be submitted by His Excellency; and they beg to assure His Excellency, that he may rely on their readiness to grant the Supplies which are necessary for the Public Service:

That this House participates in the concern expressed by His Excellency, that *Canada* has been seriously affected by the Commercial depression by which the past year has been unfortunately characterised:

That they feel grateful to His Excellency for having impressed on Her Majesty's Ministers the urgent necessity which exists for the removal of such provisions from the Imperial Statute Book as may tend to restrict the Commerce of this Province, by checking the resort of foreign Shipping to its Ports in search of freight; and that they receive with the highest satisfaction the information that His Excellency's representations on this head have been cordially responded to by the Queen's Government:

That among the measures to which His Excellency has been pleased to refer, as meriting the attention of the Provincial Parliament at the present time, as being calculated to raise the credit of the Province, to extend its trade, and to contribute to the development of its resources, this House is gratified at finding that His Excellency has particularly directed their attention to the following as specially important:

The provision of such funds as may be required for the completion of the *St. Lawrence* Canals, at the earliest period. With respect to which great works, they are happy to learn that it is believed, that they may be so far perfected at a small additional expense as to permit Vessels drawing nine feet on the outward, and eight feet on the inward voyage, to pass from *Lake Erie* to the Ocean, soon after the opening of the navigation; and that when this object shall be accomplished, *Canada* will possess an Inland Navigation unparalleled in capacity and length, and connecting the marts of a Commerce to the growth of which it is impossible to assign limits:

The enactment of a Law authorizing the alienation of works of a purely local character which have been executed at the cost of the Province, and giving the Government such powers as may be necessary for the re-organization of the Provincial Debt, and creation of an efficient Sinking Fund. That it is gratifying to feel that this debt has not been contracted in the prosecution of costly wars, whether of defence or aggression, but in the construction of works of utility, the more important of which can hardly fail, when completed, to prove remunerative; and further, that the existence of a large revenue, derived from Customs, places the creditor of the Canadian Public in a very advantageous position, which will be improved when the principle of a Sinking Fund is brought into active operation:

The amendment of the existing Immigration Act, with a view to the removal of such provisions as tend to prevent Immigrants who propose to settle in *Canada*, or the Western States of the Union, from proceeding to their destination by the route of the *St. Lawrence*. With respect to which important subject this House fully concurs with His Excellency, that the Passenger Trade is an important branch of the trade inwards, which cannot be discouraged without

prejudice to the trade outwards, and thanks His Excellency for the assurance that he will not fail to make every exertion which the interests of the public health will permit, to reduce the expenditure of the Immigration Department to the scale of the years preceding 1847, when a passenger tax, considerably less onerous than that now levied, with the occasional addition of a small grant from the Public Treasury, sufficed to cover it:

That this House receives with peculiar gratification the recommendation of His Excellency to consider the expediency of setting apart a portion of the Public Domain, in order that the revenue derived from the sales thereof, may form a Fund, the interest of which shall be applied to the support of Common Schools; and to assure His Excellency that the subject will receive their best attention, as well as the important suggestion of His Excellency to invest the Capital arising from this source, either in the Stocks of the Province or in those of some of the principal Railways, the construction of which has been sanctioned by Parliament:

That this House feels grateful to His Excellency for the assurance that in maturing these and all kindred measures which have the promotion of the moral and economical well-being of the people of this important Province for their object, they will ever find His Excellency willing and desirous to co-operate with them:

That they fully concur with His Excellency that in the possession of a Revenue derived from so many independent sources, and exempt from numerous charges that weigh heavily on the resources of other Communities, *Canada* enjoys great and singular advantages; and they cordially unite with His Excellency in the hope that, under God's blessing, Legislation may be so directed as to enable her to reap the full benefit of them.

And which Amendment was, that the words, "That the proofs which the people of *Canada* have furnished during this period of general excitement and "disquietude, of their love of order, and of the attachment they bear to their institutions will, they feel assured, tend to establish the credit of the Province on "a firmer basis, and to promote its prosperity," be left out, and the following inserted: "That this tranquillity of the people of the *Canadas*, amidst the "deep and general agitation which has urged the "most enlightened Nations of *Europe* to the noblest "exertions, often crowned with success, to alter and "reform their vicious Governments, unwisely clinging "to usurpations made by fraud or conquered by "violence during the dark ages, but now intolerable, "and that soon must become untenable in presence "of free discussion, and yield to the reason and "knowledge of the nineteenth century, proves that "Canadians of all classes and of all origins have "shown themselves friendly to order to a degree "proving them entitled of right to be endowed with "political institutions much more free and liberal "than the defective Constitution imposed on them "against their known and declared wishes, through "their remonstrances and reiterated Petitions against "the re-union of the two *Canadas*, wisely separated "to their mutual advantage in 1791: That until "the philanthropic and most judicious plan advocated by that pre-eminent and far-seeing Statesman, "Charles James Fox, be realized, by the reform of "our Constitution, through the extension of the "elective principle to many other offices and departments than those wherein it now applies, and "to such a degree, that Canadians, as he said, "should see nothing to envy in the institutions of "their neighbours, we have no better chance in time "to come, than we had during a long and painful "past, to obtain the good government of the Province, and through good government its general



“prosperity, and the general contentment of its inhabitants.”

And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Christie, LaTerrière, Papineau, and Prince.*—(4.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Brooks, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Crysler, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Gagy, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, Laurin, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, Marquis, M'Connell, M'Farland, M'Lean, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Notman, Polette, Price, Richards, Robinson, Sauvageau, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, Smith of WENTWORTH, Stevenson, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wetenhall.*—(63.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The Honorable Mr. *Papineau* again moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Christie*, That the words, “That they concur with His Excellency in the belief that an increase in the Representation would be attended with considerable advantage to the public interest, and to assure His Excellency, that the subject, which is one of no ordinary importance, will not fail to receive their best consideration,” be left out, and the following inserted: “That they concur with His Excellency in the belief that an increase in the Representation would be attended with considerable advantage to the public interest, provided that such increase be conformable to the rules of equity, and of that equal justice strictly due to the inhabitants of all parts of the Province, indiscriminately; that it apportion, from time to time, the Representatives as near as may be according to population; that it be not that odious plan, to which Lord *Durham* was justly averse, of giving an equal number of Members to the two Provinces, in violation of the principles of representation,—an injustice which would strongly set against the scheme public opinion both in *England* and in *America*; and which was judiciously stated and and forcibly expressed in the Report of the *Quebec* Committee of Reform and Progress, would be to consecrate the oppression of *Lower Canada* as a locality—the oppression of the *French* Canadians as a race.”

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boulton of NORFOLK, Christie, Laurin, and Papineau.*—(4.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boutillier, Brooks, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Cayley, Crysler, Davignon, Solicitor General Drummond, Dumas, Egan, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Gagy, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Marquis, M'Connell, M'Farland, M'Lean, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais,*

*Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, Smith of WENTWORTH, Stevenson, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, Wetenhall, and Wilson.*—(61.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Davignon, Solicitor General Drummond, Dumas, Egan, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wetenhall.*—(48.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Brooks, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Gagy, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, M'Connell, M'Lean, Papineau, Prince, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of FRONTENAC, Stevenson, and Wilson.*—(18.)

So it was carried in the Affirmative.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for his gracious Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Session of the Provincial Parliament:

To assure His Excellency that this House cordially concurs in the satisfaction expressed by His Excellency, that uninterrupted tranquillity has prevailed in the Province during the Recess:

That the proofs which the people of *Canada* have furnished during this period of general excitement and disquietude, of their love of order, and of the attachment they bear to their institutions will, they feel assured, tend to establish the credit of the Province on a firmer basis, and to promote its prosperity:

That they learn with the greatest satisfaction that it is the purpose of their beloved Sovereign to exercise the prerogative of Mercy in favor of all persons who are still liable to penal consequences for political offences arising out of the unfortunate occurrences of 1837 and 1838, and to assure His Excellency that they will with humble gratitude concur in passing any Act that may be proposed to give full effect to this Her Majesty's most gracious intention:

That it affords this House much pleasure to learn, that in compliance with the desire of the Legislature of this Province, expressed in a joint Address of the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament, the Imperial Parliament has passed an Act repealing the Clause in the Union Act which imposed restrictions on the use of the French Language:

That this House learns with pleasure, that His Excellency has during the Recess been in communication with Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, and with the Lieutenant Governors of *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, on the subject of the Provincial Post Office, and that on the meeting of the Imperial Parliament steps will be taken for conferring on the Provincial Authorities the entire control and management of this Department; and they trust that when the arrangements for effecting this object shall have been completed, it may be found practicable to establish a low and uniform Rate of Postage for the British *North American* Provinces:

That they concur with His Excellency in the belief that an increase in the Representation would be attended with considerable advantage to the public interest, and to assure His Excellency, that the subject, which is one of no ordinary importance, will not fail to receive their best consideration:

That they cordially concur in the gratification expressed by His Excellency, at the opposition manifested at one time in certain parts of *Lower Canada*, to the School Act, having in a great measure subsided; and that they will readily consent to make such alterations in it, as shall render it as little as possible onerous to the Rate-payer, without, however, compromising the important principle which it has consecrated, in securing for all the youth of this section of the Province, the blessing of Education:

That the system of Judicature in both sections of the Province—the Laws for the regulation of Municipalities, and the Constitution of the University of King's College, shall receive their best attention:

That they learn with great satisfaction that the Officers employed in exploring the Country between *Quebec* and *Halifax*, with the view of discovering the best line for a Railway to connect these two points, have presented a Report containing much valuable information, and setting forth in a strong light the advantages of the proposed undertaking; and that a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been received by His Excellency, expressive of the interest taken by Her Majesty's Government in the execution of this great work:

That they will give their best consideration to the Accounts for the past, and the Estimates for the present year, when they shall be submitted by His Excellency; and they beg to assure His Excellency, that he may rely on their readiness to grant the Supplies which are necessary for the Public Service:

That this House participates in the concern expressed by His Excellency, that *Canada* has been seriously affected by the Commercial depression by which the past year has been unfortunately characterised:

That they feel grateful to His Excellency for having impressed on Her Majesty's Ministers the urgent necessity which exists for the removal of such provisions from the Imperial Statute Book as may tend to restrict the Commerce of this Province, by checking the resort of foreign Shipping to its Ports in search of freight; and that they receive with the highest satisfaction the information that His Excellency's representations on this head have been cordially responded to by the Queen's Government:

That among the measures to which His Excellency has been pleased to refer, as meriting the attention of the Provincial Parliament at the present time, as being calculated to raise the credit of the Province, to extend its trade, and to contribute to the development of its resources, this House is gratified at finding that His Excellency has particularly directed their attention to the following as specially important:

The provision of such funds as may be required for the completion of the *St. Lawrence* Canals, at the earliest period. With respect to which great works, they are happy to learn that it is believed, that they may be so far perfected at a small additional expense as to permit Vessels drawing nine feet on the outward, and eight feet on the inward voyage, to pass from Lake *Erie* to the Ocean, soon after the opening of the navigation, and that when this object shall be accomplished, *Canada* will possess an Inland Navigation unparalleled in capacity and length, and connecting the marts of a Commerce to the growth of which it is impossible to assign limits:

The enactment of a Law authorizing the alienation of works of a purely local character which have been executed at the cost of the Province, and giv-

ing the Government such powers as may be necessary for the re-organization of the Provincial Debt, and creation of an efficient Sinking Fund. That it is gratifying to feel that this debt has not been contracted in the prosecution of costly wars, whether of defence or aggression, but in the construction of works of utility, the more important of which can hardly fail, when completed, to prove remunerative; and further, that the existence of a large revenue, derived from Customs, places the creditor of the Canadian Public in a very advantageous position, which will be improved when the principle of a Sinking Fund is brought into active operation:

The amendment of the existing Immigration Act, with a view to the removal of such provisions as tend to prevent Immigrants who propose to settle in *Canada*, or the Western States of the Union, from proceeding to their destination by the route of the *St. Lawrence*. With respect to which important subject this House fully concurs with His Excellency, that the Passenger Trade is an important branch of the trade inwards, which cannot be discouraged without prejudice to the trade outwards, and thanks His Excellency for the assurance that he will not fail to make every exertion which the interests of the public health will permit, to reduce the expenditure of the Immigration Department to the scale of the years preceding 1847, when a passenger tax, considerably less onerous than that now levied, with the occasional addition of a small grant from the Public Treasury, sufficed to cover it:

That this House receives with peculiar gratification the recommendation of His Excellency to consider the expediency of setting apart a portion of the Public Domain, in order that the revenue derived from the sales thereof, may form a Fund, the interest of which shall be applied to the support of Common Schools; and to assure His Excellency that the subject will receive their best attention, as well as the important suggestion of His Excellency to invest the Capital arising from this source, either in the Stocks of the Province or in those of some of the principal Railways, the construction of which has been sanctioned by Parliament:

That this House feels grateful to His Excellency for the assurance that in maturing these and all kindred measures which have the promotion of the moral and economical well-being of the people of this important Province for their object, they will ever find His Excellency willing and desirous to co-operate with them:

That they fully concur with His Excellency that in the possession of a Revenue derived from so many independent sources, and exempt from numerous charges that weigh heavily on the resources of other Communities, *Canada* enjoys great and singular advantages; and they cordially unite with His Excellency in the hope that, under God's blessing, Legislation may be so directed as to enable her to reap the full benefit of them.

*Resolved*, That the said Resolution be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, Mr. *Dumas*, Mr. *Wetenhall*, Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, and Mr. *McFarland*, to prepare and report the draught of an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Legislature, in conformity to the said Resolution.

Committee to draw up Address.

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

Address reported.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable *James*, Earl of *Elgin* and *Kincardine*, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency,

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

We beg to assure Your Excellency that this House cordially concurs in the satisfaction expressed by Your Excellency, that uninterrupted tranquillity has prevailed in the Province during the Recess.

The proofs which the people of *Canada* have furnished during this period of general excitement and disquietude, of their love of order, and of the attachment they bear to their institutions will, we feel assured, tend to establish the credit of the Province on a firmer basis and promote its prosperity.

We learn with the greatest satisfaction that it is the purpose of our beloved Sovereign to exercise the prerogative of Mercy in favor of all persons who are still liable to penal consequences for political offences arising out of the unfortunate occurrences of 1837 and 1838, and assure Your Excellency that we will with humble gratitude concur in passing any Act which may be proposed to give full effect to this Her Majesty's most gracious intention.

It affords this House much pleasure to learn, that in compliance with the desire of the Legislature of this Province, expressed in a joint Address of the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament, the Imperial Parliament has passed an Act repealing the Clause in the Union Act which imposed restrictions on the use of the French Language.

We learn with pleasure, that Your Excellency has during the Recess been in communication with Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, and with the Lieutenant-Governors of *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, on the subject of the Provincial Post Office, and that on the meeting of the Imperial Parliament steps will be taken for conferring on the Provincial Authorities the entire control and management of this Department; and they trust that when the arrangements for effecting this object shall have been completed, it may be found practicable to establish a low and uniform Rate of Postage for the British *North American* Provinces.

We concur with Your Excellency in the belief that an increase in the Representation would be attended with considerable advantage to the public interest, and we assure Your Excellency, that the subject, which is one of no ordinary importance, will not fail to receive our best consideration.

We cordially concur in the gratification expressed by Your Excellency, at the opposition manifested at one time in certain parts of *Lower Canada*, to the School Act, having in a great measure subsided; and we will readily consent to make such alterations in it, as shall render it as little as possible onerous to the Rate-payer, without, however, compromising the important principle which it has consecrated, in securing for all the youth of this section of the Province, the blessing of Education.

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This House receives with peculiar gratification the recommendation of Your Excellency to consider the expediency of setting apart a portion of the Public Domain, in order that the revenue derived from the sales thereof, may form a Fund, the interest of which shall be applied to the support of Common Schools; and we assure Your Excellency that the subject will receive our best attention, as well as the important suggestion of Your Excellency to invest the Capital arising from this source, either in the Stocks of the Province or in those of some of the principal Railways, the construction of which has been sanctioned by Parliament.

This House feels grateful to Your Excellency for the assurance that in maturing these and all kindred measures which have the promotion of the moral and economical well-being of the people of this important Province for their object, they will ever find Your Excellency willing and desirous to co-operate with them.

And they fully concur with Your Excellency that *Canada*, in the possession of a Revenue derived from so many independent sources, and exempt from numerous charges that weigh heavily on the resources of other Communities, enjoys great and singular advantages; and they cordially unite with Your Excellency in the hope that, under God's blessing, Legislation may be so directed as to enable her to reap the full benefit of them.

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

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

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

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

His Excellency appoints to be attended.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, rose in his place, and acquainted Mr. Speaker and the House, that His Excellency the Governor General will receive the House with its Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the present Session, to-morrow, at one o'clock, P. M., at the Government House.

Adjournment.

*Ordered*, That when this House doth adjourn, it will adjourn until to-morrow at half-past twelve o'clock, P. M.

Orders deferred.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by Mr. *M'Farland*, The House adjourned.

*Jovis, 25<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;*

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

AT the hour appointed, Mr. Speaker and the House attended upon His Excellency the Governor General, with the Address of the House.

The House attend His Excellency with their Address.

And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, that the House had attended upon His Excellency with their Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency to both Houses of the Legislature, to which His Excellency was pleased to make the following Answer:

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

His Excellency's Answer.

I thank you for your Address, and I assure you of my entire reliance upon your wisdom and prudence to assist me in whatever may tend to augment the prosperity of the people of *Canada*.

Mr. *Jobin*, Chairman of the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Stormont*, reported, That the Committee met this morning, at ten o'clock, but were unable to proceed to business in consequence of the absence of Mr. *Bell*, Mr. *Hall*, and the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*.

Stormont Election.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bell*, Mr. *Hall*, and the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, do severally attend in their places, in this House, to-morrow.

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

Petitions brought up.

By Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*,—The Petition of the Reverend *P. J. Crevier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Augustin*; the Petition of *H. M. LeMaire* and others, of the Parish of *St. Benoit*, County of *Two Mountains*; the Petition of the Reverend *H. Moreau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eustache*, County of *Two Mountains*; and the Petition of the Reverend *F. Bonin* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Scholastique*.

By Mr. *Johnson*,—The Petition of *Alexander Parker* and others, of *Caledonia* and other Townships in the District of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Marquis*,—The Petition of the Corporation of the College *St. Anne Lapocatière*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,—The Petition of *James F. Fair*, and others, of the united Townships of *Dalhousie* and *Levant*; and the Petition of *N. L. Freeman* and others, of the Western District.

By Mr. *M'Farland*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara*, (Ale houses); and the Petition of *John Clark*, Esquire, President, on behalf of the *Niagara District Agricultural Society*.

By Mr. *Thompson*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara*, (reconstruction of General *Brock's* Monument); the Petition of *John Tucher Williams*, Esquire, of the Township of *Hope*, District of *Newcastle*; and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara* (Assessment).

By Mr. *Sauvageau*,—The Petition of *Pierre D. Hébert* and others, of *St. Cyprien*, District of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *Francois Foucherout* and others, of the Counties of *Chambly*, *Rouville*, and *Huntingdon*.

By Mr. *Fortier*,—The Petition of the Reverend *M. Duguay* and others, of *Arthabasha*, *Chester*, and *Warwick*.

By Mr. *Wetenhall*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington* (Roads); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington* (Road allowances); the Petition of

*Andrew Geddes* and others, of the Districts of *Wellington* and *Gore*; and the Petition of *John S. McCollom* and others, of the Township of *Nelson*, District of *Gore*.

By Mr. *Laurin*,—The Petition of *Edouard Normand*, of the Parish of *Ste. Marie Magdeleine du Cap de la Magdeleine*, carpenter; and the Petition of the Reverend *William Dunn* and others, of the Township of *Frampton*.

By Mr. *Méthot*,—The Petition of *James McKenzie* and others, Merchants, Ship-riggers, and others interested in the trade of Ship-building at *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Watts*,—The Petition of the *Lower Canada Agricultural Society*; the Petition of *G. L. Marler*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Drummond*; the Petition of *W. C. Baynes*, Esquire, of the Township of *Kingsley*; and the Petition of *W. Montgomery*, of the Township of *Durham*.

By Mr. *Stevenson*,—The Petition of *Thomas Bowerman* and others, of the Townships of *Sophiasburg* and *Hallowell*, District of *Prince Edward*.

By Mr. *Holmes*,—The Petition of the *Canada Baptist Union* (*King's College*); and the Petition of the *Canada Baptist Union* (*Clergy Reserves*).

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of the Warden of the District of *London*.

By Mr. *Scott*, of *Bytown*,—The Petition of *J. Scott*, Esquire, M. P. P., and others, of the District of *Ottawa*; and the Petition of the Sisters of Charity of the General Hospital of *Bytown*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Corporation of the City of *Kingston*, and of divers inhabitants of the said City.

By Mr. *Taché*,—The Petition of *B. H. Charlebois*, Esquire, and others, Physicians and Surgeons of *Lower Canada*.

By Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of *Robert Cassels* and others of the District of *Quebec*, and others; the Petition of *Joseph Bedard*, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg* and other places; the Petition of the Reverend *François Boucher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ambroise* and other places; the Petition of the Reverend *E. Payment* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg* and other places (Road); the Petition of the Municipal Council, and of divers inhabitants of *St. Ambroise de la Jeune Lorette*; the Petition of the Honorable *Louis Panet* and others, Electors and Freeholders of the County of *Quebec*; the Petition of *John McCormick*, supernumery Tidewater, of *Quebec*; the Petition of the Reverend *E. Payment* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, County of *Quebec* (*Dorchester Bridge*); and the Petition of *Thomas W. Lloyd*, President, and others, Officers and Members of the *St. George's Society of Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,—The Petition of the *Grand River Navigation Company* (increase of Capital); the Petition of the *Grand River Navigation Company* (Loan); the Petition of the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*; and the Petition of *John Vandal Ham*, of the Township of *Murray*, District of *Newcastle*.

By Mr. *Egan*,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Bytown* (Incorporation of College); the Petition of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Bytown* (Sisters of Charity); the Petition of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Bytown* (aid for College).

By Mr. *Jobin*,—The Petition of *Louis Comte*, of the City of *Montreal*, Master Mason and Contractor.

Petitions read.

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

Of *L. G. Brown*, Esquire, and others, of the Parishes of *Ste. Martine* and *St. Clément*, in the County of *Beauharnois*; praying that the privilege

intended to be petitioned for by *M. A. Primeau* and *A. A. Trottier* and others, of making a Plank Road and erecting a Bridge and collecting tolls thereon in the said County, may be granted.

Of the Reverend *E. H. Blyth* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Martine de Beauharnois*; praying that the privilege intended to be petitioned for by *M. A. Primeau* and *A. A. Trottier* and others, of erecting a Bridge over the River *Chateauguay* be not granted.

Of *Alexis Rivard* and others, of the County of *Rimouski*; praying that the said County be set apart as a separate District, and the District Town be situated in the Parish of *St. Germain de Rimouski*,—that a Custom House be established for the said County, with the Parish of *St. Germain* for a sea port,—that a Harbour be constructed for that purpose,—and that the price of Crown Lands be reduced, and a longer term allowed for payment.

Of *James Blackburn* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; praying that measures be adopted to obtain the repeal of the Navigation Laws.

Of *Joseph Aumond* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; representing the great injury sustained by the Lumber trade, in consequence of the erection of certain Toll Bridges at the *Sault au Recollet*, on the *Rivière des Prairies*,—and praying that the Acts authorizing the erection of the said Bridges be so amended as to obviate the evil.

Of *Charles Symmes* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; praying for certain amendments to the Common School Law.

Of *James Wadsworth* and others of the County of *Ottawa*, and others residing on the shores of the River *Ottawa* and its tributaries; praying to be relieved from the payment of all Duties on imported Mess Pork consumed in the Lumber Trade.

Of *Frederic Tremblay* and others, of the Parish of *Baie St. Paul*, County of *Saguenay*; praying indemnification for loss sustained by them in the construction of a Road between the said Parish and that of *St. Joachim*.

Of the Reverend *François Boucher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ambroise de la Jeune Lorette*, District of *Quebec*; praying aid to open a Road from Lake *St. Jean* to *Chicoutimi* or the *Grand Brulé*.

Of *Michel Henrichon* and others, of the *Côte St. Paul*, in the Parish of *Montreal*; complaining of the danger to and destruction of property by the fires of Steamboats in the *Lachine Canal*, and praying relief.

Of *François Denault dit Jérémie*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying indemnification for alleged losses on contracts for public works, or, at least compensation for the work performed by him.

Of *Daniel McPherson* and others, of the Town of *Stratford*, and other places in the eastern section of the District of *Huron*; praying that that section of the said District be set apart and erected into a new District to be called the District of *Peel*.

Of the City Council of the City of *Kingston*; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *J. O. Alfred Turgeon*, Esquire, and others, of the Counties of *Terrebonne* and *Leinster*; praying aid to render navigable a certain part of the River *Jésus* communicating between *Terrebonne* and the River *St. Lawrence*.

Of *A. Rankin*, Esquire, and others; praying to be incorporated as the "*Huron Copper Bay Company*."

Of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of *St. Hyacinthe*; praying for the abolition of Seigniorial Tenures,—for the repeal of the Navigation Laws,—for aid and encouragement in the completion of the *St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad*,—for the indemnification of the Sufferers by the Troubles of 1837-38,—for

the establishment of Model Farms,—that the practice of Circuit Courts be made uniform,—that the Municipal Council Act be amended,—and that aid be granted to the Seminary of *St. Hyacinthe*.

Of *E. Couillard Desprès*, Esquire, Surveyor; praying indemnification for loss to a certain amount sustained by him in the erection of the Gaol and Court House of the County of *St. Hyacinthe*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*; praying that the Townships of *Seneca* and *Oneida* may be attached to the County of *Wentworth* for all purposes.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*; praying that the proposed division of that District be not made.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*; praying that the Municipal Council Act be so amended as to enable the several District Councils to remunerate their Wardens as they may deem proper.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*; praying to be authorized to grant Licenses of occupation or conveyances for original allowances for Roads in that District.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*; praying that the duties of making out the Assessment Rolls may be placed under the control of the District Councils.

Of *George Thomson* and others, of *West Flamborough* and other Townships, in the District of *Gore*; complaining of the unequal distances at which the Toll Gates on the Macadamized Road through the said Townships are placed, and praying relief.

Of *V. P. W. Dorion* and others, members of the "*Institut Canadien*" of *Montreal*; praying an Act of Incorporation.

Of *Daniel M<sup>c</sup>Callum*, of the Seigniorship of *Foucault*, County of *Rouville*, yeoman; praying indemnification for the loss of his property destroyed by political incendiaries in the year 1839.

Of *M. Townsend* and others, the Board of Directors of the *Clarenceville* Academy, County of *Rouville*; praying an increased aid in support of the said Institution.

Of *Alexandre Louis Gouin* and others, Municipal Councillors of the Municipality of *Yamaska*; praying for the abolition of the Tenures *en fief* and *en censive* in *Lower Canada*.

On motion of Mr. *Thompson*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*,

*Ordered*, That the Officers connected with the several Chartered Banks and Insurance Companies of the Province be, respectively, directed to lay before this House, the Statements of the affairs of the said Banks and Insurance Companies, as required by their Acts of incorporation.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, all Communications which have passed between Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies and His Excellency, upon the subject of the repeal or modification of the Usury Laws, and all other documents which may be in the possession of the Government relating thereto.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, seconded by Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he may be pleased to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, a Copy of the Presentment of the Grand Jury of the Midland District at the last Court of Oyer and Terminer for that District, relative to the refusal of *George Brown*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners for investigating the affairs of the Provincial Penitentiary, to give evidence before the said Jury on a charge of Perjury preferred against one *James M<sup>c</sup>Carthy*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws regulating Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and the protesting thereof.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 22nd January, 1849, for copies of all Communications between the Imperial and Provincial Governments relative to the proposed removal of Restrictions imposed by Imperial Acts upon the Commerce of this Province.

For the said Return, see Appendix (C.)

*Ordered*, That two hundred and fifty copies of the said Return be printed in each of the English and French Languages, for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. *Johnson*, seconded by Mr. *Scott*, of *Bytown*,

*Ordered*, That the Entries in the Journal of this House, of the 17th and 20th March, 1848, which relate to the Petition of *William Bradley* and others, of the Township of *Caledonia*, in the *Ottawa* District, praying for a certain Road allowance, be now read.

And the same were read accordingly.

*Resolved*, That a Standing Committee of six Members, composed of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*, the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, Mr. *Boutillier*, and Mr. *Chauveau*, be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library, to which shall be referred all matters relating thereto; with power to report from time to time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by Mr. *Johnson*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to direct a Tabular Return to be laid before this House, stating the names of the various Constituencies in *Upper* and *Lower Canada* respectively, the number of Representatives, and the number of Inhabitants in each Constituency, beginning with the largest and ending with the smallest, in each section of the Province respectively.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General by such

Mr. George Brown.

Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes Bill.

Restrictions on Commerce.

Appendix (C.)

Petition of W. Bradley and others.

Library.

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Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause the proper Officer to lay before this House, a Return of the amount collected for Harbour Dues at the Port of *Toronto*, for the year 1848,—and also, a detailed Statement shewing the balance, if any, still due to the Government on account of sums advanced, upon the authority of certain Acts of Parliament of *Upper Canada*, for constructing and repairing the Queen's Wharf at the entrance of the said Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

According to Order, *Pierre Joseph Olivier Chauveau*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Quebec*, who was absent, on Friday, Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday last, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Town of *Cornwall*, attended in his place; and having given satisfactory reasons for his not being present at the meetings of the Committee on those days; and having verified the same upon oath;

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau* be excused for not attending the Committee, on Friday, Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday last.

According to Order, *Norbert Dumas*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Leinster*, who was absent, on Saturday last, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Town of *Cornwall*, attended in his place; and having given satisfactory reasons for his not being present at the meeting of the Committee on that day; and having verified the same upon oath;

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dumas*, and the other Members who were reported as not having been present at the meetings of the Committee, be excused for such non-attendance.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*,

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for taking into consideration the Report of the Select Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the eight Standing Committees ordered by the House, be now read.

And the same being read;

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Report.

On motion of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*,

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the attendance at the Bar of this House, of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, Returning Officer at the last General Election for the County of *Oxford*, to produce evidence in relation to his conduct at the said Election, be now read.

And the same being read;

And the House being informed that Mr. *Vansittart* attended at the door; he was called in; and, at the Bar, addressed the House.

And the House being also informed that Mr. *George Washington Whitehead*, a witness on the part

of Mr. *Vansittart*, attended at the door; he was called in; and, at the Bar, examined, as followeth:—

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*.

1. Is your name *George Washington Whitehead*, and are you a resident of *Woodstock* in the *Brock* District?—Yes.

2. Were you present at the nomination of the *Oxford* Election on the 28th of December, 1847?—I was.

3. Were you a Deputy Returning Officer for the said Election?—I was.

4. Were you on or near the hustings when the qualifications of the candidates were demanded?—I was on the hustings.

5. Were you near the Returning Officer on that occasion; if so, at what distance were you from him?—A great part of the time I was immediately behind his chair; and afterwards on his left.

6. Did Mr. *Brown* appear there as the representative of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*?—He did.

7. At what distance was he from the Returning Officer?—I think that the greater part of the day he sat within one of the Returning Officer, that is to say, Mr. *Carroll* was a part of the day next to Mr. *Vansittart*, and for a portion of the day Mr. *Campbell*, who was also a candidate, took Mr. *Carroll's* place at the time when he went to draw up his qualification oath,—and on Mr. *Carroll's* return, Mr. *Campbell* left for the Clerk of the Peace's Office, to draw up his qualification. During Mr. *Campbell's* absence, Mr. *Brown* for a short time took his seat near Mr. *Vansittart*, and was in conversation with him on the subject of Mr. *Hincks's* qualification.

8. Did you remain on the hustings during the proceedings of that day; and were you in a position to hear what was said by the Returning Officer?—Yes; I was upon the hustings from the time of the reading of the Commission, until the close of the day's proceedings, and I was in a position to hear what was said by the Returning Officer and the candidates, and took notes of some part of the proceedings.

9. Did you make any note or memorandum, in writing, of the occurrences which took place; if so, when were they made, and have they been preserved?—Yes; I took notes in pencil, a part of which have been preserved. They were taken on the hustings at the time.

10. By whom was the qualification of the Honorable *Francis Hincks* submitted to the Returning Officer?—By Mr. *George Brown*, who appeared as Mr. *Hincks's* Agent.

11. Did the Returning Officer on that occasion, in reply to an observation made by Mr. *Brown*, make use of the following words: "At any rate I have decided it in your favor. I shall hold Mr. *Hincks's* qualification to be good for the present," and add, "that he would leave the other parties to have a decision elsewhere," or words to that effect?—In answer to that question, I will give my answer from my notes as I took them down:—Mr. *Hincks's* qualification was disputed on the ground of its having been made some months previous to the day of Election, and Mr. *Hincks* then being in the country, was bound to be present. The Returning Officer said he would receive and file the affidavit, reserving to himself the right to consider the validity of the same, and that he would give his answer on the Return day. Those, I believe, were the words of the Returning Officer.

12. What were the expressions or words made use of by the Returning Officer on that occasion relative to the said qualification?—The Returning Officer was of opinion that the qualification was not good, and I think he said that he would take counsel on the matter. There was a good deal of conversation passed between the Returning Officer and some of

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the electors, and all of the candidates, who joined in the conversation, who doubted the legality of the qualification, and who thought that the Returning Officer had no right to receive it. The Returning Officer decided on receiving it, with the same remarks I before stated. What I mean to say is—that there was a great deal of conversation which I do not pretend to remember; but were some questions put, I might call to recollection some particular expressions used on the occasion.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*.

13. You have just stated, that you think the Returning Officer made use of certain expressions on the hustings, and that conversation was going on about him; was there so much interruption that you feel doubt as to the accuracy of the expressions which you have attributed to the Returning Officer?—I am clear upon the point, that the Returning Officer said he would take counsel upon Mr. *Hincks*'s qualification, and give his decision upon the Return day. There was conversation passed during the day to which I paid no attention. I have no doubt as to that part of Mr. *Vansittart*'s declaration or expression of taking counsel respecting the qualification oath of Mr. *Hincks*, and that he would give his decision on the Return day, as before stated.

By the Honorable Mr. *Price*.

14. Did you, when giving your answer to the question last but one, say, that from the confusion or otherwise, you did not clearly remember what the words were that the Returning Officer said?—I mean to say, that so far as taking counsel and giving a decision at the Return day, I understood, I think, Mr. *Vansittart* distinctly. So far as the general conversation went, it did not bear upon this part of Mr. *Vansittart*'s remarks. There was conversation passed between Mr. *Vansittart* and the candidates, to which I paid no attention. I do not remember all the words that were made use of during the day by the Returning Officer. The confusion at the time spoken of does not relate to that part of the conversation between the Returning Officer and the candidates, so far as relates to Mr. *Vansittart*'s decision at the time as to the course he would take with respect to the qualification oath.

And then Mr. *Vansittart*, and the Witness, were directed to withdraw.

On motion of Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, seconded by Mr. *M'Lean*,

Ordered, That the further consideration of the case of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, Returning Officer at the last General Election for the County of *Oxford*, be postponed until to-morrow; and that it be then the first Order of the day.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, seconded by Mr. *Fournier*,  
The House adjourned.

Veneris, 26° die Januarii;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Bonds and Securities.

MR. Speaker laid before the House, the Registrar's Report of Bonds and Securities registered between 24th February, 1848, and 17th January, 1849, in compliance with the Act 4 and 5 Vic. cap. 91.

Appendix (D.) For the said Report, see Appendix (D.)

And also, Accounts of the Trustees of the *Montreal* Turnpike Roads, from 1st March, to 30th November, 1848.

Montreal Turnpike Roads.

For the said Accounts, see Appendix (E.)

Appendix (E.)

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

Petitions brought up.

By Mr. *Johnson*,—The Petition of *James P. Wells* and others, Trustees of the Grammar School for the District of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Dumas*,—The Petition of the Corporation of the College of *L'Assomption*.

By Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*,—The Petition of *C. C. Grece* and others, of the Township of *Grenville* and parts adjacent in *Lower Canada*.

By Mr. *Fortier*,—The Petition of *F. X. Pratt*, Esquire, and others, of *Stanford* and other Townships in the District of *Three Rivers*; the Petition of *Clovis Bourgeois*, of the Parish of *St. Grégoire*, in the County of *Nicolet*; and the Petition of the Reverend *Antoine Racine* and others, of *Stanford* and other places in the District of *Three Rivers*.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of *John M'Intosh*, of the Township of *London*.

By Mr. *Hall*,—The Petition of *Hugh Macfee* and others, of the Townships of *Dummer* and *Douro*, District of *Colborne*.

By Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of *L. Archambeault*, Esquire, and others, of *St. Marguerite de Blairfindie*; and the Petition of the President and Corporation of the College of *Chambly*.

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Mary H. Mountain* and others, the Ladies Managers of the Male Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Polette*,—The Petition of *T. Panneton* and others, of the Parish of *Three Rivers*.

By Mr. *Smith* of *Durham*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Newcastle* (Common School Act).

By Mr. *Chaveau*,—The Petition of *Joseph Morrin*, Esquire, and others, Physicians and Surgeons, members and professors of the School of Medicine of *Quebec*; the Petition of *Olivier Blais*, of the City of *Quebec*, scaman; and the Petition of *William Price*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec* and its vicinity.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* of *Kent*,—The Petition of *John Beckton* and others, of *Canada West*.

By Mr. *Egan*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Alexander Macdonell* and others, of the Parish of *St. Luke*, including the Townships of *North* and *South Plantagenet*, *Alfred*, and part of *Caledonia*; and the Petition of *Robert Couroy* and others, of *Bytown* and its vicinity.

By Mr. *Taché*,—The Petition of *Henry P. Croft* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Kamouraska*.

By Mr. *Wetenhall*,—The Petition of *E. C. Thomas*, President, and *Thomas M. Simons*, Secretary, of the "*Hamilton and Gore Mechanics' Institute*."

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

Petitions read.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Colborne*; praying for the repeal of the Act 9 Geo. 4, c. 3, in so far as it authorizes the payment of Land Tax to the Treasurer of any District other than that in which the Lands are situate.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Colborne*; praying that the Act 4 & 5 Vic. c. 10, and the Act 1 Vic. c. 21, be so amended as to enable the Municipal Councils to collect the Land Tax, and to compel the correct return of rateable property.

Of *C. R. Irish* and others, of the Township of *Mariposa*; praying that the said Township may remain attached to the *Colborne* District.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Colborne*; praying that the expenses attending the Administration of Justice in *Upper Canada* be



paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province.

Of *Flavien Vallerand* and others, heretofore Clerks of the late Municipal Councils of *Lower Canada*; praying for the payment of their claims against the said Municipal Councils.

Of the Reverend *L. Provancher* and others, of the Township of *Tring*, in the County of *Megantic*; praying for the completion of the *Lambton Road* through the said Township.

Of the Reverend *F. X. Côté* and others, of the County of *Champlain*; praying that the sum of one thousand pounds, voted for the construction of a Bridge over the River *Champlain*, be applied for the construction of two Bridges at certain points therein mentioned.

Of *John Gordon* and others, Shareholders in the *Quebec Warehousing Company*; praying an Act of Incorporation.

Of the Municipal Council of the Town of *Three Rivers*; praying that the Common appertaining to the said Town be placed under the control and management of the said Council.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst*; praying that the Commissioners' Courts may be restored in lieu of the present Division Courts.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst*; praying aid to improve the main Road leading from the River *St. Lawrence* to *Perth*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst*; praying that the Canal commenced by the *Tay Navigation Company* be taken under the control of the Legislature, and an aid be granted for its completion.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst*; praying for the amendment of the Municipal Council Act.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst*; praying for certain amendments to the existing Assessment Law.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst*; praying that the funds available from the Revenue of the University of King's College be applied to the support of Grammar and Common Schools in each District, and that the final decision of that question may be formed upon the basis of equal rights to all men.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst*; praying that the Act 2 *Geo. 4, c. 15*, be repealed, and the Market Building and the site thereof in the Town of *Perth* be placed under the control and management of the Municipal Council, with the necessary powers to regulate the same.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst*; praying that a certain sum of money be granted to the said District, by way of loan to be obtained on the guaranty of the Province, for the improvement of the Roads therein.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst*; praying a grant of money to improve the Road leading from the Town of *Perth* to the Village of *Lanark*, in the said District.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst*; praying certain amendments to the Common School Act.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst*; praying that the County of *Renfrew* be set apart and erected into a new District.

Of *B. Marquette* and others, the President, Officers, and Members of the Association of Teachers of the District of *Quebec*; praying to be incorporated under the name of the "*Association des Instituteurs du District de Québec.*"

Of *Patrick Noonan* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Giles* and *St. Sylvester*; praying that the said Parishes may be united for Municipal purposes.

Of *Charles Cazeau* and others, Cullers, of the District of *Quebec*; praying certain amendments to the Act 8 *Vic. c. 49*, for regulating the inspection and culling of Lumber.

Of *B. Marquette* and others, the President, Officers, and Members of the Association of Teachers of the District of *Quebec*; praying for certain amendments to the Education Law.

Of *François Normand* and others, of the *Banlieue* of *Three Rivers*; praying payment of a certain sum of money to indemnify them for extra labour performed as Contractors for the erection of certain Bridges.

Of *Stephen Bowerman*, of the Township of *Hallowell*, District of *Prince Edward*; praying compensation for a deficiency in the measurement of his land.

Of *N. M'Kinnon* and others, of the Township of *Bayham*; praying for the passing of an Act to annex the said Township to the District of *Brock*.

Of *Skiffington Connor*, Esquire, and others, members of the Legal Profession of *Upper Canada*; praying that measures be adopted for placing the Courts of Superior Jurisdiction in *Upper Canada* upon an efficient foundation.

Of *James M'Gill Des Rivières*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that measures be adopted for the opening of the *Papineau Road*.

Of *H. H. Whitney* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; representing that they have constructed a line of Magnetic Telegraph from the said City to the Province line near *Philipsburgh*, and praying an Act of Incorporation.

Of the *Montreal and Lachine Railroad Company*; praying a certain amendment to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *J. O. Alfred Turgeon*, Esquire, and others, the Mayor and Councillors of the County of *Terrebonne*; praying for the opening of the *Papineau Road* to the Village of *Sault au Recollet*.

Of *John H. Aussem*, Esquire, and others, of *New Glasgow*, County of *Terrebonne*; praying that the *Papineau Road* may be opened as far as the Village of *Sault au Recollet*.

Of *Moyse Ollier* and others, of *Ste. Anne des Plaines*, County of *Terrebonne*; praying for the opening of the *Papineau Road* to the Village of *Sault au Recollet*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Johnstown*; praying that the balance of £30,000 voted for the making of certain Roads in the said District, be expended in the completion of the said Roads.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock*; praying that the endowment of the University of King's College, *Toronto*, be not divided, and that Theological Institutions may in no case be provided at the public expense.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock*; praying that a certain lot of land in the Town of *Woodstock* may be vested in them, or that they may have control over the same for a certain object.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock*; praying for the passing of a Law to authorize Commissioners to settle all disputed Lines, Boundaries, and Road Allowances in the said District.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock*; praying that the By-law passed by the said Council in the year 1842, imposing a Tax of one penny farthing per acre on all lands in the said District be legalized by an Act of the Legislature.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock*; praying that the Township of *Bayham* be annexed to the said District in exchange for the seven westerly Concessions of the Township of *Nissouri*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock*; praying that the Courts of Assize and Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery,

be held in the said District more than once in each year.

Of *Ralph Merry* and others, of the Township of *Bolton*; praying that the Act 10 & 11 Vic. c. 37, be so amended as to extend to a further period of six months at least, the time for fyling claims to lands lying in the Township of *Bolton*.

Of *Daniel Desjardins* and others, of *Ste. Rose* and other Parishes in the County of *Terrebonne*,—and of *Luc Varrier* and others, of *St. Vincent de Paul*, and *St. Martin*, in the County of *Terrebonne*; praying for the straightening of a Road on *Isle Jésus*, and the opening of *Papineau* Road to the *Sault au Recollet*,—and that the privilege asked for by *Alexandre M. Delisle* and others, to construct a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, be granted.

Of *Pierre Boucher* and others, of *St. Rémi*, County of *Huntingdon*; praying indemnification for losses sustained by them during the Troubles of 1837 and 1838.

Of *John Clark* and others, of the City of *Montreal* and vicinity; praying indemnification for loss and damage sustained by them in the operation of the Ordinance 3 Vic. c. 31, providing for the improvement of the Roads in the neighbourhood of the said City,—and that the conduct and proceedings of the Trustees of the said Roads be investigated.

Of *John Clark*, of the Parish of *Longue Pointe*, in the District of *Montreal*, Esquire; complaining of a decision by the Court of Quarter Sessions in a matter between him and the *Montreal* Turnpike Trustees, by which he suffers loss and damage,—and praying an investigation into the case, that justice may be done him.

*Resolved*, That the Petition of *Charles Cazeau* and others, Cullers, of the District of *Quebec*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Laurin*, the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* of *Kent*, Mr. *Egan*, Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Cauchon*, Mr. *Lemieux*, and Mr. *Méthot*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *M. A. Primeau* and *A. A. Trottier*, of the County of *Beauharnois*; the Petition of *L. G. Brown*, Esquire, and others, of the Parishes of *Ste. Martine* and *St. Clément*, in the County of *Beauharnois*; the Petition of the President, Directors, and Company of the *Gore* Bank; the Petition of *Alfred Digby* and others, of *Brantford* and other Townships; the Petition of the Reverend *E. H. Blyth* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Martine de Beauharnois*; the Petition of *H. H. Whitney* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of *Arthur Rankin*, Esquire, and others; and the Petition of the City Council of the City of *Kingston*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

*Resolved*, That the Petition of *John Gordon* and others, Shareholders in the *Quebec* Warehousing Company, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Cauchon*, Mr. *Taché*, and Mr. *Fournier*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

*Resolved*, That the Petition of *James Cormier* and others, of the *Magdalen* Islands, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Christie*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, and Mr. *Wetenhall*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all

convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

*Ordered*, That the Entries in the Journal of this House, of the 17th and 20th March, 1848, which relate to the Petition of *William Bradley* and others, of the Township of *Caledonia*, in the *Ottawa* District, praying for a certain Road allowance, and which were read yesterday, be referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Johnson*, seconded by Mr. *Scott*, of *Bytown*,

*Ordered*, That the Entries in the Journals of this House, of the 17th and 25th June, and 14th July, 1847, and 9th March, 1848, relative to the *Bytown* and *L'Original* Road, be now read.

And the same were read accordingly.

On motion of Mr. *Dumas*, seconded by Mr. *Egan*,

*Ordered*, That the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Town of *Cornwall*, have leave to adjourn until Tuesday next, the thirtieth instant, at twelve o'clock, noon.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Superintendent of Schools of *Upper Canada*, for the year 1847.

For the said Report, see Appendix (F.)

On motion of Mr. *Richards*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, all the Correspondence between the Commissioners of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*, and the Provincial Secretary, relating to their complaints against Dr. *Park*, the Superintendent of the said Asylum; and also, all communications from Dr. *Park* to the Provincial Secretary on the subject of his complaints against the said Commissioners, and all other documents or papers in any way relating to the dismissal of Dr. *Park* from the situation of Superintendent of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*; and also, copies of all Correspondence between Dr. *Park* and the Provincial Secretary, relating to the issuing of a Commission to examine and enquire into the causes of difference between the said Commissioners and Dr. *Park*, and also, a copy of the Commissions appointing the said Commissioners and Dr. *Park*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the propriety of adopting an Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the repeal of the Navigation Laws.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the examination of Mr. *George Washington Whitehead*, a witness in a "matter of privilege, be immediately proceeded with," added instead thereof.

Petition of C. Cazeau and others;

Of M. A. Primeau and A. A. Trottier; Of L. G. Brown and others; Of the Gore Bank;

Of A. Digby and others;

Of the Rev. E. Blyth and others;

Of H. H. Whitney and others;

Of A. Rankin and others; Of the City Council of Kingston;

Of J. Gordon and others;

Of J. Cormier and others, referred.

Petition of W. Bradley and others.

Bytown and L'Original Road.

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Schools, U. C.

Appendix (F.)

Toronto Lunatic Asylum, and Dr. Park.

Navigation Laws.



And the Question being put on the Amendment, the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative. On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the main Question be postponed until Monday next.

Partition of  
Lands, &c.  
Bill

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend and extend certain provisions of an Act to facilitate the partition of Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments in certain cases in *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. *Laurin* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Laurin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Laurin* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and read the third time this day; and that the Rules of this House be suspended as to the same.

Oxford  
Election.

The Order of the day for taking into further consideration the case of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, Returning Officer at the last General Election for the County of *Oxford*, being read;

And the House being informed that Mr. *Vansittart* was at the door, he was called in; and attended at the Bar.

And the House being also informed that Mr. *George Washington Whitehead* attended at the door; he was again called in; and, at the Bar, his examination resumed, as followeth:—

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*:—

15. Did Mr. *Brown* conduct himself in a violent manner on that occasion, and did he use insulting language to the Returning Officer?—He did not at the time of nomination.

16. Did Mr. *Brown*, or any other person on behalf of Mr. *Hincks*, object to the amendment made by Mr. *Carroll* to his qualification oath?—Mr. *Brown* objected to any alteration being made in Mr. *Carroll's* qualification oath after it had been received by the Returning Officer.

17. Were you present when the show of hands was asked for by the Returning Officer?—I was.

18. Did the Returning Officer declare the Honorable *Francis Hincks* duly elected by show of hands, or did he declare the majority to be in favor of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*?—He did not declare Mr. *Francis Hincks* duly elected, but that the show of hands was in Mr. *Hincks's* favor.

19. What reasons were assigned by the Returning Officer for fixing the polling days on Saturday and Monday?—The first reason assigned was, that the Quarter Sessions came on the Tuesday following, and that the Clerk of the Peace would serve as one of the Deputy Returning Officers, and if the Election was put over Monday it would interfere with the public business of the Court.

20. Did the Quarter Sessions meet on Tuesday; and who was then Clerk of the Peace for the said District?—The Quarter Sessions met on Tuesday, and *William Lapenotière*, Esquire, was Clerk of the Peace.

21. Was the said *Lapenotière* a Deputy Returning Officer for the said Election?—I understood from Mr. *Lapenotière* that he was.

22. Did you take the notes referred to in a former answer as an accustomed habit, or for a specific purpose?—It is the custom with me, and has been for the last thirty years, to take notes on matters connected with public affairs with which I have any connection, and I did not take these notes for any specific purpose, other than being a usual practice with me.

By the Honorable *F. Hincks*.

23. Have you been in the habit of taking any active part in all political contests in the County of *Oxford* for many years back?—I have been in the habit since 1820, of taking more or less interest in the public and political affairs of the County of *Oxford*.

24. Have you not been one of the leading supporters of what is known as the Conservative party in that County?—I have.

25. Were you at one time a candidate for the Representation of the County of *Oxford* at the last General Election, in opposition to Mr. *Hincks*?—I had a requisition presented to me, with nearly three hundred signatures, requesting me to come forward as a candidate at the last General Election for the County of *Oxford*, which I declined accepting, and did not come forward as a candidate.

26. Did you decline accepting that invitation immediately, or were you for some time a candidate?—The same day on which the requisition was presented I published an address declining to come forward as a candidate on that occasion.

27. Were you not a candidate previous to the receipt of the requisition?—I was spoken to and desired to come forward, and should have done so if Mr. *Carroll* had not been in the field.

28. Did you not withdraw in favor of Mr. *Peter Carroll*, the candidate who was declared elected by Mr. *Vansittart*, and publish an address to the constituency in his favor?—I gave all my interest to Mr. *Carroll*, and in my address to the Electors desired them to vote for Mr. *Carroll*.

29. Were you not, after publishing an address in favor of Mr. *Carroll*, selected as Deputy Returning Officer of the Township of *Burford* by Mr. *Vansittart*?—It was some time after the address was published before the Election came on, and I was appointed, by Mr. *Vansittart*, Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Burford*.

30. Can you state about what length of time elapsed between the publication of your address and the Election?—I cannot state the precise time between the publishing of the address and the day for holding the Election; it might have been nearly two weeks.

31. Are you acquainted with *George G. Ward*, Esquire, J. P. of *Burford*; if so, state whether you know what course that gentleman took in the contest between Mr. *Hincks* and Mr. *Riddell*?—I know Mr. *Ward* very well; he was a near neighbour of mine, and he supported Mr. *Riddell*.

32. Are you aware whether Mr. *Ward* was applied to by Mr. *Vansittart* to act as Deputy Returning Officer for *Burford* previous to your being appointed; and are you aware whether he consented to act?—I know nothing of any application from Mr. *Vansittart* to Mr. *Ward* previous to the day on which the Election commenced in the Township. I then understood from Mr. *Ward* that he had been applied to by Mr. *Vansittart* some time previous, requesting to know if he, Mr. *Ward*, had any objection to serve as Deputy Returning Officer if Mr. *Vansittart* should find it necessary to appoint him, and that he had consented to act when called upon.

33. Did not Mr. *Ward*, some short time before the Election, declare that he was dissatisfied with the conduct of Mr. *Riddell*, whom he had formerly supported, and that he intended to support Mr. *Hincks* at the General Election?—During the electioneering canvass, Mr. *Ward*, in conversation with me, said he would support Mr. *Hincks*. About a fortnight previous to the Election, Mr. *Ward* left Mr. *Hincks*' cause, and took up Mr. *Campbell's*, who was also a candidate. Mr. *Ward* canvassed parts of the County with Mr. *Campbell*, and came to the Election and voted for Mr. *Hincks*.

34. Did you open a Poll Book at the Election, and receive votes for Mr. *Hincks*?—I did.

35. From whom did you receive that Poll Book; was it ruled and prepared for use; was Mr. *Hincks*' name at the head of one of the columns?—I received a Poll Book from the Sheriff's Bailiff on the afternoon previous to the day of the Election, and it was ruled. I am not certain whether I inserted the names in the columns or not; to the best of my recollection I did, but I am not clear upon that point.

36. How many polling places were there in the County of *Oxford* at the last General Election?—I am not able to say precisely. I think there must have been eleven; but I am not positive of this.

37. Is it a fact that all the Deputy Returning Officers appointed by Mr. *Vansittart* were opponents of Mr. *Hincks*?—I don't know who all the Deputy Returning Officers were.

38. Are you acquainted with *Robert Stroud*, of *Dereham*; *John Jackson*, of *Blenheim*; *Arthur Farmer*, of *East Zorra*; *William Thompson*, of *Oakland*; *John D. Dent*, of *West Zorra*; *Henry Crotty*, of *North Oxford*; *Emilius Fauquier*, of *Blandford*; *John A. Tidey*, of *Norwich*; *William Withers*, of *Nissouri*; *Charles N. Thomas*, of *West Oxford*, and *William Lapenotière*, of *Woodstock*; if so, do you not know them all to be strong political opponents of Mr. *Hincks*,—and are they not among the most active Conservative leaders in their respective Townships?—I am acquainted with *Robert Stroud*, of *Dereham*, who is a Magistrate; with *John Jackson*, of *Blenheim*, who is also a Magistrate. I have no acquaintance with Mr. *Farmer*. I know *William Thompson*, of *Oakland*, who is a Reformer. I know *John D. Dent*, of *Zorra*, who is also a Magistrate. I am not acquainted with *H. Crotty*, of *North Oxford*; neither am I acquainted with *Emilius Fauquier*. I am acquainted with *J. A. Tidey*, of *Norwich*, who is a Magistrate. I know *William Withers*, of *Nissouri*, but I do not know his politics. I know *Charles N. Thomas*, of *West Oxford*: I do not know anything of his politics. I know *William Lapenotière*, of *Woodstock*, and he tells me he does not profess any politics. All those whose line of politics I have not specially mentioned, I believe to be opponents of Mr. *Hincks*; some of them are active leaders, and especially Mr. *Jackson* in his Township.

39. Are you not aware that great dissatisfaction was felt by the inhabitants of *Norwich* at Mr. *Tidey's* conduct as Deputy Returning Officer; and have not many of the inhabitants of that Township complained bitterly that they were disfranchised at the last two Elections by the Deputy Returning Officers?—I have understood from general report that such was the case.

40. Has not Mr. *Lapenotière* always supported the Conservative cause at Elections and elsewhere; have not his declarations of having no politics been made since the Reformers have had a majority in the District Council of which he is Clerk?—I don't know how Mr. *Lapenotière* has ever voted at any Election. I am of opinion that he does not take any very active part in political matters; and his statement to me that he professed no particular line of politics has

been made on several occasions before and since he was Clerk of the District Council.

41. Are you acquainted with *Colonel Scatchaird*, J. P. of *Nissouri*, and with *Jared Vining*, Esquire, J. P. of the same Township; have not both these gentlemen acted as Returning Officers for the County of *Oxford*? Has not Mr. *Vining* served as Warden of the District Council; and has he not been elected twice Councillor for *Nissouri* for several years?—I am acquainted with both Mr. *Scatchaird* and Mr. *Vining*. Mr. *Scatchaird* served as Returning Officer for the County of *Oxford*, I think, at Mr. *Hincks*' second election for that County. Mr. *Vining* served as Returning Officer at Mr. *Hincks*' last election. Mr. *Vining* represented the Township of *Nissouri* for some years as a Councillor, and for the last two years he served as a Warden of the District of *Brock*.

42. Do you not consider that either of these gentlemen could have been an eligible Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Nissouri*?—I do.

43. Did Mr. *Vansittart* send any circular to you in reference to his construction of the Alien Act or the Naturalization Act; if so, can you state the nature of such circular?—There were instructions accompanying the Poll Books, and there was one pointing out the duty to be observed by me as Deputy Returning Officer respecting Aliens, the particulars of which I do not remember; I made no use of them.

44. Were those instructions of which you made no use in accordance with your own views as to the law regarding Aliens?—My reasons for not using the instructions were, that I had examined into the various Statutes bearing upon Aliens, and came to the conclusion that Aliens were not entitled to vote at the then Election, and paid no attention to any other opinion respecting Aliens. As far as my memory serves me at present, my views were not in accordance with those instructions.

45. Were the instructions from the Returning Officer as to the interpretation of the law regarding Aliens calculated to limit or extend the franchise as compared with your own views on the subject of the Alien and Naturalization Acts?—They extended the elective franchise, and would have admitted a certain class of Aliens to vote, whom I rejected.

46. What class of Aliens do you refer to in your last answer?—To those who had not taken the oath of allegiance prior to the date of March, 1820; and also those who did not produce the County Register Certificate of having taken the oath of allegiance required by the Statute.

47. What instructions were given by Mr. *Vansittart* regarding persons who came into the Province before 1820?—I do not remember what the instructions were upon that subject, and I do not remember that there were any.

48. What then do you mean by saying that Mr. *Vansittart's* instructions were calculated to induce you to extend the franchise?—The result of comparing my memorandum with the instructions together with Mr. *Scatchaird*, who appeared as Mr. *Hincks*' agent at the Election; and I think that Mr. *Scatchaird* was desirous that I should be guided by the instructions, and not my own views.

49. What are your views regarding the rights of persons to vote who came into the Province before 1820?—It is quite impossible for me to give my views satisfactorily at this time and place, without reference to the authority of the Statute.

50. Did you, at the last Election, admit the votes of persons who came into the Province before 1820, on their taking the oath of allegiance, or would you have admitted such votes if offered?—Persons who came into the Province before 1820, and produced a certificate of having taken the oath of allegiance be-

fore a Commissioner duly authorized to administer such oath, and all those who came in after March, 1820, and produced the County Register certificate; I would have recorded these votes; and on the first day of Election I would not have taken the vote of any other class of Aliens. On the afternoon of the second day of the Election I would have recorded the votes of all Aliens who came within the provisions of the Proclamation relating to Aliens, and that day received by me.

51. How could Mr. *Vansittart's* instructions have been more calculated to extend the franchise than your own view of the law, as just explained?—I have not at this late period very distinct recollections of what those instructions were, but I remember that Mr. *Hincks'* agent was desirous that I should follow out the instructions, he considering them more liberal than my own views.

52. What more liberal view could be taken by any one regarding persons who came into the Province before 1820, than that just expressed by you as the one on which you acted?—I do not know.

53. Was the qualification of Mr. *Hincks* required before or after the demand for a show of hands?—I do not remember whether it was before or after.

By Mr. *Notman*.

54. Did Mr. *Vansittart* at any time during the nomination or election, announce to the Electors, that Mr. *Hincks* was ineligible, from a defective qualification, or any other cause?—Not in my presence or hearing.

55. Were any instructions given to you, or to any other Deputy Returning Officer by Mr. *Vansittart*, not to receive votes for Mr. *Hincks*?—There were no instructions given to me of that kind, and I know nothing of what was given to the other Deputy Returning Officers.

By Mr. *Smith, of Durham*.

56. What part did you take in the discussion upon the question of the insufficiency of the qualification of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, at the day of the nomination; did you give your opinion or views upon the subject one way or the other; and if so, what opinion did you give thereon; and did you give any opinion as to the proper course for the Returning Officer to pursue, and what advice or opinion did you give with respect to receiving or rejecting such qualification?—The only conversation that I had on the day of the nomination respecting Mr. *Hincks'* qualification, was with some of the electors. I gave no opinion to the Returning Officer, nor any advice as to the course he should pursue respecting the qualification, neither at that time nor at any subsequent period.

57. Look at the Poll Book for the Township of *Burford*, now shewn to you; is the name "*George W. Whitehead*" entered last in the voters' column, intended for your name; explain why it was so entered; if for the purpose of voting, for whom did you tender or intend to give your vote at the last election for the County of *Oxford*, and why was your vote not recorded?—That is my name upon the Poll Book. It was placed there by my directions for the purpose of voting for Mr. *Carroll*. Mr. *Hincks'* agent raised an objection, that there was no person authorized to administer the oath of my qualification; and during the discussion the hour for closing the Poll arrived, and the vote was not recorded.

58. Did Mr. *Brown* take any part in the discussion with the Returning Officer about the qualification, at the time when, as you state in one of your answers, there was some confusion, and when conversation took place which you did not hear?—Mr. *Brown* took an active part in the discussion, and insisted upon the Returning Officer deciding at the

time upon the qualification oath of Mr. *Hincks*. I do not know what passed between them during the conversation, when several persons were conversing upon the subject at the same time. I did not pay attention to all that was said during that part of the conversation, when several persons were engaged in it.

By Mr. *Smith, of Frontenac*.

59. Have you had any interview or conversation with the Honorable *Francis Hincks* in relation to the evidence you have given, or were about to give before this House?—Since I came to this place, Mr. *Hincks* met me in the Picture Gallery of the House, and enquired if Mr. *Vansittart* had come down, and whom he had brought as witnesses. I replied, myself and Mr. *Decdes*; and Mr. *Hincks* remarked that he had no personal feeling against Mr. *Vansittart*, and hoped the question would be disposed of in the easiest possible manner, or words to that effect.

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*.

60. Did the confusion you have alluded to, as existing during part of the proceedings on the day of nomination, prevent your hearing all that passed between Mr. *Brown* and the Returning Officer?—It did not prevent my hearing a great deal of what was said on the occasion. The confusion spoken of arose out of general conversation and the occasional cheering of the spectators.

And then Mr. *Vansittart*, and the Witness, were directed to withdraw.

On motion of Mr. *Smith of Frontenac*, seconded by Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,

Ordered, That the further consideration of the case of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, Returning Officer at the last General Election for the County of *Oxford*, be postponed until Monday next.

An engrossed Bill to amend and extend certain provisions of an "Act to facilitate the partition of Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments in certain cases in Lower Canada," was read the third time.

Partition of Lands, &c., Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Solicitor General Drummond* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

According to Order, *James Hall*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Peterborough*, who was absent, yesterday, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Stormont*, attended in his place; and having given satisfactory reasons for his not being present at the meeting of the Committee on that day; and having verified the same upon oath;

Stormont Election.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hall* be excused for not attending the Committee, yesterday.

According to Order, *Robert Bell*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Lanark*, who was absent, yesterday, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Stormont*, attended in his place; and having given satisfactory reasons for his not being present at the meeting of the Committee on that day; and having verified the same upon oath;

Ordered, That Mr. *Bell* be excused for not attending the Committee, yesterday.

According to Order, the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, Member for the County of *Norfolk*, who was absent, yesterday, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Star-*

mont, attended in his place; and having given satisfactory reasons for his not being present at the meeting of the Committee on that day; and having verified the same upon oath;

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Boulton be excused for not attending the Committee, yesterday.

Limitation of  
Actions Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to alter the Law relating to the limitation of Actions in this Province, being read;

The Honorable Mr. Boulton moved, seconded by Mr. Smith, of Frontenac, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Laurin moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Fournier, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Monday next," added instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment, the House divided; and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Monday next.

Orders  
deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. Fournier, seconded by Mr. Mongenais,

The House adjourned until Monday next.

Lunæ, 29<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Mr. Dickson  
takes his seat.

**WALTER H. DICKSON**, Esquire, Member for the Town of Niagara, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. Jobin,—The Petition of Andrew MacFarlane and others, of the City of Montreal.

By Mr. Chauveau,—The Petition of the Reverend P. Huot and others, of the Parish of St. Foye, Counties of Quebec and Portneuf; the Petition of Louis Legendre, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of St. Louis de Lotbinière; the Petition of Eugène L'Ecuyer, of the City of Quebec, Notary Public; and the Petition of George O'Kill Stuart, Esquire, and others, of the City of Quebec.

By Mr. Boutillier,—The Petition of the Corporation of the College of St. Hyacinthe.

By Mr. Cauchon,—The Petition of the Reverend L. Provancher and others, of Lambton and other Townships, County of Megantic.

By Mr. Scott of Two Mountains,—The Petition of the Directors of the Academy of Berthier (aid to enlarge Building); the Petition of Jean Baptiste Cartier and others, of St. François du Lac; and the Petition of the Directors of the Academy of Berthier (usual grant).

By Mr. Fortier,—The Petition of J. B. Charland and others, of the Parish of St. Grégoire, County of Nicolet.

By Mr. Egan,—The Petition of Alexander M'Donell and others.

By Mr. Brooks,—The Petition of the Trustees of the Richmond Academy.

By Mr. Seymour,—The Petition of Elijah R. Parks and others, of the late Province of Upper Canada;

and the Petition of Richard Davenne, of Adolphus-town, Midland District.

By the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent,—The Petition of George Hyde, Esquire, and others, of the Townships of Sarnia and Plympton, in the Western District, and others of the Huron Tract; the Petition of James Porter, Esquire, and others, inhabitants of the northern Townships of the County of Kent.

By the Honorable Mr. LaFontaine,—The Petition of the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum; the Petition of the Ladies Directresses of the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum; and the Petition of the Chiefs and Warriors of the Village of Abenakis, of St. François du Lac St. Pierre.

By the Honorable Mr. Sherwood,—The Petition of Richard Watson, of the City of Toronto, Builder; and the Petition of J. E. Pell and others, Mechanics of the City of Toronto.

By Mr. Laurin,—The Petition of Charles Boyle, of the place called the "Nuns' Land," of the Parish of St. Giles, in the District of Quebec.

By the Honorable Mr. Badgley,—The Petition of G. J. Freligh and others, of the Township of Stanbridge, in the County of Missisquoi; the Petition of J. Chamberlin, Esquire, and others, of the County of Missisquoi; and the Petition of E. De Bellefeuille and others, of the City of Montreal, Students at Law.

By Mr. Scott, of Bytown,—The Petition of John Ring and others, of the Township of Nepean.

By Mr. Notman,—The Petition of A. W. Laird and others, of the City of Montreal; the Petition of Thomas Paddock and others, of the Township of Puslinch, District of Gore; the Petition of Alexander B. Orr and others, of North Easthope and other Townships of the Districts of Huron, Brock, and Wellington; the Petition of John Meyers and others, of the German Block in the Township of Woolwich; the Petition of Daniel Langley and others, of North Easthope and other Townships of the Districts of Huron and Wellington; and the Petition of Ralph C. Nicholson and others, of the Township of Dumfries.

By Mr. Fournier,—The Petition of the Reverend J. L. Beaubien and others, of the Parish of St. Thomas, in the County of L'Islet.

By Mr. Wetenhall,—The Petition of John Hawkins and others, of the Township of Woolwich, District of Wellington; the Petition of George J. Grange, Chairman, and C. H. Webster, Secretary, on behalf of a Public Meeting of the Inhabitants of the District of Wellington; the Petition of Alfred A. Baker and others, of the Townships of Guelph and Eramosa, District of Wellington; the Petition of Thomas Saunders and others, of the Township of Puslinch, District of Wellington; the Petition of James Burr and others, of the Township of Nichol, District of Wellington; the Petition of James M'Kaig and others, of the Township of Puslinch, District of Wellington; the Petition of Henry Cardwell and others, of Holland and other Townships, District of Wellington; the Petition of John D. M'Kenzie and others, of the Township of Beverly, District of Gore; the Petition of the Magistrates of the District of Wellington, in Quarter Sessions assembled; and the Petition of the Magistrates of the Wellington District (Licenses on Beer.)

By the Honorable Mr. Boulton,—The Petition of John Charlton and others, of the City of Toronto, and other places in the Home District.

By Mr. Watts,—The Petition of William Montgomerie, Esquire, and others, of Grantham and the adjoining Townships, in the County of Drummond.

By Mr. Holmes,—The Petition of the Honorable Joseph Bourret, Mayor, on behalf of a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the City of Montreal; and the Petition of the Reverend John Bethune and others, of Montreal.

By Mr. Bell,—The Petition of *Alexander M'Donell*, Esquire, and others, of the south side of the River *Ottawa*, between the Town of *Bytown* and the Village of *Pembroke*.

By the Honorable Mr. *La Terrière*,—The Petition of *George Chaperon*, of *Baie St. Paul*, County of *Saguenay*; the Petition of *George Chaperon* and others, of *Baie St. Paul* and *St. Urbain*, County of *Saguenay*; and the Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Gagnon* and others, of *Malbaie* and other Parishes, in the County of *Saguenay*.

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of the *Quebec Library Association*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*,—The Petition of *Benjamin Horner* and others, of the Township of *Blenheim*, District of *Brook*.

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of *William Leonard*, of the Township of *Scarborough*; and the Petition of *David Wood* and others, of the Township of *Walpole*.

By Mr. *M'Connell*,—The Petition of *Erastus Ives* and others, of the District of *St. Francis*.

By Mr. *Lemieux*,—The Petition of the Reverend *W. King* and others, of the Township of *Broughton*, County of *Megantic*; and the Petition of *F. Duchesnay*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly constituting the County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Gugy*,—The Petition of *Joseph Donegani*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,—The Petition of *John H. Aussem*, Esquire, and others, of the Province of *Canada*.

By Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*,—The Petition of *William Duncan*, of the Parish of *St. Ignace du Côteau du Lac*, County of *Vaudreuil*; the Petition of *S. S. Foster* and others, the President and Directors of the *Shefford Academy*; the Petition of *Benjamin Ouimet* and others, of the Township of *Upton*; and the Petition of *Mrs. M. Lunn*, Directress, and *Mrs. A. Durnford*, Secretary, on behalf of the University *Lying-in Hospital, Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Price*,—The Petition of the Justices of the Peace of the *Home District*, in Quarter Sessions assembled.

By Mr. *DeWitt*,—The Petition of *John Molson*, Esquire, and others, the Company of Proprietors of the *Montreal and Province Line Junction Railway*.

Of *James F. Fair* and others, of the united Townships of *Dalhousie* and *Levant*; praying a reduction of the qualification of Municipal Councillors, and for a more equitable system of assessment.

Of *N. L. Freeman* and others, of the Western District; praying aid to open a Road from the Town of *Chatham* to the Town of *Wallaceburgh*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara*; praying that all houses kept for the sale of ale and beer be compelled to take out a license for the same.

Of *John Clark*, Esquire, President, on behalf of the *Niagara District Agricultural Society*; praying certain amendments to the Act 3 Vic. cap. 54, for the encouragement of Agricultural Societies.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara*; praying that measures be adopted for carrying out the original design of the subscribers for the re-erection of Major General *Sir Isaac Brock's* Monument in the said District.

Of *John Tucker Williams*, Esquire, of the Township of *Hope*, District of *Newcastle*; praying that the East half of lot number nine in the first Concession of the said Township be not included in the proposed new Act of Incorporation of the Town of *Port Hope*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara*; praying certain amendments to the existing Assessment Law.

Of *Pierre D. Hébert* and others, of *St. Cyprien*, District of *Montreal*; praying indemnification for losses sustained by them during the Troubles of 1837 and 1838.

Of *François Foucroult* and others, of the Counties of *Chambly*, *Rowville*, and *Huntingdon*; praying the abrogation of the tenures *en fief* and *en censive*.

Of the Reverend *M. Duguay* and others, of *Arthabaska*, *Chester*, and *Warwick*; praying for the improvement of certain Roads therein mentioned.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington*; praying an Act to authorize the Municipal Councils to obtain materials for the repair of Roads from enclosed lands, upon payment to the owners of the value of such materials, to be ascertained by valuation.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington*; praying that Municipal Councils be authorized to dispose of useless Road allowances.

Of *Andrew Geddes* and others, of the Districts of *Wellington* and *Gore*; praying to be incorporated as the *Elora and Saugeen Road Company*.

Of *John S. M'Collom* and others, of the Township of *Nelson*, District of *Gore*; praying that a certain side line adjoining the farm of the said *John S. M'Collom* be vested in him in fee in lieu of the Road passing through his property.

Of *Edouard Normand*, of the Parish of *Ste. Marie Magdeleine du Cap de la Magdeleine*, carpenter; praying indemnity for alleged loss and damage to his property by the construction of the Bridge over the River *St. Maurice*.

Of the Reverend *William Dunn* and others, of the Township of *Frampton*; praying aid to improve the Road leading to the City of *Quebec*.

Of *James M'Kenzie* and others, Merchants, Ship-riggers, and others interested in the trade of Ship-building at *Quebec*; praying that a Law be passed to secure a lien on Ships to parties contributing to the building, repairing, or fitting up thereof, by loan of money or by advance of materials or labor.

Of the *Lower Canada Agricultural Society*; praying for the establishment of an Agricultural School and Model Farm in each District of Eastern *Canada*.

Of *G. I. Marler*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Drummond*; praying that certain Town-

Petitions read.

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

Of the Reverend *P. J. Crevier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Augustin*; praying indemnification for losses sustained by them during the Troubles of 1837 and 1838.

Of *H. M. LeMaire* and others, of the Parish of *St. Benoit*, County of *Two Mountains*; praying indemnification for losses sustained by them during the Troubles of 1837.

Of the Reverend *H. Moreau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eustache*, County of *Two Mountains*; praying indemnification for losses sustained by them during the Troubles of 1837-8.

Of the Reverend *F. Bonin* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Scholastique*; praying indemnification for losses sustained by them during the Troubles of 1837-8.

Of *Alexander Parker* and others, of *Caledonia* and other Townships in the District of *Ottawa*; praying that the Board of Works be directed to complete the Road between the *Des Outicas* Bridge and the Bridge over the *Petite Nation* River at *Hatfield*,—and that the whole amount voted for the improvement of the route between *L'Orignal* and *Bytown* be expended thereon without reference to individual interest.

Of the Corporation of the College of *Ste. Anne Lapocatière*; praying a grant of money in aid of the said College.



ships in the said County be set apart as a distinct Municipality.

Of *W. C. Baynes*, Esquire, of the Township of *Kingsey*; representing that his father, the late General *Baynes*, purchased a quantity of land in the year 1811, in which there was found on survey to be a deficiency of 200 acres; and praying that he may be allowed an equivalent for the said deficiency.

Of *W. Montgomery*, of the Township of *Durham*; representing that he has been obliged to pay certain costs and damages at law for acts performed by him while in the conscientious discharge of his duties as Justice of the Peace, and praying indemnification.

Of *Thomas Bowerman* and others, of the Townships of *Sophiasburgh* and *Hallowell*, District of *Prince Edward*; praying that a certain part of the Gore be united to the Township of *Hallowell*, and that a certain part of that Township be united to the Township of *Sophiasburgh*.

Of the *Canada Baptist Union*; praying that all Sectarianism be removed from the Constitution and Administration of *King's College*.

Of the *Canada Baptist Union*; praying that the Funds arising from the sale of the Clergy Reserve Lands be applied to the purposes of popular Education, without reference to sect or creed.

Of the Warden of the District of *London*; praying for the passing of an Act to render valid certain By-laws passed by the Municipal Council of the said District for the recovery of Rates.

Of *J. Scott*, Esquire, M. P. P. and others, of the District of *Ottawa*; praying that a like grant be made for the purposes of an Hospital in *Bytown* for the benefit of the valley of the *Ottawa* as is at present made to *Kingston* and *Toronto*.

Of the Sisters of Charity of the General Hospital of *Bytown*; praying for aid in support of the said Institution.

Of the Corporation of the City of *Kingston*, and of divers inhabitants of the said City; praying to be incorporated as "The City of *Kingston* Water Works Company."

Of *B. H. Charlebois*, Esquire, and others, Physicians and Surgeons of *Lower Canada*; praying certain amendments to the Act incorporating the Medical Profession of *Lower Canada*.

Of *Robert Cassels* and others of the District of *Quebec*, and others; praying a grant of money to improve certain Roads under the direction of the *Quebec Turnpike Trustees*.

Of *Joseph Bedard*, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg* and other places; praying that the Road from *Dorchester Bridge* to the Church of *Charlesbourg* be placed under the control of the *Quebec Turnpike Trustees*.

Of the Reverend *François Boucher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ambroise* and other places; praying aid to macadamize the *l'Ormière Road*.

Of the Reverend *E. Payment* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg* and other places; praying that the Road leading from the Church of *Charlesbourg* to *Dorchester Bridge*, be placed under the control of the *Quebec Turnpike Trustees*, and that aid be granted for macadamizing the same.

Of the Municipal Council, and divers inhabitants of *St. Ambroise de la Jeune Lorette*; praying that the Act 10 and 11 *Vic. cap. 7*, establishing Municipal Authorities be repealed, and that the Act 8 *Vic. cap. 40*, be revived.

Of the Honorable *Louis Panet* and others, Electors and Freeholders of the County of *Quebec*; praying for the opening of a Road to *Lake St. Jean*.

Of *John M. Cormick*, supernumerary Tidewaiter, of *Quebec*; praying compensation for a certain time during which he was rendered incapable to perform his duties, in consequence of typhus fever contracted by him while on duty.

Of the Reverend *E. Payment* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, County of *Quebec*; praying that *Dorchester Bridge* be placed under the control of the Trustees of the *Quebec Turnpike Roads*.

Of *Thomas W. Lloyd*, President, and others, Officers and Members of the *St. George's Society of Quebec*; praying an Act to incorporate them under the title of "The *St. George's Society of Quebec*, founded A. D. 1835."

Of the *Grand River Navigation Company*; praying for an increase of their Capital Stock.

Of the *Grand River Navigation Company*; praying that a certain Act authorizing the Government to loan them a certain sum of money be revived and extended.

Of the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*; praying that the Capital Stock of the said Company be reduced to twenty-five thousand pounds.

Of *John Vandal Ham*, of the Township of *Murray*, District of *Newcastle*; praying that the jurisdiction of the Division Courts of *Upper Canada* be increased.

Of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Bytown*; praying an Act of Incorporation for the College of *Bytown*.

Of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Bytown*; praying an Act of Incorporation for "*La Communauté des Révérendes Sœurs de la Charité*."

Of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Bytown*; praying aid in support of the College of *Bytown*.

Of *Louis Comte*, of the City of *Montreal*, Master Mason and Contractor; praying the passing of an Act to enable him to recover the payment of a sum of money due him for the erection of a Church and other buildings in the Parish of *St. Edouard*.

Of *James P. Wells* and others, Trustees of the Grammar School for the District of *Ottawa*; praying for an Act to enable them to dispose of the present Grammar School House, and to provide another more convenient and eligible in the Town of *L'Orignal*,—and for aid in support of the same.

Of the Corporation of the College of *L'Assomption*; praying an increased aid for the said College.

Of *C. C. Grece* and others, of the Township of *Grenville* and parts adjacent in *Lower Canada*; praying for the repeal of the Common School Law.

Of *F. X. Pratt*, Esquire, and others, of *Stanfold* and other Townships in the District of *Three Rivers*; praying for the opening and improving of certain Roads, and for the erection of a Bridge, in the said Townships.

Of *Clovis Bourgeois*, of the Parish of *St. Grégoire*, in the County of *Nicolet*; complaining of a certain exaction on the part of the High Constable of *Three Rivers*, and praying for protection.

Of the Reverend *Antoine Racine* and others, of *Stanfold* and other places in the District of *Three Rivers*; praying that each of the Eastern Townships may be erected into a distinct Municipality.

Of *John M. Intosh*, of the Township of *London*; praying payment for certain wearing materials furnished to the men under Colonel the Honorable *James Kerby*, during the late Rebellion in *Upper Canada*.

Of *Hugh Macfee* and others, of the Townships of *Dummer* and *Douro*, District of *Colborne*; praying that measures be adopted to obtain the repeal of the Imperial Act relating to the Clergy Reserves,—and for the abolition of the Rectories in *Upper Canada*, and the application of the funds arising therefrom to purposes of general utility.

Of *L. Archambeault*, Esquire, and others, of *Ste. Marguerite de Blairfindie*; praying indemnification for losses sustained by them during the Troubles of 1837 and 1838.



Of the President and Corporation of the College of *Chambly*; praying aid in support of the said College.

Of Mrs. *Mary H. Mountain* and others, the Ladies Managers of the Male Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*; praying aid in support of the said Asylum.

Of *T. Panneton* and others, of the Parish of *Three Rivers*; praying for the adoption of a more equitable system of exacting tithes in *Lower Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Newcastle*; praying for certain amendments to the Common School Act.

Of *Joseph Morrin*, Esquire, and others, Physicians and Surgeons, members and professors of the School of Medicine of *Quebec*; praying a grant of money in aid of the said School.

Of *Olivier Blais*, of the City of *Quebec*, seaman; praying indemnification for loss sustained by him, to the amount of forty-one pounds eight shillings and ninepence currency, in conveying certain Emigrants from *Quebec* to *Miramichi*, (*New Brunswick*), at the request of the Chief Emigrant Agent.

Of *William Price*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec* and its vicinity; praying that the Duties on salted and fresh provisions, grain and flour, be repealed.

Of *John Bechton* and others, of *Canada West*; praying that the jurisdiction of the Division Courts in *Upper Canada* be extended.

Of the Reverend *Alexander Macdonell* and others, of the Parish of *St. Luke*, including the Townships of *North* and *South Plantaganet*, *Alfred*, and part of *Caledonia*; praying that the waste lands of the Crown and the Clergy Reserve Lands in the said Parish be reduced in price, or granted free of charge to actual settlers.

Of *Robert Conroy* and others, of *Bytown* and its vicinity; praying the College of *Bytown* may receive a like support by Legislative aid as the other Colleges of *Upper Canada*.

Of *Henry P. Croft* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Kamouraska*; praying certain amendments to the Law for the protection and preservation of certain game and wild fowl.

Of *E. C. Thomas*, President, and *Thomas M. Simons*, Secretary of the "*Hamilton and Gore Mechanics' Institute*;" praying an Act of Incorporation for the said Institution.

On motion of Mr. *Jobin*, seconded by Mr. *Boutillier*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Stormont*, have leave to adjourn until Tuesday, the twentieth day of February next, at noon.

Ordered, That the Petition of the *Montreal and Lachine* Railroad Company; the Petition of *Thomas W. Lloyd*, President, and others, Officers and Members of the *St. George's* Society of *Quebec*; the Petition of the Corporation of the City of *Kingston*, and of divers inhabitants of the said City; and the Petition of *Alexandre M. Delisle* and *B. H. LeMoine*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquires, and of *Jean Bte. Debien*, junior, of the Parish of *Ste. Rose*, in the District of *Montreal*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Alexander Parker* and others, of *Caledonia* and other Townships, in the District of *Ottawa*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Joseph Smolinski*, of *Montreal*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Alexander Douglas* and others, of the District of *Niagara*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Resolved, That the Petition of *James M'Kenzie* and others, Merchants, Ship-riggers, and others interested in the trade of Ship-building at *Quebec*, be referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Lenieur*, Mr. *Cauchon*, Mr. *Egan*, and Mr. *Laurin*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Geological Report on the North Shore of *Lake Huron*, by *W. E. Logan*, Esquire, Provincial Geologist.

For the said Report, see Appendix (G.)

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Joseph Ouimette* and others, of *St. Eustache* and other Parishes, in the County of *Two Mountains*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was again read, as followeth:—

Your Committee having duly considered the merits of the Petition referred to them, unanimously agree to submit the same to the favorable consideration of your Honorable House.

Ordered, That the Entries in the Journals of this House of the 17th and 25th June, and 4th July, 1847, and 9th March, 1848, relative to the *Bytown* and *L'Orignal* Road, be referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, seconded by Mr. *Holmes*,

Ordered, That the Petition of *William K. M'Kenzie*, of *L'Orignal*, in the County of *Prescott*, Esquire, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *Thomas Hall Johnson*, Esquire, as a Member to represent the County of *Prescott* in this present Parliament, be taken into consideration by this House, on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of February next, at the hour of four o'clock P.M.; and that notice to that effect, in writing, be forthwith given by Mr. Speaker to the Petitioner, his counsel or agent, and to the sitting Member, his counsel or agent, according to the provisions of the second clause of an Act passed, by the Parliament of *Upper Canada*, during the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty *George* the Fourth, chapter four.

Ordered, That the Petition of *William Price*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec* and its vicinity, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. *Davignon*, seconded by Mr. *Boutillier*,

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the expediency of amending the Ordinance 4 Vic. c. 16, in so far as it relates to the manner of levying

Stormont Election.

Petition of the Lachine Railroad Company; Of T. W. Lloyd and others; Of the Corporation of Kingston; Of A. M. Delisle and others;

Of A. Parker and others;

Of J. Smolinski;

Of A. Douglas and others;

Of J. M'Kenzie and others, referred.

Geological Report.

Appendix (G.)

Report on Petition of J. Ouimette and others.

Bytown and L'Orignal Road.

Prescott Election.

Petition of W. Price and others.

Longueuil and Chambly Turnpike Road.

Tolls on the *Longueuil* and *Chambly* Turnpike Road.

Mr. George Brown.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 25th January, 1849, praying that he might be pleased to direct the proper Officer to lay before them, a Copy of the Presentment of the Grand Jury of the Midland District at the last Court of Oyer and Terminer for that District, relative to the refusal of *George Brown*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners for investigating the affairs of the Provincial Penitentiary, to give evidence before the said Jury on a charge of Perjury preferred against one *James M'Carthy*.

By Command,

J. LESLIE, Secretary.  
Secretary's Office, 29th January, 1849.

Office of Attorney General for *Upper Canada*,  
*Montreal*, 26th January, 1849.

The Queen vs. *M'Carthy*.

Sir,—I have the honor to transmit a Copy of the Presentment of the Grand Jury of the Midland District in this case, which has been called for by an Address of the House of Assembly of the 25th instant, as returned to me by Mr. *Richards*, the gentleman who had charge of the Crown business of that District at the last Assizes.

I have the honor, &c.,

(Signed,) ROBERT BALDWIN.

The Honorable *James Leslie*,  
Provincial Secretary, &c. &c. &c.

(Copy.)

Midland District, to wit:

Grand Jury Room, September 26th, 1848.

*James Hopkirk*, Esquire, appeared before the Grand Jury and made a complaint against *James M'Carthy* for wilful and corrupt perjury in a statement made before the Commissioners of the Penitentiary.

*George Brown*, Esquire, one of the Witnesses and a Commissioner, states that he is of opinion that it would be highly injurious to the Public Service to proceed to take evidence on this complaint at the present stage of the business, as a Report of the Commissioners has not yet been furnished to the Government, and declines giving evidence on this complaint unless ordered by the Court, as the proceedings of the Commissioners are not yet closed.

(Signed,) THOMAS ASKEW,

Foreman.

Gaspé Fishing and Coal Mining Company.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 23rd instant, and praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, copies of the documentary evidence, exhibits, and papers, in virtue whereof the Order of His Excellency in Council, bearing date at *Montreal*, the twenty-first day of November last, relating to "The *Gaspé* Fishing and Coal Mining Company" took place, giving effect to the Act passed in the seventh year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Charles Cunningham*, *Richard Norman*, *Samuel Amory*, and others, forming a Joint Stock Company for carrying on the Fishery in the *Gaspé* District and Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, and Coal Mining, in the said District," and the Acts supplementary to it.

Appendix (H.) For the said Return, see Appendix (H.)

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 25th January, 1849, for all Communications which have passed between Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies and His Excellency, upon the subject of the repeal or modification of the Usury Laws, and all other documents which may be in the possession of the Government relating thereto.

For the said Return, see Appendix (I.)

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the said Return, with the accompanying Documents, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Appendix (I.)

Also, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 25th instant, praying for a Tabular Return stating the names of the various Constituencies in *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, respectively, the number of Representatives, and the number of Inhabitants in each Constituency, beginning with the largest and ending with the smallest, in each section of the Province respectively.

Constituencies.

For the said Return, see Appendix (J.)

Appendix (J.)

Also, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 25th instant, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, a Return of the amount collected for Harbour Dues at the Port of *Toronto*, for the year 1848; and also, a detailed Statement shewing the balance, if any, still due to the Government on account of sums advanced upon the authority of certain Acts of Parliament of *Upper Canada*, for constructing and repairing the Queen's Wharf at the entrance of the said Harbour.

Toronto Harbour Dues and Queen's Wharf.

For the said Return, see Appendix (K.)

Appendix (K.)

And also, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 24th January, 1849, for a Return of the sums collected under the provisions of the Act, 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."

Rebellion Claims. (U.C.)

A Return of the sums collected under the provisions of the Act, intituled, "An Act to provide for the payment of claims arising out of Rebellion and Invasion in *Upper Canada*, and to appropriate the Duties on Tavern Licenses to local purposes."

Amount from 5th April, 1845, to

31st January, 1846.....	£7,052	7	1½
Do. from 1st February, 1846, to 31st January, 1847.....	11,601	4	8
Do. from 1st February, 1847, to 31st January, 1848.....	9,331	12	8
Do. from 1st February, 1848, to 24th January, 1849....	10,673	4	9

£38,658. 9 2½

JOS. CARY,

Deputy Inspector General.

Inspector General's Office,

*Montreal*, 24th January, 1849.

Ordered, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of the Provincial Parliament of *Upper Canada*,—Assessment Returns for *Upper Canada* for 1847 and 1848.

Assessment Returns. (U.C.)

For the said Assessment Returns, see Appendix (L.)

Appendix (L.)

Niagara District Town.

Mr. *McFarland* moved, seconded by Mr. *Thompson*, and the Question being put, That the Entries in the Journals of this House of the 16th April, 1846, and 21st of March, 1848, which relate to the removal of the District Town of the District of *Niagara*, and containing the proceedings on the Petition of the Municipal Council of the said District, be referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Robert Hobson* and others, District Councillors and Magistrates for the District of *Niagara*, and other references.

The House divided:

Yeas, 31.

Nays, 27.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *Gugy*, Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency will be graciously pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any correspondence that may have taken place between the Executive Government and the Honorable Mr. Justice *Bedard*, anterior and relative to his translation from the Bench of Judges at *Quebec* to that of *Montreal*, together with copies of his Commissions, as well to the former as to the latter; also, copies of any letters or correspondence between the Executive and the Honorable Mr. Justice *Aylwin*, relative to his appointment to the Bench of *Quebec* as successor to Mr. Justice *Bedard*; and copies of any correspondence (not of a confidential nature) between His Excellency and Her Majesty's Government in *England*, relative to both or either of those appointments, and that may relate to the precedence claimed by Mr. Justice *Bedard*, in the Court of Queen's Bench at *Montreal*, over the Honorable Messieurs Justices *Day* and *Smith*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Limited Partnerships Bill (U. C.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize limited Partnerships in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the nineteenth of February next.

Assessment Bill (U. C.)

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* have leave to bring in a Bill to establish a more equal and just system of Assessment in the several Townships, Villages, Towns and Cities in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the thirteenth of February next.

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *Charles de Léry*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—  
Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intitled, "An Act to amend and extend certain provisions of an Act to facilitate the partition of Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments in certain cases in *Lower Canada*," without any Amendment. And then he withdrew.

Partition of Lands, &c. Bill.

Frivolous Oppositions Bill (L. C.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill for preventing frivolous and vexatious Oppositions to the seizure of moveables or of immoveables, and for the better ensuring the

execution of Judgments of the Courts of Law in *Lower Canada*.

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

Ordered, That Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Societies and Companies.

Bill to facilitate Actions against unincorporated Bodies.

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

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Duchesnay*, the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrère*, Mr. *Boutillier*, Mr. *Guillet*, and Mr. *Davignon*, be appointed to enquire into the system adopted in the distribution of the *Canada Gazette*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Canada Gazette.

Ordered, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Registry Laws of *Upper Canada*.

Registry Laws (U. C.) Bill.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*,

Resolved, That this House will, on Tuesday, the sixth day of February next, resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the expediency of establishing, by Law, the Indemnity to be granted to the Members of this House, and of providing for the payment thereof.

Indemnity to Members.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, seconded by Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*,

Resolved, That this House will, on Friday, the ninth day of February next, resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the necessity of establishing the amount of Losses incurred by certain inhabitants in *Lower Canada* during the political Troubles of 1837 and 1838, and of providing for the payment thereof.

Rebellion Losses. (L. C.)

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*.

School Law (L. C.) Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill to establish a Court having jurisdiction in Appeals and Criminal matters for *Lower Canada*.

Court of Appeals and Criminal Jurisdiction Bill. (L. C.)

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*.

Courts of Civil Jurisdiction Bill. (L. C.)

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the

first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of February next.

Gaspé Judicature Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relative to the Administration of Justice in *Gaspé*.

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

Bill requiring Mortgages to be filed

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill requiring Mortgages of personal property in *Upper Canada* to be filed.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday, the twenty-first day of February next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by Mr. *Richards*,

Bank Tax.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him that he will be pleased to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, a tabular, monthly, or such other periodical Return of the issue of Bank Notes by the several Banks in this Province, as may be conveniently had during the several years since the imposition of the Bank Tax, to the thirty-first December last, with the amount of the Tax levied on each such periodical Return of each Bank respectively.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Winter Roads (L. C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laurin* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Laws relating to Winter Roads in *Lower Canada*.

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

On motion of Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, seconded by Mr. *Holmes*,

Clerical Visitors of Sick Emigrants.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, 1st. A Return of all sums of money paid during 1848, for the service of 1847, to Clerical Visitors of sick Emigrants at *Grosse Isle*, *Quebec*, *Montreal*, and elsewhere, with the name and claims of each recipient.—2nd. A Return of all special grants to Schools and Colleges, (not including the annual grant for *Upper* and *Lower Canada* of £50,000,) with the particulars of the expenditure in each case, the names of the Teachers or Professors who are employed, the number of pupils who share in the benefit, and the course of instruction pursued,—also, the Religious body (if any) with which the Institution is connected.—3rd. A Return of all the expenditure of the Clergy Reserves money, giving the particulars of each outlay since the passing of the Imperial Act relating to the said Reserves; also, copies of all the correspondence or documents received by Government relative to the surplus fund now accruing from the Reserves, and the aggregate amount of such surplus fund.

Schools and Colleges.

Clergy Reserves.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Price* have leave to bring in a Bill for the relief of *Joseph Richard Thompson*. Thompson's Relief Bill.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Question proposed on Friday last, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the propriety of adopting an Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the repeal of the Navigation Laws. Navigation Laws.

And the Question being put;

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the propriety of adopting an Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the repeal of the Navigation Laws.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Thompson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Thompson* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty; to assure Her Majesty of the devoted loyalty of the people of this Province, and of their sincere attachment to Her Majesty's person and Government; to represent to Her Majesty that this House feels it to be a duty incumbent upon it to take the earliest opportunity to assure Her Majesty that the sentiments of the people of this Province on the subject of the repeal of the British Navigation Laws which were expressed to Her Majesty in a joint Address from the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament in the month of July, 1847, remain unchanged; that delay in removing the present restrictions on the employment of Foreign Shipping would, in the opinion of this House, be highly injurious to the Carrying Trade of the *St. Lawrence*; that in order to secure this Trade, the Province, relying on the continuance of the protection which was then enjoyed by Colonial products in the markets of *Great Britain*, incurred a large debt for the construction of a line of Ship Canals, by means of which the cost of Inland Transport has been very materially reduced; that owing to the difficulties attending the navigation of the *St. Lawrence*, the greater length of the voyage, and the higher rates of insurance, freights are likely at all times to range higher at *Quebec* than at *New York*, but that the practical effect of the Navigation Laws is not only to prevent the possibility of a fair competition between the two routes, but actually to give direct encouragement to American shipping, not only through the Canals of the State of *New York*, but at the Seaports of the *United States*; that at the Seaports of the *United States* Shipping can generally be procured to carry any quantity of produce that may be offered without a material increase of freight, but that even in case of scarcity, as the navigation is open throughout the year, Foreign Shipping can readily be procured in *Europe* at fair remunerative rates of freight, and without serious

inconvenience or loss of time; that at *Quebec*, on the other hand, the exporter is compelled to rely on the regular traders to the port, so that when an unusual accumulation of produce takes place, vessels cannot be procured, and freights immediately rise to most exorbitant rates; that no means exist of engaging British Shipping to meet the sudden demands which the nature of the trade causes, as such shipping is seldom to be met with at American ports, unless under specific orders, or the engagements of a Charter; that the early closing of the navigation of the *St. Lawrence* renders it difficult, if not impossible, to obtain shipping from *England* to supply the sudden demands which, from the nature of the trade, are constantly arising, and which could readily be supplied at the American Seaports, whence vessels would at any time come round to the *St. Lawrence* if assured of remunerative freights; that the uncertainty which at all times prevails as to the route by which the products of the West will be transported to the Sea Board, must operate to prevent British Vessels coming to the *St. Lawrence* in sufficient numbers to ensure moderate freights during the shipping season, while the scarcity of shipping and the immediate rise of freights to *England*, whenever a large supply of products is sent by the *St. Lawrence*, has the effect of diverting those products through the *Erie Canal* to *New York*: That the Navigation Laws have likewise had a most injurious influence on the import trade of the Province; that it has not unfrequently happened that Canadian importers of sugars, being unable to procure British Vessels on any terms at *Havannah* and other foreign ports, have been compelled to import their cargoes in American bottoms to *New York*, and thence through the American Canals to *Canada*, when, but for the restrictions imposed by the Navigation Laws, they would have imported them by the *St. Lawrence* in foreign bottoms, which could have been readily procured: That this House has observed, with much satisfaction, that a Bill was introduced into the House of Commons during the last Session of the Imperial Parliament for the repeal of the Navigation Laws, and this House being of opinion that the provisions of that Bill are calculated to remove those restrictions from which the trade of this Province is now suffering, most humbly pray that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to recommend the subject of the repeal of the Navigation Laws to the favorable consideration of the Imperial Parliament. And this House would further humbly pray, that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to authorize the Governor of this Province to permit Foreign Vessels to navigate the *St. Lawrence* above *Quebec*, under such restrictions as His Excellency may in his wisdom see fit to impose.

The said Resolution being read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. *Cayley* moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, That the words, "of protection to Colonial products and" be inserted after the first word "subject:" That the words, "delay in removing the present restrictions on the employment of Foreign Shipping would, in the opinion of this House, be highly injurious to the Carrying Trade of the *St. Lawrence*"; that in order to secure this Trade, the Province, relying on the continuance of the protection which was then enjoyed by Colonial products in the markets of *Great Britain*, incurred a large debt for the construction of a line of Ship Canals, by means of which the cost of Inland Transport has been very materially reduced,"

be left out, and the words, "this Province, relying on the continuance of the protection enjoyed up to a very recent period by Colonial products in the English market, and assisted by a loan raised on the Credit of *Great Britain*, has constructed a chain of Ship Canals to connect its inland waters, and extend the Carrying Trade of the *St. Lawrence*"; that the withdrawal of that protection, more especially while the *St. Lawrence* continues closed to foreign vessels, must render these Works comparatively useless, and impose a heavy unproductive debt on the limited resources of the Province," inserted instead thereof: and, That the word "but" after the first words "*New York*," be left out, and the word "and" inserted instead thereof.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Cayley, Christie, Dickson, Gugg, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Malloch, M'Lean, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Stevenson*.—(14.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier, Burritt, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Cauchon, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *M'Connell, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Morrison, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott* of BYTOWN, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Wetenhall*.—(49.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the said Resolution was agreed to.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and Mr. *Holmes*, be appointed to prepare and report the draught of an Address to Her Majesty, in conformity to the said Resolution.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks* reported from the Select Committee appointed to draw up an humble Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the Navigation Laws, that they had drawn up an Address accordingly; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Address to Her Majesty reported.

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly approach Your Majesty for the purpose of assuring Your Majesty of the devoted loyalty of the people of this Province, and of their sincere attachment to Your Majesty's Person and Government; and we beg to represent to Your Majesty that we feel it to be a duty incumbent upon us to take the earliest opportunity to assure Your Majesty that the sentiments of the people of this Province on the subject of the repeal of the British Navigation Laws which were expressed to Your Majesty in a joint Address from the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament in the month of July, 1847, remain unchanged; that delay in removing the present restrictions on the employment of Foreign Shipping would, in our opinion, be highly injurious to the Carrying Trade of the *St. Lawrence*; that in order to secure this Trade, the Province, relying on the continuance of the protection which was then enjoyed by Colonial products in the markets of *Great Britain*, incurred a large debt for the construction of a line of Ship Canals, by means of which the cost of Inland Transport has been very



materially reduced; that owing to the difficulties attending the navigation of the *St. Lawrence*, the greater length of the voyage, and the higher rates of insurance, freights are likely at all times to range higher at *Quebec* than at *New York*, but the practical effect of the Navigation Laws is not only to prevent the possibility of a fair competition between the two routes, but actually to give direct encouragement to American shipping, not only through the Canals of the State of *New York*, but at the Seaports of the *United States*; that at the Seaports of the *United States*, Shipping can generally be procured to carry any quantity of produce that may be offered, without a material increase of freight, but that even in case of scarcity, as the navigation is open throughout the year, Foreign Shipping can readily be procured in *Europe* at fair remunerative rates of freight, and without serious inconvenience or loss of time; that at *Quebec*, on the other hand, the exporter is compelled to rely on the regular traders to the port, so that when an unusual accumulation of produce takes place, vessels cannot be procured, and freights immediately rise to most exorbitant rates; that no means exist of engaging British Shipping to meet the sudden demands which the nature of the trade causes, as such shipping is seldom to be met with at American ports, unless under specific orders, or the engagements of a Charter; that the early closing of the navigation of the *St. Lawrence* renders it difficult, if not impossible, to obtain shipping from *England* to supply the sudden demands which, from the nature of the trade, are constantly arising, and which could readily be supplied at the American Seaports, whence vessels would at any time come round to the *St. Lawrence* if assured of remunerative freights; that the uncertainty which at all times prevails as to the route by which the products of the West will be transported to the Sea Board, must operate to prevent British Vessels coming to the *St. Lawrence* in sufficient numbers to ensure moderate freights during the shipping season, while the scarcity of shipping and the immediate rise of freights to *England*, whenever a large supply of products is sent by the *St. Lawrence*, has the effect of diverting those products through the *Erie Canal* to *New York*.

We beg further to represent to Your Majesty, that the Navigation Laws have likewise had a most injurious influence on the import trade of the Province; that it has not unfrequently happened that Canadian importers of sugars being unable to procure British Vessels on any terms at *Havana* and other foreign ports, have been compelled to import their cargoes in American bottoms to *New York*, and thence through the American Canals to *Canada*, when, but for the restrictions imposed by the Navigation Laws, they would have imported them by the *St. Lawrence* in foreign bottoms which could have been readily procured.

We have observed with much satisfaction, that a Bill was introduced into the House of Commons during the last Session of the Imperial Parliament for the repeal of the Navigation Laws, and being of opinion that the provisions of that Bill are calculated to remove those restrictions from which the trade of this Province is now suffering, we most humbly pray that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to recommend the subject of the repeal of the Navigation Laws to the favorable consideration of the Imperial Parliament.

And we would further humbly pray, that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to authorize the Governor of this Province to permit Foreign Vessels to navigate the *St. Lawrence* above *Quebec*, under such restrictions as His Excellency may in his wisdom see fit to impose.

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

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council, informing their Honors that this House has adopted an Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the Navigation Laws, and requesting the concurrence of their Honors thereto.

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

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow. Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Viger*,

The House adjourned.

*Martis*, 30<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

By Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*,—The Petition of the Mayor and Councillors of the Town of *Brantford*.

By Mr. *Johnson*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Ottawa* (Courts of Assize).

By Mr. *DeWitt*,—The Petition of *J. Brazeau* and others, of *Ste. Martine*; the Petition of *John Molson*, Esquire, Chairman on behalf of the Company of Proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Railroad (Dues to Harbour Commissioners).

By Mr. *Taché*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Grenier* and divers inhabitants of the Village of *St. Arsène de Kakouna*; the Petition of *B. Dionne*, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of *St. George de Kakouna* and *St. Arsène de Kakouna*, County of *Rimouski*; the Petition of the Mayor and Councillors of the Municipality of *Rimouski* (Provincial Statutes); the Petition of *Alexis Gagné*, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Kamouraska*; and the Petition of the Mayor and Councillors of the County of *Rimouski* (Extension of Limits).

By Mr. *Egan*,—The Petition of Messrs. *LeMessurier*, *Tilstone*, and Company, and others interested in the Timber Trade; the Petition of *John Foran*, and others engaged in the Timber Trade on the River *Ottawa* and its tributaries; the Petition of *George B. de Boucherville*, of *Montreal*, Esquire; and the Petition of *Baxter Bowman*, Esquire, and others interested in the Timber Trade.

By Mr. *Marquis*,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. A. Bourret* and divers inhabitants of the County of *Kamouraska*.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of *John Burwell*, of *Port Burwell*, in the District of *London*, Esquire.

By Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Aeneas M. Donald* and others, the Catholic Clergy and Laity of the Parish of *Cornwall*; and the Petition of *Charles Curtis Farran*, of the Township of *Osnabrock*, County of *Stormont*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,—The Petition of *Robert Hamilton*, and others, of the District of *Niagara*.

By Mr. *Lemieux*,—The Petition of *F. X. Thompson*.

By Mr. *Laurin*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Louise O. Beauzet*, widow of the late *Z. Grenier*, and wife of *J. H. Martin*, of the Parish of *St. Rémi*, District of *Montreal*.



By Mr. *Jobin*,—The Petition of Mrs. *M. A. F. Viger* and other Ladies, the Directresses and Officers of the *Montreal Catholic Orphan Asylum*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*,—The Petition of *John Jacques* and others, of the City of *Toronto* and of the Home District.

Royal Assent  
to a Bill.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor General, by *Frederick Starr Jarvis*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:—

Mr. Speaker,

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

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

And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That agreeable to the commands of His Excellency the Governor General, the House had attended upon His Excellency in the Legislative Council Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Public Bill:—

Partition of  
Lands, &c.  
Bill.

An Act to amend and extend certain provisions of an Act to facilitate the partition of Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in certain cases in *Lower Canada*.

Petition of  
Rev. M. St.  
Germain:

Of the Sisters  
of the Holy  
Cross;

Of L. Comte:

Of V. P. W.  
Dorion and  
others:

Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend Messire *St. Germain*, Curé of the Parish of *St. Laurent*, County of *Montreal*; the Petition of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, of the Parish of *St. Laurent*, County of *Montreal*; the Petition of *Louis Comte*, of the City of *Montreal*, Master Mason and Contractor; and the Petition of *V. P. W. Dorion* and others, Members of the "*Institut Canadien of Montreal*;" be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of T. C. Lee  
and others:

Resolved, That the Petition of *Thomas C. Lee* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, and others interested in the Shipping frequenting the Port of *Quebec*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Lemieux*, Mr. *Polette*, Mr. *Cauchon*, and Mr. *Egan*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of J. Clark  
and others:

Resolved, That the Petition of *John Clark* and others, of the City of *Montreal* and its vicinity, be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*, Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, Mr. *Jobin*, Mr. *Dumas*, and Mr. *Mongenais*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of John Clark,  
referred.

Ordered, That the Petition of *John Clark*, of the Parish of *Longue Pointe*, in the District of *Montreal*, Esquire, be referred to the said Committee.

First Report of  
Committee on  
Contingencies.

Mr. *DeWitt*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee beg leave to report, That having met this forenoon, for the purpose of taking into consideration the most expedient method of mailing the Letters and Correspondence of Honorable Members, in conformity with the Resolution of Your Honorable House, and that having maturely considered the subject in its various bearings, as well with respect to the convenience of Honorable Members, as to economy, are unanimously of opinion that all Letters, Correspondence, and Papers forwarded

by Members and chargeable against the Contingencies of Your Honorable House, ought to pass through the office thereof.

Mr. *DeWitt* moved, seconded by Mr. *Christie*, and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Report.

The House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

First Report of  
Committee on  
Standing  
Orders.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *A. Rankin*, Esquire, and others, for the incorporation of the *Huron Copper Bay Company*, and find that the Petitioners have inserted a notice of their application in the *Canada Gazette* for several months past; and inasmuch as the locality referred to in their Petition is beyond the limits of any District, Your Committee beg leave to recommend that the notice be deemed sufficient.

The Petition of *Alfred Digby* and others, of *Brantford* and other Townships, praying for the erection of the said Townships into a separate District, has been also examined by Your Committee, and proof has been laid before them of the publication of notice in a local paper for two months and upwards; but Your Committee would respectfully submit that they do not look upon applications of this nature as coming within the 66th Rule of Your Honorable House, requiring the publication of notice.

The same remark would also apply, in the opinion of Your Committee, to the Petition of the City Council of the City of *Kingston*, praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation, and the Petition of *Thomas W. Lloyd* and others, members of the *St. George's Society of Quebec*, praying for an Act of Incorporation, in none of which cases is any exclusive right or privilege desired by the Petitioners.

Ordered, That Mr. *Prince* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Huron Copper Bay Company*.

Huron Copper  
Bay Company  
Bill.

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

A Message from the Legislative Council by *Charles de Léry*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from  
the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have agreed to the Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the Navigation Laws, by filling up the blank with "Legislative Council and:" And also,

The Legislative Council have passed the accompanying Address to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting His Excellency to transmit the Joint Address to the Queen on the subject of the Navigation Laws, to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, in order that it may be laid at the foot of the Throne, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Navigation  
Laws.

To His Excellency The Right Honorable *James*, Earl of *Elgin* and *Kincardine*, 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 to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of the Navigation Laws, in such a way as Your Excellency may deem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

And also,

Act of Grace. The Legislative Council have humbly accepted and passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act for the Queen's most gracious, general and free Pardon." And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General LaFontaine, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin,

Act of Grace. The engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act for the Queen's most gracious, general and free Pardon," was once read.

And, the Bill being signed by His Excellency the Governor General, all the Members sat uncovered while it was read.

Resolved, *Nemine contradicente*, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General LaFontaine do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to the same.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Hincks, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin,

Navigation Laws.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Address of the Honorable the Legislative Council to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting His Excellency to transmit the Joint Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the Navigation Laws, in such a way as His Excellency may deem fit, in order that it may be laid at the foot of the Throne; that the blank therein be filled up with the words "and Com-mons;" and that the said Address be signed by Mr. Speaker on behalf of this House.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to 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 Navigation Laws.

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

St. George's Society Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Chauveau have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *St. George's Society of Quebec*.

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

Report on Petition of J. Gordon and others.

Mr. Méthot, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *John Gordon* and others, Stockholders in the *Quebec Warehousing Company*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee having examined the contents of the Petition to them referred, concur with the Petitioners in the conclusions of their Petition, and beg leave to recommend the introduction of a Bill into Your Honorable House in conformity therewith.

Quebec Warehousing Company Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Méthot have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Warehousing Company*.

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

Ordered, That the Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the twenty-third instant, relating to the *Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company*, with the accompanying documents, laid before this House, yesterday, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company.

Ordered, That Mr. Jobin have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*.

Notarial Organization Bill.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Jobin have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize to a certain extent the seizure and attachment of Official Salaries towards payment of the Incumbents' debts.

Official Salaries Attachment Bill.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Merritt, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Price,

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to enquire into the expediency of providing for the free admission of certain Articles of the growth or production of the *United States* into *Canada*, upon the like Articles the production of *Canada* being admitted into the markets of the *United States* on the same terms.

Productions of the United States.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Polette took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Polette reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Boutillier, seconded by Mr. Jobin,

Ordered, That the Clerks of the Circuit Courts in *Lower Canada* do, within the shortest possible delay, lay before this House, Extracts from the entries in their Courts, shewing:—

Circuit Courts.

1. The number of Actions brought.
2. The number of Cases decided.
3. The number of Cases under Six pounds five shillings.
4. The amount of Fees allowed to Bailiffs, Clerks, and Advocates, during the year 1847.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Acts in force in *Upper Canada*, relative to the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities, the regulation of Highways, the Assessment and collection of local Taxes, and other matters of a like nature.

Municipal Corporations, &c., (U. C.) Repeal Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin have leave to bring in a Bill to provide by one general Law, for the erection of

Municipal Corporations (U. C.) Consolidation Bill.

Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*.

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

Lumber Trade.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. Scott, of *Bytown*, the Honorable Mr. La-Terrière, Mr. Egan, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Bell, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Hall, Mr. Flint, and Mr. Holmes, be appointed to enquire into and report upon the state of the Lumber Trade, the causes of its present depression, the protection of the forests from unnecessary destruction, and upon all other matters affecting the Lumbering interests of this Province; to report thereon from time to time; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Transfer of Real Property (U. C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Richards have leave to bring in a Bill to simplify the transfer of Real Property in *Upper Canada*, and to render certain rights and interests therein liable under execution.

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

On motion of Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Smith, of *Wentworth*,

Boundaries of Dunn and other Townships.

*Ordered*, That the Entry in the Journal of this House, of 15th March, 1848, relating to the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara*, representing the desire for the confirmation of certain usages, and for certain alterations in the Boundaries of the Townships of *Dunn*, *Canborough*, *Moulton*, and *Sherbrooke*, and praying the action of the House thereon, be now read.

And the same was read accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the said Entry be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Thompson, Mr. Wetenhall, Mr. M<sup>r</sup>Farland, Mr. Smith, of *Wentworth*, and Mr. Johnson, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Magdalen Islands.

On motion of Mr. Christie, seconded by Mr. Prince, *Ordered*, That the Entry in the Journal of this House, of 9th June, 1847, relating to the Petition of *Hilaire Nadeau* and others, of the *Magdalen Islands*, praying that measures may be adopted to secure to them the free enjoyment of the Lands they have occupied almost from time immemorial, be now read.

And the same was read accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the said Entry be referred to the Select Committee to which is referred the Petition of *James Cormier* and others, of the *Magdalen Islands*.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee have leave to report from time to time.

On motion of Mr. M<sup>r</sup>Farland, seconded by Mr. Thompson,

Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad.

*Ordered*, That the Entry in the Journal of this House, of 26th March, 1846, relating to the extension of the Charter of the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*, be now read. And the same was read accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the said Entry be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by John Fenning Taylor, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council acquaint this House that His Excellency the Governor General has appointed to-morrow, at one o'clock in the afternoon, to be attended with the Addresses of both Houses on the subject of the Navigation Laws; and that the Legislative Council have ordered that such Members of the Executive Council who are Members of their House, do attend His Excellency at that time on the part of their House,

His Excellency appoints to be attended.

And then he withdrew.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province, do attend His Excellency the Governor General on the part of this House, to-morrow, at one o'clock in the afternoon, with the Address of both Houses on the subject of the Navigation Laws.

Messengers to attend His Excellency with an Address.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 26th instant, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, all the Correspondence between the Commissioners of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*, and the Provincial Secretary, relating to their complaints against Dr. Park, the Superintendent of the said Asylum; and also, all communications from Dr. Park to the Provincial Secretary on the subject of his complaints against the said Commissioners, and all other documents or papers in any way relating to the dismissal of Dr. Park from the situation of Superintendent of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*; and also, copies of all Correspondence between Dr. Park and the Provincial Secretary, relating to the issuing of a Commission to examine and enquire into the causes of difference between the said Commissioners and Dr. Park, and also, a copy of the said Commissions appointing the Commissioners and Dr. Park.

Toronto Lunatic Asylum and Dr. Park.

For the said Return, see Appendix (M).

Appendix (M.)

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

Message from His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered; and is as followeth:—

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Legislative Assembly, copies of the Despatches from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies enumerated in the annexed Schedule. Government House, 30th January, 1849.

Despatches.

Schedule.

Earl Grey to the Earl of *Elgin*.

No. 166, 11th February, 1848—Customs Act assented to by the Queen, with Letter from Treasury and the Board of Trade respecting it.

No. 167, 11th February, 1848—Ditto, with Memorial from certain Iron Founders.

No. 175, 6th March, 1848—Ditto, with Memorial from certain *Glasgow* Merchants.

No. 186, 31st March, 1848—Ditto, views of Her Majesty's Government.

No. 252, 7th July, 1848—Respecting the *Canada* Act to extend Copyright to persons resident in the United Kingdom.

- No. 299, 17th November, 1848—*Halifax and Quebec Railroad*—Transmitting Report of Commissioners, and desiring to be informed of the views of the Provincial Legislature.
- Military, 15th September, and 22nd December, 1848—Respecting the necessity of exempting from Duty, articles imported for the Military service.
- No. 174, 24th February, 1848—Respecting the *Montreal and Lachine* and the *St. Lawrence and Industry* Railway Acts.
- No. 202, 20th April, 1848—Enclosing Order of the Queen in Council confirming seven reserved Railway Bills of 1847, and pointing out amendments required.
- No. 206, 29th April, 1848—Reporting the confirmation of certain Acts, and suggesting amendments to the Acts for incorporating the *Montreal and Echo Lake* Mining Companies.
- No. 231, 15th June, 1848—Suggesting amendments to the Act incorporating the *Western Telegraph* Company.

Appendix (N.)

For the Despatches accompanying the said Message, see Appendix (N).

Ordered, That the said Message, with the accompanying Despatches, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Oxford Election.

The Order of the day for taking into further consideration the case of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, Returning Officer at the last General Election for the County of *Oxford*, being read;

And the House being informed that *Mr. Vansittart* was at the door, he was called in; and attended at the Bar.

And the House being also informed that *Mr. Edmund Deedes*, a witness on the part of *Mr. Vansittart*, attended at the door; he was called in; and, at the Bar, examined, as followeth:—

By Colonel *Prince*.

61. You are, I believe, *Edmund Deedes*, Esquire, of *Woodstock*, in the County of *Oxford*, in *Upper Canada*; were you present at the nomination of the *Oxford* Election on the 28th December, 1847?—I am. I was present at the *Oxford* Election at that time.

62. Were you on or near the hustings when *Mr. Hincks'* qualification was demanded?—I was on the hustings.

63. Were you near the Returning Officer on that occasion; if so, at what distance were you from him?—I was standing next to him.

64. Are you acquainted with *Mr. George Brown*, of *Toronto*, and was he present on that occasion?—I am acquainted with him, and he was present on that occasion.

65. At what distance was he from the Returning Officer?—As near as I can remember, about three yards.

66. Did *Mr. Brown* appear there as the representative of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*?—He said so.

67. Did you remain on the hustings during the proceedings of that day, and were you in a position to hear what was said by, or addressed to, the Returning Officer?—I did remain on the hustings during the whole proceedings of the day, and was in a position to hear what was said by, or addressed to, the Returning Officer.

68. By whom was the qualification of the Honorable *Francis Hincks* submitted to the Returning Officer?—By *Mr. George Brown*.

69. Did the Returning Officer on receiving the said qualification, or at any time subsequently, hold a conversation with *Mr. Brown* in relation to the said qualification?—He did.

70. Did the Returning Officer on that occasion, in

answer to an observation of *Mr. Brown's*, make use of the following words: "At any rate I have decided it in your favor. I shall hold *Mr. Hincks'* qualification to be good for the present occasion," and add, "that he would leave the other parties to have a decision elsewhere," or words to that effect?—No, he did not make such an answer.

71. Had *Mr. Vansittart* made use of such expressions as those referred to in the last Question, would you have heard him; and do you believe it possible he could have used such language on that occasion without your hearing it?—If he had made use of such expressions as those referred to in the last Question, I should have heard him; and, being so close to him, I do not believe it possible he could have used such language without my hearing it.

72. Did *Mr. Brown* conduct himself in a violent manner on that occasion, and did he use insulting language to the Returning Officer?—*Mr. Brown* was occasionally rather violent in his manner, but I do not remember that he used insulting language to the Returning Officer on the hustings on the day of nomination.

73. Were you present when the show of hands was asked for by the Returning Officer?—I was.

74. Did the Returning Officer declare the Honorable *Francis Hincks* duly elected by show of hands, or did he declare the majority in favor of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*?—The Returning Officer declared the majority in favor of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, but did not declare him duly elected.

75. Were you present when the Election was declared on the 5th January, 1848; and were you in a position to hear any of the proceedings of that day?—I was present on that occasion, and was close by the hustings, where I could hear most of the proceedings of that day.

76. Did *Mr. George Brown* address the persons there assembled after the Election was declared?—He did.

77. Did *Mr. Brown* then and there state, that *Mr. Vansittart* had told him he acted under the advice of the Honorable *John Hillyard Cameron*?—*Mr. Brown* did state, then and there, that *Mr. Vansittart* had told him that he had acted under the advice of the Honorable *John Hillyard Cameron*.

78. Was it not in reply to that statement, that *Mr. Vansittart* said, "that is not true"?—It was in reply to that statement that *Mr. Vansittart* said, "that is not true."

79. Did *Mr. Brown*, in commenting on this subject, state that he had heard that *Mr. Vansittart* acted under the advice of the Honorable *John Hillyard Cameron*?—No, he did not make the statement that he had heard that *Mr. Vansittart* acted under the advice of the Honorable *John Hillyard Cameron*, but he said that he, *Mr. Vansittart*, had told him that he had acted under the advice of the Honorable *John Hillyard Cameron*.

80. Did *Mr. Brown*, on the occasion referred to, make use of insulting and intemperate language in relation to the Returning Officer?—He did make use on that occasion, of insulting and intemperate language in relation to the Returning Officer.

81. Did the Returning Officer threaten to commit him if he persisted in the use of such expressions?—He did.

By the Honorable *Mr. Hincks*.

82. Were you, or are you still, President of the Constitutional Association of the District of *Brock*?—I was President of the Constitutional Association of the District of *Brock*, but am not at present.

83. Were you Chairman of a Public Dinner given to *Mr. Vansittart* after his return from *Montreal* last spring?—I was.

84. Did the discussion regarding Mr. *Hincks'* qualification take place before or after the demand for the show of hands in favor of the candidates?—It took place before the demand for a show of hands.

85. You have stated that Mr. *Brown* made use of insulting and intemperate language; can you state what language Mr. *Brown* made use of?—I cannot state at this distance of time the express words used by Mr. *Brown*; but I remember stating at the time to a gentleman standing near me, that if he had used such insulting language towards me, in my official capacity as Returning Officer, I should certainly have committed him.

86. Did not the conduct of the Returning Officer excite very general indignation among the people assembled at the hustings?—It did with a great many persons present.

87. Did not Mr. *Brown* exert himself to allay the excitement which prevailed among the people?—I believe he did.

88. Did you act as agent for Mr. *Carroll* at the polling place in *West Oxford*?—I did not.

89. Are you acquainted with Mr. *Farmer*, Mr. *Fauquier*, and Mr. *Thomas*, who acted as Deputy Returning Officers; if so, can you state to what political party they belong?—I am acquainted with Mr. *Farmer*, Mr. *Fauquier*, and Mr. *Thomas*, who acted as Deputy Returning Officers. I believe they are Conservatives in politics—all three of them.

By Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*.

90. Are you the gentleman who forwarded a Memorial to this House on the subject of the late Return for the County of *Oxford*, and are you also a signer of the Petition of "*Edmund Deedes* and others," presented to this House during the last Session, on that subject?—I am the same person.

By the Honorable Mr. *Baldwin*.

91. When prior to the show of hands the question arose as to the sufficiency of Mr. *Hincks'* qualification, did Mr. *Vansittart* state that he had taken legal advice on that point; or, are you aware, either from his own statement or otherwise, whether he had then taken such advice?—Prior to the show of hands, Mr. *Vansittart* never stated to me that he had taken legal advice as to the sufficiency of Mr. *Hincks'* qualification, and I am not aware, either from himself or otherwise, whether he had or not then taken such advice. Mr. *Vansittart* never stated any thing as to taking legal advice, that I am aware of, either to myself or any other person.

By Mr. *Notman*.

92. Was there any discussion as to the sufficiency of the qualification, after the show of hands?—Not that I am aware of on that day.

By Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*.

93. Upon what particular facts or returns did you trace the last paragraph contained in the Petition signed by yourself and others, to this House, with reference to the return in question; look at the said paragraph, and answer?—Previous to the return day, Mr. *Vansittart*, in conversation with me, stated that he felt, as far as his own interest was concerned, that he was placed in a critical position, for he really believed that if he did his duty conscientiously he should be injuring his own interest, as well as the interest of the Conservative cause, by making the return he thought it his duty to do; for he was perfectly aware, from the returns already made, that the majority of the House would be Reformers; but that, at any rate, as soon as he had completed his decision, he should do what he would consider his duty at all risks.

By Mr. *Notman*.

94. Was any intimation given to the electors by Mr. *Vansittart*, that Mr. *Hincks'* election might or

might not be declared eligible by him as Returning Officer, on the declaration day?—I do not know of any such intimation being given by Mr. *Vansittart*.—I did not hear any?

95. Was it not generally known and believed that the three candidates, Mr. *Hincks*, Mr. *Carroll*, and Mr. *Campbell*, were fairly before the electors, without legal objection to any of them?—The qualifications of all these three gentlemen were objected to on the nomination day; and a protest against Mr. *Hincks'* qualification was placed up in each polling place before the polling commenced; and votes were taken, as I understood, by the Deputy Returning Officers subject to such protest. The said protest was put up by Mr. *Carroll*.

96. Did Mr. *Vansittart* direct that step to be taken?—He did not, that I am aware of.

97. Was it not known, that in the event of Mr. *Hincks* being rejected as a candidate, that the party who supported Mr. *Hincks* would have nominated another candidate in his place?—I never heard till after the Election, that Mr. *Hincks'* party proposed to nominate another candidate in the event of Mr. *Hincks* being rejected.

98. At what time did Mr. *Vansittart* inform you that he had made up his mind to return Mr. *Carroll*, and not Mr. *Hincks*?—Mr. *Vansittart* never informed me at any time that he had made up his mind to return Mr. *Carroll*, and not Mr. *Hincks*; and I did not know it till Mr. *Vansittart* made the return on the hustings.

99. Was it not generally expected before the polling commenced, by the Conservative party, that Mr. *Carroll* would stand at the head of the poll; and were they not greatly surprised at the result?—I do not think that it was generally expected by the Conservative party that Mr. *Carroll* would stand at the head of the Poll; most of my friends, as well as myself, thought he had a very poor chance.

And then he was directed to withdraw.

And the House being informed that Mr. *Daniel Gilbert Miller*, also a witness on the part of Mr. *Vansittart*, attended at the door; he was called in; and, at the Bar examined, as followeth:—

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*.

100. Is your name *Daniel Gilbert Miller*, and are you a resident of *Woodstock*, in the *Brock* District?—That is my name, and I reside there.

101. Were you present at the Election for *Oxford* in the month of December, 1847?—No, I was not.

102. Had you an interview with Mr. *George Brown*, of *Toronto*, about the time of the said Election, or shortly after?—I had an interview with Mr. *Brown* at *Hamilton*, where I met him as he was returning from that Election.

103. Are you aware that Mr. *George Brown* acted as the agent of the Honorable *Francis Hincks* at the said Election?—Mr. *Brown* informed me that he had acted as agent for Mr. *Hincks* at that Election.

104. Did Mr. *Brown* allude to the circumstances which had transpired at the said Election?—Mr. *Brown* informed me of all the proceedings that had taken place at that Election.

105. Did Mr. *Brown* make any comments on the conduct of Mr. *John George Vansittart*, the Returning Officer?—In answer to a question which I addressed to him, and after some observation upon the points of law which arose at that Election, Mr. *Brown* stated to me, that he believed that Mr. *Vansittart* had acted according to the best of his judgment, but that he had been misled by Mr. *John Hillyard Cameron*.

106. Did Mr. *Brown*, on the occasion last referred to, complain that Mr. *Vansittart* had misled the friends of the Honorable *Francis Hincks* on the day of nomination, by expressing his intention of leaving the question of qualification to be decided elsewhere.



and then subsequently deciding for himself?—Mr. *Brown* did not make a complaint of that kind, nor did he state that Mr. *Vansittart* had expressed his intention of leaving the question of qualification to be decided elsewhere.

By Mr. *Notman*.

107. What persons were present when the conversation with Mr. *Brown* you alluded to took place; and where, and in what place in *Hamilton* did it take place?—The conversation took place at *Weekes' Hotel* in *Hamilton*. It was on the night on which the Election for the County of *Wentworth* had closed, and a great number of persons were present; but I cannot remember that I was acquainted with any person who was present during the whole of the conversation.

108. Did you understand Mr. *Brown* to exculpate Mr. *Vansittart*, and throw the entire blame on Mr. *Cameron*?—At the time this conversation took place, Mr. *Cameron* was a member of the then Administration, and I understood Mr. *Brown* to attribute the result of that Election entirely to the influence which his advice, as a legal adviser of the Crown and a member of the Government, had upon Mr. *Vansittart*.

109. Did you act against Mr. *Hincks* in any manner, or for Mr. *Carroll* or Mr. *Campbell*, during or before the last Election; and do you, or do you not, belong to the Conservative party?—I had never seen Mr. *Carroll* or Mr. *Campbell* until some time after this Election took place, and I never acted directly or indirectly in any manner with that Election; and I do belong to the Conservative party.

110. At what time, and how long after, did you communicate the conversation you had with Mr. *Brown* to Mr. *Vansittart*?—I communicated this conversation to Mr. *Vansittart* some time after his return from *Montreal*, after the last Session of Parliament, and after I had understood that he had been charged with corrupt motives at that Election.

And then he was directed to withdraw.

Mr. *Vansittart* then addressed the House, and produced the following Documents in support of his defence:—

*Claremont, Burford Township,*  
December 15th, 1847.

Dear Sir,—Your favor by Mr. *Fauquier*, was received by me while engaged in magisterial business: and as the bearer assured me that a verbal assent would be sufficient, I did not delay him to write an answer; but if you should receive this in time, I should be happy to know if you have any particular form for the Poll Books, as there does not appear to be any laid down in the Statute regulating Elections; as also, if you are aware of the precise state of the Law regarding Aliens, and in the event of your deeming it expedient to entrust me with the conduct of the ensuing Election to be held in this Township, any information regarding mode or manner of taking the votes would, if supplied by you, be deemed a favor.

I remain, your obedient servant,

GEO. G. WARD.

P.S.—As the appointment of "Poll Clerks" is vested in the Returning Officers, and as I am not aware of the extent of your local knowledge of parties in this Township, I have taken the liberty of forwarding some names of persons who would be competent to fulfil the duties of that office: *W. D. Bowen, John Cotton, Willard M. Whitehead*.

Copy: *Woodstock, 17th January, 1848.*

Sir,—I have the honor herewith to forward to you the Poll Books of the twelve Townships composing the County of *Oxford*, also the qualification Oaths of each of the three candidates who presented themselves at the day of nomination, viz.: the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, *Peter Carroll*, Esquire, and *Robert*

*H. Campbell*, Esquire, together with three protests which were handed to me against them respectively. In addition to this, Mr. *Carroll* exhibited another qualification Oath at each of the various Township Polling places, and likewise a fresh protest against the qualification Oath of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, which I was informed by the Deputy Returning Officers were posted conspicuously before any votes were taken on the first day of polling—which Documents I transmit attached to the original Poll Books. After carefully considering all these different qualifications and protests, and diligently consulting the Law upon the case, it appeared to me that the qualification of *Peter Carroll* and *Robert H. Campbell*, Esquires, were perfectly valid, but that the qualification of the Honorable *Francis Hincks* was of itself not in accordance with the Statute, because made before he could be recognized as a candidate; and further, it appeared to me that I could not legally receive such qualification, because no unavoidable cause—indeed no cause at all—was shewn for his absence at the day of nomination, as the Statute demands. I would also mention, that Mr. *Hincks'* agent presented to me shortly before proceeding to the hustings to make declaration of the Poll, another paper, signed by the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, being a fresh declaration of qualification, but not sworn to, and not specifying the property; this I held to be useless, both as being too late, and as being incomplete, and I therefore declined receiving it, and felt it imperative on me to pass over that gentleman altogether, and to declare *Peter Carroll*, Esquire, duly returned as possessing the largest number of legal votes. The general Poll at its close being—

For Mr. *Carroll*...478

For Mr. *Campbell*...131

giving a majority of.....347 for Mr. *Carroll*. I accordingly declared the result of the Election in the following words:

I declare the votes given for the Honorable *Francis Hincks* thrown away, and that he is ineligible in consequence of his qualification having been sworn to before the Writ of Summons issued, and also because it was not shewn that he was incapacitated by sickness or any other unavoidable cause from attending in person at the day of nomination, to make Oath of declaration of qualification as demanded.

And I further declare that *Peter Carroll*, Esquire, having the majority of legal votes, is duly elected a Member to represent this County of *Oxford* in the ensuing Provincial Parliament.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed,) JOHN G. VANSITTART,  
Returning Officer for the  
County of *Oxford*.

To *Félix Fortier*, Esquire.

&c. &c. &c.

Canada,

District of *Brock*, To wit: }

*Richard Foquett*, of the Town of *Woodstock*, in the District of *Brock*, gentleman, maketh oath, and saith, that he was present at the General Election for the County of *Oxford*, on the 28th of December, 1847; that he acted as Clerk for the Returning Officer, *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, on that occasion; that he was present as such Clerk on the day of nomination, and remembers distinctly the circumstances connected with that Election. This Deponent further saith that on that occasion, the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, *Peter Carroll*, and *Robert H. Campbell*, Esquires, were respectively nominated as Candidates at the said Election; that a show of hands was called for, and decided by the Returning Officer in favor of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*; the qualification of each candidate was severally de-



manded and given, and protests against such qualifications respectively handed in. As regards the protest against the qualification of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, this deponent recollects that the Returning Officer remarked, on the day of the nomination, that he would take time to decide upon it. On the following day *George Brown*, Esquire, agent for Mr. *Hincks*, called upon Mr. *Vansittart* to decide then upon Mr. *Hincks*' qualification, to which Mr. *Vansittart* replied that he required further time to give his opinion as to its legality. Mr. *Brown* pressed him for a decision then; Mr. *Vansittart* answered that he would take further time, and Mr. *Brown* appeared to be annoyed because Mr. *Vansittart* would not decide it then. This Deponent hath read the answer of Mr. *Brown* to the third Interrogatory before the Legislative Assembly at its first Session, wherein Mr. *Brown* states that Mr. *Vansittart* said to him, as agent for Mr. *Hincks*, "at any rate I have decided the point in your favor; I shall hold Mr. *Hincks*' qualification to be good for the present occasion, and that he would leave the other parties to have a decision elsewhere;" this Deponent saith that both on the day of nomination and on the day following, when the interview took place between Mr. *Brown* and Mr. *Vansittart*, the latter distinctly stated that he would take time to decide upon the legality of Mr. *Hincks*' qualification, and that he required further time to form his opinion on the subject, and that on neither occasion did Mr. *Vansittart* say that he would leave it to be decided elsewhere; on the contrary, Mr. *Brown* pressed him to decide it then, and he did not object to deciding it himself, but only required time to mature his opinion on this point.

And this Deponent further saith, that the Poll Books were made out, and the names of the candidates inserted by this Deponent, without any specific directions from Mr. *Vansittart*, but from what he, this Deponent, considered was the existing arrangements, but the three persons before mentioned were Candidates.

RICHARD FOQUETT.

Sworn before me, at *Woodstock*,  
the 15th January, 1849.

*James Ingersoll*, J. P.  
and Commissioner of Bankrupts  
in and for the *Brock* District.

I hereby certify that *Richard Foquett*, Esquire, in above Affidavit mentioned, is Clerk of the District Court of the District of *Brock*, and that the duties of his office require his constant attendance.

D. S. M'QUEEN,  
Judge District Court of the  
District of *Brock*.

*Woodstock*, January 16th, 1849.

And then he was directed to withdraw.

On motion of Mr. *Notman*, seconded by Mr. *Morrison*,

Ordered, That the further consideration of the case of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, Returning Officer at the last General Election for the County of *Oxford*, be postponed until Thursday next.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Watts*, seconded by Mr. *Notman*,  
The House adjourned.

*Mercurii*, 31<sup>o</sup> die *Januarii*;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

By Mr. *DeWitt*,—The Petition of *Xavier Meloche* and others, of the Parish of *St. Timothée de Beauharnois*; the Petition of the Council of the Municipality of the second division of the County of *Beauharnois*, (Municipal Act); and the Petition of the Council of the Municipality of the second division of the County of *Beauharnois* (Road).

By Mr. *Malloch*,—The Petition of *Thomas Hill*, of the City of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Dumas*,—The Petition of the Religious Ladies of the *Hôtel Dieu of Montreal*; the Petition of *Amable Archambeault* and others, of *L'Assomption*; the Petition of *J. C. Faribault* and others, of the Counties of *Leinster* and *Berthier*; and the Petition of *L. Z. Nolin* and others, of the Village and Parish of *L'Assomption*.

By Mr. *Lemieux*,—The Petition of *Joseph C. Bélanger* and others, of *St. Ambroise*.

By Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of *Charles H. Lassiseraye*, of the City of *Montreal*; and the Petition of Mrs. *Ellenor Teed*, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Egan*,—The Petition of *L. G. Bigelow* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Alexander Mathieson*, D. D. and others, Members of the Presbyterian Church in *Canada* in connection with the Established Church of *Scotland*.

By Mr. *Flint*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Victoria*, and of the *Marmora Foundry Company*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,—The Petition of *William Johnston*, Esquire, of the Township of *Georgina*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*,—The Petition of the *Montreal Ladies Benevolent Society*; the Petition of Sister *Jeanne de Chantal* and others, Sisters of Charity of *Montreal*; the Petition of the Right Reverend the Catholic Bishop of *Montreal* (Foundlings); and the Petition of the Right Reverend the Catholic Bishop of *Montreal* (Seminary of *Ste. Thérèse*).

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of *George Gurnett*, Esquire, Mayor, and others, of the City of *Toronto*, and others of the Home District.

By Mr. *Chabot*,—The Petition of the Society of Education of *Quebec*; the Petition of the Dircetresses of the Charitable Association of the Roman Catholic Ladies of *Quebec*; the Petition of the Honorable *William Walker* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; the Petition of *Francis Rourke* and others, of the District of *Quebec*; the Petition of Messieurs *LeMesurier*, *Tilstone* and Company, and others, Merchants and others of the City of *Quebec*; the Petition of *Joseph Légaré* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; the Petition of *E. Dalairé*, Esquire, and others, of the south shore of the *St. Lawrence*, in the vicinity of *Quebec*; the Petition of *H. Gowen*, Esquire, and others, of *Quebec*; the Petition of *W. K. Mc Cord*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*; the Petition of the Reverend *John Cook*, D. D. and others, the Ministers, Elders, and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church* in the City of *Quebec*; the Petition of Miss *Eliza Taylor*, Secretary, on behalf of the Committee of Ladies conducting the affairs of the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum at *Quebec*; the Petition of the Reverend *George Mackie*, D. D. Chairman, and others the Committee of Management of the National Schools at *Quebec*; the Petition of *Lady Stuart* and other Ladies, the Committee of the *Quebec Infant School*; the Petition of the Literary and Historical Society of *Quebec* (Aid);

the Petition of the Literary and Historical Society of Quebec (Quorum); and the Petition of Z. Williams and others, of Quebec.

By the Honorable Mr. Merritt,—The Petition of William Farley and others, Electors of Ward No. 4, in the Town of St. Catherine's.

By Mr. Notman,—The Petition of John Watson Griffin and others, sons and daughters of the late Joseph Griffin.

By Mr. Wetenhall,—The Petition of David Buchanan, Esquire, and others, of the Village of Paris and its vicinity; the Petition of G. Macartney and others, of the southern half of the Township of Dumfries, District of Gore; and the Petition of Ab-salom Shade, of Galt, and James Cowan, of Waterloo.

By Mr. Wilson,—The Petition of William Oliver, of the Township of Downie, District of Huron.

By Mr. M'Lean,—The Petition of William Hoople, of the Township of Osnabrock, Eastern District, Pilot.

By Mr. Holmes,—The Petition of the Reverend Alexander Mathieson, D. D., and others, on behalf of the Congregation of St. Andrew's Church, in the City of Montreal.

By Mr. Solicitor General Drummond,—The Petition of Joseph Bistodeau and others, of the Village of St. Hyacinthe.

By the Honorable Mr. Viger,—The Petition of the Reverend A. Théberge, of Terrebonne.

By the Honorable Mr. Robinson,—The Petition of the Warden and Municipal Council of the District of Simcoe (Assessment Law).

Petitions read.

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

Of Mrs. M. Lunn, Directress, and Mrs. A. Durnford, Secretary, on behalf of the University Lying-in Hospital, Montreal; praying for the usual aid in support of the said Institution.

Of the Justices of the Peace of the Home District, in Quarter Sessions assembled; praying for certain amendments to the Law regulating the Licensing of taverns and houses of public entertainment.

Of John Molson, Esquire, and others, the Company of Proprietors of the Montreal and Province Line Junction Railway; praying an extension of the time limited for the deposit of their Plan, and for an increase of their Capital Stock.

Of Andrew MacFarlane and others, of the City of Montreal; praying that the Law which protects the Salaries of Public Officers of the Executive Government from seizure, may be so amended as to enable parties to recover their just dues.

Of the Reverend P. Huot and others, of the Parish of St. Foye, Counties of Québec and Portneuf; praying that the Act 10 and 11 Vic. c. 7, establishing Municipal Authorities in Lower Canada be repealed, and the Act 8 Vic. c. 10, revived in lieu thereof.

Of Louis Legendre, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of St. Louis de Lotbinière; praying that the School Commissioners for the said Parish may be authorized by law to sue for and recover a certain legacy bequeathed by the late Reverend Messire Joseph Maurice Jean, of Lotbinière, for purposes of Education.

Of Eugene L'Ecuyer, of the City of Quebec, Notary Public; praying aid to enable him to publish a Work on Law compiled by him, and entitled "Petit Guide du Jeune Notaire."

Of George O'Kill Stuart, Esquire, and others, of the City of Quebec; praying to be incorporated as "The Quebec Protestant Cemetery Association."

Of the Corporation of the College of St. Hyacinthe; praying an increased aid in support of the said College.

Of the Rev. L. Provancher and others, of Lambton and other Townships, County of Megantic; praying that the said Townships may be formed into a distinct Municipality.

Of the Directors of the Academy of Berthier; praying aid to enable them to enlarge the said Academy.

Of Jean Baptiste Cartier and others, of St. François du Lac; praying indemnification for losses sustained by them during the Troubles of 1837 and 1838.

Of the Directors of the Academy of Berthier; praying the usual aid in support of the said Academy.

Of J. B. Charland and others, of the Parish of St. Grégoire, County of Nicolet; praying aid to open a certain road in the said Parish.

Of Alexander M'Donnell and others; praying for the construction of a public depository for timber at the Port of Quebec.

Of the Trustees of the Richmond Academy; praying a grant for the past and present year in aid of the said Academy.

Of Elijah R. Parks and others, of the late Province of Upper Canada; praying that provision be made for compensating those whose Lands may be found deficient in measurement.

Of Richard Daverne, of Adolphustown, Midland District; praying compensation for a grant of land made to his late brother, but afterwards revoked.

Of George Hyde, Esquire, and others, of the Townships of Sarnia and Plympton, in the Western District, and others of the Huron Tract; praying that the Board of Works be directed to survey and construct a Road along the shores of Lake Huron, through the said Townships, and that aid be granted for that purpose.

Of James Porter, Esquire, and others, inhabitants of the northern Townships of the County of Kent; praying that the said Townships be set apart and erected into a new District.

Of the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum; praying aid to enable them to complete a Building commenced by them for the purposes of that Institution.

Of the Ladies Directresses of the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum; praying for the usual aid in support of the said Institution.

Of the Chiefs and Warriors of the Village of Abenakis, of St. François du Lac St. Pierre; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm their nomination of a Trustee for the recovery of their debts and the protection of their rights.

Of Richard Watson, of the City of Toronto, Builder; representing that he has sustained a loss of Five hundred and sixty-two pounds, in the fulfilment of a contract undertaken by other parties for macadamizing a certain part of the Yonge Street Road, and praying relief.

Of J. E. Pell and others, Mechanics, of the City of Toronto; praying for the establishment of a Provincial School of Art and Design.

Of Charles Boyle, of the place called "Nuns' Land," of the Parish of St. Giles, in the District of Quebec; praying payment of a sum of money due him as Teacher of an Elementary School.

Of G. J. Freligh and others, of the Township of Stanbridge, in the County of Missisquoi; praying that the said Township may be divided into two separate Parishes, to be called Stanbridge and Bedford.

Of J. Chamberlin, Esquire, and others, of the County of Missisquoi; praying for the protection of Woollen Cloths manufactured in this Province.

Of E. De Bellefeuille and others, of the City of Montreal, Students at Law; praying that Students at Law in Lower Canada who have graduated, or who may hereafter graduate, at any legally established University or College, in this Province, or in Great

*Britain or Ireland*, may be admitted to practise that profession after having served a Clerkship of three years.

Of *John Ring* and others, of the Township of *Nepean*; praying that no alteration be made in the front of lots in Concessions A, B, C, and D, of the said Township.

Of *A. W. Laird* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of a law to protect the funds of the Association of Odd Fellows from fraud and defalcation.

Of *Thomas Paddock* and others, of the Township of *Puslinch*, District of *Gore*; praying that a certain section of that Township, with the Gore of the same and certain other Townships, as notified in the Official Gazette, may be set apart and erected into a new District, to be called the District of *Bruce*, with *Galt* as the District Town.

Of *Alexander B. Orr* and others, of *North Easthope* and other Townships of the Districts of *Huron*, *Brock*, and *Wellington*; praying for the passing of an Act to provide for the extension and improvement of the *Dundas* and *Waterloo* Road.

Of *John Meyers* and others, of the German Block in the Township of *Woolwich*; praying that the said Township and certain others, as notified in the Official Gazette, may be set apart and erected into a new District, to be called the District of *Bruce*, with *Galt* as the District Town.

Of *Daniel Langley* and others, of *North Easthope* and other Townships of the Districts of *Huron* and *Wellington*; praying that the said Townships may be attached to the proposed new District of *Bruce*.

Of *Ralph C. Nicholson* and others, of the Township of *Dumfries*; praying that the south half of the said Township may be attached to the proposed new District of *Bruce*.

Of the Reverend *J. L. Beaubien* and others, of the Parish of *St. Thomas*, in the County of *L'Islet*; praying a grant of money to enable them to establish an Institution for female education.

Of *John Hawkins* and others, of the Township of *Woolwich*, District of *Wellington*; praying that no division be made of the said District, as is proposed by the formation of a new District of *Bruce*.

Of *George J. Grange*, Chairman, and *C. H. Webster*, Secretary, on behalf of a Public Meeting of the Inhabitants of the District of *Wellington*; praying that no division be made of the said District, as is proposed by the formation of a new District of *Bruce*.

Of *Alfred A. Baker* and others, of the Townships of *Guelph* and *Eramosa*, District of *Wellington*; praying that no division be made of the said District, as is proposed by the formation of a new District of *Bruce*.

Of *Thomas Saunders* and others, of the Township of *Puslinch*, District of *Wellington*; praying that no part of that Township may be separated from the said District.

Of *James Burr* and others, of the Township of *Nichol*, District of *Wellington*; praying that no division be made of the said District, as is proposed by the formation of a new District of *Bruce*.

Of *James M'Kaig* and others, of the Township of *Puslinch*, District of *Wellington*; praying that no division be made of the said District, as is proposed by the formation of a new District of *Bruce*.

Of *Henry Cardwell* and others, of *Holland* and other Townships, District of *Wellington*; praying that no division be made of the said District, as is proposed by the formation of a new District of *Bruce*.

Of *John D. M'Kenzie* and others, of the Township of *Beverly*, District of *Gore*; complaining of deficiency in the measurement of their lands from wrong and false surveys, and praying for redress.

Of the Magistrates of the District of *Wellington*, in Quarter Sessions assembled; praying that no such

division be made of the Districts of *Gore* and *Wellington* as that proposed by the formation of a new District of *Bruce*.

Of the Magistrates of the *Wellington* District; praying for the imposition of a License for the sale of Beer.

Of *John Charlton* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, and other places in the Home District; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to construct a plank road through the Township of *York*, in a certain course, to the junction line between that Township and *Vaughan*, and to collect tolls thereon.

Of *William Montgomerie*, Esquire, and others, of *Grantham* and the adjoining Townships, in the County of *Drummond*; praying aid to erect a bridge over the River *St. Francis*, at the Village of *Drummondville*.

Of the Honorable *Joseph Bourret*, Mayor, on behalf of a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the City of *Montreal*; praying the adoption of certain measures to obtain the repeal or modification of the Navigation Laws.

Of the Reverend *John Bethune* and others, of *Montreal*; praying aid in support of the *Montreal* Eye and Ear Institution.

Of *Alexander M'Donell*, Esquire, and others, of the south side of the River *Ottawa*, between the Town of *Bytown* and the Village of *Pembroke*; praying that the grant voted in the year 1845, for the construction of a line of road between *Bytown* and *Pembroke* be paid and expended in the completion thereof.

Of *George Chaperon*, of *Baie St. Paul*, County of *Saguenay*; praying a grant of money to compensate him for a part of his loss and damage sustained in the execution of his office as Commissioner for opening a communication between the Parishes of *St. Pierre*, *St. Paul*, and *St. Joachim*.

Of *George Chaperon* and others, of *Baie St. Paul* and *St. Urbain*, County of *Saguenay*; praying aid for the opening of the *Bagot* Road,—for erecting a bridge over the River *du Gouffre*,—and for improving the Road *des Côtes du Cap aux Corbeaux*; and that the said works be placed under the control of the Board of Works.

Of the Reverend *J. B. Gagnon* and others, of *Malbaie* and other Parishes, in the County of *Saguenay*; praying aid for the completion and maintaining of the Road between *Ste. Agnès* and *La Baie des Ha! Ha!*

Of the *Quebec* Library Association; praying aid in support of the said Institution.

Of *Benjamin Horner* and others, of the Township of *Blenheim*, District of *Brock*; praying that that Township may not be separated from the said District, as is proposed by the formation of a new District of *Brant*.

Of *William Leonard*, of the Township of *Scarborough*; praying payment of an amount due him as Schoolmaster in the Town of *Carlisle*, District of *Gaspé*.

Of *David Wood* and others, of the Township of *Walpole*; praying that the boundary line between that Township and the Township of *Woodhouse* may be finally settled.

Of *Erastus Ives* and others, of the District of *St. Francis*; praying aid to construct a Road from *Warterville* to *Sherbrooke*.

Of the Reverend *W. King* and others, of the Township of *Broughton*, County of *Megantic*; praying aid to improve the route communicating with the *Craig's* Road.

Of *E. Duchesnay*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly constituting the County of *Beauce*; praying for the abrogation of the Tenures *en fief* and *en censive*.

Of *Joseph Donegani*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act to confirm his title to certain property which he inherited from his father, but of which his nephews have dispossessed him at law, on the ground of his being an alien; and that the titles of all persons in a similar situation may be quieted.

Of *John H. Aussem*, Esquire, and others, of the Province of *Canada*; praying that persons practising the Thomsonian or Botanic system of Medicine, may be authorized to prescribe and to collect pay for their services, especially when they have received diplomas from the Thomsonian Medical Society.

Of *William Duncan*, of the Parish of *St. Ignace du Coteau du Lac*, County of *Vaudreuil*; praying for the passing of an Act to enable him to recover a certain amount due him for the construction of a bridge over the River *à Delisle*.

Of *S. S. Foster*, and others, the President and Directors of the *Shefford Academy*; praying the usual aid in support of the said Institution.

Of *Benjamin Ouimet* and others, of the Township of *Upton*; praying that a certain part of the said Township may be annexed to the County of *Shefford* and to the District of *Montreal*.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Justices of the Peace of the Home District, in Quarter Sessions assembled, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to enquire whether any and what Legislative measures can be adopted to repress the evils growing out of Intemperance.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Louis Legendre*, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Lotbinière*; the Petition of *George O'Kill Stuart*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*; the Petition of *T. M. Daly* and others, of *North Easthope* and other Townships in the County of *Huron*, and of the Government Lands north of the eastern section of the District of *Huron*; the Petition of *Benjamin Ouimet* and others, of the Township of *Upton*; and the Petition of *James Porter*, Esquire, and others, inhabitants of the northern Townships of the County of *Kent*; and the several other Petitions presented during the present Session on the subject of the division of the County of *Kent*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Resolved, That the Petition of *Joseph Donegani*, of the City of *Montreal*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Guy*, the Honorable Mr. *Price*, the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, Mr. *Prince*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, and Mr. *Jobin*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Mr. *Fortier*, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Entries in the Journal of the 17th and 20th March, 1848, which relate to the Petition of *William Bradley* and others, of the Township of *Caledonia*, praying that a certain allowance for Road in that Township may be granted to the said *William Bradley* in lieu of an allowance made by him for a like purpose; and being satisfied, from the testimony of Mr. *Johnson*, (a Member of the Committee), that the Government allowance has never been used as a travelled road, and that that proposed to be substituted by Mr. *Bradley* has been so used for about two years,—and finding also, that the Petition is signed by nearly

every person residing in the vicinity in question, and that no Petition has been presented against the application, Your Committee would beg leave to recommend that the prayer of the Petition be complied with.

Ordered, That Mr. *Johnson* have leave to bring in a Bill to enable *Wilham Bradley* to hold a certain Road allowance in *Caledonia*, in the *Ottawa* District.

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

Mr. *Dumas*, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Town of *Cornwall*, presented to the House the final Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Resolved, That eight clear days' notice of the time and place of holding an Election are required by the Provincial Statute 6 Vic. c. 1.

Resolved, That such notice was not given for the holding of the Election of a Member to represent the Town of *Cornwall* in the present Parliament.

Resolved, That this Committee have no reason to believe that the result of the said Election has been affected by such irregularity.

Resolved, That the Honorable *John Hillyard Cameron* was duly elected to serve as a Member to represent the said Town of *Cornwall* in this present Parliament.

Resolved, That the Petition of *Charles Rattray*, Esquire, and others, is not frivolous or vexatious.

Resolved, That the defence of the sitting Member is not frivolous or vexatious.

Resolved, That the conduct of the Returning Officer at the said Election, in giving the notice thereof, was not in accordance with the said Act.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petitions of *H. H. Whitney* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; of *Alexandre M. Delisle* and *B. H. LeMoine*, of the City of *Montreal*, and *J. B. Debien*, junior, of the Parish of *Ste. Rose*; and of *Louis Comte*, of the City of *Montreal*, and find that in each case the requisite notice has been given.

With respect to the Petition of the Corporation of the City of *Kingston*, and of divers Inhabitants of the said City, praying to be incorporated as "The City of *Kingston Water Works Company*," Your Committee find that notice has not been given; but, inasmuch as the Petition has been signed by the Mayor and Corporation of the City of *Kingston*, and the matter will affect that locality only, they beg leave to submit to Your Honorable House whether the notice may not in this case be dispensed with.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the *Montreal and Lachine Railroad Company*, praying for authority to raise a loan, or to increase their capital stock, with power to sell and transfer all the property and corporate rights of the Company,—and finding that notice has not been given by them, they beg to submit to Your Honorable House whether a notice is necessary in this case.

The Petitions of the Reverend Messire *St. Germain*; of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, of the Parish of *St. Laurent*; and of *V. P. W. Dorion* and others, do not, in the opinion of Your Committee, come under the provisions of the 66th Rule.

Bradley's Road Allowance Bill.

Cornwall Election.

Second Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

Petition of Justices of the Peace, Home District;

Of *L. Legendre* and others;

Of *G. O'Kill Stuart* and others;

Of *T. M. Daly* and others;

Of *B. Ouimet* and others;

Of *J. Porter* and others;

Of *Joseph Donegani*, referred.

First Report of Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Kingston  
Water Works  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "The City of Kingston Water Works Company."

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

On motion of Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, seconded by Mr. *Morrison*,

Petitions for  
Private Bills.

*Resolved*, That the time for presenting Petitions to this House for Private Bills be extended until Thursday, the fifteenth day of February next.

First Rule  
of the House,  
—and Notices.

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* moved, seconded by Mr. *Christie*, and the Question being proposed, That so much of the First Rule of this House as regulates the hour of meeting for the transaction of Business be amended, by substituting, ten o'clock in the morning for three o'clock in the afternoon, for and during the present Session, to commence from and after the present week; and further, that, if at the hour of six o'clock, P. M., the House be still sitting, Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the House until the next sitting day without a Question first put; that on Tuesday in each week the House shall stand adjourned till the following Thursday, and that in all cases of Notices two full days shall elapse before they be acted upon,—the whole for and during the present Session, and no longer.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Wetenhall*, That all the words after "substituting," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words, "this House do adjourn at ten o'clock every evening, and do meet every morning at eleven, for the transaction of the Routine Business of the House, and that so soon as the Routine Business be concluded, the Speaker do leave the Chair, and resume the sitting of the House at three, when the Orders of the day will be proceeded with; provided that nothing in this order shall interfere with any Question of Privilege," be added instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That so much of the First Rule of this House as regulates the hour of meeting for the transaction of Business be amended, by substituting, ten o'clock in the morning for three o'clock in the afternoon, for and during the present Session, to commence from and after the present week; and further, that, if at the hour of six o'clock, P. M., the House be still sitting, Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the House until the next sitting day without a Question first put; that on Tuesday in each week the House shall stand adjourned till the following Thursday, and that in all cases of Notices two full days shall elapse before they be acted on,—the whole for and during the present Session, and no longer.

The Honorable Mr. *Papineau* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words, "Mr. Speaker do, at ten o'clock, P. M., declare the House adjourned until the next sitting day, at three o'clock, P. M.," be added instead thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Beaubien*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Chabot*, *DeWitt*, *Duchesnay*, *Fourquin*, *Hall*, *Johnson*, *Laurin*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Malloch*, *Papineau*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Thompson*, and *Wetenhall*.—(16.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Brooks*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Gugy*, *Guillet*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrère*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Marquis*, *M'Lean*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Taché*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wilson*.—(49.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

*Resolved*, That so much of the First Rule of this House as regulates the hour of meeting for the transaction of Business be amended, by substituting, ten o'clock in the morning for three o'clock in the afternoon, for and during the present Session, to commence from and after the present week; and further, that, if at the hour of six o'clock, P. M., the House be still sitting, Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the House until the next sitting day without a Question first put; that on Tuesday in each week the House shall stand adjourned till the following Thursday, and that in all cases of Notices two full days shall elapse before they be acted on,—the whole for and during the present Session, and no longer.

On motion of Mr. *Seymour*, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause the proper officer to lay before this House, a Return of the amount of Lunatic Asylum Tax collected and paid into the Provincial Treasury by the several Districts of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, under the authority of the Act 2 Vic. c. 11, for the several years since the passing of the said Act, distinguishing, as nearly as possible, the amount so collected and paid in by the several incorporated Cities and Towns.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate and make uniform the rates of damages on Protested Bills of Exchange in this Province.

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

*Ordered*, That the Return to the Address of this House to His Excellency the Governor General, for a Tabular Return of the names of the various Constituencies in *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, and of the number of Representatives and Inhabitants of each Constituency, laid before this House on the 29th instant, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. *Wilson*, seconded by Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*,

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the expediency of paying Petit Jurors in *Upper Canada*. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Watts* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,



Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;  
And Mr. *Watts* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Crier and Tipstaff of the District of Montreal.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 23d January, 1849, praying that he would cause to be laid before the House, a Statement, in detail, of the income derived in virtue of their offices, by the Crier and Tipstaff, respectively, of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Montreal*, for the last five years, distinguishing the several sources of such income.

Appendix (O.) For the said Return, see Appendix (O.)

Navigation Laws.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, reported that he had, according to Order, waited upon His Excellency the Governor General, on the part of this House, with the Joint Addresses of both Houses on the subject of the Navigation Laws; and that His Excellency had been pleased to say, that he would transmit the Address to Her Majesty to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Limitation of Actions Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to alter the Law relating to the limitation of Actions in this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Laws of Patents Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws of Patents for Inventions in this Province, being read;

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

Law of Evidence Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to improve the Law of Evidence, and to abolish unnecessary Oaths, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of February next.

Libel Law Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law respecting Libel, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Friday, the sixteenth day of February next.

Warehousemen's Punishment Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the punishment of Warehousemen and others giving false receipts for Merchandize, and of persons receiving advances upon Goods, and afterwards fraudulently disposing of the same, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the eighth day of February next.

Townships Erection Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to confirm the Erection of certain Townships, and for other purposes relative to the Erection of Townships, being read;

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

Election Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof, being read;

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the *United States of America*, for the apprehension and surrender of certain Offenders, being read;

Offenders' Treaty Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for removing doubts as to the legal effect of the Act of the Legislature of *Lower Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George the Fourth*, and intitled, "An Act for rendering valid Conveyances of Lands and other immoveable property held in free and common socage within the Province of *Lower Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for the greater uniformity of the Law relative to Real Property in *Lower Canada*, being read;

Real Property Conveyances Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the formation of incorporated Road and Bridge Companies in *Upper Canada*, being read;

Road and Bridge Companies (U. C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Friday, the ninth day of February next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the several Laws now in force in *Upper Canada*, regulating the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams, and to make provision for better defining the mode of constructing the same, being read;

Bill respecting Aprons to Mill Dams.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday, the eighth day of February next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt and to punish fraudulent debtors, being read;

Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the eighth day of February next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to relieve from Arrest for Debt in *Lower Canada*, persons residing in *Upper Canada*, being read;

Bill to relieve certain persons from Arrest for Debt.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the eighth day of February next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to compel Pilots' Apprentices to qualify themselves to pilot vessels by the north channel of the River *St. Lawrence*, below the Island of *Orleans*, and to oblige the Trinity House of *Quebec* to lay down buoys to mark the shoals in the said channel, and to facilitate the traverse from the south to the north, from *Isle aux Reaux* to *Cap Tourment*, being read;

Pilots' Apprentices Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee, to consider the expediency of amending the Ordinance 4 Vic. c. 16, in so far as it relates to the manner of levying Tolls on the *Longueuil* and *Chambly* Turnpike Road, being read;

Longueuil and Chambly Turnpike Road.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Seymour* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Seymour* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Productions of  
the United  
States.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee, to enquire into the expediency of providing for the free admission of certain Articles of the growth or production of the *United States* into *Canada*, upon the like Articles the production of *Canada* being admitted into the markets of the *United States* on the same terms, being read;

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

Then, on motion of Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, seconded by Mr. *Watts*,  
The House adjourned.

Jovis, 1<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Bank State-  
ments.

MR. Speaker laid before the House, Statements of the Affairs of the Bank of *Montreal*; Commercial Bank of the Midland District; and *La Banque du Peuple*, received in conformity to an Order of this House of the twenty-fifth ultimo.

Appendix (P.) For the said Statements, see Appendix (P.)

Agricultural  
Societies.

Also, Reports of Agricultural Societies in *Upper Canada* and *Lower Canada*, pursuant to Acts 8 Vic. c. 53 and 54.

Appendix (Q.) For the said Reports, see Appendix (Q.)

Champlain and  
St. Lawrence  
Railroad.

Also, Statement of the Affairs of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Railroad Company, as required by the Act 2 Will. 4, c. 58.

Appendix (R.) For the said Statement, see Appendix (R.)

Montreal and  
Lachine Rail-  
road.

Also, Statement of the Affairs of the *Montreal* and *Lachine* Railroad, as required by the Act 9 Vic. c. 82.

Appendix (S.) For the said Statement, see Appendix (S.)

Sherbrooke  
Cotton  
Factory.

Also, Statement of the Affairs of the *Sherbrooke* Cotton Factory, as required by the Act 8 Vic. c. 91.

Appendix (T.) For the said Statement, see Appendix (T.)

Montreal  
Mechanics  
Institute.

Also, Statement of the moveable property of the *Mechanics' Institute* of *Montreal*, as required by the Act 8 Vic. c. 98.

Appendix (U.) For the said Statement, see Appendix (U.)

Canada Baptist  
Missionary  
Society.

And also, Statement of the immoveable property of the *Canada Baptist Missionary Society*, as required by the Act 8 Vic. c. 102.

Appendix (V.) For the said Statement, see Appendix (V.)

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. *Malloch*,—The Petition of *Abraham Pratt* and others, of the Township of *Marlborough*, District of *Dalhousie*.

By Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*,—The Petition of the Very Reverend *John Macdonald*, Vicar-General of the Diocese of *Kingston*, and others, the Clergy, Magistrates, and others, of the Eastern District.

By the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*,—The Petition of the Board of the Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning, in their capacity of Visitors of the University of *McGill* College, and of the Governors of the said University; and the Petition of the Honorable *J. R. Rolland*, Chief Justice of the District of *Montreal*, and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hicks*,—The Petition of *Andrew Smith* and others, of the District of *Brock*.

By the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*,—The Petition of *Antoine Talbot*, of the Parish of *Berthier*, County of *Bellechasse*.

By Mr. *Brooks*,—The Petition of *W. H. Fowler*, Esquire, and others, of *Durham* and other Townships in the County of *Drummond*, and of *Melbourne* and other Townships in the County of *Sherbrooke*; and the Petition of *C. P. Reid* and others, of the Township of *Compton*.

By Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of the Reverend *C. LaRocque* and others, of *St. Jean Dorchester*, County of *Chambly*; and the Petition of the Reverend *C. Léonard*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Méthot*,—The Petition of *P. M. Partridge* and others, Accountants, Clerks, and Warehousemen of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of *Henry Bechtel* and others, of *Dumfries* and other Townships, in the Districts of *Gore*, *Wellington*, and *Brock*; and the Petition of *A. Buchanan* and others, of *Dumfries* and other Townships, of the Districts of *Gore* and *Wellington*.

By Mr. *Davignon*,—The Petition of *James Motz*, Esquire, of the City of *Quebec*, Advocate.

By Mr. *Bell*,—The Petition of *John M. Ross* and others, of the Township of *Bromley* and the surrounding country.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, of the President, Directors and Company of the Commercial Bank, and of the *Gore* Bank.

By Mr. *Fourquin*,—The Petition of *Pierre Cartier* and others, of *St. François du Lac St. Pierre*.

Pursuant to the Orders of the day, the following Petitions were read:—

Of the Mayor and Councillors of the Town of *Brantford*; praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the said Town.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Ottawa*; praying that the Act 8 Vic. c. 14, may be so amended as to render it necessary for the Governor to issue Commissions of Assize and Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, twice in each year, and to fix the days of opening and holding the said Courts.

Of *J. Brazeau* and others, of *Ste. Martine*; praying indemnification for losses sustained by them during the Troubles of 1837 and 1838.

Of *John Molson*, Esquire, Chairman on behalf of the Company of Proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Railroad; praying for a more equitable system of dues for Wharfage paid to the Harbour Commissioners.

Of the Reverend *J. B. Grenier* and divers inhabitants of the Village of *St. Arsène de Kakouna*; praying for a reduction in the price of Land in the Township of *Viger*, and for delay in the payment thereof.—and for aid to improve the Roads therein.

Of *B. Dionne*, Esquire, and others, of the Parishes of *St. George de Kakouna*, and *St. Arsène de Kakouna*, County of *Rimouski*; praying that the Parish of *St. Arsène de Kakouna* may be erected into a distinct Municipality for the purposes of education.

Of the Mayor and Councillors of the Municipality of *Rimouski*; praying for the more general distribution of the Provincial Statutes.

Of *Alexis Gagné*, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Kamouraska*; praying for the payment of the amount of his account as Returning Officer at the election of Parish Officers for the said Parish in the year 1841.

Of the Mayor and Councillors of the County of *Rimouski*; praying for a division of the said County for all purposes whatsoever, and that the whole of

the Parish of *Rivière du Loup* may be included therein.

Of Messrs. *Le Mesurier, Tilstone, and Company*, and others interested in the Timber Trade; complaining of the impediments to the Timber Trade by the construction of two Toll-Bridges at the *Sault au Recollet*, over the River *des Prairies*, and praying relief.

Of *John Foran*, and others engaged in the Timber Trade on the River *Ottawa* and its tributaries; praying that parties having licence to cut Timber on the waste Lands of the Crown may be protected by law from trespassers.

Of *George P. de Boucherville*, of *Montreal*, Esquire; praying the House to allow him to exhibit to them a Machine invented by him for the production of a self-renewing motive force, and for aid towards carrying the said invention into practice, if found worthy of such aid.

Of *Baxter Bowman*, Esquire, and others interested in the Timber Trade; complaining of the impediments to the Timber Trade, by the construction of two Toll Bridges over the River *des Prairies* at the *Sault au Recollet*, and praying relief.

Of the Reverend *L. A. Bourret* and divers inhabitants of the County of *Kamouraska*; praying that the prayer of the Petition for establishing the County Town in the Parish of *Rivière du Loup* be not granted.

Of *John Burwell*, of *Port Burwell*, in the District of *London*, Esquire; praying that *Port Burwell* be not placed under the control of a Company, but that it be continued as a public work, and provided for as such.

Of the Reverend *Aeneas M'Donald* and others, the Catholic Clergy and Laity of the Parish of *Cornwall*; praying that such provision be made for the College of *Regiopolis* as may place it upon a secure and permanent basis.

Of *Charles Curtis Farran*, of the Township of *Osnabruck*, County of *Stormont*; praying for the appointment of a Committee to inquire into his claims for damages sustained by the construction of the *St. Lawrence Canal*,—and that he may receive compensation for the said damages.

Of *Robert Hamilton*, and others, of the District of *Niagara*; praying to be incorporated as the *Queenston Suspension Bridge Company*.

Of *F. X. Thompson*; praying for the amendment of the Act for the inspection and measurement of Lumber.

Of Mrs. *Louise O. Beauzet*, widow of the late *Z. Grenier*, and wife of *J. H. Martin*, of the Parish of *St. Rémi*, District of *Montreal*; praying indemnification for losses sustained during the Troubles of 1837 and 1838.

Of Mrs. *M. A. F. Viger* and other Ladies, the Directresses and Officers of the *Montreal Catholic Orphan Asylum*; praying aid in support of the said Asylum.

Of *John Jacques* and others, of the City of *Toronto* and of the Home-District; praying for an Act of incorporation for the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, *Manchester Unity*.

Royal Assent  
to a Bill.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor General, by *Frederick Starr Jarvis*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:—

Mr. Speaker,

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

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

And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That agreeable to the commands of His Excellency the Governor General, the

House had attended upon His Excellency in the Legislative Council Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's Name, the Royal Assent to the following Public Bill:—

An Act for the Queen's most gracious, general, and free Pardon. Act of Grace.

Resolved, That the Petition of *John Jones* and others, of the Township of *Walpole*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Thompson*, the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, Mr. *Morrison*, Mr. *M'Farland*, and Mr. *Wetenhall*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Petition of J. Jones and others;

Resolved, That the Petition of *George Thomson* and others, of *West Flamborough* and other Townships, in the District of *Gore*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Wetenhall*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, Mr. *Notman*, and Mr. *Malloch*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of G. Thomson and others, referred.

Mr. *Thompson*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Entry in the Journal of this House, of the 15th March, 1848, relating to the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara*, representing the desire for the confirmation of certain usages, and for certain alterations in the Boundaries of the Townships of *Dunn*, *Canborough*, *Moulton*, and *Sherbrooke*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Boundaries of Dunn and other Townships.

Your Committee beg leave to report that they have examined the Entry in the Journal of last Session referred to them, and find that there are several tracts or portions of land lying adjacent to the Townships of *Canborough* and *Moulton* which, though usually considered to belong to those Townships, have never been united to them by any competent authority; and as Your Committee think it desirable that the matter should no longer remain unsettled, they would recommend that these tracts of land should severally be declared to form part of the Townships to which they are contiguous, according to the following arrangement:—

That the tract of land adjoining the north-easterly side of the *Grand River*, known as the *Dockstader* tract, and that portion of the tract known as the Indian Reservation, lying west of the continuation to the *Grand River* of the allowance for Road between the Townships of *Canborough* and *Moulton*, shall be declared to belong to and be included in the Township of *Canborough*.

That the remainder of the said Indian Reservation lying directly east of the Road allowance above mentioned, be annexed to the Township of *Moulton*.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws concerning the Interest of Money.

Interest of Money Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the twentieth instant.

Ordered, That Mr. *Thompson* have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the Township of *Cayuga*, in the District of *Niagara*, into two Townships.

Cayuga Township Division Bill.

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

River du  
Chêne Im-  
provement  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the improvement of the *River du Chêne*, in the County of *Two Mountains*.

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

Trial of Im-  
peachments  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Christie* have leave to bring in a Bill to establish a Tribunal for the Trial of Impeachments by the Legislative Assembly of the Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

Weights and  
Measures.

On motion of Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, seconded by Mr. *Richards*,

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to take into consideration the propriety of amending the several Laws in force in *Upper Canada* with regard to the inspection of Weights and Measures.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Chabot* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Chabot* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Third Report of  
Committee on  
Standing  
Orders.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *M. A. Primeau* and *A. A. Trottier* for authority to erect a Toll Bridge over the *River Chateauguay*, also, the Petition of *L. G. Brown* and others, in favor, and of the Reverend *E. H. Blyth* and others, against the application; and they find that the notices were first published by the Petitioners on the 2d December, and the Petition was presented on the 22d January last, being less than two months, (as required by the 66th Rule,) and consequently insufficient.

With reference to the Petition of the President, Directors, and Company of the *Gore Bank*, for a reduction of the value of each of their shares, and an increase of their Capital, Your Committee are of opinion that the 66th Rule does not apply to the bringing in, altering, or renewing of any Private Bill merely granting to individuals a corporate character for Banking or other such like purposes affecting the public at large rather than particular persons or localities, and therefore that this Petition does not come within the Rule, and need not have been referred.

Your Committee are also of opinion, that the Petitions of *Benjamin Ouimet* and others; of *T. M. Daly* and others; of *James Porter* and others,—and the various other Petitions relating to a division of the County of *Kent*; of *Louis Legendre* and others; and of *G. O'Kill Stuart* and others, are not of such a nature as to require notice.

Gore Bank  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thompson* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Gore Bank*, and to increase the Capital Stock of the said Bank.

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

On motion of Mr. *Taché*, seconded by Mr. *Chauveau*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to be pleased to lay before this House, the Returns of Duties levied upon Articles imported from the *United States*, which may be affected by the passing of an Act for establishing a system of reciprocal free exchange with the said *United States*.

Duties upon  
certain  
Imports.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Richards* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Sale under Executions of the interest of Mortgagers and Mortgagees in real estate in *Upper Canada*.

Bill relating to  
Mortgagers  
and Mort-  
gagees (U. C.)

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the twelfth instant.

On motion of Mr. *Laurin*, seconded by Mr. *Lemieur*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, by the proper Officer, a Statement of the quantity of Lumber shipped for exportation by sea, during the year 1848, on account of the producers and manufacturers of wood of the District of *Quebec*.

Lumber  
exported.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*, Mr. *Fortier*, Mr. *Lemieur*, Mr. *Watts*, Mr. *Taché*, Mr. *Christie*, and Mr. *Davignon*, be appointed to enquire into the causes and importance of the emigration which takes place annually from *Lower Canada* to the *United States*; the class and, if possible, the number of persons who have emigrated during the last five years; the fate of the individuals and families who have emigrated, and the best means to prevent that emigration for the future, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Emigration.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wilson* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the remedy by Writs of Execution. He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the twentieth instant.

Writs of Exe-  
cution Bill.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,

*Ordered*, That the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General delivered to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Speech to be  
considered.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 1st February, 1849, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before the House, Returns of Duties levied upon Articles imported from the *United States*, which may be affected by the passing of an Act for establishing

Duties upon  
certain  
Imports.

a system of reciprocal free exchange with the said United States.

Appendix (W.)

For the said Return, see Appendix (W.)

Petit Jurors.

Mr. *Watts*, from the Committee to consider the expediency of paying Petit Jurors in *Upper Canada*, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

*Resolved*, That it is expedient that Petit Jurors attending the several Courts of Assize and Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer, General Gaol Delivery, and of the several Courts of Quarter Sessions and District Courts in *Upper Canada*, should be paid for attending such Courts, from local sources.

The said Resolution being read a second time,

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, That the words "from local sources," be left out.

And the Question being put, That those words be left out; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Crysler*, *Malloch*, *M'Lean*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of BYTOWN, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, and *Thompson*.—(10.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Brooks*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cayley*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méhot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Seymour*, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Taché*, *Viger*, *Watts*, *Wetenhall*, and *Wilson*.—(54.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Brooks*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Cayley*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Malloch*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Lean*, *Merritt*, *Méhot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Prince*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Seymour*, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Taché*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wilson*.—(56.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Crysler*, *Johnson*, *M'Farland*, *Scott* of BYTOWN, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Thompson*, and *Wetenhall*.—(9.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wilson* have leave to bring in a Bill to limit the number of Petit Jurors to be summoned to attend the several Courts in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the payment of them.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

Longueuil and Chambly

Mr. *Seymour*, from the Committee to consider the expediency of amending the Ordinance 4 Vic. c. 16,

in so far as it relates to the manner of levying Tolls on the *Longueuil* and *Chambly* Turnpike Road, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Turnpike Road.

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Ordinance relative to the Turnpike Road between *Longueuil* and *Chambly*, and to enact that one-half of the Tolls levied in virtue of the said Ordinance be paid in passing, and the other half in repassing through the Toll Gates placed on the several Roads mentioned in the said Ordinance, and to repeal the twelfth section of the aforesaid Ordinance.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Davignon* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Ordinance relating to the *Longueuil* and *Chambly* Turnpike Road.

Longueuil and Chambly Turnpike Road Bill.

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

The Order of the day for taking into further consideration the case of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, Returning Officer at the last General Election for the County of *Oxford*, being read;

Oxford Election.

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed until Monday next; and be then the first Order of the day.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws regulating Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and the protesting thereof, being read;

Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes Bill.

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

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

Veneris, 2<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

MR. SPEAKER laid before the House, the Accounts of the Trinity House of *Quebec* for the year ending 31st December, 1848.

Quebec Trinity House Accounts.

For the said Accounts, see Appendix (X.)

Appendix (X.)

And also, Report of the Trustees of the Friends Boarding School at *West Lake*, *Prince Edward* District, for 1848.

Friends' Seminary.

For the said Report, see Appendix (Y.)

Appendix (Y.)

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

Petitions brought up.

By Mr. *DeWitt*,—The Petition of *Thomas Cantwell* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, County of *Beauharnois*; and the Petition of *James Duncan* and others, of the Seigniorship of *Beauharnois*.

By Mr. *Fortier*,—The Petition of *B. Maurault* and others, of *St. Jean des Chaillons* and other Parishes.

By Mr. *Méhot*,—The Petition of *Jeffrey Hale*, Esquire, and others, the President and Members of the *Quebec* British and Canadian School Society.

By Mr. *Chabot*,—The Petition of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Prince*,—The Petition of *James Cuthbertson* and others, Shareholders in the *Sault Sainte Marie* Mining Company; and the Petition of *W. Lapetière*, of *Woodstock*, in the District of *Brock*.



By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of *Donald M'Leod* and others, of *South Yarmouth*.

By Mr. *Holmes*,—The Petition of the Bank of *Montreal*; and the Petition of the *Montreal and Lachine* Railroad Company (extension of Charter.)

By Mr. *Seymour*,—The Petition of *M. Asseltine*, Chairman, and *P. S. Timerman*, on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of *Ernestown*, Midland District.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,—The Petition of *O. W. Stevens*, of the Town of *Simcoe*, tailor.

By the Honorable Mr. *Price*,—The Petition of *Oliver Grace*, of the Town of *Lewiston*, in the State of *New York*, one of the *United States of America*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cayley*,—The Petition of *Charles James Stuart*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire.

By Mr. *Wetenhall*,—The Petition of the Provincial Agricultural Association of *Canada West* (aid;) and the Petition of the Provincial Agricultural Association of *Canada West* (*Canadian Produce*.)

By Mr. *Thompson*,—The Petition of *John Jarron* and others, of the County of *Haldimand*.

Petition read.

Ordered, That the Petition of *John Jarron* and others, of the County of *Haldimand*, be now read; and that the Rules of this House be suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; representing that the Petitioners have reason to believe that parties are now ready and anxious to make a Railway from the *Niagara* River, at the Township of *Bertie*, to the *Detroit* River at or near *Windsor*, and praying that the Charter formerly granted to the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railway Company* be renewed.

Petitions read.

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

Of *Xavier Meloche* and others, of the Parish of *St. Timothée de Beauharnois*; praying indemnification for losses sustained by them through the laborers on the *Beauharnois Canal*.

Of the Council of the Municipality of the second division of the County of *Beauharnois*; praying for the repeal of the Municipal Council Act, and the establishment of Parish or Township Municipalities, or for the union of Townships and Parishes.

Of the Council of the Municipality of the second division of the County of *Beauharnois*; praying aid to construct a Road from the Village of *Huntingdon* to *Lake St. Francis*.

Of *Thomas Hill*, of the City of *Toronto*; praying a pension and such other relief as the House may deem expedient, in consideration of his services as a late messenger of the House of Assembly in *Upper Canada*, and of his advanced age.

Of the Religious Ladies of the *Hôtel Dieu* of *Montreal*; praying for power to dispose of part of their property.

Of *Amable Archambeault* and others, of *L'Assomption*; praying to be authorized to build a Bridge across the River *L'Assomption*.

Of *J. C. Faribault* and others, of the Counties of *Leinster* and *Berthier*; praying for aid to render the River *L'Assomption* navigable.

Of *L. Z. Nolin* and others, of the Village and Parish of *L'Assomption*; praying that power may not be given to *Amable Archambeault* and others, to build a Bridge across the River *L'Assomption*.

Of *Joseph C. Bélanger* and others, of *St. Anselme*; praying to be authorized to build a Bridge across the River *Etchemin*, in the Parish of *St. Anselme*.

Of *Charles H. Lassiseraye*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that the balance due him as Principal Teacher of the Educational Society of *Three Rivers*, may be granted him.

Of *Mrs. Ellenor Teed*, of the City of *Quebec*; complaining of injustice done to her late husband,

by his imprisonment on suspicion of treason in the year 1838, by which his days were shortened, and praying redress.

Of *L. G. Bigelow* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; praying aid for the improvement of certain Roads and the construction of certain Bridges in the said County.

Of the Reverend *Alexander Mathieson*, D. D. and others, Members of the Presbyterian Church in *Canada* in connection with the Established Church of *Scotland*; praying for an Act to incorporate the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* in connection with the Established Church of *Scotland*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Victoria*, and of the *Marmora Foundry Company*; praying a grant of money to open a Road between *Mada-waska* and the rear of the said District.

Of *William Johnston*, Esquire, of the Township of *Georgina*; praying for the establishment of a Post Office at *Pefferlaw Mills* in the said Township.

Of the *Montreal Ladies' Benevolent Society*; praying aid in support of the said Institution.

Of *Sister Jeanne de Chantal* and others, Sisters of Charity of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated.

Of the Right Reverend the Catholic Bishop of *Montreal*; praying for an allowance (to the Sisters of Charity of the General Hospital) for Foundlings.

Of the Right Reverend the Catholic Bishop of *Montreal*; praying aid for the building and expenses of the *Petit Séminaire de Ste. Thérèse*.

Of *George Gurnett*, Esquire, Mayor, and others, of the City of *Toronto*, and others of the Home District; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize *Frederick Chase Capreol* to construct a Railroad from the said City to *Lake Huron*, by the way of the *Holland Landing*.

Of the Society of Education of *Quebec*; praying the usual aid in support of the said Society.

Of the Directresses of the Charitable Association of the Roman Catholic Ladies of *Quebec*; praying for aid in support of the said Institution.

Of the Honorable *William Walker* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying to be incorporated as "The *Quebec Gas Company*."

Of *Francis Rourke* and others, of the District of *Quebec*; praying for the repeal of that part of the Act 3 & 4 Vic. c. 42, which obliges them not to sell a less quantity than three half pints of Spirituous-Liquors.

Of *Messieurs LeMesurier, Tilstone* and Company, and others, Merchants and others of the City of *Quebec*; praying for the passing of an Act to regulate the inspection of Fish and Oil, the produce of British Fisheries.

Of *Joseph Légaré* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying that the Interest payable to the Government on the *Quebec Fire Debentures* may be remitted to them in full.

Of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of the south shore of the *St. Lawrence*, in the vicinity of *Quebec*; praying that the *Cul-de-Sac* may not be turned into a Market.

Of *H. Gowen*, Esquire, and others, of *Quebec*; praying that the *Charlesbourg Road* may be placed under the control of the *Quebec Turnpike Trust*.

Of *W. K. M'Cord*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying that certain grievances connected with the Corporation of *Quebec* be remedied.

Of the Reverend *John Cook*, D. D. and others, the Ministers, Elders, and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church* in the City of *Quebec*; praying aid in support of the School in connection with the said Church.

Of *Miss Eliza Taylor*, Secretary, on behalf of the Committee of Ladies conducting the affairs of the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum at *Quebec*; praying the usual aid in support of the said Institution.

Of the Reverend *George Mackie*, D. D. Chairman, and others, the Committee of Management of the National Schools at *Quebec*; praying for aid in support of the said Schools.

Of *Lady Stuart* and other Ladies, the Committee of the *Quebec* Infant School; praying for the usual aid in support of the said Institution.

Of the Literary and Historical Society of *Quebec*; praying for the usual annual aid in support of the said Institution.

Of the Literary and Historical Society of *Quebec*; praying that their Charter may be amended by making a Quorum for the transaction of business to consist of three members.

Of *Z. Williams* and others, of *Quebec*; praying for the adoption of measures to enforce a more efficient system of stowing ships' cargoes of timber.

Of *William Farley* and others, Electors of Ward No. 4, in the Town of *St. Catherines*; praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the said Town.

Of *John Watson Griffin* and others, sons and daughters of the late *Joseph Griffin*; praying that measures be adopted to obtain a repeal of the Patent constituting the Rectory of *Wellington Square*, and to restore to them their father's property now enjoyed by the Rector of that place.

Of *David Buchan*, Esquire, and others, of the Village of *Paris* and its vicinity; praying that the proposed Bills for the formation of the new Districts of *Brant* and *Bruce* be not passed into laws.

Of *G. Macartney* and others, of the southern half of the Township of *Dumfries*, District of *Gore*; praying for the division of the said Township into *North* and *South Dumfries*.

Of *Absalom Shade*, of *Galt*, and *James Cowan*, of *Waterloo*; praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the *Guelph* and *Dundas* Road Company.

Of *William Oliver*, of the Township of *Downie*, District of *Huron*; representing his services as a Soldier in Her Majesty's 94th Scotch Brigade, and afterwards in the Militia of this Province in the year 1837, and the subsequent loss of his left arm, and praying relief.

Of *William Hoople*, of the Township of *Osnabruck*, Eastern District, Pilot; praying compensation for his discovery and exploration of the Channel on the north side of the River *St. Lawrence*, between *Dickenson's Landing* and *Cornwall*, known as the *Longue Sault* Rapid.

Of the Reverend *Alexander Mathieson*, D. D. and others, on behalf of the Congregation of *St. Andrew's* Church, in the City of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated as "The Ministers and Trustees of *St. Andrew's* Church, *Montreal*."

Of *Joseph Bistodeau* and others, of the Village of *St. Hyacinthe*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the said Village as a distinct and separate Municipality.

Of the Reverend *A. Thérberge*, of *Terrebonne*; praying aid in support of the *Masson* College of *Terrebonne*.

Of the Warden and Municipal Council of the District of *Simcoe*; praying for a certain alteration in the system of appointing Assessors.

Of *John Fyle*, junior, Esquire, and others, of *Chambly*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the Petitioners to construct a Dam across the River *Richelieu*, at a place known as the "*Chûte*," for the passage of Rafts.

Ordered, That the Petition of *John Jarron* and others, of the County of *Haldimand*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the said Petition.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Joseph C. Bélanger* and others, of *St. Anselme*; the Petition of the Reverend *Alexander Mathieson*, D. D. and others, on behalf of the Congregation of *St. Andrew's* Church, in the City of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *John S. M<sup>c</sup>Collom* and others, of the Township of *Nelson*, District of *Gore*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the said Petitions.

Resolved, That the Petition of *Louis Legendre*, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Lotbinière*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, Mr. *Fortier*, Mr. *Laurin*, and Mr. *Taché*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the said Petition.

Ordered, That Mr. *Boutillier* and Mr. *Fournier* be added to the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the causes of Emigration from *Canada* to the *United States*.

Mr. *Fortier*, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Petition of *Alexander Parker* and others, relative to the expenditure of the sum granted for the construction of a Road between *L'Orignal* and *Bytown*; they find that a Bridge has been erected by the Board of Works, under the authority of Parliament, at the *Des Outicás* Creek near the *Caledonia* Springs, on the leading Road from *L'Orignal* to *Bytown*, and another Bridge at *Hatfield*, across the *Petite Nation* River, but as yet the Road between the two Bridges has not been constructed: As these Bridges are comparatively useless for the want of a connecting Road, Your Committee beg leave to recommend that such a Road shall be undertaken and finished in the first place, without delay.

By the original appropriation, the Road was to run from *Hatfield* along or near the banks of the River *Ottawa*, by *Gifford*, *Beckwith*, and *Green* Creeks. The several Surveyors who have reported on this line concur in stating, that for the purposes of a great leading communication between *L'Orignal* and *Bytown*, this River route will be more expensive in its construction than a more direct Road running through the interior of the country; a great difference of opinion exists, however, as to the best line for this interior Road, and Your Committee therefore recommend that a new Act should be passed, enabling the Board of Works to expend the appropriation in such a manner as may seem most fit for the public advantage, without reference to private interests.

At the same time, Your Committee feel it their duty to state to Your Honorable House, that the original appropriation having been expressly granted for the River line, and thereby greatly benefitting the owners of land and settlers on the banks of the *Ottawa*, these persons may complain that the pledged faith of the Legislature has been broken with them, if that line be departed from; and it may have happened, though no evidence to that effect has been adduced before Your Committee, that persons have purchased lands at a higher price in consequence of the Road having been fixed in the vicinity of their purchases: It is, however, for Your Honorable House to decide between these conflicting interests.

Of J. C. Bélanger and others; Of the Rev. A. Mathieson and others; Of J. S. M<sup>c</sup>Collom and others;

Of L. Legendre and others, referred.

Emigration.

Second Report of Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, seconded by Mr. *Seymour*,

Tolls collected on Roads (U. C.)

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to direct the proper officer to lay before this House, a Return of all Tolls collected upon the several Macadamized and Planked Roads in *Upper Canada*, for the years 1847 and 1848, respectively, and of the expenses attending the collection thereof.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Lachine Railroad Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal and Lachine* Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

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

Montreal and Troy Telegraph Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Montreal and Troy* Telegraph Company.

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

Petition of J. Bowie.

Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, moved, seconded by Mr. *Wilson*, and the Question being put, That the Petition of *James Bowie*, of the City of *Montreal*, Physician, be referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *McLean*, Mr. *Macdonald* of *Glengary*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Boutillier*, and the mover, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

L'Académie Industrielle de St. Laurent Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jobin* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate *L'Académie Industrielle de St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*.

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

Sœurs de Ste. Croix Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jobin* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate *La Communauté des Sœurs de Ste. Croix*, in the Parish of *St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*, for the purposes of education.

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

L. Comte's Relief Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jobin* have leave to bring in a Bill to enable *Louis Comte* to recover a certain amount due to him by the Parish of *St. Edouard*, in the District of *Montreal*.

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

Bank Tax.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 29th

January, 1849, praying that he would be pleased to cause the proper officer to lay before this House, a tabular monthly, or such other periodical Return of the issue of Bank Notes by the several Banks in this Province, as may be conveniently had during the several years since the imposition of the Bank Tax, to the thirty-first December last, with the amount of the Tax levied on each such periodical Return of each Bank respectively.

For the said Return, see Appendix (Z.)

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And also, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 1st February, 1849, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before them, a Statement of the quantity of Lumber shipped for exportation by sea, during the year 1848, on account of the producers and manufacturers of wood of the District of *Quebec*.

Lumber exported.

For the said Return, see Appendix (A.A.)

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The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General delivered to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature.

Speech considered.

And the same was again read.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of that Motion.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to confirm the Erection of certain Townships, and for other purposes relative to the Erection of Townships, being read;

Townships Erection Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the *United States of America*, for the apprehension and surrender of certain Offenders, being read;

Offenders Treaty Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to enquire into the expediency of providing for the admission of certain Articles of the growth or production of the *United States* into *Canada*, upon the like Articles the production of *Canada* being admitted into the markets of the *United States* on the same terms, being read;

Productions of the United States.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Polette* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Polette* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Tuesday next.

Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Laurin*, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*,

The House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 5° die Februarii;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Waterloo  
Election.

THE hour appointed for taking into consideration the Petition of *Adam J. Fergusson*, Esquire, and others, Electors of the County of *Waterloo*, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *James Webster*, Esquire, as a Member to represent the said County of *Waterloo* in the present Parliament, being come;

The House proceeded to the appointment of a Select Committee to try and determine the merits of the said Petition.

The Serjeant at Arms was directed by Mr. Speaker to go with the Mace to the places adjacent, and require the attendance of the Members on the business of the House.

And he went accordingly.

And being returned,—the House was called; and more than thirty Members being present,

Mr. Speaker called upon the Petitioners, their counsel or agent, to appear at the bar.

*Adam J. Fergusson*, Esquire, one of the Petitioners, appeared at the bar, in behalf of himself and the other Petitioners.

Mr. *Fergusson* presented a List of Witnesses in behalf of himself and the other Petitioners; which was read by the Clerk, as followeth:—

The Honorable James Hervey Price, Montreal.

Henry John Jones, “

Thomas Hector, “

William Spragge, “

Félix Fortier, “

Richard A. Tucker, “

William Kent, “

George Henry Lane, “

Mr. Speaker then directed the Serjeant at Arms to lock the doors.

And the doors being locked accordingly; and the Order of the day for taking the said Petition into consideration being read, the attestation of Mr. Speaker was taken from off the box in which, agreeably to the Statute, the names of all the Members of the House were sealed up; and the same was read by the Clerk, as followeth:—

I attest that this box was, on Saturday, the third day of February, 1849, made up in my presence, in the manner directed by an Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of his late Majesty King *George the Fourth*, intituled, “An Act to repeal an Act passed in the forty-fifth year of His late Majesty’s reign, intituled, ‘An Act to regulate the trial of Controverted Elections or Returns of Members to serve in the House of Assembly,’ and to make more effectual provision for such trials.”

A. N. Morin,  
Speaker.

The box was then opened, and the attestation of the Clerk was taken out of the box, and read by him, as followeth:—

I attest that I did, on Saturday, the third day of February, 1849, in presence of the Speaker of this House, put into a box, in which this attestation is found, the names of all the Members composing the present Legislative Assembly, written upon slips of parchment, and rolled up as directed by an Act passed in the fourth year of His late Majesty King *George the Fourth*, intituled, “An Act to repeal an Act passed in the forty-fifth year of His late Majesty’s reign, intituled, ‘An Act to regulate the trial of Controverted Elections or Returns of Members to serve in the House of Assembly,’ and to make more effectual provision for such trials.”

W. B. Lindsay,  
Clerk Legislative Assembly.

The names of all the Members were then taken out of the box, and put into three other boxes.

The drawing of the names was then proceeded in, in the usual manner; and the following names were drawn, to which no objection was taken:—

1 <i>Laurin</i> ,	13 <i>Flint</i> ,
2 <i>Merritt</i> ,	14 <i>Morrison</i> ,
3 <i>Sherwood</i> of TORONTO,	15 <i>Blake</i> ,
4 <i>Cartier</i> ,	16 <i>Wetenhall</i> ,
5 <i>Marquis</i> ,	17 <i>Watts</i> ,
6 <i>Hincks</i> ,	18 <i>Stevenson</i> ,
7 <i>LaFontaine</i> ,	19 <i>Sauvageau</i> ,
8 <i>Chabot</i> ,	20 <i>Price</i> ,
9 <i>Baldwin</i> ,	21 <i>Nelson</i> ,
10 <i>M’Farland</i> ,	22 <i>Robinson</i> ,
11 <i>Cameron</i> of KENT,	23 <i>Beaubien</i> .
12 <i>Smith</i> of DURHAM,	

Eighteen other names were drawn and set aside, or excused, as follow:—

Two who were excused.

Sixteen who were absent.

Mr. *Notman* was chosen Nominee for the Petitioners.

Mr. *Wilson* was chosen Nominee for the sitting Member.

The doors were then unlocked.

At thirty-five minutes past four, P. M., the parties, with *Alfred Patrick*, Esquire, Clerk to the Select Committee, retired for the purpose of striking the said Committee.

The forty-three names remaining in the boxes undrawn were read by the Clerk.

At five minutes to five o’clock, P. M., the Clerk of the Select Committee delivered to the Clerk of this House, a List containing the names of the nine Members unstruck, composing the Select Committee; which is as followeth:—

1 <i>LaFontaine</i>	6 <i>Watts</i> ,
2 <i>M’Farland</i> ,	7 <i>Sauvageau</i> ,
3 <i>Cameron</i> of KENT,	8 <i>Price</i> ,
4 <i>Morrison</i> ,	9 <i>Nelson</i> .
5 <i>Blake</i> ,	

Nominee for the Petitioners, Mr. *Notman*.

Nominee for the sitting Member, Mr. *Wilson*.

*Alfred Patrick*,  
Clerk to Committee.

The said nine Members and the Nominees were then severally sworn at the table, by the Clerk, in the usual manner.

On motion of Mr. *Wilson*, seconded by Mr. *Notman*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition of *Adam J. Fergusson*, Esquire, and others, Electors of the County of *Waterloo*, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *James Webster*, Esquire, as a Member to represent the said County of *Waterloo* in the present Parliament, do meet forthwith in Committee Room, No. 4.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, “An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for manufacturing, mining, mechanical, or chemical purposes,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House. And then he withdrew.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, “An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for manufacturing, mining, mechanical, or chemical purposes,” was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*,

Resolution respecting the sitting and business of the House.

*Resolved*, That when Mr. Speaker shall leave the Chair, at six o'clock, P. M., without a Question being put to that effect, the matter then under the consideration of the House shall be the first Order for the next sitting day; and all Orders undisposed of shall also stand postponed until the next sitting, without a Motion being required.

Petitions brought up.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*,—The Petition of the City of *Toronto* and *Lake Huron* Railroad Company.

By Mr. *Prince*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Western District (Township Municipalities); The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Western District (Assessment Rolls); and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Western District (new District).

By Mr. *Malloch*,—The Petition of *Simon Fraser*, Esquire, and others, of *Bytown*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,—The Petition of *Edward Wright* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Home District (division of District); the Petition of *Joseph Gould* and others, of the Township of *Uxbridge*; and the Petition of *James Anond* and others, of the Township of *Scott*.

By Mr. *Sauvageau*,—The Petition of *Etienne Langlois* and others.

By Mr. *Fortier*,—The Petition of the Reverend *P. J. Bedard* and others, Missionaries in the Townships.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of *W. B. Wrong* and others, of the Districts of *London*, *Talbot*, and *Brock*.

By Mr. *Richards*,—The Petition of *William Simpson* and *Abel R. Ward*, of the Village of *Smith's Falls*.

By Mr. *Burritt*,—The Petition of *John L. Read* and others; and the Petition of *Thomas Kelly* and others, the Roman Catholic Clergy and others, of the Parish of *Prescott*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*,—The Petition of *Jeremiah Cowan* and others, of the Township of *Blenheim*, District of *Brock*.

By Mr. *Méhot*,—The Petition of *H. LeMesurier*, Esquire, Vice-President, on behalf of the Board of Trade of *Quebec* (Railroads); and the Petition of *H. LeMesurier*, Esquire, Vice-President, on behalf of the Board of Trade of *Quebec* (Bankrupt Law).

By Mr. *Chabot*,—The Petition of *N. Hardy* and others, of the County of *Portneuf*; and the Petition of *P. Forgues* and others, of the Parish of *St. Michel*.

By Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of *James Evans* and others, the Protestant Teachers of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Duchesnay*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Portneuf*.

By the Honorable Mr. *La Terrière*,—The Petition of the Reverend *B. Honorat* and others, of *Saguenay*.

By Mr. *McConnell*,—The Petition of *W. G. Cook*, and others, Trustees of the *Charleston* Academy.

By Mr. *Flint*,—The Petition of *William Downing*, Esquire, and others, of the Township of *Hungerford*, District of *Victoria*.

By Mr. *Jobin*,—The Petition of *J. B. Branchaud*, and others, of *Montreal*.

Erection of Townships Bill.

An engrossed Bill to confirm the Erection of certain Townships, and for other purposes relative to the Erection of Townships, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the said Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

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

Of *Abraham Pratt* and others, of the Township of *Marlborough*, District of *Dalhousie*; praying that the old Courts of Requests may be revived until a more extensive reformation can be effected in the department of Law.

Of the Very Reverend *John Macdonald*, Vicar General of the Diocese of *Kingston*, and others, the Clergy, Magistrates, and others, of the Eastern District; praying for an alteration in the day for the muster of the Militia in *Upper Canada*.

Of the Board of the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning, in their capacity of Visitors of the University of *McGill* College, and of the Governors of the said University; praying for a grant of money in aid of the said University, and for the promotion of certain improvements therein.

Of the Honorable *J. R. Rolland*, Chief Justice of the District of *Montreal*, and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated as the *Montreal* Prison Discipline Association.

Of *Andrew Smith* and others, of the District of *Brock*; praying aid to construct a main line of Railway from *Quebec* to *Montreal*, thence to *Kingston*, *Toronto*, and *Hamilton*, and therefrom to *Port Sarnia* and *Windsor* at the western limit of the Province.

Of *Antoine Talbot*, of the Parish of *Berthier*, County of *Bellechasse*; praying for the protection of those engaged in the Fisheries off the coast of *Labrador* from violence and robbery.

Of *W. H. Fowler*, Esquire, and others, of *Durham* and other Townships in the County of *Drummond*, and of *Melbourne* and other Townships in the County of *Sherbrooke*; praying that the said Townships may be formed into a new County, to be called the County of *Richmond*, with the Village of *Richmond* for the County Town.

Of *C. P. Reid* and others, of the Township of *Compton*; praying a grant of money to establish an Academy in the centre Village of the said Township.

Of the Reverend *C. LaRocque* and others, of *St. Jean* *Dorchester*, County of *Chambly*; praying a grant of money for the erection of an Academy in the said Village.

Of the Reverend *J. C. Léonard*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the "*Communauté des Révérends Pères Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de Marie*."

Of *P. M. Partridge* and others, Accountants, Clerks, and Warehousemen of the City of *Quebec*; praying that in any measure brought before the House for the alteration of the Bankrupt Law, a certain provision may be made for the protection of their interests.

Of *Henry Bechtel* and others, of *Dumfries* and other Townships, in the Districts of *Gore*, *Wellington*, and *Brock*; praying that certain Townships therein mentioned may be set apart and erected into a new District to be called the District of *Bruce*, and to be also the County of *Bruce*, with *Galt* for the District Town.

Of *A. Buchanan* and others, of *Dumfries* and other Townships, of the Districts of *Gore* and *Wellington*; praying for the passing of an Act to provide for the extension and improvement of the *Dundas* and *Waterloo* Road.

Of *James Motz*, Esquire, of the City of *Quebec*, Advocate; praying for the passing of an Act to secure him in the enjoyment of his Bridge over the River *Etchemin*, and to indemnify him for losses sustained by the misconstruction of the Act granting the privilege of erecting the said Bridge.



Of *John M. Ross* and others, of the Township of *Bromley* and the surrounding country; praying that the third *Chôte* of the *Bonne Chère* River, in the said Township, District of *Bathurst*, be made the site of the District Town of the proposed new District.

Of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, of the President, Directors and Company of the Commercial Bank, and of the *Gore* Bank; praying for the repeal of the Act 4 and 5 *Vic.* c. 29, imposing a duty on Bank Notes in circulation.

Of *Pierre Cartier* and others, of *St. François du Lac St. Pierre*; praying that certain proceedings for the completion of a Church in the said Parish may be legalized.

Of *Thomas Cantwell* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, County of *Beauharnois*; praying that the Act 8 *Vic.* c. 40, for establishing Parish and Township Municipalities be revived, and for certain amendments to the Common School Act.

Of *James Duncan* and others, of the Seigniorship of *Beauharnois*; praying that certain facilities be provided for obtaining deeds of concession and commutation of lands in the said Seigniorship.

Of *B. Maurault* and others, of *St. Jean des Chailions* and other Parishes; praying aid to improve the Road from the mill of the Parish of *Gentilly* to the Parish of *St. Jean des Chailions*.

Of *Jeffery Hale*, Esquire, and others, the President and Members of the *Quebec* British and Canadian School Society; praying the usual aid for the said Society.

Of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*; praying amendments to the Ordinances incorporating the said City.

Of *James Cuthbertson* and others, Shareholders in the *Sault Sainte Marie* Mining Company; praying an Act of incorporation.

Of *W. Lapenotière*, of *Woodstock*, in the District of *Brock*; praying that Attornies at Law be allowed to practise as Advocates in the District Courts, or otherwise that the profession may be divided into Barristers and Attornies.

Of *Donald McLeod* and others, of *South Yarmouth*; praying that measures be adopted for the repeal of the Imperial Act relating to the Clergy Reserves, and for the abolition of the Rectories, and that the funds thereof be appropriated to purposes of education.

Of the Bank of *Montreal*; praying for an extension of the time granted them for the increase of their Capital Stock.

Of the *Montreal* and *Lachine* Railroad Company; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize them to continue and extend the said Railroad, and for the incorporation of the *St. Lawrence* and *Ottawa* Grand Junction Railroad Company.

Of *M. Asselstine*, Chairman, and *P. S. Timerman*, on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of *Ernestown*, Midland District; praying that the power of granting Licenses be invested in the Municipal Councils of the several Districts.

Of *O. W. Stevens*, of the Town of *Simcoe*, tailor; praying the payment of his claim for clothing furnished the Militia during the late Rebellion.

Of *Oliver Grace*, of the town of *Lewiston* in the State of *New York*, one of the *United States* of *America*; praying for the passing of an Act to remove the incapacities and disabilities under which he now labors, by attainder for High Treason in the year 1819.

Of *Charles James Stuart*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize him to be admitted to practise as a Barrister, Advocate, Solicitor, Attorney and Proctor in *Lower Canada*, at the discretion of the Judges before whom he may be examined according to law.

Of the Provincial Agricultural Association of *Canada West*; praying for aid.

Of the Provincial Agricultural Association of *Canada West*; praying for the adoption of measures to obtain the free admission of Canadian Produce and Live Stock into the Ports of the *United States*.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of the Provincial Parliament,—Annual Report of the Commissioners of Public Works, for 1848. Public Works.

For the said Report, see Appendix (B.B.) Appendix (B.B.)

The Honorable Mr. *Price* presented, pursuant to the directions of the Provincial Act 10 & 11 *Vic.* c. 111,—Returns of Commutations effected within the *Censives* of *Quebec*,—of the late Order of Jesuits in the Districts of *Quebec*, *Montreal*, and *Three Rivers*,—and of the Seigniorship of *Lauzon*, from the 1st April to the 31st December, 1848. Commutations of Tenure.

For the said Returns, see Appendix (C. C.) Appendix (C.C.)

Resolved, That the Petition of *Antoine Talbot*, of the Parish of *Berthier*, County of *Bellechasse*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*, Mr. *Christie*, Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Duchesnay*, Mr. *Laurin*, Mr. *Taché*, and Mr. *Chauveau*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon, with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records. Petition of A. Talbot.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, to enquire into the abuses and acts of violence committed at divers places on the coast of *Labrador* by foreign fishermen who came to fish, or to dry their fish, upon the said coast, and also, into the damages which may result to this Province in carrying on the fisheries from the want of coast-guards to protect Her Majesty's subjects who have fishing establishments there. Fisheries.

And at six o'clock, P. M., pursuant to Order, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till to-morrow.

*Martis*, 6<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

MR. Speaker laid before the House, Statements of the Affairs of the *Quebec* Bank, *City* Bank, *Bank of Upper Canada*, and *Montreal* Provident and Savings Bank, received in conformity to an Order of this House of the twenty-fifth ultimo. Bank Statements.

For the said Statements, see Appendix (P.) Appendix (P.)

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

By Mr. *DeWitt*,—The Petition of *M. A. Primeau* and *A. A. Trottier*, of *Ste. Martine*, County of *Beauharnois*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *Henry S. Larned*, formerly of *Chatham* in the Western District, now of the City of *Buffalo* in the *United States*.

By Mr. *Prince*,—The Petition of the Reverend *William Ritchie* and others, of the County of *Essex*, and others.

By Mr. *Malloch*,—The Petition of *William Stewart* and others, of the Township of *Nepean*, District of *Dalhousie*.

By Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*,—The Petition of *James Vollar*, a Messenger of the Legislative Assembly.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of Messieurs *Hope, Birrell* and Company, and others, of the District of *London*; the Petition of *H. G. Hobbin* and others, of the Town of *Dundas*; and the Petition of *George Southwick* and others, stockholders in the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad*.

By Mr. *Fournier*,—The Petition of *O. E. Casgrain*, Esquire, and others, of the lower part of the County of *L'Islet*; and the Petition of the Reverend *F. X. Delage* and others, of the Parish of *L'Islet*.

By Mr. *McFarland*,—The Petition of *John Clark*, President, on behalf of the *Niagara District Agricultural Society*.

By Mr. *Flint*,—The Petition of *James Whiteford*, Esquire, and others, Members of the Board of Police of the Town of *Belleville*.

By Mr. *Holmes*,—The Petition of *B. H. LeMoine* and *A. M. Delisle*, Esquires.

By the Honorable Mr. *Price*,—The Petition of *John Grubb*, of the Township of *Etobicoke*, Esquire, President of the *Weston Road Company*.

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of *Robert E. Burns*, Esquire, and others; and the Petition of *Benjamin Bowerman* and others.

By Mr. *Dixon*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara* (Surveyors of Land); and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara* (Burial Grounds).

By Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*,—The Petition of *John B. Warren* and others, of *Whitby* and other Townships, in the Home District; and the Petition of *Henry Cole* and others, of *Scugog Island*.

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,—The Petition of the Great Western Railroad Company (Charter); the Petition of the Great Western Railroad Company (Aid); and the Petition of the Great Western Railroad Company (*Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*).

Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee, in pursuance of the duty assigned to them, have enquired into the authority by which the liabilities against Your Honorable House have been incurred, and into the performance of the services charged for; and have examined the Accounts and Vouchers of the Clerk, and found the whole correct and satisfactory.

Your Committee also find that the Books for the Library, and other articles, have been received, and that the several parties have been paid their respective demands.

Your Committee annex a Statement of the principal heads of Expenditure embraced within the Account Current of the Clerk of Your Honorable House.

Your Committee would beg leave to submit, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency would issue his Warrant in favor of the Clerk for an advance of Five thousand pounds, on account of the Contingencies of Your Honorable House.

Payments from the Clerk's Accounts of Expenditure from the 1st June, 1847, to the 31st December, 1848, including two Sessions and the great part of three Recesses:—

Salaries and Payments to Officers and Servants of the House.....	£10,371	9	2
Library:			
For Books, Maps, &c.....	£2,571	18	0½
Fitting up with Glass Book Case &c.....	116	8	4½
		2,688	6 5
Printing: Sessional Papers, Journals and Appendices, and Binding.....	9,721	4	8
Postages:			
Greater part of Recess, 1846....	£271	19	6
Session of 1847...	1,045	7	5
Recess of 1847....	211	14	10
Session of 1848...	597	6	11
Recess of 1848....	197	19	9
		2,324	8 5
Gas Light, Water, and Fuel.....	512	18	6
Her Majesty's Portrait.....	543	3	4
Stationery.....	735	12	0
Carpenters' Work in Offices, &c....	413	18	8
Expenses of Committees.....	223	4	0
Miscellaneous Expenses, including Newspapers and Publishing, putting up Furnaces, Stoves, &c....	1,538	19	0
		£29,073	4 2

Ordered, That Mr. *Chabot* and Mr. *Lemieux* be added to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Louis Legendre*, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Lotbinière*.

On motion of Mr. *Richards*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*,

Ordered, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for manufacturing, mining, mechanical, or chemical purposes," be read a second time, on Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Town of *Kingston* as a City, and to enlarge the limits of the said City.

Petition of J. H. Aussem and others, referred.

Resolved,—That the Petition of *John H. Aussem*, Esquire, and others, of the Province of *Canada*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, Mr. *Egan*, Mr. *Flint*, Mr. *Brooks*, and Mr. *McConnell*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Johnson* have leave to absent himself from this House during the remainder of this week, on urgent private business.

Fourth Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *John S. McCollom* and others, of the Township of *Nelson*, praying that a certain Road allowance may be transferred to Mr. *McCollom* in exchange for a piece of land granted by him for a public Road. They find that notice of the application was published in a local Paper in May and June last, but no evidence has been produced before them of the same having been continued until the presentation of the Petition, as required by the 66th Rule; inasmuch, however, as the Petition appears to be signed by most of the neighbouring proprietors, and the new line of Road has been for some time used by the inhabitants, Your Committee would respectfully suggest that the notice be deemed sufficient.

The Petition of the Reverend *Alexander Mathieson*, and others, Your Committee do not consider to be of such a nature as to require a notice of the application.

Second Report of Committee

Mr. *DeWitt*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Second

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

Mines in the County of Saguenay.

The Honorable Mr. *La Terrière* moved, seconded by Mr. *Gugy*, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to be pleased to order that a competent person be sent to *Baie St. Paul*, in the County of *Saguenay*, to make an examination upon the Land of one *Julien Bouchard* with the view of ascertaining, by means of instruments for boring the soil to a sufficient depth (as is practised in *England* and elsewhere,) whether the Coal taken from a Spring on the said Land may be found in sufficient quantity, and in beds of sufficient thickness, to justify the expense of opening the Mine,—also, to examine a Mine of Iron which has been long known to exist in that neighbourhood, which said Mines might both be worked with advantage, and would be of immense importance to this Province.

The House divided:

Yeas, 13.

Nays, 32.

So it passed in the Negative.

Canada Life Assurance Company Bill.

Ordered, That Sir *Allan N. MacNab* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Canada Life Assurance Company*.

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

Public Accounts for 1847.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—The Public Accounts for the Province of *Canada*, for the year 1847.

Appendix (A.)

For the said Accounts and Statements, see Appendix (A.)

Weights and Measures.

Mr. *Chabot*, from the Committee to take into consideration the propriety of amending the several Laws in force in *Upper Canada* with regard to the inspection of Weights and Measures, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act of the Legislature of *Upper Canada*, 4 Geo. 4 c. 16, intituled, "An Act to repeal an Act passed in the thirty-second year of His Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act to establish the *Winchester* Measure, and a standard for other Weights and Measures, throughout this Province," and to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of obtaining a standard for Weights and Measures in this Province," by repealing the 4th and 5th Sections thereof; and also, to amend the Act of the said Legislature, 3 Vic. c. 17, intituled, "An Act to alter and amend an Act passed in the thirty-second year of the reign of his late Majesty King *George the Third*, intituled, "An Act to establish the *Winchester* Measure throughout this Province," by repealing the 1st and 2nd Sections thereof, and by reviving the 7th Section of the said Act 4 Geo. 4, c. 16.
2. Resolved, That it is expedient that the Inspectors of Licenses in *Upper Canada* be also the Inspectors of Weights and Measures in their respective Districts and divisions of Districts; that they shall attend accordingly at certain places and times to be appointed by the Justices of the Peace in Quarter Sessions, for the purpose of examining all Weights and Measures offered for inspection, and of stamping such as

shall be found correct; that they shall have full power to visit all shops, stores, and other places where Weights and Measures are used, and to examine the Weights and Measures there, at such times as they shall think proper; that the said Inspectors shall have the custody of the standard Weights and Measures, and that proper penalties be provided against persons using false Weights and Measures.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the several Laws therein mentioned relative to the appointment and duties of Inspectors of Weights and Measures in *Upper Canada*.

Weights and Measures Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the nineteenth instant.

Mr. *Polette*, from the Committee to enquire into the expediency of providing for the admission of certain Articles of the growth or production of the *United States* into *Canada*, upon the like Articles the production of *Canada* being admitted into the markets of the *United States* on the same terms, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Productions of the United States.

Resolved, That it is expedient to provide for the free admission of Grain and Breadstuffs of all kinds, Vegetables, Fruits, Seeds, Animals, Hides, Wool, Butter, Cheese, Tallow, Horns, Salted and Fresh Meats, Ores of all kinds of metals, Ashes, Timber, Staves, Wood and Lumber of all kinds, of the growth or production of the *United States of America* into *Canada*, whenever similar Articles the growth or production of *Canada* shall be admitted without Duty into the said *United States*.

The said Resolution being read a second time,

Mr. *Laurin* moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. *Davignon*, That the words "Animals," "Butter," "and Fresh," be left out:

And the Question being put, That those words be left out; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *Duchesnay*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Gugy*, *La Terrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Malloch*, *Marquis*, *M'Lean*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Stevenson*, and *Taché*.—(16.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Brooks*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Christie*, *DeWitt*, *Dickson*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Guillet*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Norman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Prince*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, *Wetenhall*, and *Wilson*.—(52.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Fournier*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "it is not expedient at the present time to adopt any action upon the said Resolution until the views of the Congress of the *United States* in reference to the same subject, shall have been com-

“municated to the Provincial Government,” added instead thereof.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Brooks, Cayley, Christie, Fournier, Gagy, Lyon, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, Marquis, M'Lean, Prince, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.*—(18.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutilier, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Dickson, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Flint, Fortier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, Laurin, M'Connell, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Richards, Robinson, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Smith of DURHAM, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, Wetenhall, and Wilson.*—(50.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutilier, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Cayley, Chabot, Chauveau, Christie, Davignon, DeWitt, Dickson, Dumas, Egan, Flint, Fortier, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, Lyon, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, M'Connell, M'Farland, M'Lean, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Prince, Richards, Robinson, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of DURHAM, Thompson, Viger, Watts, Wetenhall, and Wilson.*—(58.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Brooks, Duchesnay, Fournier, Fourquin, Gagy, LaTerrière, Laurin, Malloch, Marquis, Smith of FRONTENAC, Stevenson, and Taché.*—(12.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the Honorable Mr. Merritt have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the free admission of certain Articles of the growth or production of the *United States of America* into *Canada*, whenever similar Articles the growth and production of *Canada* shall be admitted without Duty into the said States.

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

The House proceeded, according to Order, to take into further consideration the case of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, Returning Officer at the last General Election for the County of *Oxford*.

Mr. Notman moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Boulton, and the Question being proposed, That this House having heard the evidence adduced on the part of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, in defence of his conduct as Returning Officer for the County of *Oxford* at the last General Election, adheres to its Resolution of the 21st March last, “That the said *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, “having taken upon himself to return *Peter Carroll*,

“Esquire, as Member for the said County to serve in this present Parliament, contrary to the majority of votes received by him on the Poll Book in favor of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, who ought therefore to have been returned, acted illegally, in defiance of law, in manifest violation of the rights of the freeholders of the said County, and in breach of the privileges of this House.”

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Hincks, seconded by Mr. Cauchon,

*Ordered,* That the Debate be adjourned until Thursday next, and be then the first Order of the day.

The Order of the day for the House to resolve itself a Committee to consider of the Motion made, on Friday last, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. Sauvageau took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Sauvageau reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered,* That the Report be received on Thursday next.

And at six o'clock, P.M. pursuant to Order, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till Thursday next.

*Joris, 8° die Februarii;*

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

By Mr. Thompson,—The Petition of *Robert Griffith* and others, of the Township of *Cayuga*, County of *Haldimand*; and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara* (Census).

By Mr. Marquis,—The Petition of *Augustin Martineau* and others, of the County of *Kamouraska*; and the Petition of the Reverend *L. A. Bourret* and others, of *Ste. Anne La Pocatière* and the Township of *Izworth*.

By Mr. Polette,—The Petition of *Theophilus Rickaby* and others, of the Town of *Three Rivers*.

By the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of *Kent*,—The Petition of *Richard E. Vidal*, Esquire, of *Port Sarnia*; the Petition of *J. R. Freeman* and others, of the Town of *Chatham*; the Petition of *George Hyde* and others, of the northern Townships of the County of *Kent*; and the Petition of Messieurs *Hamilton* and *Thomson*, and others engaged in the *Timber Trade of Canada*.

By Mr. Wetenhall,—The Petition of *John Vansickle* and others, of the Township of *Beverly*, District of *Gore*; and the Petition of *W. Miller* and others, of the Township of *West Flamborough*, District of *Gore*.

By the Honorable Mr. Macdonald,—The Petition of the Right Reverend *Patrick Phelan*, Bishop of *Carrhae*, and Administrator of the Diocese of *Kingston*, and others, Catholics of *Upper Canada*.

By Mr. M'Farland,—The Petition of *Abraham Schooley* and others, of the District of *Niagara*.

By Mr. Lemieux,—The Petition of the Reverend *Louis Poulin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Isidore*, County of *Dorchester*; the Petition of *Siméon La-rochelle* and others, of the Parish of *St. Anselme*, County of *Dorchester*; and the Petition of *Amable*

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*Paré* and others, of the Parish of *St. Isidore de Lauzon*, County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of the Very Reverend *A. Mailloux* and others, of the Parish of *St. Charles*, County of *Bellechasse*; the Petition of the Reverend *J. Asselin* and others, of the Parish of *L'Ange Gardien*, County of *Montmorency*; and the Petition of the Reverend *E. Payment* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, County of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,—The Petition of *James Sampson* and others, inhabitants of Lot No. 24, first Concession of *Kingston*.

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,—The Petition of *John Young* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; and the Petition of the City Council of the City of *Hamilton*.

By Mr. *Richards*,—The Petition of *John F. Wilson* and *James Gardiner*, on behalf of the *Bay of Quinte* Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in *Canada*.

Petitions read.

Pursuant to the Orders of the day, the following Petitions were read:—

Of the City of *Toronto* and *Lake Huron* Railroad Company; praying for certain amendments to the Act 10 *Vic.* relating to the said Company, and that the time allowed them for the completion of the said Railroad be extended.

Of the Municipal Council of the Western District; praying for the establishment of Township Municipalities.

Of the Municipal Council of the Western District; praying for the passing of an Act to enable Assessors to verify their Rolls before any Magistrate in the District.

Of the Municipal Council of the Western District; praying for certain amendments to the Act setting apart the new District of *Kent*.

Of *Simon Fraser*, Esquire, and others, of *Bytown*; praying that no alteration be made in the Act incorporating the said Town.

Of *Edward Wright* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; praying certain amendments to the Act incorporating the said City.

Of the Municipal Council of the Home District; of *James Anond* and others, of the Township of *Scott*; and of *Joseph Gould* and others, of the Township of *Uxbridge*; praying that no division be made of the said District.

Of *Etienne Langlois* and others; praying indemnification for losses sustained by them during the Troubles of 1837 and 1838.

Of the Reverend *P. J. Bedard* and others, Missionaries in the Townships; praying for a grant of 200 acres of land in each Township for the support of a Missionary therein.

Of *W. B. Wrong* and others, of the Districts of *London*, *Talbot*, and *Brock*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate certain persons as the "President, Directors, and Company of the *Port Burwell* Harbour," and that the property, lands, and appurtenances of that Harbour be granted to the said Company.

Of *William Simpson* and *Abel R. Ward*, of the Village of *Smith's Falls*; praying that the Act 10 & 11 *Vic.* c. 53; relating to the boundary line between the 4th Concession of *Montague* and *North Elmley* be modified or repealed.

Of *John L. Read* and others; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate certain persons as the "*Maitland and Merrickville Road Company*."

Of *Thomas Kelly* and others, the Roman Catholic Clergy and others, of the Parish of *Prescott*; praying that such provision be made for the College of *Regopolis* as will place it upon a secure and permanent footing.

Of *Jeremiah Cowan* and others, of the Township of *Blenheim*, District of *Brock*; praying that no al-

teration be made in the existing relations of the said Township by the formation of any new District.

Of *H. LeMesurier*, Esquire, Vice-President, on behalf of the Board of Trade of *Quebec*; praying aid for the construction of a Railroad leading from *Quebec* to the western extremity of the Province.

Of *H. LeMesurier*, Esquire, Vice-President, on behalf of the Board of Trade of *Quebec*; praying certain amendments to the Bankrupt Law.

Of *N. Hardy* and others, of the County of *Portneuf*; complaining of the evils resulting from the Seigniorial Tenure of Lands, and praying relief.

Of *P. Forques* and others, of the Parish of *St. Michel*; praying that the evils arising from licensed Taverns may be remedied by substituting Temperance Houses in their places.

Of *James Evans* and others, the Protestant Teachers of the City of *Quebec*; complaining that they have not been paid the Government allowance for their Schools since 1846, and praying relief.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Portneuf*; praying for the repeal of the present Municipal Council Act, and for the re-establishment of Parish Municipalities.

Of *W. G. Cook* and others, Trustees of the *Charleston Academy*; praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *B. Honorat* and others, of *Saguenay*; praying for the adoption of certain measures to keep open the Road leading to the *St. Lawrence*.

Of *William Downing*, Esquire, and others, of the Township of *Hungerford*, District of *Victoria*; praying for the passing of an Act to establish certain boundary lines in the said Township.

Of *J. B. Branchaud* and others, of *Montreal*; praying for a certain amendment to the Ordinance 3 & 4 *Vic.* c. 31, with reference to the payment of Tolls on the Turnpike Roads in the vicinity of *Montreal*.

Of *M. A. Primeau* and *A. A. Trottier*, of *Ste. Martine*, County of *Beauharnois*; praying to be authorized to construct a Bridge over the *River Chateauguay*, and to make certain Plank Roads in connection therewith.

Of *Henry S. Larned*, formerly of *Chatham* in the Western District, now of the City of *Buffalo* in the *United States*; representing the loss he has sustained as Contractor with the Board of Works for the construction of the *Chatham, Amherstburgh, and Sandwich Roads*,—and that in consequence of the said loss he has been obliged to leave the Province, and praying relief.

Of the Reverend *William Ritchie* and others, of the County of *Essex*, and others; praying for the renewal of the Charter of the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*.

Of *William Stewart* and others, of the Township of *Nepean*, District of *Dalhousie*; praying for the passing of an Act to settle the manner of surveying certain lettered Concessions in the said Township.

Of *James Vollar*, a Messenger of the Legislative Assembly; praying for a Pension or retired allowance.

Of Messieurs *Hops, Birrell* and Company, and others, of the District of *London*; praying that measures be immediately adopted to render the *Port Stanley Harbour* safe and commodious for all classes of vessels navigating *Lake Erie*.

Of *H. G. Hobbin* and others, of the Town of *Dundas*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Of *George Southwick* and others, stockholders in the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad*; praying for a renewal of the Charter of the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*.

Of *O. E. Casgrain*, Esquire, and others, of the lower part of the County of *L'Islet*; praying for the removal of the Registry Office of the said County from the Parish of *St. Thomas* to the Parish of *L'Islet*.



Of the Reverend *F. X. Delage* and others, of the Parish of *L'Islet*; praying aid for the construction of a wharf at the landing place in the said Parish.

Of *John Clark*, President, on behalf of the *Niagara District Agricultural Society*; praying a certain alteration in the manner of apportioning the money granted for the encouragement of Agricultural Societies.

Of *James Whiteford*, Esquire, and others, Members of the Board of Police of the Town of *Belleville*; praying for an extension of the limits of the said Town.

Of *B. H. Lemoine* and *A. M. Delisle*, Esquires; praying that the Trustees of the *Montreal Turnpike Roads* be authorized by law to open *Papineau Road* as far as *Sault au Recollet*.

Of *John Grubb*, of the Township of *Etobicoke*, Esquire, President of the *Weston Road Company*; praying for certain amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the said Company.

Of *Robert E. Burns*, Esquire, and others; praying to be incorporated as a Fire, Life and Marine Assurance Company.

Of *Benjamin Bowerman* and others; praying to be incorporated as the *Markham and Elgin Mills Plank Road Company*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara*; praying that the laws for the guidance of Surveyors of Land in the discharge of their duties be so amended as to render them more effective in their operation.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara*; praying that the Municipal Councils may be authorized to hold lands for burial grounds.

Of *John B. Warren* and others, of *Whitby* and other Townships, in the Home District; praying that the said Townships may be set apart as a separate District.

Of *Henry Cole* and others, of *Scugog Island*; praying that the said Island may be formed into a separate Township, and that a certain part of the Township of *Cartwright* may be attached to the Township of *Mariposa*.

Of the Great Western Railroad Company; praying for the passing of an Act to abolish the Corresponding Committee (in *England*) of the said Company, and to repeal certain extraordinary powers.

Of the Great Western Railroad Company; praying for public provincial aid to secure the completion of the said Railroad.

Of the Great Western Railroad Company; praying that the Charter of the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company* be not revived.

Waterloo  
Election.

Mr. *Watts*, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Waterloo*, presented to the House the final Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That at the last Election held for the County of *Waterloo*, 1,409 votes were polled and recorded for *James Webster*, Esquire, and 1,107 for *Adam Johnston Fergusson*, Esquire, and that thereupon the said *James Webster* was, by *Alexander Dingwall Fordyce*, Esquire, the Returning Officer, proclaimed as being duly elected.

*Resolved*, That of 688 votes polled for Mr. *Webster* in the Townships of *Bentinch*, *Glenelg*, *Holland*, *Sullivan*, *Normanby*, *Egremont*, and *Arthur*, in the said County, 165 only were valid,—the remaining 523 votes recorded for Mr. *Webster* were invalid; the parties tendering the votes declared invalid had no title to the property upon which they proposed to vote, and this fact in sixty nine instances appears on the face of the Poll Books.

*Resolved*, That the Petitioner, *Adam Johnston Fergusson*, Esquire, having a majority of legal votes on the Poll Books at the last Election for the County of *Waterloo*, was duly elected.

*Resolved*, That the facts connected with the last Election for the County of *Waterloo*, especially the conduct of the Deputy Returning Officers for the Townships of *Waterloo*, *Holland*, *Sullivan*, and *Arthur*, are such as demand the serious consideration of the House.

*Resolved*, That the Petition of *Adam Johnston Fergusson*, Esquire, is not frivolous or vexatious.

*Resolved*, That the defence of the sitting Member is not frivolous or vexatious.

On motion of Mr. *Notman*, seconded by Mr. *Wetenhall*,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery do attend this House forthwith with the last Return for the County of *Waterloo*, and amend the same, by erasing the name of "*James Webster*, Esquire," and inserting the name of "*Adam Johnston Fergusson*, Esquire."

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery attended according to Order, and amended the Return for the County of *Waterloo*.

*Adam Johnston Fergusson*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Waterloo*, having previously taken the oath according to law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

Mr. Fergusson  
takes his Seat

On motion of Mr. *Notman*, seconded by Mr. *Wetenhall*,

*Resolved*, That the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Controverted Election for the County of *Waterloo* having reported to this House, that the facts connected with the last Election for the said County, and especially the conduct of the Deputy Returning Officers for the Townships of *Waterloo*, *Holland*, *Sullivan*, and *Arthur*, were such as to demand the serious consideration of this House, Mr. Speaker do issue his summons to *James Wilson*, late Deputy Returning Officer for the said Township of *Waterloo*; *John Miller*, late Deputy Returning Officer for the said Township of *Holland*; *Richard Jones Williams*, late Deputy Returning Officer for the said Township of *Sullivan*; and *John McIntosh*, late Deputy Returning Officer for the said Township of *Arthur*, in the said County, respectively to appear at the bar of this House, on Monday, the 12th day of March next, each severally to answer for his conduct as such Deputy Returning Officer at the said Election; and that the said summonses be transmitted to *John George Grange*, Esquire, Sheriff of the *Wellington District*, for service on the said late Deputy Returning Officers respectively.

Waterloo  
Election.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 14th July, 1847, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, the amount of salary, fees, per centage, travelling expenses, and other income received by *William Morrison*, Esquire, in his capacity of Crown Land Agent.

W. Morrison.

For the said Return, see Appendix (D. D.)

Appendix  
(D. D.)

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Go-

Correspondence  
between  
Government

and Mr. Crimazie.

vernor General.—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the 14th July, 1847, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, copies of all correspondence and communications which may have taken place between the Government and *Jacques Crimazie*, Esquire, Advocate, formerly Superintendent of the Registry Offices of the Districts of *Quebec* and *Gaspé*, on the subject of the holding of the office of Registrar of the former Municipal District of *Dorchester* by *Edicard Boven*, Esquire, now Judge of the District of *Gaspé*.

For the said Return, see Appendix (E. E.)

Appendix  
(E. E.)

Sheriffs of  
Montreal.

And also, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 23d January last, praying him to be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, a Statement, in detail, of the income derived by the Sheriffs of the District of *Montreal*, in virtue of their office; distinguishing the several sources thereof, and specifying the amount of public monies in their hands, together with the profit in the shape of interest, or otherwise, derived by them for the last five years.

For the said Return, see Appendix (F. F.)

Appendix  
(F. F.)

Petition of G.  
B. de Boucherville.

*Resolved*, That that part of the Petition of *George B. de Boucherville*, of *Montreal*, Esquire, praying the House to allow him to exhibit to them a machine invented by him for the production of a self-renewing motive force, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Egan*, Mr. *Scott*, of *Bytonen*, Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, Mr. *Sauvageau*, Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Mr. *La Terrère*, Mr. *Flint*, Mr. *Laurin*, and Mr. *Cauchon*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of J. Molson  
and others.

*Resolved*,—That the Petition of *John Molson*, Esquire, and others, the Company of Proprietors of the *Montreal* and Province Line Junction Railway, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *De Witt*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Christie*, and Mr. *Boutillier*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of J. Molson;

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *John Molson*, Esquire, Chairman, on behalf of the Company of Proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Railroad, be referred to the said Committee.

Of Primeau  
and Trottier;

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *M. A. Primeau* and *A. A. Trottier*, of *St. Martine*, County of *Beauharnois*; the Petition of *John Charlton* and others, of the City of *Toronto* and other places, in the Home District; the Petition of *Amable Archambeault*, and others, of *L'Assomption*; and the Petition of the Religious Ladies of the *Hôtel Dieu* of *Montreal*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of J. Charlton  
and others;

Of A. Archambeault  
and others;

Of the Hôtel  
Dieu, Mon-  
treal, referred.

Petition of O.  
W. Stevens.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, and the Question being put, That the Petition of *O. W. Stevens*, of the Town of *Simcoe*, tailor, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Notman*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, Mr. *Wetenhall*, and the mover, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dumas* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize *Alexandre M. Delisle* and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

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

Bridge Bill of  
A. M. Delisle  
and others.

On motion of Mr. *De Witt*, seconded by Mr. *Christie*,

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented on Tuesday last.

Contingencies  
of the House.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to issue his Warrant in favor of *William Burns Lindsay*, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of Five thousand pounds, currency, towards defraying the Contingencies of this House; and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Davignon* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Institut Canadien de Montreal*.

Montreal In-  
stitut Canadien  
Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Joseph Légaré* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Petition of J.  
Légaré and  
others.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal so much of the several Laws of the late Province of *Upper Canada* as relate to the periods for holding the District Courts and Quarter Sessions therein, and to make provision for holding General Sessions of the Peace in each District thereof, and to alter the Terms of the said District Courts.

General Ses-  
sions of the  
Peace and Dis-  
trict Courts  
Bill (U. C.)

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

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, seconded by Mr. *Jobin*,

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the expediency of amending the *Montreal Turnpike Roads Act*. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Montreal  
Turnpike  
Roads Act.

Mr. *Lyon* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Lyon* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *Prince*, J. M. Ferres,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any correspondence between *James Moir Ferres*, Esquire, late Inspector of Revenue for the second division of the District of *Montreal*, and the Executive Government, relative to his dismissal from that office, as well as of any correspondence or communications from any person

or persons that may have induced his dismissal therefrom, and explanatory of the causes thereof.  
**Ordered,** That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Peter Stuart.

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *Gugy*,  
**Resolved,** That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any correspondence between the Executive Government and *Peter Stuart*, of *Cornwall*, Esquire, relative to the intended appointment of that gentleman to the Office of Sheriff of the Eastern District.

**Ordered,** That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

A. B. Papineau.

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *Gugy*,  
**Resolved,** That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any petitions, papers, and correspondence (in addition to those already on the Journals of this House,) that may be in the possession of the Executive Government relative to the dismissal of *A. B. Papineau*, of *St. Martin*, Esquire, as well previous as subsequent to his dismissal from the Magistracy of the District of *Montreal* and other offices of trust and honor under Her Majesty's Government, and explanatory of the causes of his said dismissal.

**Ordered,** That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Brooks*, seconded by Mr. *McConnell*,

Imports.

**Resolved,** That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement, in detail, of the Imports into this Province for the years 1847 and 1848, and the value thereof, with the amount of Duties thereon, distinguishing between those Articles paying specific, and those paying *ad valorem* Duties.

**Ordered,** That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, seconded by Mr. *Prince*,

Alexander Morrison.

**Resolved,** That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence which has passed between *Alexander Morrison* and the Provincial Government, upon the subject of his claim for compensation for the loss of a lot of land in the *Niagara* District, on a prior Patent having been issued to the one under which he claims, as well as copies of all Orders in Council and other documents having reference thereto.

**Ordered,** That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Bill to extend certain privileges to Law

**Ordered,** That the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of *Lower Canada*, sixth *William* the Fourth, in-

titled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Ordinance therein mentioned concerning persons to be admitted to practise the Law or to practise as Notaries in this Province."

Students in Lower Canada.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the nineteenth instant.

**Ordered,** That the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Members of the Presbyterian Church in *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*.

Presbyterian Church Bill

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

**Ordered,** That the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the Prison Discipline Society of *Montreal*.

Montreal Prison Discipline Society Bill.

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

On motion of Mr. *Fortier*, seconded by Mr. *Polette*.

**Ordered,** That it be an Instruction to the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the system adopted in the distribution of the *Canada* Gazette, to enquire into the mode of distribution of the Provincial Statutes in *Lower Canada*.

Provincial Statutes.

**Ordered,** That the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the inhabitant householders holding lands in the new Settlements on the borders of the *Saguenay*, forming the Second Municipal Division of that County, to establish a Municipal Council therein, and for other purposes.

Saguenay Municipal Council Bill

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

Mr. *Sauvageau*, from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider of the Motion made on Friday last, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Supply

**Resolved,** That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

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

**Resolved,** That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed on Tuesday last, That this House having heard the evidence adduced on the part of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, in defence of his conduct as Returning Officer for the County of *Oxford* at the last General Election, adheres to its Resolution of the 21st March last, "That the said *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, having taken upon himself to return *Peter Carroll*, Esquire, as Member for the said County to serve in this present Parliament, contrary to the majority of votes received by him on the Poll Book in favor of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, who ought therefore to have been returned, acted illegally, in defiance of law, in manifest violation of the rights of the freeholders of the said County, and in breach of the privileges of this House."

Oxford Election.

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And at six o'clock, P. M., pursuant to Order, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till to-morrow.

Veneris, 9<sup>o</sup> die Februarii ;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Bank of British  
North America.

**MR. SPEAKER** laid before the House, a Statement of the Affairs of the Canadian Branches of the Bank of *British North America*, received in conformity to an Order of this House, of the twenty-fifth ultimo.

Appendix (P.) For the said Statement, see Appendix (P.)

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. *Duchesnay*,—The Petition of *Michael Scott* and others, of the vicinity of the River *du Cap Rouge*.

By Mr. *Armstrong*,—The Petition of *Robert Shedden*, of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of the Reverend *F. T. Lahaye* and others, of the Village of *Industrie*, County of *Berthier*; and the Petition of the Reverend *F. T. Lahaye*, Director of *Joliette College*, in the Village of *Industrie*, County of *Berthier*.

By Mr. *Egan*,—The Petition of *Samuel W. Smith* and others, creditors of the late Municipal Council of the District of *Sydenham*.

By Mr. *Guy*,—The Petition of *Matthew Bostwick*, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*.

By Mr. *Taché*,—The Petition of the Reverend *P. F. Durocher*, in behalf of the *Montagnais* Indians.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,—The Petition of the University of Queen's College, *Kingston*; the Petition of the Board of Trustees, Queen's College, *Kingston*; and the Petition of *James Sparks* and others, of the County of *Frontenac*.

By Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*,—The Petition of the Very Reverend Archdeacon *Stuart* and others, of Lot No. 24, in the vicinity of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *Lyman Thornton* and others, of the Township of *Blanchard*.

By Mr. *Holmes*,—The Petition of *Benjamin Workman*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Montreal*, and its vicinity.

By Mr. *Cartier*,—The Petition of *Joseph Ainsse*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Verchères*.

By Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of *Ebenzer Baird*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*; and the Petition of *William Phillips*, of *Quebec*, Esquire.

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the second division of the County of *Bonaventure*.

Petition of J.  
Aumont and  
others;

**Resolved**, That the Petition of *Joseph Aumont* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Egan*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Scott*, of *Bytown*, Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, Mr. *Lyon*, Mr. *Flint*, Mr. *Malloch*, the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and Mr. *Bell*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of *LeMesurier*  
*Tilstone* and  
Company and  
others;

**Ordered**, That the Petition of Messieurs *LeMesurier*, *Tilstone* and Company, and others interested in the Timber Trade, be referred to the said Committee.

**Ordered**, That the Petition of *Baxter Bowman*, Esquire, and others, interested in the Timber Trade, be referred to the said Committee.

Of B. Bow-  
man and  
others, referred.

**Ordered**, That Mr. *Wetenhall* have leave to bring in a Bill to vest a certain Road allowance in the Township of *Nelson*, in *John S. M'Collom*.

M'Collom's  
Road Allow-  
ance Bill.

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

**Ordered**, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "The Minister and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, Montreal*."

St. Andrew's  
Church Bill.

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

**Ordered**, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the time limited for an increase of the Capital Stock of the Bank of *Montreal*.

Montreal Bank  
Bill.

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

**Ordered**, That the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, have leave to bring in a Bill to enable persons to obtain Lands necessary for the construction of Slides, in certain cases.

Bill respecting  
Lands for  
Slides.

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

Mr. *Lyon*, from the Committee to consider the expediency of amending the *Montreal Turnpike Roads Act*, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Montreal  
Turnpike  
Roads Act.

**Resolved**, That it is expedient that one half of the present Tolls payable at the different Turnpike Gates in the neighbourhood of *Montreal*, should be paid on passing, and the other half on re-passing through the said Gates.

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

**Ordered**, That Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts and Ordinances relative to the *Montreal Turnpike Roads*.

Montreal  
Turnpike  
Roads Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed on Tuesday last, That this House having heard the evidence adduced on the part of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, in defence of his conduct as Returning Officer for the County of *Oxford* at the last General Election, adheres to its Resolution of the 21st March last, "That the said *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, having taken upon himself "to return *Peter Carroll*, Esquire, as a Member for the said County to serve in this present Parliament, contrary to the majority of votes "received by him on the Poll Book in favor of the "Honorable *Francis Hincks*, who ought therefore "to have been returned, acted illegally, in defiance "of law, in manifest violation of the rights of the "freeholders of the said County, and in breach of "the privileges of this House."

Oxford  
Election.

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Sir Allan N. MacNab moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Macdonald, That the words "but this House, at the same time, are of opinion that such illegal conduct on the part of John George Vansittart, Esquire, arose from an error of judgment," be added at the end thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

At six o'clock, P. M., pursuant to Order, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till Monday next.

Luna, 12<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Toronto Mechanics' Institute

Appendix U.)

Petitions brought up.

MR. Speaker laid before the House, a Statement of the real and personal estate of the Toronto Mechanics' Institute.

For the said Statement, see Appendix (U.)

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

By Mr. Smith, of Frontenac,—The Petition of George McLeod and others, of the Village of Portsmouth, Township of Kingston.

By Mr. Brooks,—The Petition of William Ritchie, on behalf of the Trustees of the Sherbrooke Academy.

By Mr. Beaubien,—The Petition of the Mayor and Councillors of the Municipal Council of the Village St. John, County of Chambly.

By Mr. Stevenson,—The Petition of William Blakely and others, of the third Concession of Ameliasburgh, District of Prince Edward; and the Petition of Robert C. Wilkins and others, of Ameliasburgh, District of Prince Edward.

By Mr. McLean,—The Petition of James Bowie, of the City of Montreal, Esquire.

By Mr. Bell,—The Petition of Daniel Villiard and others, of the Township of Pakenham, District of Bathurst.

By Mr. Chabot,—The Petition of George O'Kill Stuart, Esquire, Mayor, on behalf of the inhabitants of the City of Quebec; the Petition of William Ruthven, of Quebec; the Petition of the Quebec Friendly Society; and the Petition of John Birch and others, of Quebec.

By the Honorable Mr. Boulton,—The Petition of Israel W. Powell, Esquire, and others, of Port Dover, in the District of Talbot, and its vicinity.

By Mr. Wettenhall,—The Petition of Levi Willson and others, of the Township of Trafalgar, District of Gore; the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of Gore (Property in Hamilton); the Petition of John Miller and others, of the Township of Nelson, District of Gore; and the Petition of Samuel Stanton and others, of Dumfries.

By Mr. Taché,—The Petition of Samuel Bradley, of St. Germain de Rimouski, trader; the Petition of the Tribe of Analecite Indians residing in the Townships in the rear of the Parish of L'Isle Verte; and the Petition of Nicolas Boucher, of St. Arsène, Teacher.

By Mr. Chauveau,—The Petition of the Religious Ladies of the Community of the General Hospital of Quebec; the Petition of the Institut Canadien de Québec; the Petition of John Fraser and others, of Rivigouche; and the Petition of P. M. Burdy, Esquire, and others, of the City of Quebec.

By Mr. McFarland,—The Petition of John Graybiel and others, of the District of Niagara.

By Mr. Gagy,—The Petition of Edward Hale, Esquire, and others, of the Town and vicinity of Sherbrooke, District of St. Francis.

By Mr. Holmes,—The Petition of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of McGill College.

By the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent,—The Petition of John C. W. Daly, Esquire, and others. Magistrates and District Councillors of the eastern section of the District of Huron.

By Sir Allan N. MacNab,—The Petition of the President and Directors of the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company.

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

Of Robert Griffith and others, of the Township of Cayuga, County of Italdimand; praying that the said County be erected into a new District.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of Niagara; praying that the Census of the Province may not be again taken before the year 1855.

Of Augustin Martineau and others, of the County of Kamouraska; praying for the repeal of the Education Law, and the enactment of a more voluntary system.

Of the Reverend L. A. Bourret and others, of Ste. Anne La Pocatière and the Township of Irworth; praying for aid to extend the Road known as the Government Road.

Of Theophilus Rickaby and others, of the Town of Three Rivers; praying that the Common of the said Town may be vested in the Municipal Council.

Of Richard E. Vidal, Esquire, and others, of Port Saruia; praying for the adoption of measures to aid in the construction of a Railroad leading from Quebec to the western limits of the Province.

Of J. R. Freeman and others, of the Town of Chatham; praying that the Charter of the Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company may be renewed, with certain amendments.

Of George Hyde and others, of the northern Townships of the County of Kent; praying that the said Townships may be set apart as a separate District, but that they may remain annexed to the Western District until their population shall warrant such a division.

Of Messieurs Hamilton and Thomson, and others engaged in the Timber Trade of Canada; praying that no alteration may be made in the Lumber Act, unless sought for by those directly interested in the character and protection of the said Trade.

Of John Vansickle and others, of the Township of Beverly, District of Gore; praying that no division may be made of the said District.

Of W. Miller and others, of the Township of West Flamborough, District of Gore; praying that no division may be made of the said District.

Of the Right Reverend Patrick Phelan, Bishop of Carthage, and Administrator of the Diocese of Kingston, and others, Catholics of Upper Canada; praying that suitable provision be made for the College of Regiopolis.

Of Abraham Schooley and others, of the District of Niagara; praying that the Charter of the Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company may be renewed.

Of the Reverend Louis Poulin and others, of the Parish of St. Isidore, County of Dorchester; praying that the arrears of rents due on unconceded lands in the said Parish be remitted,—that Deeds of Concession be granted for the said lands, and the fees of the Agents reduced.

Of Siméon Larochelle and others, of the Parish of St. Anselme, County of Dorchester; complaining of certain new charges imposed upon them by the Seigneur of Lauzon, and praying to be relieved from the payment of such charges for the future.



Of *Amable Paré* and others, of the Parish of *St. Isidore de Lauzon*, County of *Dorchester*; praying for the adoption of measures to facilitate the commutation of lands held *en fief* and *en censive*.

Of the Very Reverend *A. Mailloux* and others, of the Parish of *St. Charles*, County of *Bellechasse*; praying for the adoption of certain measures to restrain the evils of Intemperance.

Of the Reverend *J. Asselin* and others, of the Parish of *L'Ange Gardien*, County of *Montmorency*; praying for the adoption of certain measures to restrain the evils arising from Intemperance.

Of the Reverend *E. Payment* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, County of *Quebec*; praying for the adoption of measures to prevent the granting of Tavern Licenses in the said Parish.

Of *James Sampson* and others, inhabitants of Lot No. 24, first Concession of *Kingston*; praying that the said Lot may be included in the Corporation of *Kingston*, as is proposed by the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the said City.

Of *John Young* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of the *Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company*.

Of the City Council of the City of *Hamilton*; praying that the Act incorporating the said City may be amended.

Of *John F. Wilson* and *James Gardiner*, on behalf of the *Bay of Quinté* Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in *Canada*; praying that the Act relating to the Census of the Province may be amended by substituting an annual for a quarterly Return, to the Clerks of the Peace, of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials.

Of *Michael Scott* and others, of the vicinity of *River du Cap Rouge*; praying that certain parts of the Parishes of *St. Foye*, *St. Augustin*, and *L'Ancienne Lorette*, may be formed into a separate School District.

Of *Robert Shedden*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying a more adequate indemnification for the loss of his property during the Troubles of 1837 and 1838.

Of the Reverend *F. T. Lahaye* and others, of the Village of *Industrie*, County of *Berthier*; praying to be incorporated under the name of "*Les Clercs Paroissiaux ou Catéchistes de Saint Viateur*."

Of the Reverend *F. T. Lahaye*, Director of *Joliette* College, in the Village of *Industrie*, County of *Berthier*; praying aid for the said College.

Of *Samuel W. Smith* and others, creditors of the late Municipal Council of the District of *Sydenham*; praying for the payment of their claims.

Of *Matthew Bostwick*, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*; praying for an investigation into the conduct of the Collector of Customs at the Port of *Quebec*, with reference to a certain seizure of cattle made by the Petitioner in the year 1846.

Of the Reverend *P. F. Durocher*, in behalf of the *Montagnais* Indians; praying that an annuity be granted to the said Indians, to be paid out of the monies received for the lease of the King's Posts; and that the lands between the Rivers *Bitsiamits* and *Aux Outardes*, and certain other lands, be granted them for hunting grounds.

Of the University of *Queen's College*, *Kingston*; praying for an adequate endowment for the said College.

Of the Board of Trustees, *Queen's College*, *Kingston*; praying for aid.

Of *James Sparks* and others, of the County of *Frontenac*; praying for an extension of the limits of the City of *Kingston*, as petitioned for; and for the continuation of the *Montreal* Road through the *Artillery Reserve*.

Of the Very Reverend Archdeacon *Stuart* and others, of Lot No. 24, in the vicinity of *Kingston*; praying that the said Lot may not be annexed to the City of *Kingston*.

Of *Lyman Thornton* and others, of the Township of *Blanchard*; praying to be attached to the District of *London*.

Of *Benjamin Workman*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Montreal*, and its vicinity; praying for the abolishment of punishment by death.

Of *Joseph Ainsse*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Verchères*; praying indemnification for losses sustained by them during the Troubles of 1837 and 1838.

Of *Ebenezer Baird*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying that the privileges of Corporate Bodies may be granted to Building Societies established in the District of *Quebec*.

Of *William Phillips*, of *Quebec*, Esquire; praying indemnification for the loss of his property destroyed during the Troubles of 1837 and 1838.

Of the Municipal Council of the second division of the County of *Bonaventure*; praying that the meetings of the said Council may in future be held at *Carleton*, instead of *New Richmond*.

Ordered, That that part of the Petition of *Alexis Rivard* and others, of the County of *Rimouski*, praying that the price of Crown Lands may be reduced, and a longer time allowed for payment, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the causes of Emigration from *Canada* to the *United States*.  
Petition of A. Rivard and others;

Resolved, That the Petition of *O. E. Casgrain* and others, of the lower part of the County of *L'Islet*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of *Mr. Fournier*, *Mr. Duchesnay*, *Mr. Cauchon*, *Mr. Boutillier*, and *Mr. Mongenais*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.  
Of O. E. Casgrain and others;

Resolved, That the Petition of *B. Marquette* and others, the President, Officers, and Members of the Association of Teachers of the District of *Quebec*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of *Mr. Laurin*, *Mr. Jobin*, *Mr. Guillet*, *Mr. Chabot*, and *Mr. Chauveau*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.  
Of B. Marquette and others;

Resolved, That the Petition of *B. H. Charlebois*, Esquire, and others, Physicians and Surgeons of *Lower Canada*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of *Mr. Taché*, *Mr. Beaubien*, *Mr. Fortier*, *Mr. Boutillier*, the Honorable *Mr. Papineau*, *Mr. Davignon*, and *Mr. M'Connell*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.  
Of B. H. Charlebois and others.

Ordered, That the Petition of *F. X. Thompson* be referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Charles Cazeau*, and others, Cullers, of the District of *Quebec*.  
Of F. X. Thompson;

Ordered, That the Petition of *Alexander M'Donnell* and others, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the state of the Lumber Trade, the causes of its present depression, the protection of the forests from unnecessary destruction, and upon all other matters affecting the lumbering interests of this Province.  
Of A. McDonnell and others;

Ordered, That *Mr. Chabot*, *Mr. Chauveau*, and *Mr. Malloch* be added to the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Abraham Schooley* and others, of the District of *Niagara*; the Pe-  
Of A. Schooley and others;

Of the Great  
Western Rail-  
road Company;  
Of H. LeMe-  
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Of the Reve-  
rend W. Rit-  
chie and others;

Of D. Wood  
and others:

Of J. Yule and  
others:  
Of Reverend  
J. C. Leonard;  
Of T. Bower-  
man and  
others:

Of the Hon.  
W. Walker and  
others, refer-  
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Petition of R.  
Hobson and  
others.

tition of the Great Western Railroad Company (Charter); the Petition of the Great Western Railroad Company (*Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*); the Petition of *H. LeMesurier*, Esquire, Vice President, on behalf of the Board of Trade of *Quebec* (Railroads); and the Petition of the Reverend *William Ritchie* and others, of the County of *Essex*, and others; be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Ordered, That the Petition of *David Wood* and others, of the Township of *Walpole*, be referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *John Jones* and others, of the Township of *Walpole*.

Ordered, That the Petition of *John Yule*, Junior, Esquire, and others, of *Chambly*; the Petition of the Reverend *J. C. Leonard*, of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of *Thomas Bowerman* and others, of the Townships of *Sophiasburgh* and *Hallowell*; the Petition of the Honorable *William Walker* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; and the Petition of *James Cuthbertson* and others, shareholders in the *Sault Sainte Marie Mining Company*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. *Cauchon*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Robert Hobson* and others, District Councillors and Magistrates of the District of *Niagara*, and other references, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have given a careful consideration to the Petitions referred to them; the matter prayed for by the Petitioners, viz.: the removal of the site of the *Niagara* District Town, is one that for a long time past has been much desired by a large portion of the inhabitants of the District, and has frequently engaged the attention of Your Honorable House. On referring to the Journals for the Session of 1846, Your Committee find a Report made by a Committee on this subject, in the following terms:—

“Your Committee have taken into consideration the various references submitted to them, and after a careful investigation and examination of the subject, are of opinion, that the Municipal Council, representing as they do the whole body of the District of *Niagara*, and having come to an almost unanimous conclusion as to the absolute necessity of removing the present site of the District Town to a more central position, in order that the interests of the inhabitants may be placed upon a more equitable footing, not only as regards public convenience, but also the expenses necessarily attendant upon the Administration of Justice, situated as the Town now is, at an extreme point of the District.

“Your Committee further beg to state, that Petitions from the several Townships in the District, numerous signed, have been referred to Your Committee, respectfully and strongly praying Your Honorable House for the removal of the site from its present position.

“Your Committee also find, that a Report was made by a Select Committee of Your Honorable House at its last Session, recommending that the site of the District Town aforesaid might be removed to *Port Robinson*.

“From the expression of the Municipal Council, emanating as it does from a body representing the interest and the well understood wishes of the people, and now strengthened by Petitions from the several Townships to the same effect; Your Committee cannot do otherwise than strongly and respectfully recommend the prayer of the Petitioners

“to the favorable consideration of Your Honorable House, and that leave may be granted to introduce a Bill to remove the site of the present District Town to *Port Robinson*, as a convenient place; and to provide for the erection of public buildings thereon.”

Again, in the Session of 1848, Your Committee find a Report from another Committee, on the 21st of March, in the following terms:—

“Your Committee, in obedience to the Order of Your Honorable House, have examined the contents of the Petition referred to them, as also the Entries in the Journals of previous Sessions upon this subject, and have unanimously agreed to adopt the recommendations of previous Committees, and again most earnestly to recommend to the favorable consideration of Your Honorable House, the passage of a Bill removing the site of the present District Town to a more central position, in accordance with the prayer of the Petition, emanating as it does, from a body representing the interests of every section of the District.”

In addition to the strong terms in which the removal of the District Town is recommended in the foregoing Reports, Your Committee have now before them the Petitions presented during the present Session, and referred to them by Your Honorable House. These Petitions refer Your Honorable House to the Reports above quoted, and praying earnestly that the recommendations contained therein may be carried into effect. One of these Petitions is signed by a large number of District Councillors and Magistrates of the District, the other two Petitions by the inhabitants generally, and appended to one of them they find a certified extract from the Minutes of the *Niagara* District Council on 13th May, 1842, and a further extract from the proceedings on the 12th November of the same year; at which last meeting the following Councillors were present, viz: The Warden, and Messrs. *Dickson, Ball, McDonald, Detrick, Patterson, Rowe, Riceley, Powell, McFarland, Hobson, Clark, Kilborne, Secord, Tisdale, Cummings, Misener, Scholfield, Brookfield, Fralick, Sheehan, Thompson, Darling, Root, Jackson, Gee, and Cooper*. A Petition was then unanimously adopted to be presented to Your Honorable House, to the following effect:—

“Your Petitioners are truly gratified that Your Honorable House has been pleased, as they are given to understand, to adopt the Report of a Special Committee of Your Honorable House, recommending that time should be allowed to Your Petitioners to name a place where they would wish the site of the District Town to be placed, thereby, in the opinion of Your Petitioners, pledging itself to carry out the just and almost unanimous wishes of Your Petitioners so soon as they fix upon such site.

“That Your Petitioners have accordingly taken the matter into their serious consideration, and have selected the Village of *Port Robinson* in the Township of *Thorold*, in the County of *Lincoln*, as the site of the new District Town; which selection they trust will meet the concurrence and approbation of Your Honorable House.”

Your Committee have had before them *Walter Hamilton Dickson*, Esquire, Member for the Town of *Niagara*, and have heard the arguments urged by him against the removal; they are not, however, of opinion that the objections he has offered are of such a nature as to be of any weight compared with the evidence afforded by the above documents; and as it appears to Your Committee beyond a doubt, that the location of the District Town at an extreme corner of the District is, and has long been a grievous burthen upon the inhabitants of the District generally, Your Committee feel bound to add a strong recommendation to those already offered, and

to urge upon Your Honorable House the expediency of providing for the removal of the District Offices to *Port Robinson*, which is in the most central position that circumstances will admit of, and accords with the wishes of the great bulk of the inhabitants, as expressed in the proceedings of the District Council above extracted, and also, in several of the Petitions presented at various times to Your Honorable House.

Niagara District Town Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cauchon* have leave to bring in a Bill to remove the site of the District Town of the District of *Niagara*, to *Port Robinson* in the Township of *Thorold*, in the County of *Welland*.

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

Fifth Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Joseph O. Bélanger* and others, praying for authority to build a Bridge across the River *Etchemin*; and they have ascertained that the requisite notices were published by the Petitioners, from the 26th November, 1848, to the 11th January, 1849, only, being less than two months, as required by the 66th Rule. As, however, there is no opposition to the measure, Your Committee would respectfully recommend it to the favorable consideration of Your Honorable House.

Leave of absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fourquin* have leave to absent himself from this House till the nineteenth instant, on account of illness in his family.

Commutation of Tenure Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Christie* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act the better to facilitate optional commutation of tenure of lands *en roture*, in the Seigniories and Fiefs in *Lower Canada*, into that of *franc-aleu-roturier*."

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

Dower Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lyon* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law and facilitate proceedings in Actions of Dower in *Upper Canada*.

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

Public Accounts, and Quebec Trinity House Accounts.

*Resolved*, That the Public Accounts for 1847, together with the Accounts of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Christie*, Mr. *DeWitt*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Weitenhall*, Mr. *Wilson*, and Mr. *Cauchon*, to report thereon from time to time; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Les Sœurs de Miséricorde Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jobin* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "*Les Sœurs de Miséricorde pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité de Montréal*."

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "The Mount *Hermon* Cemetery."

Mount Hermon Cemetery Bill.

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

On motion of Mr. *Gugy*, seconded by Mr. *Christie*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to direct the proper officer to lay before this House, any documents that may be in the possession of the Provincial Government connected with the case of Mr. *Joseph Donegani*, of the City of *Montreal*, on the Bill passed in the year 1845, for his relief, or copies of any Despatches connected therewith, that may be in the possession of the Government.

Joseph Donegani.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Armstrong*, seconded by Mr. *Jobin*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement of the number of Suits which have been instituted for the last twelve months in the Superior Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Montreal*, and the number of Judgments obtained in such Suits; also, the number of Suits pending upon which evidence has been closed, but upon which Judgments have not been pronounced; also, the number of Suits, whether argued or not argued, still pending before the said Court.

Suits in Superior Court of Queen's Bench, District of Montreal.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, dated the 29th January, 1849, praying that he would be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, copies of any correspondence that may have taken place between the Executive Government and the Honorable Mr. Justice *Bedard*, anterior and relative to his translation from the Bench of Judges at *Quebec* to that of *Montreal*, together with copies of his Commissions, as well to the former as to the latter; also, copies of any letters or correspondence between the Executive and the Honorable Mr. Justice *Aylwin*, relative to his appointment to the Bench at *Quebec* as successor to Mr. Justice *Bedard*; and copies of any correspondence (not of a confidential nature) between His Excellency and Her Majesty's Government in *England* relative to both or either of those appointments, and that may relate to the precedence claimed by Mr. Justice *Bedard* in the Court of Queen's Bench at *Montreal* over the Honorable Messieurs Justice *Day* and *Smith*.

Mr. Justice Bedard and Mr. Justice Aylwin.

For the said Return, see Appendix (G.G.)

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*Ordered*, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by Mr. *Notman*,

*Resolved*, That the time for receiving Private Bills be extended until Thursday, the first of March next.

Private Bills.

Message from  
the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

Townships  
Erection Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intitled, "An Act to confirm the Erection of certain Townships, and for other purposes relative to the Erection of Townships," without any Amendment. And then he withdrew.

Oxford  
Election.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Amendment which was yesterday proposed to be made to the Question, That this House having heard the evidence adduced on the part of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, in defence of his conduct as Returning Officer for the County of *Oxford* at the last General Election, adheres to its Resolution of the 21st of March last, "That the said *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, having taken upon himself to return *Peter Carroll*, Esquire, as Member for the said County to serve in this present Parliament, contrary to the majority of votes received by him on the Poll Book in favor of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, who ought therefore to have been returned, acted illegally, in defiance of law, in manifest violation of the rights of the freeholders of the said County, and in breach of the privileges of this House."

And which Amendment was That the words "but this House, at the same time, are of opinion that such illegal conduct on the part of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, arose from an error of judgment," be added at the end thereof.

And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Brooks*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Gugy*, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *M'Lean*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Stevenson*.—(18.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Dickson*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of BYTOWN, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, *Wetenhall*, and *Wilson*.—(52.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House having heard the evidence adduced on the part of *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, in defence of his conduct as Returning Officer for the County of *Oxford* at the last General Election, adheres to its Resolution of the 21st March last, "That the said *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, having taken upon himself to return *Peter Carroll*, Esquire, as Member for the said County to serve in this present Parliament, contrary to the majority of votes received by him on the Poll Book in favor of the Honorable *Francis Hincks*, who ought therefore to have been returned, acted illegally, in defiance of law, in manifest violation of the rights of the freeholders of the said County, and in breach of the privileges of this House."

Mr. *Wilson* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Dickson*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "*John George Vansittart*, Esquire, in returning "*Peter Carroll*, Esquire, instead of the Honorable "*Francis Hincks*, acted in dereliction of his duty as "Returning Officer for the County of *Oxford*, and "was guilty of a breach of the privileges of this "House," added instead thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Christie*, *Dickson*, *Gugy*, *M'Connell*, *M'Lean*, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Stevenson*, and *Wilson*.—(8.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier*, *Brooks*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Price*, *Prince*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of BYTOWN, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(62.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of BYTOWN, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(51.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Brooks*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Dickson*, *Gugy*, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *M'Lean*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Stevenson*, and *Wilson*.—(20.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. *Notman* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency may be pleased to remove the said *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, from being Inspector of Licenses for the District of *Brock*, as a warning to others who shall hereafter fill the very responsible office of Returning Officer.

*Sir Allan N. MacNab* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "*John George Vansittart*, Esquire, be brought to the bar of this House, that he there be admonished "by Mr. Speaker, and then discharged," added instead thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Dickson, Flint, Gagy, Lyon, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Prince, Robinson, Scott* of BYTOWN, *Seymour, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Stevenson*.—(21.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier, Burritt, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Duchesnay, Dumas, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, Wetenhall, and Wilson*.—(49.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And at six o'clock, P. M., pursuant to Order, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till to-morrow.

*Martis, 13<sup>o</sup> die Februarii ;*

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Gore Bank.

MR. SPEAKER laid before the House, a Statement of the Affairs of the *Gore Bank*, received in conformity to an Order of this House, of the twenty-fifth ultimo.

Appendix (P.)

For the said Statement, see Appendix (P.)

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. *Brooks*,—The Petition of *Amos Bishop*, Esquire, and others, of the Township of *Dudswell*, County of *Sherbrooke*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,—The Petition of *Abner Lidwill* and others, of the Township of *Colchester*; and the Petition of *Benjamin Knapp* and others, of *Chatham* and *Camden*.

By Mr. *Nelson*,—The Petition of *Alfred Savage* and others, Apothecaries, Chemists, and Druggists of *Canada East*.

By Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of the Reverend *N. A. Leclerc* and others, of *Lambton* and other Townships, County of *Megantic*.

By Mr. *Fortier*,—The Petition of *J. B. Legendre*, Esquire, Mayor, and *P. Pepin*, Secretary, of the Municipal Council of *Nicolet*.

By Mr. *Burritt*,—The Petition of *William Bacon*, of the Village of *Ogdensburgh*, in the State of *New York*, merchant.

By Mr. *Thompson*,—The Petition of *John DeCew* and others, of *Haldimand*.

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of *James Moir Ferres*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire.

By Mr. *Gagy*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of *Sherbrooke* (*Aylmer Bridge*).

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *Thomas C. Dixon*, Esquire, and others, of the Town of *London* and vicinity.

By Mr. *Sauvageau*,—The Petition of *Charles Morice* and others.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Bytown*, praying an Act of Incorporation for the College of *Bytown*; and the Petition of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Bytown*, praying an Act of Incorporation for "La Communauté des Révérendes Sœurs de la Charité," be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Petitions of the Bishop of Bytown;

Resolved, That the Petition of *John B. Warren* and others, of *Whitby* and other Townships, in the Home District, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Flint*, Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, and Mr. *Bell*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of J. B. Warren and others.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Henry Cole* and others, of *Scugog* Island, be referred to the said Committee.

Of H. Cole and others, referred.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth :—

Sixth Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *M. A. Primeau* and *A. A. Trottier*, and find that the necessary notices have been given by the Petitioners.

With respect to the petition of *John Charlton* and others, for the incorporation of a Plank Road Company in the Home District, they find that though the notice was published in a local paper for a period of two months, it was not continued up to the time of the presentation of the Petition, having ceased in August last; a notice was published, however, in the "Canada Gazette" during the same time, which was continued till within a few days of the meeting of the Legislature. The Petition of *A. Archangeault* and others, for authority to build a Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, presents a similar case, the notice having been commenced in June, and discontinued on the 23d of December last; but, inasmuch, as in both these cases the spirit of the 66th Rule appears to have been complied with, Your Committee have no hesitation in recommending that the notice be deemed sufficient.

The Petitions of the Honorable *William Walker* and others,—of the Religious Ladies of the *Hôtel Dieu* of *Montreal*,—of the Reverend *J. C. Léonard*,—of *Thomas Bowerman* and others,—and of *James Cuthbertson* and others, are not, in the opinion of Your Committee, such as to require a notice under the 66th Rule.

On motion of Mr. *DeWitt*, seconded by Mr. *Sauvageau*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *John Molson*, Esquire, and others, the Company of Proprietors of the *Montreal* and Province Line Junction Railway, and another reference, have power to report from time to time.

Petitions of J. Molson and others.

Ordered, That Mr. *DeWitt* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize *Marc Antoine Primeaux* and *Antoine A. Trottier* to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Chateauguay*, in the Parish of *Ste. Martine*, and to make a Plank Road from the River *St. Lawrence* to the River *Chateauguay*, in the said Parish, and to fix the Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, and to make further provision in that behalf.

Primeaux and Trottier's Bridge Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday, the twenty-second instant.



Sœurs Hospitalières (Montréal) Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Dumas have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Religious Community of the "Sœurs Hospitalières de St. Joseph de l'Hôtel Dieu de Montréal" to acquire and hold real and personal property to a certain amount over and above that now held by them, as well for themselves as for the Poor of the Hôtel Dieu on whose behalf they administer certain property, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

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

Bridge Bill of A. Archangeault and others.

Ordered, That Mr. Dumas have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize Antoine Amable Archambeault and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River L'Assomption, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Sherwood, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Macdonald,

King's College.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Copy of the Ordinance of the Council of King's College appointing Commissioners to enquire into the affairs of the said College, and of the Instructions given to the said Commissioners, as well as of all other documents having reference thereto.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Blue Book.

The Honorable Mr. Hincks, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, The Blue Book, for the year 1847.

Oxford Election.

The House, according to Order, resumed the further consideration of the Question which was yesterday proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency may be pleased to remove the said John George Vansittart, Esquire, from being Inspector of Licenses for the District of Brock, as a warning to others who shall hereafter fill the very responsible office of Returning Officer.

Mr. Davignon moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Lemieux, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "John George Vansittart, Esquire, be imprisoned in the Common Gaol of this District during the space of twenty-four hours, and that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant therefor," added instead thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Christie, Davignon, Duchesnay, Fournier, Guillet, LaTerrère, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, and Wilson.—(10.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Brooks, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Cayley, Chauveau, DeWitt, Dickson, Dumas, Fergusson, Fortier, Guy, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, Lyon, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. Mac-

Nab, Malloch, M'Farland, M'Lean, Merritt, Méthot, Morrison, Notman, Papineau, Price, Richards, Robinson, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, Stevenson, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wetenhall.—(52.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency may be pleased to remove the said John George Vansittart, Esquire, from being Inspector of Licenses for the District of Brock, as a warning to others who shall hereafter fill the very responsible office of Returning Officer.

Mr. Wilson moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Hall, That all the words after "from" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "all his offices, except that of Inspector of Licenses," added instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment: the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put,

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, DeWitt, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, Laurin, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wetenhall.—(44.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Badgley, Brooks, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Davignon, Dickson, Duchesnay, Flint, Gugg, Guillet, Johnson, LaTerrère, Lemieux, Lyon, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, Marquis, M'Connell, M'Lean, Prince, Robinson, Scott of BYTOWN, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of FRONTENAC, Stevenson, and Wilson.—(31.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by John Fennings Taylor, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intitled, "An Act to amend the Quarantine Act," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Quarantine Bill.

And then he withdrew.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General LaFontaine moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, and the Question being proposed, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the necessity of establishing the amount of Losses incurred by certain inhabitants in Lower Canada during the Political Troubles of 1837 and 1838, and of providing for the payment thereof, be now read.

Rebellion Losses (L. C.)

The Honorable Mr. Sherwood moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Sir Allan N. MacNab, That the words "now read" be left out, and the words "postponed for ten days, to give time

for the expression of the feelings of the country," added instead thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

At six o'clock, P. M. pursuant to Order, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till Thursday next.

Jovis, 15<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

St. Lawrence  
and Atlantic  
Railroad.

MR. SPEAKER laid before the House, a Statement of the Affairs of the *St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Company* to 30th November, 1848, pursuant to Act 8 Vic. c. 25.

For the said Statement, see Appendix (H.H.)

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Hamilton and  
Gore Savings  
Bank.

And also, Statement of the Affairs of the *Hamilton and Gore District Savings Bank*, received in conformity to an Order of this House, of the twenty-fifth January last.

For the said Statement, see Appendix (P.)

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Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. Malloch,—The Petition of *Hamnett Pinhey*, Esquire, Warden, on behalf of the Municipal Council of the District of *Dalhousie* (Bridge).

By Mr. Brooks,—The Petition of the British American Land Company.

By Mr. Duchesnay,—The Petition of *Pierre Ignace Déry* and others, of the Parish of *St. Raymond*, and of the County of *Portneuf*.

By Mr. Christie,—The Petition of *Thomas A. Young*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire.

By Mr. M'Lean,—The Petition of *George Poapst* and others, of the ninth Concession of *Cornwall*.

By Mr. Méthot,—The Petition of *Joseph Bovint* and others, of *Quebec*; and the Petition of Messieurs *Allan Gilmour* and Company, and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*,—The Petition of *Ephraim Knight*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Missisquoi*, Members of the Order of *Rechabites*.

By Mr. Davignon,—The Petition of *Joseph Charland* and others, Councillors of the Village of *Christieville*, County of *Rouville*; the Petition of the Trustees of the *Longueuil* and *Chambly* Turnpike Road; and the Petition of *Jean Langevin*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire.

By Mr. Beaubien,—The Petition of the Reverend *Charles Bancroft* and others, of the Municipality of *St. John Dorchester*, County of *Chambly*.

By Mr. Cartier,—The Petition of the *St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Company* (Aid).

By Mr. Holmes,—The Petition of *E. Glackmeyer*, Esquire, and others, of the City and District of *Montreal*; and the Petition of the President and Directors of the New City Gas Company of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Simcoe* (division of District).

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,—The Petition of *Abner Hurd* and others, of the Township of *Roach*; the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Home District (Salaries of District Officers); and the Petition of *Isaac Travis* and others, of the Townships of *East* and *North Gwillimbury*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,—The Petition of *James Platt*, Esquire, Mayor, and others, of the City of *Oswego*, in the State of *New York*, and others.

By Mr. *Chabot*,—The Petition of Mrs. *E. M. Aylwin* and other Ladies composing the Committee

of the Lower Town Infant School of *Quebec*; and the Petition of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Montreal*, and others of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*,—The Petition of *Matthew Scott* and others, of the Township of *Norwich*, District of *Brock*; and the Petition of *Alexander Hosack* and others, of the Township of *West Zorra*.

By Mr. *Wetenhall*,—The Petition of *Thomas Atkinson*, senior, and others, of the Township of *Nelson*, District of *Gore*.

By Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*,—The Petition of *Thomas Kains*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Two Mountains*.

By Mr. *M'Farland*,—The Petition of *Henry Smith*, Esquire, and others, of *Grimsby* and other Townships.

By Mr. *Flint*,—The Petition of *James Jamison* and others, of the District of *Victoria*.

By Mr. *DeWitt*,—The Petition of *William Workman*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of *Michel Hamel*, junior, and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Foye*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,—The Petition of *Francis M. Hill*, Esquire, Mayor, and others, Citizens of *Kingston*; and the Petition of the Reverend *M. Lalor*, and others.

By Mr. *Scott*, of *Bytown*,—The Petition of *J. Bedard* and others, of the Town of *Bytown*; and the Petition of *Thomas Corcoran*.

By Mr. *Gugy*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Jasper H. Nicolls*, on behalf of the Council of Bishop's College at *Lennoxville*.

By Mr. *Hall*,—The Petition of *G. B. Hall* and others, of the Town of *Peterborough*.

By Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Louis Théodore Bernard* and others, of the Parish of *Beauport*, County of *Quebec*.

Pursuant to the Order of the day, the following Petitions read.

Petitions were read:—  
Of *George M'Leod* and others, of the Village of *Portsmouth*, Township of *Kingston*; praying that the said Village may not be included within the limits of the City of *Kingston*.

Of *William Ritchie*, on behalf of the Trustees of the *Sherbrooke Academy*; praying for the usual aid.

Of the Mayor and Councillors of the Municipal Council of the Village *St. John*, County of *Chambly*; praying for certain amendments to the Act 10 & 11 Vic. c. 7, for the establishment of Municipal authorities in *Lower Canada*.

Of *William Blakely* and others, of the third Concession of *Ameliasburgh*, District of *Prince Edward*; praying that no Legislative action may be had with reference to the division line between the second and third Concessions of that Township, but that any difficulties arising thereout of may be settled by the ordinary Courts of Justice.

Of *Robert C. Wilkins* and others, of *Ameliasburgh*, District of *Prince Edward*; praying that a Special Commission be appointed to examine and permanently establish the Concession lines of the said Township.

Of *James Bowie*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire, complaining of the non-payment of certain claims for services rendered and articles supplied by him in his capacity of Physician to the Emigrant Sheds in 1847, and praying an investigation and relief in the premises.

Of *Daniel Villiard* and others, of the Township of *Pakenham*, District of *Bathurst*; praying that no division may be made of the said District.

Of *George O'Kill Stuart*, Esquire, Mayor, on behalf of the inhabitants of the City of *Quebec*; praying the House to consider favorably the project of a Railroad to connect the City of *Quebec* with *Halifax*.

Of *William Ruthven*, of *Quebec*; praying aid to enable him to print an English translation of a work on Agricultural Chemistry, by *M. N. Aubin*.

Of the *Quebec Friendly Society*; praying for an extension of the time of their incorporation.

Of *John Birch* and others, of *Quebec*; praying that no final action may be had this Session on the Bill introduced to incorporate the *St. George's Society of Quebec*.

Of *Israel W. Powell*, Esquire, and others, of *Port Dover*, in the District of *Talbot*, and its vicinity; praying for the rebuilding of the Light House, and the completion of the *Port Dover Harbour*.

Of *Levi Willson* and others, of the Township of *Trafalgar*, District of *Gore*; praying for the passing of an Act to compel travelling shows or caravans to pay a tax and obtain a license from the Warden of each District, before passing through the same or exhibiting therein.

Of *John Miller* and others, of the Township of *Nelson*, District of *Gore*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the formation of Mutual Insurance Companies in each District, to be exclusively confined to rural property.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*; praying to be authorized to lease or sell certain public property in *Hamilton*.

Of *Samuel Stanton* and others, of *Dumfries*; and of *Thomas C. Dixon*, Esquire, and others, of the Town of *London* and vicinity; praying for aid to such an extent as will secure the construction of a line of Railroad from *Quebec* to *Windsor* at the western limit of the Province.

Of *Samuel Bradley*, of *St. Germain de Rimouski*, trader; praying compensation for loss sustained in the construction of a bridge over the River *Rimouski*.

Of the tribe of *Amalecite* Indians residing in the Townships in the rear of the Parish of *L'Isle Verte*; praying for aid to open a Road leading to the said Parish.

Of *Nicolas Boucher*, of *St. Arsène*, Teacher; praying for the payment of a certain amount due him and his wife as school teachers in the Parish of *St. André*.

Of the Religious Ladies of the Community of the General Hospital of *Quebec*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize them to acquire property yielding a certain annual income for the purposes of the said Hospital.

Of the *Institut Canadien de Québec*; praying for aid.

Of *John Fraser* and others, of *Ristigouche*; praying for aid to complete the line of Road between the Little River adjoining the *Kempt Road*, and the *Matapedia*, along the north bank of the River *Ristigouche*, and to erect bridges on the said line of Road.

Of *P. M. Bardy*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for certain amendments to the Act for regulating the manner of holding elections in the said City.

Of *John Graybiel* and others, of the District of *Niagara*; praying for the renewal of the Charter of the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*.

Of *Edward Hale*, Esquire, and others, of the Town and vicinity of *Sherbrooke*, District of *St. Francis*; of *Amos Bishop*, Esquire, and others, of the Township of *Dudswell*, County of *Sherbrooke*; and of the Municipal Council of *Sherbrooke*, praying for aid to repair the *Aylmer Bridge* across the River *St. Francis*, in the Town of *Sherbrooke*.

Of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of *M<sup>c</sup>Gill College*; praying for additional aid.

Of *John C. W. Daly*, Esquire, and others, Magistrates and District Councillors of the eastern section of the District of *Huron*; praying for the erection of a new District as already petitioned for, with *Stratford* for the District Town.

Of the President and Directors of the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*; praying that a

renewal of the Charter to construct a Suspension Bridge across the *Niagara River* at *Queenston* may not be granted, for certain reasons therein set forth.

Of *Abner Lidwill* and others, of the Township of *Colchester*; praying for the adoption of measures to obtain the repeal of the Imperial Act relating to the Clergy Reserves, and for the abolition of the Rectories, and that the funds arising therefrom may be appropriated to purposes of general utility.

Of *Benjamin Knapp* and others, of *Chatham and Camden*; praying for the repeal of the Act for establishing the boundaries of lots in the said Townships; and that the said boundaries be established by a Surveyor, according to the recognized boundaries of *Harwich* and *Howard*.

Of *Alfred Savage* and others, Apothecaries, Chemists and Druggists of *Canada East*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the Reverend *N. A. Leclerc* and others, of *Lambton* and other Townships, County of *Megantic*; praying for aid to improve the *Lambton Road*.

Of *J. B. Legendre*, Esquire, Mayor, and *P. Pepin*, Secretary, of the Municipal Council of *Nicolet*; praying that the Act 10 & 11 Vic. c. 7, establishing Municipal authorities, be repealed, and that the former Act, 8 Vic. c. 40, be revived, with such amendments as may be deemed necessary.

Of *William Bacon*, of the Village of *Ogdensburgh*, in the State of *New York*, merchant; praying indemnification for the loss of his share of the ownership of the Steamboat "*Sir Robert Peel*" destroyed by Canadian and American brigands, in the year 1838.

Of *John DeCew* and others, of *Haldimand*; praying that in the event of the said County being formed into a new District, the District buildings thereof may be erected at the Village of *Cayuga*.

Of *James Moir Ferres*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire; praying for an investigation into the matter of his dismissal from the office of Revenue Inspector for the second division of the District of *Montreal*.

Of *Charles Morice* and others; praying that the practice of selling property at Church Doors on Sunday may be abolished.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 8th instant,—Copies of Petitions and Applications of *Alexander Morrison*, of *Niagara*, regarding Lot 71, Township of *Niagara*, and Copies of the Surveyor General and Crown Land Commissioner's Reports, and the decisions of the Executive Government upon the several Petitions on this matter; and Copies of Affidavits and Letters referring to the purchase of Lot 71, in the Township of *Niagara*, by *Alexander Morrison*.

For the said Papers, see Appendix (I.I.)

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Alexander Morrison.

Appendix (I.I.)

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 8th instant, praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before them, Copies of any Correspondence between the Executive Government and *Peter Stuart*, of *Cornwall*, Esquire, relative to the intended appointment of that gentleman to the Office of Sheriff of the Eastern District.

For the said Return, see Appendix (J.J.)

Ordered, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Peter Stuart.

Appendix (J.J.)

Petition of A. Savage and others;

**Resolved,** That the Petition of *Alfred Savage* and others, Apothecaries, Chemists, and Druggists of *Canada East*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Nelson*, Mr. *Boutillier*, the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, Mr. *Beaubien*, and Mr. *Davignon*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of the Honorable L. Panet and others;

**Ordered,** That that part of the Petition of the Honorable *Louis Panet* and others, Electors and Freeholders of the County of *Quebec*, which relates to the emigration of certain inhabitants of *Canada* to the *United States*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the causes of Emigration from *Lower Canada* to the *United States*, and other references.

Of the Corporation of Quebec;

Of A. Shade and J. Cowan;

Of J. Grubb;

Of E. C. Thomas and T. M. Simons;

Of the Revd. F. T. Lahaye and others;

Of W. K. M'Cord and others;

Of Z. Williams and others;

**Ordered,** That the Petition of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*; the Petition of *Absalom Shade*, of *Galt*, and *James Cowan*, of *Waterloo*, Esquires; the Petition of *John Grubb*, of the Township of *Etobicoke*, Esquire, President of the *Weston Road Company*; the Petition of *E. C. Thomas*, President, and *Thomas M. Simons*, Secretary, of the *Hamilton and Gore Mechanics' Institute*; the Petition of the Reverend *F. T. Lahaye* and others, of the Village of *Industrie*, County of *Berthier*; the Petition of *W. K. M'Cord* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; and the Petition of *Z. Williams* and others, of *Quebec*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of J. O. A. Turgeon and others;

**Resolved,** That the Petition of *J. O. Alfred Turgeon*, Esquire, and others, the Mayor and Councillors of the County of *Terrebonne*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Jobin*, Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, Mr. *DeWitt*, and Mr. *Beaubien*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of J. H. Aussem and others;

Of M. Ollier and others;

Of J. M'Gill Des Rivières and others;

**Ordered,** That the Petition of *John H. Aussem*, Esquire, and others, of *New Glasgow*, County of *Terrebonne*; the Petition of *Moyse Ollier* and others, of *Ste. Anne des Plaines*, County of *Terrebonne*; and the Petition of *James M'Gill Des Rivières*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Montreal*, be referred to the said Committee.

Of Hamilton and Thomson and others, referred.

**Ordered,** That the Petition of Messieurs *Hamilton* and *Thomson*, and others, engaged in the Timber Trade of *Canada*, be referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Charles Cazeau* and others, Cullers of the District of *Quebec*, and another reference.

Montreal and Province Line Junction Railway Bill.

Mr. *DeWitt*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *John Molson*, Esquire, and others, the Company of Proprietors of the *Montreal and Province Line Junction Railway*, and another reference, with power to report by Bill or otherwise, and from time to time, presented to the House a Bill to amend and extend the Act to incorporate the *Montreal and Province Line Junction Railway Company*, which was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Seventh Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Seventh Report, of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the two Petitions of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Bytown*, and

find that they are not of such a nature as to require notice under the provisions of the 66th Rule.

**Ordered,** That Mr. *Chabot* be added to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *James M'Kenzie* and others, Merchants, Ship-riggers, and others interested in the trade of Ship-building at *Quebec*.

Petition of J. M'Kenzie and others.

**Ordered,** That Mr. *Chabot* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Gas Company*. He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Quebec Gas Company Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Thompson*, seconded by Mr. *M'Farland*,

**Resolved,** That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to be graciously pleased to cause to be laid before this House, all Papers connected with the Securities given by the Sheriff of the *Niagara District* to the Government, having reference to his office of Sheriff.

Sheriff of Niagara District

**Ordered,** That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

**Ordered,** That Mr. *Watts* have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the Municipality of *Drummond* into two Municipalities.

Drummond Municipality Bill.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by Mr. *Lyon*,

**Resolved,** That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Contracts entered into by the Board of Works for completing any work connected with improving the *Cobourg Harbour*, and the amount of monies paid thereon, with a detailed account thereof and of all other monies paid to the Contractors in respect of the improvement of the said Harbour.

Cobourg Harbour.

**Ordered,** That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*,

**Resolved,** That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence connected with the dismissal of *William Ireland*, Esquire, from his situation on the *Kingston and Napanee macadamized Road*, or connected with the abolition of the said situation.

William Ireland.

**Ordered,** That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, of *Bytown*, seconded by Mr. *Johnson*,

**Resolved,** That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a Return shewing the names, dates of appointment, salaries, and duties of all Officers

Ottawa Works.

now employed on the *Ottawa* River and its tributaries in the collection of the Timber Duties, and in the management of Crown Lands connected with the said offices; and also, the names, dates of appointments, salaries, and duties of all Officers now employed at the City of *Quebec* for the like purposes; also, the names, dates of appointment, salaries, and duties of all persons now employed in the management or superintendence of the *Ottawa* Works; also, a Statement, in detail, of the expenditure upon the *Ottawa* Works, the amount expended for their original construction, the sums paid for their repair, the losses sustained by errors in their construction (if any,)—and all sums paid to Engineers, Mechanics, and Labourers employed immediately by the Board upon the said Works, with the names, dates, and amounts paid to each, in detail; and also, a Statement of all sums received for Tolls, or otherwise, from the *Ottawa* Works, the amount in detail, and as received from each work separately.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by Mr. *Watts*,

*Resolved*, That the 66th Rule of this House be suspended, so far as it affects the introduction of a Bill for incorporating *John Charlton* and others, for the construction of a Plank Road from *Yorkville* along the third Concession of *Vaughan*, in the Home District.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* have leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating *John Charlton* and others, for the construction of a Plank Road from *Yorkville* along the third Concession of *Vaughan*, in the Home District.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the nineteenth of March next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Cazley*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, all papers and correspondence relative to the removal from office of *Dr. Telfer*, late Medical Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Mélot*, seconded by Mr. *Mon-genais*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, the Correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the latter and any private individuals, with reference to the Act to regulate the shipping of Seamen at the Port of *Quebec*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Watts*, Mr. *Boutillier*, Mr. *Gugy*, Mr.

*Davignon*, and Mr. *Duchesnay*, be appointed to enquire into the expediency of continuing and amending the Act, intituled, "An Act to remedy abuses prejudicial to Agriculture in *Lower Canada*," to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

*Ordered*, That two hundred and fifty copies of the Petition of the Right Reverend *Patrick Phelan*, Bishop of *Carrha*, and Administrator of the Diocese of *Kingston*, and others, Catholics of *Upper Canada*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House. Petition of the Bishop of Carrha.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to explain and amend an Act of the Parliament of the late Province of *Upper Canada*," passed in the second year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the protection of the Lands of the Crown of this Province from trespass and injury," and to make further provision for that purpose," to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Les Clercs Paroissiaux ou Catéchistes de Saint Viateur*," in the Village of *Industry*, in the County of *Berthier*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. And then he withdrew. Crown Lands Protection Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Amendment which was, on Tuesday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the necessity of establishing the amount of Losses incurred by certain inhabitants in *Lower Canada* during the Political Troubles of 1837 and 1838, and of providing for the payment thereof, be now read; Rebellion Losses (L. C.)

And which Amendment was, That the words "now read" be left out, and the words "postponed for ten days to give time for the expression of the feelings of the Country," added instead thereof. And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And at six o'clock, P. M., pursuant to Order, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till to-morrow.

*Veneris*, 16<sup>o</sup> die *Februarii*;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

MR. SPEAKER laid before the House, a Statement of the Affairs of the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Railway Company, pursuant to the Act 10 Vic. c. 109. Peterborough and Port Hope Railway.

For the said Statement, see Appendix (K.K.) Appendix (K.K.)

On motion of Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*,

*Ordered*, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended till Thursday, the first day of March next. Private Petitions.

*Yorkville Plank Road Bill.*

*Dr. Telfer.*

*Shipping of Seamen at Quebec.*

*Agricultural abuses.*



Petitions brought up.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*.—The Petition of *John W. Shackleton* and others, of the Western District.

By Mr. *Flint*.—The Petition of the Reverend *Michael Brennan* and others, the Roman Catholic Clergyman and Laity of the Town of *Belleville*.

By Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*.—The Petition of *Henry Morgan*, of *Binbrook* and *Saltfleet*.

By Mr. *Holmes*.—The Petition of the Corporation of the *Montreal General Hospital*; the Petition of *John G. Mackenzie*, Esquire, President of the City Bank; and the Petition of *John S. M'Cord*, Esquire, and others, members of the *Montreal Horticultural Society*.

By Mr. *Brooks*.—The Petition of *Thomas Tait*, Esquire, and others, of the District of *St. Francis*; the Petition of *Hollis Smith* and others, of the Town and vicinity of *Sherbrooke*; and the Petition of the Corporation of *Bishop's College at Lennoxville*.

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*.—The Petition of *George S. Tiffany*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; and the Petition of *Thomas Lottridge* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, and the adjacent Townships.

By Mr. *DeWitt*.—The Petition of *Messieurs Greene and Sons*, and others, Furriers and Hatters.

By Mr. *Chabot*.—The Petition of His Grace the Archbishop of *Quebec*, and the Roman Catholic Bishops of *Lower Canada*.

By Mr. *Méthot*.—The Petition of *H. J. Noad*, Esquire, and others, the Directors of the *Quebec Forwarding Company*.

By Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*.—The Petition of *Alphonso Wells*, Esquire; the Petition of *Mrs. Angélique Hodgens*, of the Parish of *Berthier*, District of *Montreal*, widow of the late *Antoine Gazeille dit St. Germain*; and the Petition of *William Evans*, of *Côte St. Paul*, Parish of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Morrison*.—The Petition of the President, Directors, and Stockholders of the *Streetsville Plank Road Company*.

Petition of *W. B. Wrong* and others;  
Of *H. G. Habb*in and others;  
Of *A. W. Laird* and others;  
Of *J. Jacques* and others;  
Of the *Grand River Navigation Company*;  
Of *R. Hamilton* and others;

Ordered, That the Petition of *W. B. Wrong* and others, of the Districts of *London*, *Talbot*, and *Brook*; the Petition of *H. G. Habb*in and others, of the Town of *Dundas*; the Petition of *A. W. Laird* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of *John Jacques* and others, of the City of *Toronto* and of the Home District; the Petition of the *Grand River Navigation Company* (increase of Capital); and the Petition of *Robert Hamilton* and others, of the District of *Niagara*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of *J. Graybiel* and others, referred.

Ordered, That the Petition of *John Graybiel* and others, of the District of *Niagara*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Les Clercs Paroissiaux Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Armstrong*, seconded by Mr. *Jobin*.

Ordered, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate 'Les Clercs Paroissiaux ou Catéchistes de Saint Viateur,' in the Village of *Industry*, in the County of *Berthier*," be now read the first time. And the Bill was read the first time.

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

First Rule of the House.

On motion of Mr. *Watts*, seconded by Mr. *Notman*, Resolved, That the Resolution of this House, of the 31st January last, amending the First Rule of this House, be rescinded.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next, at three o'clock, P. M. Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. *Notman*, seconded by Mr. *Watts*, Ordered, That the Entry in the Journal of this House, of the 9th March, 1848, containing the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *London*, praying that the Municipal Act may be so amended as to enable them to recover Rates and Assessments from the lands of Absentees, be now read. Municipal Act.

The Entry was read accordingly. Resolved, That the said Entry be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Notman*, Mr. *Wetenhall*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Fergusson*, and Mr. *Morrison*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

On motion of Mr. *Chabot*, seconded by Mr. *Méthot*, Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the propriety of repealing the Laws now in force in *Lower Canada* relating to the building of Churches, Presbyteries and their dependencies, and of making other provisions on the same subject. Church Building Laws.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Johnson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; And Mr. *Johnson* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal the Laws now in force in *Lower Canada* relating to the building of Churches and their dependencies, and also those which relate to the Erection of Parishes for civil purposes, and to substitute new provisions in lieu thereof.

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

Ordered, That Mr. *Chabot* have leave, to bring in a Bill for recognizing, for civil purposes, the Canonical Erection of Catholic Parishes, and to regulate the construction and repairing of Churches, Sacristies, Parsonage Houses and Church Yards, and for repealing certain Acts and Ordinances therein mentioned. Church Building Bill.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Price*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,

Ordered, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to explain and amend an Act of the Parliament of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, passed in the second year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the protection of the Lands of the Crown in this Province from trespass and injury," and to make further provision for that purpose," be now read the first time. Crown Lands Protection Bill.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,

Ordered, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act to amend the "Quarantine Act," be now read the first time. Quarantine Bill.

And the Bill was read the first time.

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

J. M. Ferres.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 8th February, 1849, praying that His Excellency would cause to be laid before the House, copies of any correspondence between *James Moir Ferres*, Esquire, late Inspector of Revenue for the second division of the District of *Montreal*, and the Executive Government, relative to his dismissal from that office, as well as of any correspondence or communications from any person or persons that may have induced his dismissal therefrom, and explanatory of the causes thereof.

For the said Return, see Appendix (L. L.)

Appendix (L.L.)

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

Nuns of the Quebec General Hospital Property Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intitled "An Act to authorize the Community of the "Nuns of the General Hospital of *Quebec* to acquire and hold additional real and personal property to a certain amount," to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Bill relating to persons dying Intestate (U.C.)

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intitled, "An Act to make better provision for the protection of the property of persons dying Intestate "in that part of this Province formerly called *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Rebellion Losses (L.C.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Amendment which was, on Tuesday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the necessity of establishing the amount of Losses incurred by certain inhabitants in *Lower Canada* during the Political Troubles of 1837 and 1838, and of providing for the payment thereof, be now read;

And which Amendment was, That the words "now read" be left out, and the words "postponed for ten days to give time for the expression of the feelings of the Country," added instead thereof.

And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*, *Ordered*, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next, and be then the first Order of the day.

Words of Heat.

Mr. Speaker having informed the House, That, according to information he had received, a hostile meeting was intended between Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* and the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, two of the Members of this House, in consequence of some words of heat which had passed in the Debate of this day, but which had not been taken notice of at the time, and that he had ineffectually sent a message to Mr. *Blake* to come to the Chair; and Mr. *Blake* and Mr. *Macdonald* not being found in the House;

The Serjeant at Arms went with the Mace, by Order of the House, to the lodgings of Mr. *Blake* and Mr. *Macdonald*, to require their immediate attendance in their places.

The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* took his place in the House.

The Serjeant at Arms reported that Mr. *Blake* could not be found.

The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* submitted himself to the House, and declared that he would be in his place at the next sitting; and that in the meantime no collision would take place.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Serjeant at Arms, or his Deputy, to take into his custody *William Hume Blake*, Esquire, and that he be brought to the House in custody.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Monday next.

Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Laurin*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

The House adjourned.

*Lunæ*, 19<sup>o</sup> die *Februarii*;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE Serjeant at Arms reported, That in obedience to the Warrant of Mr. Speaker, of Friday last, he had taken into his custody *William Hume Blake*, Esquire, a Member of the House, and that he was now awaiting the pleasure of the House.

Words of Heat.

Mr. *Blake* appearing at the bar of the House, explained as to his not coming to the Chair on Friday last.

And Mr. *Blake* and the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* respectively having declared that they submitted themselves to the House, and that nothing further would ensue in consequence of anything which had happened;

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,

*Resolved*, That the explanation of *William Hume Blake*, Esquire, for his apparent neglect to attend the call of Mr. Speaker, on Friday last, being satisfactory, he be discharged from the custody of the Serjeant at Arms.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, Return of the British American Fire and Life Assurance Company, received in conformity to an Order of this House, of the 25th ultimo.

British American Fire and Life Assurance Company.

For the said Return, see Appendix (P.)

Appendix (P.)

And also, Statement of the Receipts and Expenses of the *Toronto* General Hospital, for 1848, pursuant to the Act 10 & 11 *Vic. c. 57*.

Toronto General Hospital.

For the said Statement, see Appendix (M.M.)

Appendix (M.M.)

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

Petitions brought up.

By Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*,—The Petition of *George Webster*, one of the Messengers of the House.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,—The Petition of *James Graham* and others, of the County of *Norfolk*.

By Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Denis Begley* and others, the Catholic Clergyman and Laity of the Parish of *Alexandria*.

By Mr. *Holmes*,—The Petition of *George D. Watson*, on behalf of the Board of Management of the Merchants' Exchange and Reading Room Association; and the Petition of the *St. Michel Road Company*.

By Mr. *Meyers*,—The Petition of *John Thomas* and others, of the Village and vicinity of *Colborne*; the Petition of *John M. Grover* and others, of the Village and vicinity of *Colborne*; the Petition of

*Samuel S. Cole*, of the Village of *Colborne*, in the District of *Newcastle*; and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Newcastle* (Assessments.)

By Mr. *Brooks*,—The Petition of the Council of the Municipality of *Sherbrooke*.

By Mr. *M'Connell*,—The Petition of *Ichabod Smith* and others, Trustees of the *Stanstead Seminary*; and the Petition of *Auldin Plumly*, of the Township of *Hatley*.

By Mr. *Polette*,—The Petition of *P. Vezina*, Esquire, and others, Delegates from the various Townships in the District of *Three Rivers*, and others of the Town of *Three Rivers*.

By Mr. *Fortier*,—The Petition of *G. Chaillier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre les Becquets*, County of *Nicolet*.

By Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Quebec* (Municipal Council Act); the Petition of *Joseph Bedard*, Esquire, and others, *Censitaires* of the County of *Quebec*; and the Petition of *Joseph Bedard*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Lemieux*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. D. Déziel* and others, of the Parish of *Point Levy*, County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Johnson*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*,—The Petition of *P. B. Dumoulin*, Esquire, of *Three Rivers*.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of *Franklin Chadsey* and others, of the Township of *Dorchester*; and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *London* (Usury Laws).

By Mr. *Lyon*,—The Petition of *George B. Rae* and others, of the Township of *Clarence*; the Petition of *William R. R. Lyon*, of *Richmond*, District of *Dalhousie*, Merchant; the Petition of *James Malvugh* and others, of *Nepean*, County of *Carleton*; and the Petition of *James Breakridge* and others, of the Townships of *Russell* and *Cumberland*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,—The Petition of the President, Directors, and Stockholders of the *Grimsby Harbour Company*.

By Mr. *Sauvageau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *C. L. Vinet* and others, of the Parish of *St. Constant*.

By Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of *Etienne Simard* and others, of the Parish of *Château Richer*, County of *Montmorency*.

Petitions read.

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

Of *Hannett Pinhey*, Esquire, Warden, on behalf of the Municipal Council of the District of *Dalhousie*; praying that the privilege of erecting a Toll Bridge over the River *Rideau* between *Nepean* and *Gloucester*, may not be granted to *Bradish Billings*, Esquire.

Of the British American Land Company; praying that certain additional powers be granted to them.

Of *Pierre Ignace Déry* and others, of the Parish of *St. Raymond*, and of the County of *Portneuf*; praying for certain changes in the Seigniorial Tenure.

Of *Thomas A. Young*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire; praying payment of a certain amount due him for four years' salary as Auditor General of Public Accounts for *Lower Canada*.

Of *George Poapst* and others, of the ninth Concession of *Cornwall*; praying that a certain survey in the said Township made by *John S. Bruce*, Esquire, be confirmed.

Of *Joseph Bovint* and others, of *Quebec*; representing that they are of the number of those whose houses were destroyed by the Fires of 1845, and that they have not been able to avail themselves of the relief afforded by the Debentures issued for that purpose; and praying for aid.

Of Messieurs *Allan Gilmour* and Company, and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying that the Act 11 Vic. c. 1 may be amended, by reducing the tax on head-money imposed upon Emigrants.

Of *Ephraim Knight*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Missisquoi*, Members of the Order of *Rechabites*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *Joseph Charland* and others, Councillors of the Village of *Christieville*, County of *Rowville*; praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Council Act.

Of the Trustees of the *Longueuil* and *Chambly* Turnpike Road; praying for an exclusive right of Ferry to a limited extent over the River *St. Lawrence*, and that they be authorized to borrow a certain sum to build a Steamboat for that purpose.

Of *Jean Langevin*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire; praying payment of a certain amount due him by the late Municipal Council of the District of *Quebec*.

Of the Reverend *Charles Bancroft* and others, of the Municipality of *St. John Dorchester*, County of *Chambly*; praying for certain amendments to the Common School Law.

Of the *St. Lawrence* and *Atlantic Railroad Company*; praying for public provincial aid upon such terms and conditions as the House may deem fit.

Of *E. Glackmeyer*, Esquire, and others, of the City and District of *Montreal*; and of *Thomas Tait*, Esquire, and others, of the District of *St. Francis*; praying for aid in behalf of the *St. Lawrence* and *Atlantic Railroad Company*.

Of the President and Directors of the New City Gas Company of *Montreal*; praying for an increase of their Capital Stock, for further powers, and for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Simcoe*; and of *Abner Hurd* and others, of the Township of *Roach*; praying that no division may be made of the Home District, as prayed for.

Of the Municipal Council of the Home District; praying for certain alterations in the appointment and income, or salaries, of certain District Officers, and for certain amendments to the Township Officers and Municipal Council Act.

Of *Isaac Travis* and others, of the Townships of *East* and *North Gwillimbury*; and of *Alexander Hossack* and others, of the Township of *West Zorra*; praying for the adoption of measures to obtain the repeal of the Imperial Act relating to the Clergy Reserves; and for the abolition of the Rectories; and that the funds arising therefrom may be devoted to purposes of general utility.

Of *James Platt*, Esquire, Mayor, and others, of the City of *Oswego*, in the State of *New York*, and others; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate certain persons for the construction of a Railroad from *Toronto* to *Lake Huron*, as petitioned for.

Of Mrs. *E. M. Aylwin* and other Ladies composing the Committee of the Lower Town Infant School of *Quebec*; praying for aid in behalf of the said School.

Of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Montreal*, and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for the adoption of measures to render the Common Gaol of the District of *Quebec* more adequate to the object for which it is intended.

Of *Matthew Scott* and others, of the Township of *Norwich*, District of *Brock*; praying that no division of the said District, as petitioned for, be granted.

Of *Thomas Atkinson*, senior, and others, of the Township of *Nelson*, District of *Gore*; praying that no alteration be made in the limits of the said District.

Of *Thomas Kains*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Two Mountains*; praying that the seat of Judicature for the said County may be restored to *St. Andrews*.

Of *Henry Smith*, Esquire, and others, of *Grimsby* and other Townships; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the formation of a Plank or Mac-

adamized Road from the City of *Hamilton*, by a certain route, to *Waterloo Ferry*, in the District of *Niagara*.

Of *James Jamison* and others, of the District of *Victoria*; praying for the passing of an Act to prevent all persons from withholding the natural stream of the River *Moira*, and its tributaries, more than four hours in each day, without the consent of parties owning Mills below them upon such stream.

Of *William Workman*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that the Revenue of the Province may be raised chiefly by Duties on Imports, so as to afford the greatest amount of incidental protection to home industry.

Of *Michel Hamel*, junior, and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Foye*; praying that the Coves depending from the said Parish may not be included within the limits of the City of *Quebec*.

Of *Francis M. Hill*, Esquire, Mayor, and others, Citizens of *Kingston*; praying that no appropriation be made out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the payment of the Rebellion Claims of *Lower Canada*.

Of the Reverend *M. Lalor* and others; praying that suitable provision be made for the College of *Regiopolis*.

Of *J. Bedard* and others, of the Town of *Bytown*; praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the said Town.

Of *Thomas Corcoran*; complaining that he has been deprived of a licence to cut timber on the limits, and refused a new licence, by which he has suffered loss and damage, and praying an enquiry into the matter, and that he may be indemnified, if found worthy upon such enquiry.

Of the Reverend *Jasper H. Nicholls*, on behalf of the Council of Bishop's College at *Lennoxville*; praying aid for the said College.

Of *G. B. Hall* and others, of the Town of *Peterborough*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the said Town.

Of the Reverend *Louis Théodore Bernard* and others, of the Parish of *Beauport*, County of *Quebec*; praying that no tavern or other licence for the sale of spirituous liquors be granted for the said Parish.

Of *John W. Shackleton* and others, of the Western District; praying for aid to improve the road leading north-westerly from the *Rondeau Harbour*.

Of the Reverend *Michael Brennan* and others, the Roman Catholic Clergyman and Laity of the Town of *Belleville*; praying that suitable provision be made for the College of *Regiopolis*.

Of *Henry Morgan* and others, of *Binbrook* and *Saltfleet*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the formation of a Plank or Macadamized Road from the City of *Hamilton*, by a certain route, to *Waterloo Ferry*, in the District of *Niagara*.

Of the Corporation of the *Montreal General Hospital*; praying for an increased aid.

Of *John G. Machenzie*, Esquire, President of the City Bank; praying the House to authorize a reduction of the value of the shares of the said Bank, and for an extension of the time granted for the increase of its Capital Stock.

Of *John S. M'Cord*, Esquire, and others, members of the *Montreal Horticultural Society*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *Hollis Smith* and others, of the Town and vicinity of *Sherbrooke*; praying for the repeal of certain Acts in so far as they interfere with the efficient working of the Act 10 and 11 *Vic. c. 7* for the establishment of Local and Municipal authorities in *Lower Canada*, and for the enactment of a general Road Law.

Of the Corporation of Bishop's College at *Lennoxville*; praying that the privilege of granting Degrees as well in Divinity as in the Arts and Faculties, be conferred upon the said College.

Of *George S. Tiffany*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; praying aid for the construction

of a line of Railway from *Quebec* to *Windsor*, at the western limit of the Province.

Of *Thomas Lottridge* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, and the adjacent Townships; praying for the passing of an Act to preserve the Fish within the waters of *Burlington Bay*, by imposing an increased penalty, and giving further powers to the Justices of the Peace.

Of Messieurs *Greene* and Sons and others, Furriers and Hatters; praying for a reciprocal rate of Duties with the *United States* on all imports of manufactured furs and hats the production of said *States* and imported from thence, or that a Duty be imposed at the same rate as is now levied by said *States*.

Of His Grace the Archbishop of *Quebec*, and the Roman Catholic Bishops of *Lower Canada*; praying to be incorporated in their respective Dioceses, in the same manner as were the Bishops of *Kingston* and *Toronto* by the Act 8 *Vic. c. 82*.

Of *H. J. Noad*, Esquire, and others, the Directors of the *Quebec Forwarding Company*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *Alphonso Wells*, Esquire; praying to be allowed to prove his claim for services performed by him as Commissioner on the part of *Canada* to determine the Boundary Line between *Canada* and *New Brunswick*, and for payment of the said claim.

Of Mrs. *Angélique Hodgins*, of the Parish of *Berthier*, District of *Montreal*, widow of the late *Antoine Gazaille dit St. Germain*; praying indemnification for loss sustained by her during the Troubles of 1837.

Of *William Evans*, of *Côte St. Paul*, Parish of *Montreal*; praying compensation for his services in the promotion of agricultural improvements in *Canada*, and for loss incurred thereby.

Of the President, Directors, and Stockholders of the *Streetsville Plank Road Company*; praying for an extension of their Charter.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by Mr. *Prince*, and the Question being proposed, That the Doorkeeper be directed to allow free access to the Galleries of this House to all persons desirous of entering the same.

Gallery of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*. That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the Order of Mr. Speaker, that admission to the Gallery "should only be by Ticket, (of which a certain "number are furnished by Members,) should be "maintained," added instead thereof.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved in amendment to the said proposed Amendment, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, That the words "till after seven o'clock, "when the public will be admitted to as many seats "as may be vacant" be added at the end thereof.

And the Question being put, That those words be there added; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Brooks*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Dickson*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Guy*, *Hall*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *M'Lean*, *Meyers*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Stevenson*, and *Wilson*.—(22.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Daviyon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Guillet*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méhot*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Scott* of

TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wetenhall.*—(48.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the Original Question; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Resolved*, That the Order of Mr. Speaker, that admission to the Gallery should only be by Ticket, (of which a certain number are furnished to Members,) should be maintained.

Petition of H. P. Croft and others;

*Resolved*, That the Petition of *Henry P. Croft* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Kamouraska*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Taché*, Mr. *Marquis*, Mr. *Polette*, Mr. *Fournier*, and Mr. *Méthot*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of B. Workman and others;

*Resolved*, That the Petition of *Benjamin Workman*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Montreal* and its vicinity, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Nelson*, Mr. *Notman*, Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, Mr. *Richards*, and Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of H. Smith and others;

*Resolved*, That the Petition of *Henry Smith*, Esquire, and others, of *Grimsby* and other Townships, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *M'Farland*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Wetenhall*, and Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of H. Morgan and others;

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Henry Morgan* and others, of *Binbrook* and *Saltsfleet*, be referred to the said Committee.

Of LeMesurier, Tilstone and Company;

*Resolved*, That the Petition of Messieurs *LeMesurier*, *Tilstone* and Company, and others, Merchants, and others, of the City of *Quebec*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Christie*, Mr. *Taché*, and Mr. *Méthot*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of J. Clark;

*Resolved*, That the two Petitions of *John Clark*, Esquire, on behalf of the *Niagara* District Agricultural Society, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *M'Farland*, the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, Mr. *Watts*, Mr. *Wetenhall*, and Mr. *Thompson*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of the Revd. J. Macdonald and others;

*Resolved*, That the Petition of the Very Reverend *John Macdonald*, Vicar General of the Diocese of *Kingston*, and others, the Clergy, Magistrates, and others of the Eastern District, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, Mr. *Richards*, and Mr. *Hall*, to examine the contents thereof, and

to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Robert E. Burns*, Esquire, and others; the Petition of *George Gurnett*, Esquire, Mayor, and others, of the City of *Toronto*, and others of the Home District; the Petition of *Benjamin Bowerman* and others; the Petition of *James Platt*, Esquire, Mayor, and others, of the City of *Oswego*, in the State of *New York*, and others; the Petition of the Literary and Historical Society of *Quebec* (Quorum); and the Petition of *William Simpson* and *Abel R. Ward*, of the Village of *Smith's Falls*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of R. E. Burns;  
Of G. Gurnett and others;  
Of B. Bowerman and others;  
Of J. Platt and others;  
Of the Quebec Lit. and Hist. Society;  
Of Simpson and Ward;

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *B. H. LeMoine* and *A. M. Delisle*, Esquires, be referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *J. O. Alfred Turgeon*, Esquire, and others, the Mayor and Councillors of the County of *Terrebonne*, and other references.

Of B. H. LeMoine and others;

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *M. Asseltine*, Chairman, on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of *Ernestown*, Midland District, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to enquire whether any and what Legislative measures can be adopted to repress the evils growing out of Intemperance, and another reference.

Of M. Asseltine, referred.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Eighth Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

Your Committee have examined the Petitions of the *Grand River* Navigation Company; of *A. W. Laird* and others; of *John Jacques* and others; of *H. G. Habbin* and others; of *E. C. Thomas* and *T. M. Simons*; of the Reverend *F. T. Lahaye* and others; of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*; of *W. K. M'Cord* and others; and of *Z. Williams* and others, and find that none of these Petitions are of such a nature as to require the publication of notice.

On motion of Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by Mr. *Lemieux*,

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Community of the Nuns of the General Hospital of *Quebec* to acquire and hold additional real and personal property to a certain amount," be now read the first time.

Nuns of the Quebec General Hospital Property Bill.

And the Bill was read the first time.

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

*Ordered*, That the Annual Report of the Commissioners of Public Works, for 1848, laid before this House, on Monday, the fifth instant, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Public Works.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *W. K. M'Cord*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Petition of W. K. M'Cord and others.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wetenhall* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton and Gore* Mechanics' Institute.

Hamilton and Gore Mechanics Institute Bill.

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



Impediments  
to the Naviga-  
tion below  
Quebec

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Méthot*, the Honorable Mr. *La Terrière*, Mr. *Taché*, and Mr. *Egan*, be appointed to enquire into the impediments to the safe navigation of the River *St. Lawrence* below *Quebec*, and of the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, and into the best means of removing the same, and otherwise improving such navigation, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Public Works.

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*, *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the office of Public Works, embracing the following items: A specification of all Contracts entered into by the Board of Works since the 10th February, 1841, to the 31st January, 1849; the nature of the work contracted for; the gross amount of the Estimate of the Engineer; the sums paid to the Contractors for work and materials under the contract; the sums paid above the contract price for any work, and the reasons for such overpayment; the amount paid from the expenditure on each work, for the expenses of management and support of the office of the Board of Works, and for salaries and allowances to its *employés*; and the amount paid for Surveys and special services, denoting the nature of each.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

School of Na-  
vigation.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *La Terrière*, the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, Mr. *Egan*, Mr. *Armstrong*, Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Chauveau*, and Mr. *Taché*, be appointed to enquire into the expediency of establishing a Provincial School of Navigation at *Quebec*, in which Pilots' Apprentices and Seamen of all classes should be taught gratuitously, and in the French and English Languages, Mathematics, and the use of Nautical Instruments; such School being provided with Books, Maps, and all other Apparatus necessary for demonstrating, explaining, and practising the science aforesaid.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, to enquire what would be the cost of a Vessel for the use of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, for attending the Light Houses and Dépôts of Provisions in the different ports of the River *St. Lawrence*; whether such Vessel might be placed at the disposal of the Professor in the said School, jointly with the Master commanding the said Vessel, for the purpose of practical demonstration in the science aforesaid, and thus instruct the Pilots' Apprentices and other pupils or seamen of all classes, in the Art of Navigation; whether the pupils serving gratuitously on board such Vessel ought not to be victualled and provided for by the Province, or by the Trinity House, during the period of their so serving; and as to the probable cost of such an Institution for the salary of the Professor, the Lecture-room, Books, Maps, Instruments, and the said Provincial Vessel.

Absconding  
Debtors' Pro-  
perty Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, have leave to bring in a Bill to reduce the expenses of proceedings, in *Upper Canada*, against the property of absconding or concealed Debtors.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Prince* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "The *Sault Sainte Marie* Mining Company."

Sault Ste. Marie Mining Company Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dickson* have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the construction of, and protect from injury, Electro-Magnetic Telegraphs in this Province.

Electro Magnetic Telegraphs Bill.

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

On motion of Mr. *Lemieux*, seconded by Mr. *Laurin*, *Resolved*, That the 66th Rule of this House be suspended, so far as it affects the introduction of a Bill to incorporate *Jean Clovis Bélanger* and others, for the construction of a Bridge over the River *Etchemin*, near the Church of the Parish of *St. Anselme*, in the County of *Dorchester*.

St. Anselme Bridge Company Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lemieux* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize *Jean Clovis Bélanger*, Esquire, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemin*, in the Parish of *St. Anselme*, near the Church of the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*, and to incorporate the said *Jean Clovis Bélanger* and others, under the name of the "*St. Anselme* Bridge Company," and for other purposes therein mentioned.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Armstrong* have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the County of *Berthier* into two Municipalities, for Municipal purposes.

Berthier Municipalities Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chabot* have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the trade of Stevedore at the Port of *Quebec*.

Stevedores Regulation Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chabot* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend and consolidate the provisions contained in the Ordinances to incorporate the City and Town of *Quebec*, and to vest more ample powers in the Corporation of the said City and Town.

Quebec Incorporation Amendment Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Amendment which was, on Tuesday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the necessity of establishing the amount of Losses incurred by certain inhabitants in *Lower Canada* during the Politi-

Rebellion Losses.

cal Troubles of 1837 and 1838, and of providing for the payment thereof, be now read;

And which Amendment was, That the words "now read" be left out, and the words "postponed for ten days to give time for the expression of the feelings of the Country," added instead thereof.

And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until to-morrow, and be then the first Order of the day.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

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

*Martis, 20<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;*

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Montreal High School.

MR. SPEAKER laid before the House, a Statement of the Property of the High School of *Montreal*, and of the Revenue and Disbursements for the year ending 31st July, 1848, pursuant to the Act 8 Vic. c. 104.

Appendix (N.N.)

For the said Statement, see Appendix (N.N.)

Montreal City and District Savings Bank.

And also, Statement of the Affairs of the City and District Savings Bank of *Montreal*, received in conformity to an Order of the House, of the 25th ultimo.

Appendix (P.)

For the said Statement, see Appendix (P.)

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. *Davignon*,—The Petition of *Joseph Courtemanche* and others, of the County of *Rouville*.

By Mr. *Flint*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Victoria* (Municipal Council Bill).

By Mr. *Marquis*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of *Kamouraska* (Municipal Councils).

By Mr. *Polette*,—The Petition of *John Keenan* and others, Officers and Members of Fire Companies.

By Mr. *Fourquin*,—The Petition of *Léon Rousseau*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Yamaska*.

By Mr. *Wetenhall*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore* (Municipal system); and the Petition of *Frederick C. Capreol*, of the City of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Fergusson*,—The Petition of *James Cowan* and others, of the Township of *Waterloo*, District of *Wellington*; and the Petition of *John Frost*, Esquire, and others, of the Districts of *Simcoe* and *Wellington*.

By Mr. *Holmes*,—The Petition of the Honorable *James Ferrier* and others, Directors and Stockholders of the High School of *Montreal*.

Petition of W. Stewart and others;

Ordered, That the Petition of *William Stewart* and others, of the Township of *Nepean*, District of *Dalhousie*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of the Revd. A. Racine and others, referred.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend *Antoine Racine* and others, of *Stanford*, and other places in the District of *Three Rivers*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the causes of Emigration from *Canada* to the *United States*, and other references.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Superintendent of Elementary Education for *Lower Canada*, for the year 1848.

Education Report (L. C.)

For the said Report, see Appendix (O.O.)

Appendix (O.O.)

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 8th instant, praying him to be pleased to cause to be laid before them, Copies of any petitions, papers, and correspondence (in addition to those already on the Journals of the House) that may be in the possession of the Executive Government, relative to the dismissal of *A. B. Papineau* of *St. Martin*, Esquire, as well previous as subsequent to his dismissal from the Magistracy of the District of *Montreal*, and other offices of trust and honor under Her Majesty's Government, and explanatory of the causes of his said dismissal.

A. B. Papineau.

For the said Return, see Appendix (P.P.)

Appendix (P.P.)

Ordered, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Select Committee to which are referred the Public Accounts for 1847, and the Accounts of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, to make or procure, or cause to be made, if practicable, a General Statement of the Annual Revenue and Expenditure of this Province, from the period of the Union of the late Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, to the end of the year 1847, shewing the gross amount collected, from what source, and under what authority; the net amount after deducting the expenses of collection, and the expenditure classified under different heads; and to report the same to the House.

Revenue and Expenditure.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Thursday next (to-morrow being Ash-Wednesday).

Adjournment.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the naturalization of Aliens.

Aliens Naturalization Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Emigration Act. He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Emigration Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Beaubien* and Mr. *Armstrong* be added to the Select Committee to which were referred the two Petitions of *John Clark*, Esquire, on behalf of the *Niagara* District Agricultural Society.

Petitions of J. Clark.

Ordered, That the said Committee have leave to report from time to time, by Bill or otherwise.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the insertion of certain Official Notices in the *Canada Gazette* only.

Official Notices Bill.

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

Sheriff of the  
Niagara Dis-  
trict.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 15th instant, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, all Papers connected with the Securities given by the Sheriff of the *Niagara* District to the Government, having reference to his office of Sheriff.

By Command,

J. LESLIE,  
Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
20th February, 1849.

*Niagara*, 1st August, 1848.

Sir,—In fulfilment of the directions of the Statute 3 *Will.* 4, c. 8, sec. 19, I have the honor to report, for the information of His Excellency the Governor General, that the Sheriff of the District of *Niagara* hath omitted to give and renew his Security, as required by that Act, and that his former Covenant expired on the ninth day of July last.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) E. C. CAMPBELL,  
Chairman Quarter Sessions,  
*Niagara* District.

The Honorable *R. B. Sullivan*,  
Secretary, &c. &c.  
*Montreal*.

Secretary's Office,  
*Montreal*, 8th August, 1848.

Sir,—I have the honor, by command of the Governor General, to inform you that the Judge of the *Niagara* District Court has reported to His Excellency, that you have omitted to give and renew your Security as Sheriff of that District, as required by the Act 3 *Will.* 4, c. 8, and that your former Covenant expired on the 9th July last.

I am directed by His Excellency to request that you will furnish me with an explanation of the cause of this omission, for His Excellency's information.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) E. A. MEREDITH.

*Wm. Kingsmill*, Esquire,  
Sheriff of the *Niagara* District.  
*Niagara*, C. W.

Sheriff's Office,  
*Niagara*, 8th August, 1848.

Sir,—Having been reminded by the Chairman of the Quarter Sessions, that the period for renewing my Securities has arrived, a circumstance inadvertently lost sight of, I have the honor to state, that no time shall now be lost in complying with the requirements of the Statute.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) W. KINGSMILL,  
Sheriff *Niagara* District.

The Honorable  
The Secretary of the Province.

Sheriff's Office,  
*Niagara*, 16th October, 1848.

Sir,—I have the honor to inform you, that the Securities, required by law, for the due performance of my office as Sheriff of the *Niagara* District, have been deposited, as required, in the Office of the Clerk

of the Peace, to be approved by the Magistrates in Quarter Sessions assembled.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) W. KINGSMILL,  
Sheriff *Niagara* District.

The Honorable  
The Secretary of the Province,  
&c. &c. &c.

MEM.—Mr. *Kingsmill's* former Bond is dated the 10th July, 1844, and stated to be good until the 9th July, 1848.

The new one is dated 10th July, 1848. The Securities however agree to be liable from the 9th July.

The same is the case with the Covenant, which is not approved by the Magistrates in Session until the 19th January, 1849. J. C.

On motion of Mr. *Jobin*, seconded by Mr. *Morrison*, Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Stormont*, have leave to adjourn until Thursday next. Stormont Election.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Amendment which was, on Tuesday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the necessity of establishing the amount of Losses incurred by certain inhabitants in *Lower Canada* during the Political Troubles of 1837 and 1838, and of providing for the payment thereof, be now read; Rebellion Losses. (L.C.)

And which Amendment was, That the words "now read" be left out, and the words "postponed for ten days, to give time for the expression of the feelings of the Country," added instead thereof.

And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Brooks*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Dickson*, *Gugy*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *M'Lean*, *Meyers*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Stevenson*, and *Wilson*.—(20.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Burrill*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(56.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the necessity of establishing the amount of Losses incurred by certain inhabitants in *Lower Canada* during the Political Troubles of 1837 and 1838, and of providing for the payment thereof, be now read;

*Sir Allan N. MacNab* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, That all the words after "That" to the end

of the Question, be left out, and the words "no Message having been received from His Excellency the Governor General recommending to this House to make provision for liquidating the Claims for Losses incurred by the Rebellions in *Lower Canada*, during the present Session, this House has no authority to entertain any such proposition."

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Brooks, Christie, Crysler, Dickson, Gagy, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, M<sup>c</sup>Lean, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Stevenson*.—(17.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier, Burrill, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Dumas, Ferguson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Marquis, M<sup>c</sup>Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Richards, Sawageau, Scott* of BYTOWN, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wetenhall*.—(54.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the necessity of establishing the amount of Losses incurred by certain inhabitants in *Lower Canada*, during the Political Troubles of 1837 and 1838, and of providing for the payment thereof, be now read.

And the same was read accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the necessity of establishing the amount of Losses incurred by certain inhabitants of *Lower Canada* during the Political Troubles of 1837 and 1838, and of providing for the payment thereof.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, acquainted the House that His Excellency having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the said Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the said Order be then the first Order of the day.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Thursday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,

The House adjourned till Thursday next.

Jovis, 22.º die Februarii ;

ANNO 12º VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

MR. SPEAKER laid before the House, the Report of the Commissioners for the relief of indigent Invalids and Foundlings in the District of *Quebec*, for the year 1848.

For the said Report, see Appendix (Q. Q.)

Invalids and Foundlings.

Appendix (Q. Q.)

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. *Beaubien*.—The Petition of the Reverend *L. M. Brassard* and others, of *Chambly, Longuevi*, and other Parishes.

By Mr. *Flint*.—The Petition of the Councillors of the *Mohawk* Nation of Indians of the *Bay of Quinté*, in behalf of their Tribe.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,—The Petition of *Hugh Maginnis* and others, of the Township of *Thurlow*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*.—The Petition of the Delegates of the Freeholders of the County of *Lincoln*, in public meeting assembled at *St. Catherines* (Division Courts); the Petition of the Delegates of the Freeholders of the County of *Lincoln*, in public meeting assembled at *St. Catherines* (Statute labour); and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara* (Municipal Council Bill).

By Mr. *Lyon*.—The Petition of *Archibald Petrie* and others, of the Township of *Cumberland*; the Petition of *G. G. Dunning* and others, of the Township of *Cumberland*; the Petition of *William Duncan*, Chairman, and *John A. Simpson*, Secretary, on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of the Township of *Russell* (annexation to *Dalhousie*); the Petition of *John M<sup>c</sup>Caul* and others, of the Township of *Clarence*; and the Petition of *William Duncan*, Chairman, and *John A. Simpson*, Secretary, on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of the Townships of *Russell* and *Cambridge* (Representation).

By Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Farland*.—The Petition of *Isaac H. Culp*, of the Township of *Stamford*, District of *Niagara*.

By Mr. *Bell*.—The Petition of the Reverend *J. H. M<sup>c</sup>Donagh* and others, Priests and Laymen of *Perth* and its vicinity.

By Mr. *Holmes*.—The Petition of *P. P. Russell* and others, inhabitants of the District of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Connell*.—The Petition of Doctor *S. Gregory* and others.

By Mr. *Gagy*.—The Petition of *Joel Bigelow*, Esquire, and *Joseph Bigelow*, Chairman and Secretary, on behalf of the inhabitants of the Town of *Lindsay*, Township of *Ops*.

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

Of *George Webster*, one of the Messengers of the House; praying for an increase of wages.

Of *James Graham* and others, of the County of *Norfolk*; praying that an inquiry may be instituted into all matters bearing upon the dismissal of *George H. Park*, Esquire, M. D., from the office of Medical Superintendent of the temporary Lunatic Asylum.

Of the Reverend *Denis Begley* and others, the Catholic Clergyman and Laity of the Parish of *Alexandria*; praying that suitable provision be made for the College of *Regiopolis*.

Of *George D. Watson*, on behalf of the Board of Management of the Merchants' Exchange and Reading Room Association of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the *St. Michel Road Company*; praying that a certain Road proposed by *B. H. LeMoine* and *A. M. Delisle*, Esquires, to be constructed, may be made at the cost and risk of the said parties; or otherwise that the *St. Michel Road* may be placed under the

Trustees of the *Montreal Turnpike Roads*, and the said Company indemnified for the value of their stock therein.

Of *John Thomas* and others, of the Village and vicinity of *Colborne*; praying for aid to promote the construction of a line of Railroad from *Quebec*, by a certain route, to *Port Sarnia* and *Windsor* at the western limit of the Province.

Of *John M. Grover* and others, of the Village and vicinity of *Colborne*; praying that *Samuel S. Cole*, may be authorized to collect Toll and Harbour Dues at a Pier and Harbour which he is constructing, on the same scale as that allowed to the *Colborne Harbour Company*, and that aid may be granted him for the completion of the said Harbour.

Of *Samuel S. Cole*, of the Village of *Colborne*, in the District of *Newcastle*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize him to collect Tolls and Harbour Dues at a Harbour which he is constructing at *Colborne*, and for aid to enable him to complete the same upon certain conditions.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Newcastle*; praying that the appointment of Assessors and Collectors may be vested in the Municipal Councils, and that the said Councils be invested with power to preserve decorum in their meetings.

Of the Council of the Municipality of *Sherbrooke*; praying for the removal of certain doubts as to the time of their first meeting.

Of *Ichabod Smith* and others, Trustees of the *Stanstead Seminary*; praying for aid.

Of *Auldin Plumly*, of the Township of *Hatley*; praying for the payment of a certain amount due to him and *Alphonso Burbank* by the late Municipal Council for the said Township.

Of *P. Veziua*, Esquire, and others, Delegates from various Townships in the District of *Three Rivers*, and others of the Town of *Three Rivers*; praying that the proposed Judicature Bill may not pass into a Law, in so far as it relates to the said District.

Of *G. Chaillier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre les Becquets*, County of *Nicolet*; praying for the adoption of measures to facilitate the Commutation of Tenure of Lands *en fief* and *en censive*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Quebec*; and of *Joseph Bedard*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Quebec*; praying for the repeal of the Municipal Council Act, and for the re-establishment of Parish Municipalities.

Of *Joseph Bedard*, Esquire, and others, *Censitaires* of the County of *Quebec*; praying that the rates of Commutation of the Tenure of Land into free and common soccage, may be made more equitable.

Of the Reverend *J. D. Déziel* and others, of the Parish of *Point Levy*, County of *Dorchester*; praying for the repeal of the law authorizing the licensing of Taverns in the country, and that Temperance Houses be substituted in place thereof.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Ottawa*; praying for a reduction of the costs of the District Court, and that the jurisdiction of the Division Courts may be extended.

Of *P. B. Dumoulin*, Esquire, of *Three Rivers*; praying for the payment of certain arrears of rent due to him for a house used as a House of Correction for the District of *Three Rivers*.

Of *Franklin Chadsey* and others, of the Township of *Dorchester*; praying for the adoption of measures to obtain the repeal of the Imperial Act relating to the Clergy Reserves, and for the abolition of Rectories, and that the funds arising therefrom may be devoted to purposes of general utility.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *London*; praying for the repeal of the Usury Laws.

Of *George B. Rae* and others, of the Township of *Clarence*; praying that the Clergy Reserve question

may be finally settled by appropriating the funds arising from the Reserves to the purposes of general education.

Of *William R. R. Lyon*, of *Richmond*, District of *Dalhousie*, Merchant; complaining of certain unjust and illegal acts and decisions on the part of *Christopher Armstrong*, Esquire, Judge of the District Court of the said District and of his unfitness for the said office, and praying for an inquiry in the premises, and that means be adopted for his removal therefrom.

Of *James Malvagh* and others, of *Nepean*, County of *Carleton*; praying that no alteration may be made in the original survey of the said Township.

Of *James Breakridge* and others, of the Townships of *Russell* and *Cumberland*; praying for aid to construct a Bridge over the *Castor River*, and for the completion of a Road through the said Townships and *Gloucester*, to *Bytown*.

Of the President, Directors, and Stockholders of the *Grimsby Harbour Company*; praying that their Charter may be revived and extended.

Of the Reverend *C. L. Vinet* and others, of the Parish of *St. Constant*; praying indemnification for Losses sustained by them during the Troubles of 1837 and 1838.

Of *Etienne Simard* and others, of the Parish of *Château Richer*, County of *Montmorency*; praying for the adoption of certain measures for the promotion of Temperance.

Of *Joseph Courtemanche* and others, of the County of *Rowville*; praying to be relieved from the daily payment of Tolls on the Turnpike Road from *St. Athanase* to *Stanbridge*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Victoria*; praying for certain alterations to the proposed Bill to provide by one general Law for the erection of Municipal Councils in *Upper Canada*, in the event of its passing into a Law.

Of the Municipal Council of *Kamouraska*; praying that the existing Municipal Councils of Counties may be continued.

Of *John Keenan* and others, Officers and Members of Fire Companies; praying that the provisions of the Act 4 & 5 Vic. c. 43, may be so extended as to exempt persons serving as Members of a Fire Company for the term of seven consecutive years, from serving as Jurymen or Constables.

Of *Léon Rousseau*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Yamaska*; praying for aid to construct a Bridge across the River *Yamaska*, and also another across the River *St. Francis*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*; praying that no final action may be had this Session upon the proposed Bill relating to the Municipal system of *Upper Canada*.

Of *Frederick C. Capreol*, Esquire, of the City of *Toronto*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize him to construct a Railroad from the said City to *Lake Huron*.

Of *James Cowan* and others, of the Township of *Waterloo*, District of *Wellington*; praying for the passing of an Act to divide *Waterloo* into two Townships.

Of *John Frost*, Esquire, and others, of the Districts of *Simcoe* and *Wellington*; praying that certain Townships and lands therein mentioned may be formed into a new County and District, to be called the District of *Owen's Sound*.

Of the Honorable *James Ferrier* and others, Directors and Stockholders of the High School of *Montreal*; praying for aid in support of the said School.

Mr. *Thompson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, and the Question being put, That the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara* (*Brock's Monument*) be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,

Brock's Monument.



Mr. Dickson, Mr. Notman, Mr. M'Farland, and the mover, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boutillier, Burrill, Davignon, Fortier, Jobin, Macdonald of GLENGARY, M'Farland, Merritt, Mongenais, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Scott of B-TOWN, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, and Thompson.*—(16.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Boulton of NORFOLK, Brooks, Cartier, Cauchon, Cayley, Chabot, Christie, Crysler, DeWitt, Fergusson, Fournier, Fourquin, Gully, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Attorney General La-Fontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, Marquis, M'Connell, M'Lean, Méthot, Meyers, Morrison, Nelson, Price, Prince, Richards, Robinson, Sauvageau, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Smith of FRONTENAC, Stevenson, Viger, Wetenhall, and Wilson.*—(49.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Petition of R. C. Wilkins and others;

*Resolved*, That the Petition of *Robert C. Wilkins* and others, of *Ameliasburgh*, District of *Prince Edward*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Stevenson*, the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, Mr. *Meyers*, Mr. *Thompson*, and Mr. *Seymour*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of W. Blakely and others;

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *William Blakely* and others, of the third concession of *Ameliasburgh*, District of *Prince Edward*, be referred to the said Committee.

Of J. Vollar;

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *James Vollar*, a Messenger of the Legislative Assembly, be referred to the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

Of the Municipal Council of Three Rivers;

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Town of *Three Rivers*; the Petition of *Theophilus Richaby* and others, of the Town of *Three Rivers*; the Petition of *G. B. Hall* and others, of the Town of *Peterborough*; the Petition of *Andrew Geddes* and others, of the Districts of *Wellington* and *Gore*; and the Petition of *George Poapst* and others, of the ninth Concession of *Cornwall*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of T. Rickaby and others;

Of G. B. Hall and others;

Of A. Geddes and others;

Of G. Poapst and others, referred.

Petition of H. S. Larned.

Mr. *Wilson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, and the Question being put, That the Petition of *Henry S. Larned*, formerly of *Chatham* in the Western District, now of the City of *Buffalo* in the *United States*, be referred to a Special Committee to be named by this House.

The House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

Report on Petition of J. H. Aussem and others.

Mr. *Flint*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *John H. Aussem*, Esquire, and others, of the Province of *Canada*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition to them referred, and find that it is signed by about two thousand Petitioners who are desirous that persons practising the Thomsonian or Botanic system of Medicine may be authorized to prescribe, and to collect pay for their services. Your Committee, after a due consideration, can see no reason why those who prac-

tise this system, and hold a regular Diploma from their Society, should not enjoy the same privileges as other members of the Medical Profession; and they look upon the restrictions which now exist, as an unnecessary interference with the rights and liberties of those who have confidence in the Thomsonian mode of treatment: they therefore beg leave to recommend the matter of this Petition to the consideration of Your Honorable House.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be taken into consideration on Monday next.

Mr. *Jobin*, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Stormont*, reported, That the Committee met this day at half-past nine o'clock, but were unable to proceed to business, in consequence of the absence of Mr. *Bell*, Mr. *Boutillier*, and Mr. *Taché*, members of the Committee.

Stormont Election.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bell*, Mr. *Boutillier*, and Mr. *Taché*, do severally attend in their places in this House, at the next sitting thereof.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Ninth Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

Your Committee have examined the Petitions of *Benjamin Bowerman* and others, and of *George Gurnett*, Esquire, and others; and find that in each case the requisite notice has been given.

They have also examined the Petition of *W. B. Wrong* and others, for incorporation of a Company to improve the Harbour at *Port Burwell*, and the transfer to them of the property appertaining to the said Harbour, and they find that notice has been given in the *Canada Gazette* only; but the fact of a Petition in opposition to the measure having been presented to Your Honorable House, Your Committee deem to be sufficient proof that the application was publicly known in the District; they therefore beg leave to recommend that the notice be considered sufficient.

With respect to the Petitions of *John Grubb*, Esquire, and of *Absalom Shade* and *James Cowan*, Esquires, Your Committee find that the requisite notices have not been given.

The Petitions of *Robert E. Burns*, Esquire, and others; of *William Simpson* and *Abel R. Ward*; of *William Stewart* and others; of *James Platt*, Esquire, and others; and of the Literary and Historical Society of *Quebec*, do not, in the opinion of Your Committee, require the publication of notice.

Mr. *Fournier*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *O. E. Casgrain*, Esquire, and others, of the lower part of the County of *L'Islet*, with power to report by Bill or otherwise, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Report on Petition of O. E. Casgrain and others.

Your Committee having taken evidence on the subject of the Petition referred to them, and examined other documents submitted to their consideration, are unanimously of opinion, that the removal of the Registry Office of the County of *L'Islet* from the Parish of *St. Thomas* to that of *L'Islet* in the said County, ought to be effected for the following reasons:—

1st. The Petition praying for this change, contains about fourteen hundred signatures from the different Parishes of *St. Roch*, *St. Jean Port Joli*, *L'Islet*, *St. Cyrille* and *Cap St. Ignace*.

2nd. When the Registry Office was established at *St. Thomas*, this Parish was certainly the most central point, being on the borders of the two Counties *L'Islet* and *Bellechasse*, and this Registry Office alone serving for both Counties; but the Legislature, by a

subsequent Act, divided these two Counties for the purposes of registration, so that the Registry Office of the County of *L'Islet* is quite at the western extremity of the County, while the centre is at the Parish of *L'Islet*, and the inhabitants of the eastern extremity of this County are obliged to go a great distance in order to enregister their Deeds; this, without doubt, causes great inconvenience in certain cases, and especially when the Deeds require immediate enregistration, without including the expenses and loss of time to which the greater part of the inhabitants of the said County are exposed.

3rd. On referring to the Census of 1844 for this County, it is easy to become convinced that the greater extent of land and the greater number of the population is contained in the three Parishes in the lower part of the County.

4th. The new Parish of *St. Cyrille*, and the Township of *Ashford*, the former being opposite *L'Islet*, and the latter opposite *St. Roch*, to the east of the County, have greatly increased in cultivation and in population since the Census of 1844,—a Church having even since been built at *St. Cyrille*. It must be added, that one half of the *Cap St. Ignace* is interested in having the Registry Office at *L'Islet*.

Your Committee take the liberty, in support of their Report, to refer Your Honorable House to the annexed comparative statement of the population of the different Parishes of the County of *L'Islet*:

Extract from the Census of 1844, for the County of *L'Islet*.

PARISHES.	Number of Houses.	Number of Persons.	Number of Proprietors.	Cultivated Lands.	Uncultivated Lands.	Number of Bushels of Grain.
St. Thomas .....	526	3721	453	27075	15627	89371
Crane Island.....	63	515	40	3859	3056	23216
St. Pierre.....	201	1340	154	18361	9782	50673
Cap St. Ignace .....	339	2320	301	26683	8353	55366
Total.....	1129	7896	948	75978	36818	218626
L'Islet and St. Cyrille.	462	3088	370	35461	4046	80477
St. Jean Port Joli .....	439	3132	306	39130	18909	79192
St. Roch.....	372	2897	298	31373	16344	88047
Total.....	1273	9117	974	105964	39299	247716
Difference in favour of the three Parishes in the lower part of the County .....	144	1221	26	29986	2481	29090

Also, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 12th instant, praying him to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, any documents that may be in the possession of the Provincial Government connected with the case of Mr. *Joseph Donegani*, of the City of *Montreal*, on the Bill passed in the year 1845, for his relief, or copies of Despatches connected therewith, that may be in the possession of the Government.

Joseph Donegani.

For the said Return, see Appendix (S.S.)

Appendix (S.S.)

Also, Supplementary Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 29th January, 1849, praying for copies of any correspondence that may have taken place between the Executive Government and the Honorable Mr. Justice *Bedard*, anterior and relative to his translation from the Bench of Judges at *Quebec* to that of *Montreal*, together with copies of his Commissions, as well to the former as to the latter; also, copies of any letters or correspondence between the Executive and the Honorable Mr. Justice *Aylwin*, relative to his appointment to the Bench at *Quebec* as successor to Mr. Justice *Bedard*.

Mr. Justice Bedard.

For the said Supplementary Return, see Appendix (G.G.)

Appendix (G.G.)

Ordered, That the said Supplementary Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That the Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, relating to *James-Moir Ferres*, Esquire, laid before this House, on Friday, the sixteenth instant, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

J. M. Ferres.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by Mr. *Johnson*,

Ordered, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to make "better provision for the protection of the "property of persons dying Intestate in that "part of this Province formerly called *Upper "Canada*," be now read the first time.

Bill relating to persons dying Intestate.

And the Bill was read the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 2nd instant, praying him to be pleased to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, a Return of all Tolls collected upon the several Macadamized and Planked Roads in *Upper Canada*, for the years 1847 and 1848, respectively, and the expenses attending the collection thereof.

Tolls collected on Roads (U.C.)

For the said Return, see Appendix (T.T.)

Appendix (T.T.)

Ordered, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chabot* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Charter of the Literary and Historical Society of *Quebec*.

Quebec Literary and Historical Society Bill.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 15th instant,—List of Persons at present employed in the Crown Timber Office, *Bytown*, 1849,

Ottawa Works.

L'Islet Registry Office Bill.

Mr. *Fournier* also presented to the House, a Bill to provide for the removal of the Registry Office of the County of *L'Islet* from the place where it is now kept to the Parish of *L'Islet*, which was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the fifth day of March next.

Suits in Superior Court of Queen's Bench, District of Montreal.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 12th instant, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement of the number of Suits which have been instituted for the last twelve months in the Superior Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Montreal*, and the number of Judgments obtained in such Suits; also, the number of Suits pending, upon which evidence has been closed, but upon which Judgments have not been pronounced; also, the number of Suits, whether argued or not argued, still pending before the said Court.

For the said Return, see Appendix (R.R.)

Appendix (R.R.)

—and Statement of Expenses of the Commission of Enquiry into the Crown Timber Office, *Bytown*, 1845 and 1846.

For the said Return, see Appendix (U.U.)

Appendix  
(U.U.)

Building Societies Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to encourage the establishment of Building Societies in the District of *Quebec*.

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

Manufactories Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brooks* have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the British American Land Company to promote and establish Manufactories in the Eastern Townships of *Canada*.

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

Quebec Forwarding Company Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Méthot* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Quebec Forwarding Company*.

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

Provident Associations Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Notman* have leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating certain Charitable, Philanthropic, and Provident Associations, and for the effectual protection from fraud and misappropriation of the Funds of the same.

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

Jesuits Estates.

On motion of Mr. *Guillet*, seconded by Mr. *Polette*, *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to please to cause the proper Officer to lay before this House, copies of all accounts, receipts and expenditure, which may have been rendered by *Louis Eléonore Dubord*, Esquire, of his administration of the Jesuits' Estates in the District of *Three Rivers*, while Agent thereof.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Chabot*, seconded by Mr. *Lemieux*,

Police Office, Quebec.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all representations, complaints, memorials or petitions, on the part of *W. K. M<sup>c</sup>Cord*, Esquire, Superintendent of Police at the City of *Quebec* relative to the keeping of the Police Office at *Quebec* since the said *W. K. M<sup>c</sup>Cord* has been Superintendent of Police; also, copies of all complaints or representations by the said *W. K. M<sup>c</sup>Cord*, touching the assiduity or want of assiduity of the Justices of the Peace at the weekly sittings of the said Magistrates, and copies of all communications between the said *W. K. M<sup>c</sup>Cord* and the Executive Government, and the Clerks of the Peace or Justices of the Peace, respectively, relative to the matters aforesaid,—and a copy of the investigation made by order of the Executive Government last year, in consequence of the said complaints; and copies of

all documents relative to the matters aforesaid. *Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Christie*, Mr. *Lemieux*, and Mr. *Cauchon*, be appointed to enquire into the manner in which the Office of the Clerks of the Peace at *Quebec* has been and is kept, and into the manner in which the registers, documents, and records of the said Office are kept; and whether there are or are not any abuses or defects in the keeping of the said Office, and of the said registers, documents and records, and the means of remedying such abuses and defects, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, or records.

Clerks of the Peace Office, Quebec.

On motion of Mr. *Chabot*, seconded by Mr. *Lemieux*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement of the fees, income and salary of the Clerks of the Peace at *Quebec* for the years 1844, 1845, 1846, 1847 and 1848, and also of the number of Causes or Prosecutions brought before the Superintendent of Police, and before the Magistrates of the District, and the amount of the fees of the said Clerks of the Peace upon each Prosecution or action; the number of Prosecutions for assault, battery, or breach of the peace; the number of Bail-bonds given and furnished, and the fees of the said Clerks on each; the number of Indictments laid before the Grand Jurors at the Quarter Sessions of the Peace, and the nature of each Indictment, and the fees of the said Clerks thereon; and the number of Warrants for apprehension and imprisonment, and the fees of the said Clerks thereon.

Clerks of the Peace, Quebec.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Lemieux*, seconded by Mr. *Chabot*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the proper officer to lay before this House, a clear and detailed Statement of the fees and emoluments received by the Prothonotaries of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*, in the years 1846, 1847, and 1848, indicating separately the source from which the said fees and emoluments are derived during each year, together with the detailed disbursements and expenses of their office for each year, indicating separately why those expenses have been incurred, the number of Clerks employed in the said office, and their respective ages and annual salaries, and the net profits remaining to the Prothonotaries in each year; and, further, a Statement of the monies remaining in their hands and possession, whether as legal deposits, or as monies remaining deposited with them in cases of ratification, and actually in their hands and possession, since 1840 inclusively; shewing in what Causes the said monies were deposited, when they were deposited, and the time at which they became payable.

Prothonotaries of the Queen's Bench, District of Quebec.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. Christie, seconded by Mr. Seymour,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, such of the Maps as may be in the possession of the Executive Government describing the proposed line of Railway between Halifax and Quebec, as recommended in a Report made by Brevet Major William Robinson of the Corps of Royal Engineers, and which Report is contained in a Despatch of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, transmitted to this House, by Message from His Excellency the Governor General, on the 30th January last.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Ordered, That Mr. Fournier have leave to bring in a Bill to detach the Parish of St. Antoine de L'Isle aux Grues from the Municipality of L'Islet, and to erect the same into a separate Municipality.

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

On motion of Mr. Flint, seconded by Mr. Dickson, Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, by the proper officer, copies of all correspondence relative to the placing an advance of twenty-five per cent, by the Government, on the appraised value of the Clergy Reserves in that part of this Province formerly Upper Canada.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, presented, pursuant to the directions of the Act 10 & 11 Vic. c. 91,—Statement of the Affairs of the Guelph and Arthur Road Company, for the year 1848. For the said Statement, see Appendix (V. V.)

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the necessity of establishing the amount of Losses incurred by certain inhabitants in Lower Canada during the Political Troubles of 1837 and 1838, and of providing for the payment thereof, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Smith, of Frontenac, took the Chair of the Committee;

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

Veneris, 23° die Februarii, 1849 :

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Smith, of Frontenac, reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Jobin, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin,

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of

Stormont, have leave to adjourn until Tuesday next, at ten o'clock, A.M.

Ordered, That when this House doth adjourn, it will adjourn until Monday next. Adjournment.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Monday next. Orders deferred.

Ordered, That the Orders fixed for this day be postponed until Monday next.

Then, on motion of Mr. Laurin, seconded by Mr. Wilson,

At eleven of the clock, in the forenoon, the House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 26° die Februarii ;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE hour appointed for taking into consideration the Petition of William K. Mackenzie, Esquire, a freeholder of the County of Prescott, complaining of the undue Election and Return of Thomas Hall Johnson, Esquire, to represent the said County of Prescott in the present Parliament, being come;

The House proceeded to the appointment of a Select Committee to try and determine the merits of the said Petition.

The Serjeant at Arms was directed by Mr. Speaker to go with the Mace to the places adjacent, and require the attendance of the Members on the business of the House.

And he went accordingly.

And being returned,—the House was called; and more than thirty Members being present,

Mr. Speaker called upon the Petitioner, his counsel or agent, to appear at the bar.

Mr. Mackenzie appeared at the bar, in his own behalf.

Mr. Speaker called upon the Sitting Member, his counsel or agent, to appear.

Mr. Johnson appeared in his place, in his own behalf.

Mr. Johnson presented a List of Witnesses in his own behalf; which was read by the Clerk, as followeth:—

James M'Intosh.....	Longueuil.
John Pattee.....	do
C. Johnson, junior.....	do
John M'Queen.....	Plantagenet.
James FitzGerald.....	do
Thomas FitzGerald.....	do
Patrick Duggan.....	do
St. Orge Belfi.....	do
Stephen Bellord.....	do
William Faulkner.....	do
Henry Bradley.....	do
Donald M'Donald, Dem.....	do
Peter Georgen.....	do
Hugh M'Kinnon.....	East Hawkesbury.
Adam M'Gill.....	do do
Robert Hamilton.....	do do
James Wyley.....	do do
Zachariah M'Callum.....	do do
Duncan M'Callum.....	do do
Alexander Grey.....	do do
William Grey.....	do do
James Grey.....	do do
Thomas Grey.....	do do
Andrew Grey.....	do do
James M'Intosh.....	do do
James Forbs.....	do do
Duncan Forbs.....	do do

Halifax and Quebec Railway.

St. Antoine de L'Isle aux Grues Municipality Bill.

Clergy Reserves.

Guelph and Arthur Road.

Appendix (V. V.)

Rebellion Losses.

Stormont Election.

John M'Iver.....	East Hawkesbury.
Archibald C. LeRoy.....	do do
Christopher Spratt.....	do do
George Spratt.....	do do
Alexander M'Rae.....	do do
Archibald Cameron.....	Point Duchêne.
William Herriot.....	East Hawkesbury.
James Vanton.....	do do
John Crawford.....	do do
John Conway.....	do do
Hugh Mark.....	do do
James Mark.....	do do
John Miller.....	do do
James Hays.....	do do
William Hays.....	do do
Norman M'Leod.....	do do
Alexander Morrison.....	do do
William Whitney.....	do do
John Bloomer.....	do do
Joshua H. Johnson.....	do do
Jonathan Shearman.....	do do
George Higginson.....	West Hawkesbury.
Alexander Fraser, weaver.....	do do
Edward Sproul, senior.....	do do
David Davidson.....	do do
William Lough, near V. K. H. ...	do do
Lewis Hall.....	do do
Henry Walker.....	do do
James Stewart M'Kenzie.....	do do
Robert Walker.....	do do
John M'Gibbon.....	do do
John M'Rae, 17 in 6th.....	do do
Archibald M'Rae, 4 in 4th.....	do do
John M'Rae, 16 in 8th.....	do do
Roderick M'Rae.....	do do
Norman M'Rae.....	do do
Archibald M'Crimmon.....	do do
Donald M'Crimmon, 9 in 7th....	do do
Duncan M'Gibbon.....	do do
Thomas Higginson, Sr. Retg. Ofr.	do do
John Fraser.....	Vankleek Hill.
Hiram Johnson.....	do do
Duncan M'Leod.....	do do
Charles Waters.....	do do
John M'Cuaig.....	Caledonia.
Angus M'Crimmon.....	do do
Hugh Munro.....	do do
Robert Douglas.....	do do
Archibald M'Leod.....	do do
Donald M'Rae.....	do do
Norman M'Intosh.....	do do
William M'Lean.....	do do
Duncan M'Crimmon.....	do do
Duncan M'Leod, 11 in 9th.....	do do
Duncan M'Leod, W ½ 2 in 5th.....	do do
Alexander M'Rae.....	do do
Hugh M'Donald.....	Gore do
Ronald M'Donald.....	do do
James G. Bradley.....	do do
William Bradley.....	do do
Peter Stirling.....	do do
John Cashion.....	Alfred.
James Hughes.....	do do
John Hughes.....	do do
François Rodier.....	do do
John Holmes.....	do do
Mr. Mackenzie handed in a List of Witnesses in his own behalf; which was read by the Clerk, as followeth:—	
James Simpson.....	West Hawkesbury.
John Fraser.....	do do
Duncan M'Leod.....	do do
Henry Wellesley M'Cann.....	do do
Alexander Macdonald.....	do do
James Stuart.....	do do
Donald M'Donald.....	Plantagenet.
Hersa Peck.....	Caledonia.

Paul M'Innes.....West Hawkesbury.  
Henry Walker.....do do  
Hirman Johnson.

Mr. Speaker then desired the Serjeant at Arms to lock the doors.

And the doors being locked accordingly; and the Order of the day for taking the said Petition into consideration being read, the attestation of Mr. Speaker was taken from off the box in which, agreeably to the Statute, the names of all the Members of the House were sealed up; and the same was read by the Clerk, as followeth:—

I attest that this box was, on Saturday, the twenty-fourth day of February, 1849, made up in my presence, in the manner directed by an Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled, "An Act to repeal an Act passed in the forty-fifth year of His late Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act to regulate the trial of Controverted Elections or Returns of Members to serve in the House of Assembly," and to make more effectual provision "for such trials."

A. N. Morin,  
Speaker.

The box was then opened, and the attestation of the Clerk was taken out of the box, and read by him, as followeth:—

I attest that I did, on Saturday, the twenty-fourth day of February, 1849, in the presence of the Speaker of this House, put into a box, in which this attestation is found, the names of all the Members composing the present Legislative Assembly, written upon slips of parchment, and rolled up as directed by an Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled, "An Act to repeal an Act passed in the forty-fifth year of His late Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act to regulate the trial of Controverted Elections or Returns of Members to serve in the House of Assembly," and to make more effectual provision "for such trials."

W. B. Lindsay,  
Clerk Assembly.

The names of all the Members were then taken out of the box, and put into three other boxes.

The drawing of the names was then proceeded in, in the usual manner; and the following names were drawn, to which no objection was taken:—

- |                        |                         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 Sherwood of TORONTO, | 13 Smith of DURHAM.     |
| 2 Cauchon,             | 14 Flint,               |
| 3 Malloch,             | 15 Smith of FRONTENAC,  |
| 4 Fergusson,           | 16 Watts,               |
| 5 Scott of BYTOWN,     | 17 Sir Allan N. MacNab, |
| 6 Boulton of NORFOLK,  | 18 Robinson,            |
| 7 Beaubien,            | 19 Fortier,             |
| 8 Chabot,              | 20 Price,               |
| 9 Viger,               | 21 Notman,              |
| 10 Cartier,            | 22 Macdonald of GLEN-   |
| 11 Holmes,             | GARY.                   |
| 12 Fournier,           | 23 Polette.             |

Thirty-two other names were drawn and set aside, or excused, as follow:—

- Two who were excused.
- Two being upwards of sixty years of age.
- One against whom a Petition is pending.
- Eleven having served on Election Committees.
- Sixteen who were absent.

Mr. Morrison was chosen Nominee for the Petitioner.

Mr. Lyon was chosen Nominee for the sitting Member.

The doors were then unlocked.  
At twenty minutes to five o'clock, P. M., the parties, with Alfred Patrick, Esquire, Clerk to the Select Committee, retired for the purpose of striking the said Committee.



The twenty-nine names remaining in the boxes undrawn were read by the Clerk.

At five o'clock, P. M., the Clerk of the Select Committee delivered to the Clerk of this House, a List containing the names of the nine Members unstruck, composing the said Committee; which is as followeth:—

- |                    |                           |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 <i>Beaubien,</i> | 6 <i>Smith of DURHAM,</i> |
| 2 <i>Chabot,</i>   | 7 <i>Flint,</i>           |
| 3 <i>Viger,</i>    | 8 <i>Fortier,</i>         |
| 4 <i>Cartier,</i>  | 9 <i>Polette.</i>         |
| 5 <i>Fournier,</i> |                           |

Nominee for the Petitioner, Mr. *Morrison.*

Nominee for the sitting Member, Mr. *Lyon.*

*Alfred Patrich,*

Clerk to Committee.

The said nine Members and the Nominees were then severally sworn at the table, by the Clerk, in the usual manner.

On motion of Mr. *Morrison*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee be appointed to try the merits of the Petition of *William K. Mackenzie*, Esquire, a freeholder of the County of *Prescott*, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *Thomas Hall Johnson*, Esquire; to represent the said County in the present Parliament, do meet in the Committee Room, No. 4, to-morrow, at three o'clock, P. M.

St. Lawrence  
Inland Marine  
Assurance  
Company.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, Statement of the Affairs of the *St. Lawrence Inland Marine Assurance Company*, for the year 1848, received in conformity to an Order of the House, of the 25th ultimo.

Appendix (P.)

For the said Statement, see Appendix (P.)

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*,—The Petition of *J. Marks*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Frontenac*.

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,—The Petition of the *Hamilton Mercantile Library Association*; and the Petition of *Edmund Murney*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Hastings*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Price*,—The Petition of *Martin M'Kinnon*, of the Township of *Vaughan*, County of *York*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,—The Petition of *James Emmerson* and others, of the northern Townships of the County of *Kent*; the Petition of *Murdoch M'Donnell*, of the Town of *Perth*; and the Petition of *Joseph D. Clement*, President, and others, the Vice-Presidents, Officers, Committee of Management, and Members of the *Brantford Mechanics' Institute*.

By Mr. *Egan*,—The Petition of *R. B. Hudson* and others, of the Township of *Bristol*.

By Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of *Pierre Brunelle* and others, of *Cap Blanc*, in the City of *Quebec*; two Petitions of *Firmin Perrin*, Esquire, of the Parish of *Berthier*; and the Petition of *John M'Golrick* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*,—The Petition of the Mayor, and Aldermen and Commonality of the City of *Toronto* (Municipal Council Bill).

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,—The Petition of *W. H. Anderson*, Esquire, and others, stockholders and subscribers to the *Quebec Protestant Cemetery Association*; and the Petition of *Joshua Wixon* and others, of *Pickering*, Home District.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of *Gideon Tiffany* and others, of the Township of *Delaware*.

By Mr. *Johnson*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Ottawa* (Arrears of Land Tax).

By Mr. *Dumas*,—The Petition of *John M'Conville* and others, of the Parish of *St. Paul*.

By Mr. *Sauvageau*,—The Petition of *F. Nye* and others, of the County of *Huntingdon*.

By Mr. *Burritt*,—The Petition of *John Ferguson* and others, of the County of *Grenville*; the Petition of *Henry Burritt* and others, of the Districts of *Johnstown*, *Bathurst* and *Dalhousie*; and the Petition of *Samuel Crane* and others, of the District of *Johnstown*.

By Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*,—The Petition of *Adiel Sherwood*, Esquire, Chairman, and *John Bacon*, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting of the Inhabitants of the District of *Johnstown* assembled at *Brockville*.

By Mr. *Guy*,—The Petition of *Frederick S. Verity* and others, of the County of *Beauharnois*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Simcoe* (Clergy Reserves).

By the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,—The Petition of *James Oswald* and others, of the District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *William Davidson* and others, of the first and second Concessions of the Township of *Cais-tor*, County of *Lincoln*; the Petition of the Honorable *W. H. Merritt*, President, and others, Directors of the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*, and the *Niagara Falls International Bridge Company*; the Petition of *William Hewson* and others, of the Township of *Grantham*; and the Petition of *George Rykert*, Esquire, Chairman, and *Thomas Foley*, Secretary, on behalf of a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of *St. Catherines* and the Township of *Grantham*.

By Mr. *Laurin*,—The Petition of *A. Legendre*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Lotbinière*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,—The Petition of the City Council of the City of *Kingston* (Hospital).

By Mr. *Brooks*,—The Petition *A. T. Galt* and others, of the County of *Sherbrooke*; and the Petition of *Thomas Tait*, Esquire, and others, of *Windsor* and other Townships.

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of *A. B. Papineau*, of the Parish of *St. Martin*, District of *Montreal*, Esquire.

By Mr. *Chabot*,—The Petition of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec* (Railroad); the Petition of *Louis Fournier*, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of *St. Thomas*, County of *L'Islet*; and the Petition of the Religious the *Ursuline Ladies of Quebec*.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 15th February, 1849, and praying that he would cause to be laid before the House, the Correspondence between the Imperial and the Canadian Governments, and between the latter and any private individuals, with reference to the Act to regulate the shipping of Seamen at the Port of *Quebec*.

Shipping of  
Seamen at  
Quebec.

For the said Return, see Appendix (W. W.)

Appendix  
(W. W.)

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

Message from  
His Excel-  
lency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered; and is as followeth:—

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Assembly, an Estimate of a Sum required immediately for the service of the *St. Lawrence Canals*; and in conformity to the provision of the 57th clause

St. Lawrence  
Canals.

of the Union Act, he recommends this Estimate to the House of Assembly.

Government House,  
26th February, 1849.

Estimate of the Amount required, during the year 1849, for the *St. Lawrence* Canals.

<i>Galops</i> , removing Coffor Dams and extending the River Pier.....	£1900	0	0
<i>Rapide Plat</i> , removing Coffor Dam...	100	0	0
<i>Farren's Point</i> , do do ...	50	0	0
<i>Cornwall</i> , do do and extending Towing-path.....	1200	0	0
Protection of banks, Slope-walling.....	1056	0	0
<i>Beauharnois</i> , construction of Dams, and dredging.....	6400	0	0
Slope-walling for protection of banks .....	2112	0	0
Spare Gates.....	1500	0	0
<i>Lachine</i> , removing Coffor Dams and extending Piers.....	2300	0	0
Slope-walling to protect banks To complete existing Contracts, and to construct Ditch to remove further claims for damages.....	4641	5	10
Expended generally on the <i>St. Lawrence</i> , under Orders of Council, 23rd September, and 11th October last, but not yet provided for.	4218	0	0
Superintendence and Contingencies..	1052	0	0
	£29112	17	10

F. HINCKS,  
Inspector General.

Inspector General's Office,  
Montreal, 26th February, 1849.

Halifax and  
Quebec Rail-  
way.

The Honorable Mr. Price, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 22nd instant,—Map of *Nova Scotia, New Brunswick*, and a portion of *Lower Canada*, shewing the explored route for the proposed Trunk Line of Railway from *Halifax* to *Quebec*; by Brevet Major *William Robinson*, and Captain *E. Y. W. Henderson*, Royal Engineers, dated 31st August, 1848.

Answer to an  
Address.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, reported that he had, according to Order, waited upon His Excellency the Governor General, with the Address of this House of the 13th February instant, (that he would be pleased to remove *John George Vansittart*, Esquire, from being Inspector of Licenses for the District of *Brock*, as a warning to others who shall hereafter fill the very responsible office of Returning Officer,) and had presented the same to His Excellency; and that His Excellency had been pleased to say, that he will give directions for doing what is desired by this House.

Petitions read.

Pursuant to the Orders of the day, the following Petitions were read:—

Of the Reverend *L. M. Brassard* and others, of *Chambly, Longueuil*, and other Parishes; praying for the passing of an Act to oblige the public to use a certain kind of winter vehicle, as described in the Sleigh Ordinance.

Of the Councillors of the *Mohawk* Nation of Indians of the *Bay of Quinte*, in behalf of their Tribe; praying that the proceeds of the Clergy Reserve Lands in the Township of *Tyendinaga*, granted to them in the year 1793, may be applied to their moral and religious instruction.

Of *Hugh Maginnis* and others, of the Township of *Thurlow*; praying that no extension of the limits of the Town of *Belleville* may be granted.

Of the Delegates of the Freeholders of the County of *Lincoln*, in public meeting assembled at *St. Catharines*; praying for certain amendments to the Division Courts Act, and for an extension of their jurisdiction.

Of the Delegates of the Freeholders of the County of *Lincoln*, in public meeting assembled at *St. Catharines*; praying for the amendment of the existing system of assessing for Statute labor.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara*; praying that no final action may be had upon the Municipal Council Bill during the present Session.

Of *Archibald Petrie* and others, of the Township of *Cumberland*; praying that the proposed measure for increasing the Representation in Parliament may not pass into law.

Of *William Duncan*, Chairman, and *John A. Simpson*, Secretary, on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of the Township of *Russell*; praying that the said Township may be annexed to the District of *Dalhousie*.

Of *G. G. Dunning* and others, of the Township of *Cumberland*; of *John M'Cauley* and others, of the Township of *Clarence*; and of *William Duncan*, Chairman, and *John A. Simpson*, Secretary, on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of the Townships of *Russell* and *Cambridge*; praying that the proposed measure for increasing the Representation in Parliament may not pass into a law, in so far as it affects the County of *Russell*.

Of *Isaac H. Culp*, of the Township of *Stamford*, District of *Niagara*; representing the services rendered by the late *Robert Randall*, and the claim of his administrator for remuneration therefor.

Of the Reverend *J. H. M'Donagh* and others, Priests and Laymen of *Perth* and its vicinity; praying that suitable provision be made for the College of *Regiopolis*.

Of *P. P. Russell* and others, inhabitants of the District of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated as the "*Montreal and Missisquoi* Railroad Company."

Of Doctor *S. Gregory* and others; praying that members of the Thomsonian Medical Society of *Canada* may be authorized to prescribe, and to collect payment for their professional services.

Of *Joel Bigelow*, Esquire, and *Joseph Bigelow*, Chairman and Secretary on behalf of the inhabitants of the Town of *Lindsay*, Township of *Ops*; praying for certain amendments to the existing system of granting tavern licenses.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Frederick C. Capreol*, Esquire, of the City of *Toronto*; the Petition of *Robert Cairns*, President of the *Quebec* Friendly Society; the Petition of *George O'Kill Stuart*, Esquire, Mayor, on behalf of the inhabitants of the City of *Quebec*; the Petition of the President and Directors of the New City Gas Company, of *Montreal*; the Petition of *John G. Mackenzie*, Esquire, President of the City Bank; the Petition of *George D. Watson*, on behalf of the Board of Management of the Merchants' Exchange and Reading Room Association of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *J. Bedard* and others, of the Town of *Bytown*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Petition of F. C. Capreol;  
Of R. Cairns;  
Of G. O. Stuart;  
Of the Montreal New City Gas Company;  
Of John G. Mackenzie;  
Of G. D. Watson;  
Of J. Bedard and others;

Ordered, That the Petition of the *St. Michel* Road Company, be referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *J. O. Alfred Turgeon*, Esquire, and others, the Mayor and Councillors of the County of *Terrebonne*, and other references.

Of St. Michel Road Company;

Resolved, That the Petition of *Joseph Bistodeau*

Of J. Bistodeau

and others,  
referred.

and others, of the Village of *St. Hyacinthe*, be referred to a Committee of seven Members, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, Mr. *Boutillier*, Mr. *Armstrong*, Mr. *Davignon*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Beaubien*, and Mr. *Duchesnay* do compose the said Committee.

Imports.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 8th February instant, for a Statement, in detail, of the Imports into this Province for the years 1847 and 1848, and the value thereof, with the amount of Duties thereon, distinguishing between those Articles paying specific, and those paying *ad valorem* Duties.

For the said Return, see Appendix (X.X.)

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(X.X.)

Post Office  
Department.

And also, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 22nd June, 1847, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, copies of the Quarterly Returns made by the Deputy Post Master General to the Post Master General in *England*, shewing the receipts and expenditure of the Post Office Department in this Province, from the 5th July, 1844, to the latest period to which the Returns have been made up; also, a Return of the emoluments, including salary, allowances, and perquisites, separately stated, of the Deputy Post Master General and the other paid Officers in the Post Office Department at *Montreal*, *Quebec*, *Kingston*, and *Toronto*, from the 5th of January, 1843, to the 5th of April, 1847.

For the said Return, see Appendix (Y.Y.)

*Ordered*, That the said Returns be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Appendix  
(Y.Y.)

Tenth Report  
of Committee  
on Standing  
Orders.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Tenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *John Yule*, Esquire, and others, and find that the requisite notices have been given.

With respect to the Petition of *G. B. Hall* and others, praying for the incorporation of *Peterborough*, they find that notice has been given in the *Canada Gazette*, and a copy of the Bill proposed to be introduced has been published at length in the *Peterborough Gazette*; but Your Committee do not consider that the 66th Rule affects Petitions of this nature.

The Petition of *George Poapst* and others, relative to a survey of the ninth Concession of *Cornwall*, Your Committee do not conceive to be of such a nature as to require notice under the 66th Rule.

Report on Pe-  
tition of C.  
Cazeau and  
others.

Mr. *Lemieux*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Charles Cazeau* and others, Cullers of the District of *Quebec*, and other references, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read at the Clerk's table.

For the said Report, see Appendix (Z.Z.)

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(Z.Z.)

Cullers' Act  
Amendment  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lemieux* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's reign, chapter forty-nine, 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."

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Richards* have leave to absent himself from this House for ten days, on account of illness in his family. Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That the Message of His Excellency the Governor General, delivered to the House this day, be committed to the Committee of Supply. St. Lawrence  
Canals.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by Mr. *Notman*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the proper Officer to lay before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Commissioners of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum and the Government, during the Medical Superintendance of Dr. *Rees*, and between him and the Government, and him and the Commissioners, in possession of the Government, and all other documents relating to the appointment and dismissal of Dr. *Rees*. Dr. Rees.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Flint* have leave to bring in a Bill to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Titles in the County of *Hastings*, in *Upper Canada*. Hastings Re-  
gistration of  
Titles Bill.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the expediency of amending that part of the Act 9 Vic. c. 28, which relates to the enrolment of, and fines to be imposed on, Quakers, Menonists, and Tunkers, and of substituting other provisions in lieu thereof. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee. Militia Act.

Mr. *Fortier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Fortier* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, seconded by Mr. *Wilson*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the proper Officer to lay before this House, a Return of all Village Lots sold in *Rawdon*, County of *Leinster*, the number of each Lot, to whom sold, date of sale, and how and when paid; also, the names of persons claiming pre-emption, the number of Lots so claimed, and a list of such Lots as are not yet sold. Village Lots in  
Rawdon.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* have leave to bring in a Bill to enable *Charles James* Stuart's Relief  
Bill.

*Stuart, Esquire, to practise the Law in Lower Canada.*

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

Mutual and General Insurance Bill.

*Ordered, That Mr. Morrison have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company.*

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday, the seventh of March next.

Markham and Elgin Plank Road Bill.

*Ordered, That Mr. Morrison have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Markham and Elgin Plank Road Company.*

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the nineteenth of March next.

Lotbinière Municipalities Bill.

*Ordered, That Mr. Laurin have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the County of Lotbinière into two Municipalities.*

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the twelfth of March next.

Strychnine Prohibition Bill.

*Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. La Terrière have leave to bring in a Bill to prohibit the use of Strychnine and other Poisons for the destruction of certain kinds of wild animals.*

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the fifth of March next.

Stephen Bowerman.

On motion of Mr. *Stevenson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*,

*Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, by the proper officer, copies of all papers and correspondence that may have taken place between the Executive Government and Stephen Bowerman, relating to a claim for compensation for loss of land in consequence of an erroneous survey in the Township of *Hallowell*.*

*Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.*

Hallowell and Sophiasburgh Boundary Line Bill.

*Ordered, That Mr. Stevenson have leave to bring in a Bill to alter the boundary line between the Townships of *Hallowell* and *Sophiasburgh*, in the District of *Prince Edward*.*

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the twelfth of March next.

Bathurst Boundary Line Bill.

*Ordered, That Mr. Bell have leave to bring in a Bill to define the southern boundary of the *Bathurst* District.*

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

Petition of Rev. T. Smith and others.

*Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend T. Smith and others, Roman Catholics of *Upper Canada*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.*

*Ordered, That the Report of the Superintendent of Schools of *Upper Canada*, for the year 1847, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.*

Schools (U.C.)

According to Order, *Joseph Charles Taché, Esquire*, Member for the County of *Rimouski*; *Robert Bell, Esquire*, Member for the County of *Lanark*; and *Thomas Boutillier, Esquire*, Member for the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, who were absent, on Thursday last, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Stormont*, severally attended in their places; and having given satisfactory reasons for their not being present at the meeting of the Committee on that day, and having separately verified the same upon oath;

Stormont Election.

*Ordered, That Mr. Taché, Mr. Bell, and Mr. Boutillier be excused for not attending the Committee on Thursday last.*

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada*, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein, being read; The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Joint Stock Road Companies (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the formation of incorporated Road and Bridge Companies in *Upper Canada*, being read; The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada*, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, and Macadamized Roads therein.

Road and Bridge Companies (U.C.) Bills.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron, of Kent*,

*Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada*, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein, and on the Bill to authorize the formation of incorporated Road and Bridge Companies in *Upper Canada*. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.*

Road and Bridge Bills.

Mr. *Lemieux* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Lemieux* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

And the Question being put, That the Committee have leave to sit again:—It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved, That the said Bills be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. Boulton, the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent, the Honorable Mr. Robinson, Mr. Solicitor General Drummond, and Mr. Jobin, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.*

*Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, to consolidate the said Bills, if desirable, and extend their operation to the whole Province, if they shall think fit to do so.*

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws of Patents for Inventions in this Province, being read;

Laws of Patents Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, Mr. *Wetenhall*, Mr. *Cartier*, and Mr. *Watts*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Orders of the day.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*, and the Question being put, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

Real Property Conveyances Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for removing doubts as to the legal effect of the Act of the Legislature of *Lower Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George the Fourth*, and intituled, "An Act for rendering valid Conveyances of Lands and other immoveable property held in free and common socage within the Province of *Lower Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for the greater uniformity of the Law relative to Real Property in *Lower Canada*, being read;

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

Warehousemen's Punishment Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the punishment of Warehousemen and others giving false receipts for Merchandize, and of persons receiving advances upon Goods, and afterwards fraudulently disposing of the same, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

Law of Evidence Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to improve the Law of Evidence and to abolish unnecessary Oaths, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Badgley* moved, seconded by Mr. *Gugy*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. *Chabot* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Chauveau*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Gillet*, *Johnson*, *Lemieux*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Taché*, and *Viger*.—(22.)

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Messieurs *Badgley*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Gugy*, *Macdonald* of *Kingsron*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, and *M'Connell*.—(8.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, this day six months.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

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

*Martis, 27° die Februarii;*

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions brought up.

THE following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the table:—  
By Mr. *Armstrong*,—The Petition of *John Jefferies*, Esquire, and others, of *Rawdon* and other Townships, in the Counties of *Leinster* and *Berthier*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Price*,—The Petition of *Alexander Graham*, of the Township of *Thora*; the Petition of *Walter O'Hara*, of *Toronto*, Esquire, late Assistant Adjutant General of Militia.

By Mr. *Nelson*,—The Petition of *J. E. LeBlanc*, Esquire, and others, of *St. Charles* and other Parishes.

By Mr. *Meyers*,—The Petition of *James G. Rogers* and others, of *Haldimand*, *Seymour*, and *Percy*.

By Mr. *Fergusson*,—The Petition of *R. J. Williams*, late Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Sullivan* at the Election for the County of *Waterloo*.

By Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of *John M'Gorrick* and others.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of the President and Directors of the *Desjardins Canal Company*.

By Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*,—The Petition of *François Dupin* and others, of the Parish of *St. François du Lac*; and the Petition of the Reverend *George Slack* and others, of the County of *Shefford*.

By Mr. *Holmes*,—The Petition of the *Saint Lawrence* and *Atlantic Railroad Company* (increased powers.)

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,—The Petition of *John Hammill*, of the Town of *Brantford*, District of *Gore*.

By Mr. *Cartier*,—The Petition of *Pierre Noël* and others, of that part of the Parish of *Contrecoeur* called *La Grande Source*.

By Mr. *Prince*,—The Petition of *Josiah Timmis*, of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *David Wylie* and others, Reporters engaged on the *Montreal Press*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*,—The Petition of *François Desaulnier*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *St. Maurice*.

By Mr. *Burritt*,—The Petition of *John G. Booth* and others.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 15th instant, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, copies of all Contracts entered into by the Board of Works for completing any work connected with improving the *Cobourg Harbour*, and the amount of monies paid thereon, with a detailed account thereof and of all other monies paid to the Contractors in respect of the improvement of the said Harbour.

For the said Return, see Appendix (A.A.A.)

Cobourg Harbour.

Appendix (A.A.A.)

And also, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 15th instant, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, a copy of all correspondence connected with the dismissal of *William Ireland*, Esquire, from his situation on the *Kingston* and *Napanee* Macadamized Road, or connected with the abolition of the said situation.

By Command,

J. LESLIE,  
Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
*Montreal*, 27th February, 1849.

(Copy.)

No. 4,264.

Public Works,  
30th September, 1848.

Sir,—The present state of the finances of the Province rendering a general reduction of the establishments on all the Public Works necessary, I am directed to inform you that your services will not be required by this Department after the 31st October next.

In making this communication, I am directed to state, that the Commissioners are happy in being able

William Ireland.



to bear testimony to your good conduct and efficiency while in their employment, and they will be glad, should an opportunity be afforded them, to further your future views.

(Signed,) T. A. BEGLY,  
Secretary.

Mr. W. Ireland, Kingston.

Ordered, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

First Report of  
Committee on  
Printing.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, from the Standing Committee on Printing, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee beg leave to inform Your Honorable House that, in accordance with the practice of former Sessions, they have advertized for and received Tenders for the classes of Printing, in the French and English languages, required during the present Session.

The Tender of Mr. *Rollo Campbell* for the English, and of Mr. *Louis Perrault* for the French, "Journals and Appendix," and of Messrs. *Lovell & Gibson* for the "Sessional," (they being the lowest,) have been accepted by Your Committee, subject to the sanction of Your Honorable House.

Your Committee also received Tenders for the Binding; and beg to recommend that of Mr. *Lamothe* for the French Journal and Appendix, and of Messrs. *R. & A. Miller* for the English.

For the efficient performance of the whole work, in strict accordance with the Tenders, Your Committee would recommend that written contracts be entered into by the several parties giving good and sufficient security for the fulfilment of the same.

Your Committee would beg leave to call the attention of Your Honorable House to the present form in which the Bills are printed, and recommend that in future the same should contain double the quantity of matter on the page, and that the type used should be small pica, thereby causing a very material saving of expense, both in press-work and paper. Your Committee would also suggest that in future, no Bills be printed in both languages having reference exclusively to *Upper Canada*, but that such Bills be printed in English alone, with French marginal notes, unless otherwise ordered by a Resolution of Your Honorable House; under such an arrangement an important saving of expense will be effected, without interfering with the object for which Bills are printed.

Your Committee would further recommend, that the work done under the contract for "Sessional Printing," shall be such only as is executed and delivered during the Session; and any printing ordered during the Session, and not so delivered, shall form a portion of the work to be performed by the contractors for the Journals and Appendix. Your Committee are urged to make this recommendation from the facts, that the price paid for this printing is invariably higher than for any other class, and that heretofore, in accordance with the present practice, a great proportion of the printing has been done during the recess by the contractors for, and at the price of, Sessional printing.

Your Committee have had under their consideration the propriety of extending the present contract for the printing the Journals and Appendix during the present Parliament, and are of opinion that such an arrangement would cause an uniformity of work throughout this branch of the printing, which is very desirable, and would enable the contractors to provide a superior material for the execution of the same;— and as a still further inducement, they have agreed that a reduction may be made in the prices of their present Tenders. Your Committee, therefore, recom-

mend that the contracts for printing be extended to the end of the present Parliament.

In conclusion, Your Committee are of opinion that the printing of the Journals should forthwith commence, and proceed with every possible despatch, in order that they may be completed, and in the hands of the Members immediately after the close of the Session.

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Eleventh Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Eleventh Re-  
port of Com-  
mittee on  
Standing  
Orders.

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the *Montreal New City Gas Company*, praying for amendment to their Act of incorporation, and they find that notice has been published in the *Canada Gazette*, but none has been affixed to the church door of the Parish; Your Committee are not, however, of opinion that this Petition is such as to require a notice under the 66th Rule.

Your Committee find that the requisite notices have been given upon the Petitions of *Frederick C. Capreol*, and of *Andrew Geddes* and others.

The Petition of *J. Bedard* and others; of *George O'Kill Stuart* and others; of *George D. Watson* and others; of *John G. Mackenzie*, Esquire; and of *Robert Cairns*, are not of such a nature, in the opinion of Your Committee, as to require notice.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition of *D. E. Macdonell*, Esquire, candidate at the late Election of a Member for the County of *Stormont* and others, Electors of the said County, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *Alexander M'Lean*, Esquire, to represent the said County in the present Parliament, presented to the House the final Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Stormont  
Election.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Committee, eight clear days notice of the time and place of holding an Election are required by the Provincial Statute 6 Vic. c. 1.

Resolved, That such notice was not given for the holding of the Election of a Member to represent the County of *Stormont* in the present Parliament.

Resolved, That this Committee have no reason to believe that the result of the said Election was affected by such irregularity.

Resolved, That *Alexander M'Lean*, Esquire, sitting Member for the County of *Stormont*, is duly elected for the said County during the present Parliament.

Resolved, That the Petition of *Donald Aeneas Macdonell* and others, against the Return of the said *Alexander M'Lean*, is not frivolous or vexatious.

Resolved, That the defence of the sitting Member is not frivolous or vexatious.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Committee, the conduct of the Returning Officer at the said Election, in giving the notice thereof, was not in accordance with the Act 6 Vic. c. 1.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General, *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

Message from  
His Excel-  
lency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered; and is as followeth:—

## ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Legislative Assembly, Copies of a correspondence on the subject of the establishment of a General Post Office system in the British Provinces in *North America*.

Government House,

Montreal, 27th February, 1847.

## Schedule.

1. The Earl of *Elgin* to Earl *Grey*, 29th October, 1847.—Transmitting the draught of a Report by the Commissioners from the several Provinces, on the Post Office.
2. Ditto, 19th November, 1847.—Transmitting the Report as finally signed by the Commissioners, and a Communication from the Government of *New Brunswick*.
3. Earl *Grey* to the Earl of *Elgin*, 6th April, 1848.—Decision of Her Majesty's Government, with letter from Treasury.
4. The Earl of *Elgin* to Earl *Grey*, 14th June, 1848.—With copy of a Report made by the Executive Council after communication with Members of the Government of *Nova Scotia*.
5. The Earl of *Elgin* to Sir *E. Head*, 1st November, 1848.—Requesting to be informed of the views of the Government of *New Brunswick*.
6. Earl *Grey* to the Earl of *Elgin*, 15th December, 1848.—Stating that an Act will be introduced into the Imperial Parliament for transferring to Colonial Authorities the management of the Post Office in British *North America*.
7. Sir *Edmund Head* to the Earl of *Elgin*, 7th November, 1848.—Reporting the concurrence of the Government of *New Brunswick*.

For the Documents accompanying the said Message, see Appendix (B.B.B.)

*Ordered*, That five hundred copies of the said Message, and the accompanying Documents, be printed in each of the English and French languages, for the use of the Members of this House.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate *Frederick C. Capreol, Robert Easton Burns* and others, under the style of the *Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron Union Railroad Company*, to enable them to construct a Railroad from *Toronto* to *Lake Huron*.

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

*Ordered*, That the Return to the Address of this House to His Excellency the Governor General, laid before the House on the twenty-second instant, relating to the Crown Timber Office at *Bytown*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. *Prince*, seconded by Mr. *Christie*, *Ordered*, That the Orders of the day which were fixed for Wednesday last, (Ash-Wednesday,) and lost by the adjournment of the House of Tuesday last, be revived, and that they stand as Orders of the day for to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Price* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of making an appropriation for Common School purposes.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, then acquainted the House that His Excellency having been informed of the subject mat-

ter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Dumas* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Dumas* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of the Parliament of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act to amend the Law relating to Surveys in that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*."

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

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Members of the Medical Profession in *Upper Canada*, and to regulate the study and practise of Physic and Surgery therein.

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

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* have leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in force regulating the system and practice of certain Courts in *Upper Canada* established for the recovery of Small Debts, and to make other provisions therefor.

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

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, from the Committee to take into consideration the necessity of establishing the amount of Losses incurred by certain inhabitants in *Lower Canada* during the Political Troubles of 1837 and 1838, and of providing for the payment thereof, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That on the 28th day of February, 1845, an humble Address was unanimously adopted by the Legislative Assembly of this Province, and by them presented to the Right Honorable *Charles Theophilus Baron Metcalfe*, the then Governor General of the same, praying "that His Excellency would be pleased to cause proper measures to be adopted in order to insure to the inhabitants of that part of this Province formerly *Lower Canada*, indemnity for just Losses by them sustained during the Rebellion of 1837 and 1838."

2. *Resolved*, That on the 24th day of November, 1845, a commission of five persons was, by His Excellency the said Governor General, duly appointed to inquire into such Losses arising from and growing out of the said Rebellion.

3. *Resolved*, That it appears by the Report of the said Commissioners, dated the 18th day of April, 1846, "That the want of power to proceed to a strict and regular investigation of the Losses in question, left the Commissioners no other resource than to trust to the allegation of the claimants, as to the amount and nature of their losses."

Post Office.

Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron Union Railroad Company Bill.

Crown Timber Office, Bytown.

Orders of the day.

Common Schools.

Surveys (U.C.) Bill.

Medical Profession (U.C.) Bill.

Small Debts (U.C.) Bill.

Rebellion Losses.

4. *Resolved*, That on the 27th February, 1846, a letter was addressed to the said Commissioners by the Honorable the Secretary of this Province, by order of the Right Honorable Charles Murray, Earl Cathcart, the then Administrator of the Government of the same, stating "That the object of the Executive Government in appointing the said Commission was merely to obtain a general estimate of the Rebellion Losses, the particulars of which should form the subject of more minute inquiry thereafter, under Legislative authority."
5. *Resolved*, That in order to redeem the pledge given to the sufferers of such Losses, or their *bonâ fide* creditors, assigns or *ayant droit*, as well by the said Address of the said Legislative Assembly, and the appointment of the said Commission, as by the said letter so addressed by the Honorable the said Provincial Secretary, it is necessary and just that the particulars of such Losses not yet paid and satisfied should form the subject of more minute inquiry under Legislative authority; and that the said Losses, so far only as they may have arisen from the total or partial, unjust, unnecessary, or wanton destruction of the dwellings, buildings, property and effects of the said inhabitants, and by the seizure, taking or carrying away of their property and effects, should be paid and satisfied: Provided that none of the persons who have been convicted of High Treason alleged to have been committed in that part of this Province formerly *Lower Canada*, since the 1st day of November, 1837, or who, having been charged with High Treason, or other Offences of a Treasonable nature, and having been committed to the custody of the Sheriff in the Gaol of *Montreal*, submitted themselves to the will and pleasure of Her Majesty, and were thereupon transported to Her Majesty's Islands of *Bermuda*, shall be entitled to any indemnity for Losses sustained during or after the said Rebellion, or in consequence thereof.
6. *Resolved*, That there should be issued for such purpose, Debentures to the amount of One hundred thousand pounds currency, payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, at or within twenty years after the date thereof, respectively, and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent, payable out of the said Fund, on such day in each year as shall be therein specified.
7. *Resolved*, That the holder of any Debenture issued under the authority of the Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to provide for the payment of certain Rebellion Losses in *Lower Canada*, and to appropriate the proceeds of the Marriage Licence Fund," should be entitled on any day on which the interest on such Debenture is payable, to have the same exchanged for a Debenture for a like amount to be issued under any Act to be passed for carrying into effect the above Resolutions, and that the interest then payable on such Debenture should at the same time be paid out of the said Consolidated Revenue Fund; and that the proceeds of so much of that portion of the Marriage Licence Fund, arising in *Lower Canada*, as shall not be required to pay off the principal and interest of any unexchanged Debenture, should form part of the said Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Question be now separately put upon each of the said Resolutions;

Mr. *Chauveau* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Laurin*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the said Resolutions be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, with a view of leaving out the Proviso contained in the 5th Resolution," added instead thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Chauveau, Davignon, Laurin, Papineau, and Wilson*.—(5.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Brooks, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Cayley, Chabot, Christie, Crysler, DeWitt, Dickson, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Gogy, Guillet, Hall, Holmes, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Lyon, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Farland, M'Lean, Merritt, Méthot, Meyers, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Prince, Robinson, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, Smith of WENTWORTH, Stevenson, Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Watts*.—(67.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

*Ordered*, That the Question be now separately put upon each of the said Resolutions.

The 1st of the Resolutions being read a second time; and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The Honorable Mr. *Cayley* moved in amendment to the said Resolution, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "in order to ascertain the extent of loss and injury inflicted during the years 1837 and 1838 upon the loyal inhabitants of *Lower Canada*, by violent and lawless men in arms against their Sovereign, an humble Address was unanimously adopted on the 28th day of February, 1845, by the Legislative Assembly of this Province, and by them presented to the Right Honorable Charles *Theophilus* Baron *Metcalf*, the then Governor General of the same, praying "that His Excellency would be pleased to cause proper measures to be adopted in order to insure to the inhabitants of that part of this Province formerly *Lower Canada*, indemnity for just Losses by them sustained during the Rebellion of 1837 and 1838," added instead thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Brooks, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Dickson, Gogy, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Smith of FRONTENAC, Stevenson, and Wilson*.—(20.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Holmes, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Lyon, Macdonald of GLENGARY, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais,*

*Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Watts.*—(52.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Holmes, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Lyon, Macdonald of GLENGARY, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wilson.*—(52.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Brooks, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Dickson, Gugg, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.*—(20.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Resolutions being read a second time, and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolutions; the House divided upon each:—And the names being called for, they were taken down, as in the last preceding division.

The 5th Resolution being read a second time; and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The Honorable Mr. *Cayley* moved in amendment to the said Resolution, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "Her Majesty having recently, in the exercise of the Royal Prerogative of Mercy, been graciously pleased to relieve from the penalties of their treason, those misguided men who rose in arms against their Sovereign in 1837 and 1838, this House is of opinion that no more fitting opportunity could be selected to secure to those brave men who, true to their allegiance, risked life and property in defence of their country, ample pecuniary compensation for the Losses they may have sustained, and that the particulars of such Losses not yet paid and satisfied form the subject of minute enquiry, under Legislative authority, for the purpose of satisfying the same," added instead thereof.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Brooks, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Dickson, Gugg, Johnson, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Smith of FRONTENAC, Stevenson, and Wilson.*—(21.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Holmes, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Lyon, Macdonald of GLENGARY, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price,*

*Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Watts.*—(51.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson* moved in amendment to the said Resolution, seconded by Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, That after the word "*Bermuda*" the words "nor any person who was in any manner implicated in the said Rebellion, or who refused, when called upon, to aid in suppressing it," be inserted.

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Brooks, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Dickson, Egan, Gugg, Hall, Johnson, Lyon, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Smith of FRONTENAC, Smith of WENTWORTH, Stevenson, and Wilson.*—(26.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Holmes, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Smith of DURHAM, Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Watts.*—(46.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. *Wilson* moved in amendment to the said Resolution, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, That all the words after "*Bermuda*" to the end thereof, be left out, and the words "nor shall any person who aided, assisted, or abetted the said Rebellion, be entitled to any indemnity," added instead thereof.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Brooks, Burritt, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Dickson, Egan, Gugg, Hall, Johnson, Lyon, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, Smith of WENTWORTH, Stevenson, and Wilson.*—(28.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Holmes, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Watts.*—(44.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Prince moved in amendment to the said Resolution, seconded by Mr. Malloch, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "this House most solemnly and unequivocally protesting against any measure that has for its object, or that can directly or indirectly result in indemnifying for Losses those who were engaged in or countenanced the late Rebellion, is of opinion, as well as desirous, that the loyal subjects of Her Majesty, and no others, in Lower Canada, should be indemnified for the just Losses they sustained, but that such Losses should be paid by Lower Canada alone, and from her own local resources, and that Upper Canada and the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province should be wholly and entirely exempt from the burthen of any portion of those Losses; because it would, in the opinion of this House, be the height of injustice to saddle Upper Canada, and especially the Western Districts thereof, with any part of these Losses, there having been no Rebellion nor any symptoms of Rebellion there; it being, on the contrary, a fact that the peaceable inhabitants along that frontier were the victims of various invasions, thereby suffering serious injuries and heavy losses arising out of the Rebellion in Lower Canada (and instigated by emissaries and refugees from that section of the Province); and because such just losses as have been made good to those loyal subjects in Upper Canada who suffered by reason of their manly defence of the Crown and their Sovereign's rights, the British Constitution, and the Laws of the Land, and who had become sufferers through the disloyal and disaffected in the Lower Province, were nobly and generously defrayed by Upper Canada from her own local resources: And further, that this House, considering the vast importance of the measure (both in a political and moral view) as now proposed by the present Administration, and embraced in the original Resolutions, and the sudden and peculiar mode of introducing it, by which the country has been taken by surprize; and also considering the impoverished and embarrassed state of the finances of the Province generally, which has put a stop to our public improvements so much required, is of opinion that this measure ought not to be further proceeded with until a direct appeal has been made to the People, and their voice expressed in a proper constitutional manner," added instead thereof.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Brooks, Cayley, Christie, Cryslar, Gagy, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Stevenson*.—(17.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boutillier, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Dickson*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Lyon, Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *M'Connell, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott* of BYTOWN, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wilson*.—(52.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott* of BYTOWN, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Watts*.—(48.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Brooks, Cayley, Christie, Cryslar, Dickson, Gagy, Johnson, Lyon, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Stevenson* and *Wilson*.—(23.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The 6th Resolution being read a second time; and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The Honorable Mr. *Cayley* moved in amendment to the said Resolution, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "authority should be given to the Governor General and Council to issue Debentures to the amount of £ or such lesser sum as may be sufficient for the purpose, payable out of the Tavern Licenses of that part of the Province formerly called Lower Canada, at or within twenty years from the date thereof, respectively, and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent, payable out of the said Licenses, on such day and in such year as shall be therein specified," added instead thereof.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Brooks, Burrill, Cayley, Christie, Cryslar, Dickson, Gagy, Johnson, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Stevenson*.—(20.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *M'Connell, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott* of BYTOWN, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wilson*.—(51.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott* of BYTOWN, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of



WENTWORTH, *Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Watts.*  
—(48.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Brooks, Burritt, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Dickson, Gagy, Johnson, Lyon, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, M<sup>c</sup>Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Stevenson, and Wilson.*  
—(24.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The 7th Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Indemnification of parties in *Lower Canada* whose property was destroyed during the Rebellion in 1837 and 1838.

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

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Viger*,

The House adjourned.

*Mercurii, 28<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;*

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

By Mr. *Duchesnay*,—The Petition of *C. J. Duchesnay*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Richelieu*.

By Mr. *DeWitt*,—The Petition of *William Robinson*, on behalf of a public meeting of the Inhabitants of the Townships of *Leeds and Lansdowne*.

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of *John Connor*, late a Gunner and Driver in the Royal Regiment of Artillery.

By Mr. *Jobin*,—The Petition of *William Evans*, and of his sons *John E. Evans* and *William Evans*, junior, of *Côte St. Paul*.

By Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*,—The Petition of *Henry Jessup*, of the City of *Toronto*, Esquire.

By the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,—The Petition of *Mahlon Willet* and others, of the County of *Chambly*; and the Petition of *G. T. Havens* and others, of the Township of *Grantham*.

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Rebecca Sylvester*, of *Toronto*; and the Petition of *Jacob Papst*, of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Talbot* (wild Lands); and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Talbot* (Courts of Assize.)

By Mr. *Watts*,—The Petition of *Robert Layfield* and others, of *Inverness* and other Townships; and the Petition of the Reverend *J. E. A. Dupuis* and others, of *Halifax, Inverness*, and other Townships, County of *Megantic*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*,—The Petition of the Caput of the University of *M<sup>c</sup>Gill College*.

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

Of *J. Marks*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Frontenac*; of *Edmund Murney*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Hastings*; of *Adiel Sher-*

*wood*, Esquire, Chairman, and *John Bacon*, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting of the Inhabitants of the District of *Johnstown* assembled at *Brockville*; and of *Frederick S. Verity* and others, of the County of *Beauharnois*; praying for the rejection of the proposed measure for the indemnification of Rebellion Losses in *Lower Canada*.

Of the *Hamilton Mercantile Library Association*; praying an Act of Incorporation.

Of *Martin M<sup>c</sup>Kinnon*, of the Township of *Vaughan*, County of *York*; representing that he was the occupant of a Clergy Reserve lot of land in the said Township which was afterwards erected into a Rectory, and of which he is about to be dispossessed; and praying for the abolition of the Rectories, and the sale of the Clergy Reserve Lands to their present occupants at a fair valuation.

Of *James Emmerson* and others, of the northern Townships of the County of *Kent*; praying that the said Townships may be set apart as a separate District, and remain attached to the Western District until their population shall warrant such division.

Of *Murdoch M<sup>c</sup>Donnell*, of the Town of *Perth*; praying that the Act 10 and 11 *Vic. c. 106*, may be so amended as to confirm him in his title to a certain piece of land conveyed to him by the Trustees of the Calvinistic Baptist Church of the said Town.

Of *Joseph D. Clement*, President, and others, the Vice-Presidents, Officers, Committee of Management, and Members of the *Brantford Mechanics' Institute*; praying for aid.

Of *R. B. Hudson* and others, of the Township of *Bristol*; praying for certain amendments to the Common School Act.

Of *Pierre Brunelle* and others, of *Cap Blanc*, in the City of *Quebec*; representing that an unjust grant of the lands composing the said *Cap Blanc*, has been made to *E. Baird*, Esquire, in consequence of which they have suffered damage at law,—and praying for an enquiry and relief in the premises.

Of *Firmin Perrin*, Esquire, of the Parish of *Berthier*; representing that he was a creditor of Messieurs *Nelson* and *Deschambault*, to a certain amount in 1837, and that he has suffered loss in consequence of the destruction of their property in 1837-8, and praying indemnification for his said loss.

Of *Firmin Perrin*, Esquire, of the Parish of *Berthier*; praying indemnification for certain Losses sustained by him during the Troubles of 1837-8.

Of *John M<sup>c</sup>Golrick* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; complaining of certain grievances in the mode of proceeding by *W. K. M<sup>c</sup>Cord*, Esquire, Inspector and Superintendent of Police of the said City, in his Magisterial capacity and in the Police Court, and praying relief.

Of the Mayor, and Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Toronto*; praying for certain alterations to the proposed Municipal Council Bill.

Of *W. H. Anderson*, Esquire, and others, stockholders and subscribers to the *Quebec Protestant Cemetery Association*; praying for a certain amendment to the Bill to incorporate the *Mount Hermon Cemetery*.

Of *Joshua Wison* and others, of *Pickering*, Home District; praying that no division may be made of the said District.

Of *Gideon Tiffany* and others, of the Township of *Delaware*; praying that in the proposed division of the District of *London* for electoral purposes, the said Township may remain undivided and attached to the County of *Middlesex*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Ottawa*; praying that the payment of money out of the revenues of the said District, may not be involved in any measure for settling questions arising out of sales of lands by Sheriffs for arrears of taxes.

Of *John M<sup>c</sup>Conville* and others, of the Parish of

Indemnification Bill  
(L.C.)

Orders deferred.

Petitions brought up

Petitions read.

*St. Paul*; praying that the said Parish may be annexed to the County of *Leinster*.

Of *John Ferguson* and others, of the County of *Grenville*; praying for an Act of Incorporation for the construction of a Railroad from *Montreal* to *Prescott*.

Of *Henry Burrill* and others, of the Districts of *Johnstown*, *Bathurst*, and *Dalhousie*; praying for aid to build a Bridge over the River *Rideau*, at *Burrill's Rapids*.

Of *Samuel Crane* and others, of the District of *Johnstown*; praying for an Act of Incorporation for the construction of a Railroad from *Bytown* to *Prescott*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Simcoe*; praying for the appropriation of the Clergy Reserve Lands to the purposes of general education.

Of *F. Nye* and others, of the County of *Huntingdon*; praying for the adoption of certain measures to facilitate the commutation of the tenure of Land held *en fief* and *en censive*.

Of *James Oswald* and others, of the District of *Niagara*; praying for the repeal of a certain part of the Act imposing a duty on Distillers, and the spirituous liquors made by them.

Of *William Davidson* and others, of the first and second Concessions of the Township of *Caistor*, County of *Lincoln*; praying that the lands of the said Concessions may be equally divided according to the intention of the original survey of the said Township.

Of the Honorable *W. H. Merritt*, President, and others, Directors of the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*, and the *Niagara Falls International Bridge Company*; praying for the passing of an Act to confer upon them the exclusive right of erecting any other Bridge across the River *Niagara* from a certain point below, to the head of the Rapids above the Falls, for a certain term of years.

Of *William Hewson* and others, of the Township of *Grantham*; praying for the appropriation of the Clergy Reserve Funds to the purposes of popular education.

Of *George Rykert*, Esquire, Chairman, and *Thomas Foley*, Secretary, on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of *St. Catharines* and the Township of *Grantham*; praying that no final action may be had on the Municipal Council Bill, until the views of the country thereon are ascertained.

Of *A. Legendre*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Lotbinière*; praying for the adoption of measures to facilitate the commutation of the tenure of Lands held *en fief* and *en censive*.

Of the City Council of the City of *Kingston*; praying for the incorporation of the *Kingston Hospital*, and that provision be made for the same by an annual grant of a certain amount.

Of *A. T. Galt* and others, of the County of *Sherbrooke*; praying for the passing of an Act to protect Provincial Manufactures and Commerce.

Of *Thomas Tait*, Esquire, and others, of *Windsor* and other Townships; praying for the re-establishment of Township Councils and that the Sleigh Ordinance be revived.

Of *A. B. Papineau*, of the Parish of *St. Martin*, District of *Montreal*, Esquire; complaining of his unjust dismissal by the Government from his offices of Justice of the Peace and Commissioner of the Court of Small Causes without being heard in his defence, and praying for justice in the premises.

Of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*; praying for the adoption of measures to secure the construction of the proposed Railroad to connect the Provinces of *Canada*, *New Brunswick*, and *Nova Scotia*.

Of *Louis Fournier*, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of *St. Thomas*, County of *L'Islet*; praying

that the Registry Office of the said County may be continued at *St. Thomas*.

Of the Religious the Ursuline Ladies of *Quebec*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize them to increase their annual income to a certain amount.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Joel Bigelow*, Esquire, Chairman, and *Joseph Bigelow*, Secretary, at a public meeting on behalf of the inhabitants of the Town of *Lindsay*, Township of *Ops*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to enquire whether any and what Legislative measures can be adopted to repress the evils growing out of Intemperance.

Petition of J. and J. Bigelow, referred.

Ordered, That the several Petitions presented to this House during the present Session, on the subject of Intemperance, be referred to the said Committee.

Intemperance.

Ordered, That the Petition of *P. P. Russell* and others, inhabitants of the District of *Montreal*, and the Petition of the *Montreal and Lachine Railroad Company*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Petition of P. P. Russell and others; Of Lachine Railroad Company;

Resolved, That the Petition of *Auldin Plumly*, of the Township of *Halley*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *M'Connell*, the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*, Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, and Mr. *Guy*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of A. Plumly;

Resolved, That the Petition of *Pierre Cartier* and others, of *St. François du Lac St. Pierre*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Fourquin*, Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Lemieux*, and Mr. *Fortier*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of P. Cartier and others, referred.

Mr. *Chabot*, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Prescott*, reported, That, pursuant to adjournment, the Committee met this day at ten o'clock, A. M., and after waiting for one hour, in conformity with the direction of the Statute, they were unable to proceed to business, in consequence of the absence of *George Edouard Cartier*, Esquire, a Member of the Committee.

Prescott Election.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cartier* do attend in his place, in this House, to-morrow.

Mr. *Laurin*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *B. Marquette* and others, the President, Officers, and Members of the Association of Teachers of the District of *Quebec*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Report on Petition of B. Marquette and others.

Your Committee have taken into their consideration the prayer of the Petition referred to them, and beg leave to recommend the same to the favorable consideration of Your Honorable House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Laurin* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Teachers' Association of the District of *Quebec*.

Quebec District Teachers' Association Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday, the fourteenth of March next.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Pierre Brunelle* and others, of *Cap Blanc*, in the City of *Quebec*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Petition of P. Brunelle and others.

Petition of F. Nye and others.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *F. Nye* and others, of the County of *Huntingdon*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Papers relating to Rebellions in 1837 and 1838.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he may be graciously pleased to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, all the Correspondence between the Government and the Clerk of the Peace for the District of *Montreal*, and the Clerk of the Crown in the said District, and the Prothonotary for the said District, and any other officer or officers of the Government, relative to the transmission and removal from their several offices to *Kingston*, during the Administration of the late Right Honorable Sir *Charles Bagot*, of the depositions, evidences, informations, indictments, presentments, and other papers and documents concerning and relating to the Rebellions in the years 1837 and 1838, and to the several persons engaged in such Rebellions; also, a detailed Statement of the number, nature and description of the said papers and documents which were destroyed at *Kingston*, or withdrawn from the public archives, or from the custody, possession and safe-keeping of the officers having legally charge of the same, together with the names of those officers of the Government, or other persons who may have so destroyed or withdrawn the same; also, a copy of any Minute or Minutes of Council relating to the said papers and documents in any way whatsoever.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*, and the Question being put, That the consideration of the said Motion be postponed until this day six months; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Dickson*, *Gugy*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *M'Lean*, *Papineau*, *Prince*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, and *Stevenson*.—(15.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, and *Viger*.—(44.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Peterborough Incorporation Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hall* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Town of *Peterborough*.

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

Port Burwell Harbour Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Notman* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "The President, Directors, and Company of *Port Burwell* Harbour."

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

Leave of absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, have

leave to absent himself from this House, for two weeks from this date, on urgent business.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Burrill* have leave to absent himself from this House, for eight days, on urgent private business.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, have leave to bring in a Bill to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act, the several Laws now in force establishing and regulating the practice of the District Courts of the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*," and to increase the jurisdiction of the said District Courts.

District Courts (U.C.) Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize Attachments against personal property for sums of Ten pounds and under, in certain cases in *Upper Canada*.

Personal Property Attachments Bill (U.C.)

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

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by Mr. *M'Lean*, and the Question being put, That the Order of this House, of the 19th instant, depriving all persons from access to the Galleries, excepting those having tickets from Members, be rescinded, inasmuch as the same is inconvenient in practice, and frequently improperly excludes persons having great interest in the matters before this House.

Gallery of the House.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Cayley*, *Crysler*, *Dickson*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *M'Lean*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, and *Stevenson*.—(16.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, and *Viger*.—(30.)

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Toronto* and *Lake Huron* Railroad Act.

Toronto and Lake Huron Railroad Act Amendment Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Boutillier* and Mr. *Lemieux* be added to the Select Committee to which was referred the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada* for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein, and the Bill to authorize the formation of incorporated Road and Bridge Companies in *Upper Canada*.

Road and Bridge Bills.

Mr. *Fortier*, from the Committee to consider the expediency of amending that part of the Act 9 Vic. c. 28, which relates to the enrolment of, and fines to

Militia Act.

be imposed on, Quakers, Menonists, and Tunkers, and of substituting other provisions in lieu thereof, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal that part of the Act 9 Vic. c. 28, which relates to the enrolment of, and fines to be imposed on, Quakers, Menonists, and Tunkers, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof.
2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to revive the provisions contained in the Act 4 and 5 Vic. c. 2, relating to the mode of collecting and appropriating Militia Fines.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Merritt have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal part of and to amend the Act regulating the Militia of this Province, in so far as regards the enrolment of and fines imposed upon Quakers, Menonists, and Tunkers.

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

Militia Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. Dumas, from the Committee on the subject of making an appropriation for Common School purposes, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is desirable that an annual sum of One hundred thousand pounds should be raised from the Public Lands of this Province, for the maintenance and support of Common Schools therein, and that so much of the first monies to be raised by the sale of such Lands as shall be sufficient to create a Capital which shall produce the said annual sum of One hundred thousand pounds, at the rate of six per cent per annum, shall be set apart for that purpose.

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

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Price have leave to bring in a Bill to raise an income of One hundred thousand pounds out of the Public Lands of Canada, for Common School Education.

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

Common Schools.

Common School Education Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws regulating Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and the protesting thereof, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Holmes, the Honorable Mr. Badgley, the Honorable Mr. Sherwood, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Cartier, Mr. Chabot, and Mr. DeWitt, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the relief of Joseph Richard Thompson, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Monday, the twelfth of March next.

Thompson's Relief Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, and to punish fraudulent debtors, being read;

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Badgley, seconded by Sir Allan N. MacNab,

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Bill to abolish imprisonment for Debt.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to relieve from Arrest for Debt in Lower Canada persons residing in Upper Canada, being read;

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Badgley, seconded by Mr. Gagy,

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Bill to relieve certain persons from Arrest for Debt.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Societies and Companies, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Chauveau, Mr. Chabot, the Honorable Mr. Badgley, Mr. Lemieux, and Mr. Cartier, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Bill to facilitate Actions against unincorporated Bodies.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. Gagy, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Badgley,  
The House adjourned.

Jovis, 1<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

MR. SPEAKER laid before the House, Returns of the Clerks of the Circuit Courts in Lower Canada, shewing:—1st. The number of Actions brought.—2d. The number of Cases decided.—3rd. The number of Cases under Six pounds five shillings:—and 4th. The amount of Fees allowed to Bailiffs, Clerks, and Advocates, during the year 1847, received in conformity to an Order of this House, of the 30th January last.

Circuit Courts.

For the said Returns, see Appendix (C.C.C.)

Appendix (C.C.C.)

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

Petitions brought up.

By Mr. Smith, of Frontenac,—The Petition of John M<sup>c</sup>Gill Chambers, of the Township of Montague, District of Bathurst.

By Mr. Méthot,—The Petition of Jesse Joseph, of Montreal.

By Mr. Holmes,—The Petition of James Scott, Esquire, and others, of the Lake St. Louis and Province Line Railway Company.

By Mr. Watts,—The Petition of Patrick Daly, of Drummondville, in the District of Three Rivers.

By Mr. Solicitor General Blake,—The Petition of A. Farewell and others, of the Township of Whitby, Home District.

By Mr. Morrison,—The Petition of John Grubb, President of the Albion Plank Road Company; and the Petition of E. Fisher, President, on behalf of the Etobicoke and Mono Sixth Line Road Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Badgley,—The Petition of J. W. Eaton and others, of the Municipality of the Village of Philipsburgh and the remaining part of the School District, number One, in the Parish of St. Armand West, County of Missisquoi.

By Mr. DeWitt,—The Petition of Robert Cross and others, of the Seigniorie of Beauharnois; and the Petition of Robert Lovell and others, of the County of Beauharnois.

By Sir Allan N. MacNab,—The Petition of E. C. Thomas, Esquire, Chairman, and A. Logie, Secretary, in behalf of a public meeting of the Inhabitants of the District of Gore.

Petitions read.

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

Of *John Jefferies*, Esquire, and others, of *Rawdon* and other Townships, in the Counties of *Leinster* and *Berthier*; praying that the said Counties may be divided into three Counties, as is proposed by a Bill now before the Legislature,—that free grants of certain lands be made to actual settlers,—and that the price of certain other lands be lowered.

Of *Alexander Graham*, of the Township of *Thora*; representing that a Clergy Reserve lot in the said Township upon which he settled in 1844, and on which he has made improvements, understanding that he would have the right of purchase, has been sold to another person under false pretences, and praying for justice in the premises.

Of *Walter O'Hara*, of *Toronto*, Esquire, late Assistant Adjutant General of Militia; complaining of his removal from the said office in the year 1846, after a service of nineteen years, without any sufficient cause having been assigned therefor, or any other provision made for him, and praying for justice in the premises.

Of *J. E. LeBlanc*, Esquire, and others, of *St. Charles* and other Parishes; praying that the Circuit Town of the Circuit of *Richelieu* may be established at *St. Denis*.

Of *James G. Rogers* and others, of *Haldimand*, *Seymour*, and *Percy*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the *Cobourg* and *Grafton* Road Company to construct a Branch Road through certain Townships, to the River *Trent*.

Of *R. J. Williams*, late Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Sullivan* at the Election for the County of *Waterloo*; representing that he has received the summons to appear at the bar of the House, but that he is entirely precluded from a compliance therewith from the want of funds to bear his expenses, and praying for relief in the premises.

Of *John McGrick* and others; praying that the offices of Police Inspector and Superintendent, Police Magistrate, and Queen's Counsel, may be separated, and for certain alterations in the manner of proceeding in the Police Court, Criminal Term, and Quarter Sessions.

Of the President and Directors of the *Desjardins* Canal Company; praying for a certain amendment to the Act authorizing them to borrow a certain sum of money for the completion of the said Canal.

Of *François Dupin* and others, of the Parish of *St. François du Lac*; taking notice of the Petition of *Pierre Cartier* and others, praying for the confirmation of the appointment of certain Trustees for the construction of a new Church at the Parish of *St. François du Lac*,—and praying the House not to confirm the same.

Of the Reverend *George Slach* and others, of the County of *Shefford*; praying that that part of the Eastern Townships lying between *Lake Memphrémagog* and *Missisquoi Bay*, the Province Line, and the Seigniories, may be formed into a separate Judicial District.

Of the *Saint Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Railroad Company; praying for certain additional powers.

Of *John Hammill*, of the Town of *Brantford*, District of *Gore*; praying for the payment of a certain amount due him for building a Bridge across the Grand River at *Brantford*, and also another across the small channel on the west side of the said River.

Of *Pierre Noël* and others, of that part of the Parish of *Coutrecoeur* called *La Grande Source*; praying to be annexed to the County of *Verchères*.

Of *Josiah Timmis*, of *Montreal*; praying remuneration for his services in examining the most favorable line for a Railway from *Quebec* to *Halifax*, and otherwise promoting that object.

Of *David Wylie* and others, Reporters engaged on

the *Montreal* Press; praying compensation for their labours in publishing the Debates in the House.

Of *François Desaulnier*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *St. Maurice*; praying for the repeal of the Navigation Laws,—for encouragement to Canadian Agriculture and Manufactures,—for a reduction in the rates of Postage,—for a more popular Education Law,—that summonses to Jurors and Witnesses may be in French, their mother tongue,—that Jurors be paid,—for the repeal of the laws prescribing the form of winter vehicles,—for alterations in the Seigniorial tenure of land,—that the jurisdiction of the Courts for the trial of Small Causes be extended,—and that indemnification for Rebellion Losses in *Lower Canada* be granted, and the general amnesty concurred in.

Of *John G. Booth* and others; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize Thomsonian Physicians to prescribe, and to collect payment for their professional services.

Ordered, That the Petition of the City Council of the City of *Hamilton*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders. Petition of City Council of Hamilton;

Resolved, That that part of the Petition of *Samuel S. Cole*, of the Village of *Colborne*, in the District of *Newcastle*, praying for a charter to form a Pier and Harbour in front of Lot No. 29 broken front Concession B, of the Township of *Cramahe*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Meyers*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, Mr. *Stevenson*, Mr. *Fergusson*, Mr. *Seymour*, and Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records. Of S. S. Cole;

Ordered, That the Petition of *John M. Glover* and others, of the Village and vicinity of *Colborne*, which relates to the granting of a charter to *Samuel S. Cole* to construct a Pier and Harbour, be referred to the said Committee. Of J. M. Glover and others, referred.

The Honorable Mr. *Bouillon*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Twelfth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:— Twelfth Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

Your Committee have examined the Petitions of *P. P. Russell* and others, for incorporation of the *Montreal* and *Missisquoi* Railroad Company,—and of the *Montreal* and *Lachine* Railroad Company relative to the extension of the said Railroad, and find that the requisite notices have not been given; in the latter case, however, a notice was published in the *Canada Gazette* from June to the 23d December, in the English language, but notices were not affixed to the church doors of the Parishes through which the proposed line would pass, as required by the 66th Rule.

On motion of Mr. *Chabot*, seconded by Mr. *Polette*, Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Prescott*, have leave to adjourn until Tuesday, the twentieth instant, to give time to the parties to take evidence before Commissioners. Prescott Election.

Mr. *Guy*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Joseph Donegani*, of the City of *Montreal*, presented to the House the Report of the Committee; which was read, as followeth:— Report on Petition of J. Donegani.

Your Committee having attentively examined the Petition of *Joseph Donegani*, of the City of *Montreal*, referred to them by Your Honorable House, and perused the documentary evidence in support thereof, beg leave respectfully to report:—

That the case of the Petitioner has not only been already laid before Your Honorable House, but the



hardships under which he laboured, and his right to redress have been fully recognized. To afford him that redress, 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," was introduced and passed Your Honorable House, as well as the Legislative Council, in the year 1845. That Bill however was reserved for the signification of the Royal Pleasure; and was not sanctioned within the period prescribed by law.

Under these circumstances, Your Committee feel assured that a short and abridged statement of the leading facts will enable Your Honorable House to arrive at a just and satisfactory conclusion.

Towards the close of the last century, the Petitioner, *Joseph Donegani*, then a child, accompanied his father to *Canada*: they were Italians by birth, and the father by a course of patient industry, aided by the exertions of the Petitioner, his son, acquired considerable property in this country. In the year 1802 the Petitioner's father returned to *Italy*, where he eventually died, leaving one daughter and three sons: he had, however, disposed of his property by Will, dated 23d July, 1800. By that Will he constituted the Petitioner and his two other sons residuary legatees; and he left his daughter, *Thérèse Donegani*, a bequest of £500. Had the Petitioner been born within the dominions of the Crown, there would have been no ground for disputing his title to the property left him by his father; but the Petitioner was by birth an alien, and his nephews, sons of the said *Thérèse Donegani*, (who had married a man of the same name,) preferred a claim to his prejudice.

This claim was founded on a relic of the feudal ages, called the *Droit d'aubaine*. In virtue of that branch of the law it was competent to his nephews to divest him of property derived from his father, their grandfather, and acquired at least in part by his own industry, because those nephews happened to be born in the British dominions. Had this right, due entirely to the accident of local birth, not been derived through their mother, as much an alien as the Petitioner, it might have savoured less of hardship, but it is surely entitled to no favor. Be that as it may, the Petitioner became the representative of his two brothers, and, without pausing to enquire how, it suffices to state, that in the year 1827, his three nephews, *J. A. Donegani*, *Joseph Donegani*, and *Guillaume Donegani*, resorted to legal process to eject the Petitioner from the real estate of which he was possessed under his father's will. This claim, founded upon the circumstances and the law hereinabove briefly stated, was eventually allowed by the Judgment of the Court of King's Bench at *Montreal*, bearing date 18th June, 1831. The effect of this Judgment was to divest the Petitioner of the fruits of nearly half a century of toil, and to enjoin on him the surrender of his estate to his nephews. It is now, however, necessary to interrupt the thread of the narrative, to refer to Legislative measures of a most important character, originating, it is said, in this case, and certainly intended to meet it.

On the 31st March, 1831, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to secure and confer upon certain inhabitants of this Province the civil and political rights of natural born British subjects," was presented for the Royal Assent. Had that assent been then given, it would have become law three months before the rendering of the above-mentioned Judgment against the Petitioner. In this case it is manifest that he could have availed himself of such of its enactments as bore upon his case. This is a matter of every day practice, and defendants are constantly in the habit of obtaining leave to plead *puis darrein continuance*, matters of defence occurring during the pendency of

the suit. Submitting an extract from that Statute (known as the Act 1 *Will* 4, c. 53), Your Committee do not hesitate to declare it to be their unanimous opinion, that had not the Act been reserved for the signification of the Royal Pleasure thereon, the Petitioner would have been entitled to plead *de novo*. It is also their unanimous opinion that had he been enabled to apply for leave so to plead, the following Clause must have sufficed to defeat the claim of his nephews:—

"And be it further enacted, That all persons actually domiciled in this Province on the first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, not being of either of the descriptions of persons before mentioned, who shall have resided or shall continue to reside therein, or in some other part of His Majesty's Dominions, for the space of seven years continually, without having been, during that time, stated residents in any foreign country, shall be deemed and adjudged and taken to be, and so far as respects their capacity at any time heretofore to take, hold, possess, enjoy, claim, recover, convey, devise, impart or transmit real estate in this Province, or any right, title, privilege, or appurtenances thereto, or any interest therein, to have been natural born subjects of His Majesty to all intents, constructions, and purposes whatsoever, as if they and every of them had been born within this Province."

It may be here briefly stated, as a matter of fact, that the Petitioner complied with every one of the requirements of the Act, and was clearly entitled to the benefit of it. It is perfectly clear also that this Act was intended to operate retrospectively, and so operating, the Petitioner, as it will be seen, had become a British subject before the date of the Judgment founded upon the erroneous assumption that he was an alien, and admitting, upon that erroneous assumption, the claim of his nephews.

Unhappily, however, as has been said, the Act was reserved for the signification of the Royal Pleasure, and according to what was then understood to be law, the Judgment of the Court of Queen's Bench was necessarily unfavorable to the Petitioner.

From this decision the Petitioner appealed; but on the 30th April, 1832, that appeal was dismissed with costs.

A reference to dates will shew by what a fatality the fortunes of the Petitioner were influenced; eighteen days before the date of that Judgment, namely upon the 12th of April, 1832, the Act had received the Royal Assent in *England*, and on the 6th June, 1832, that assent was in due form promulgated by Proclamation.

Having thus, as he justly conceived, the sanction of Legislative authority, the Petitioner appealed to the Privy Council, but unfortunately with the same results.

On the 17th February, 1835, in rendering Judgment on that appeal, the Vice-Chancellor is known to have admitted that the Act 1 *Will* 4, c. 53, "conferred upon the Petitioner rights which he had not before as against the Judgment" appealed from. It was, however, held that the sole consideration for the Court of Review was, whether the Judgment rendered by the Court of Appeals in *Canada* was, at the period when it was pronounced, right or wrong, according to the then state of the law.

The decision was thus again unfavorable to the Petitioner, because, though the Royal Assent had been given in *England* eighteen days before the pronouncing of the Judgment of the Court of Appeals in *Canada*, yet this assent was not and could not be known to the last mentioned Court, nor to the people of *Canada*, until the date of the Proclamation, namely, the 5th of June following.

It is not the intention of Your Committee to impugn

either decision, but it is a fact, that whatever may appear to be anomalous or unusual in the position or application of the Petitioner, is due to our Colonial dependence upon the Imperial Crown of *Great Britain and Ireland*. Your Committee do not intend to expatiate upon those grounds of public policy and of strict justice, for the encouragement of industrious settlers in a new Colony, which are embodied in the Statute—for they are supported by the highest authority. That authority, too, is not merely Colonial; and the Petitioner has not failed to insist on the provisions of the Imperial Act 10 and 11 *Vic. c. 83*. This is a Statute confirmatory of several Colonial Statutes, and one of the most important of its provisions, as establishing a fact involving the decision of this case, is the declaration, “that all Colonial naturalization Acts (including of course the 1 *Will. 4, c. 53*), shall be taken to be valid from the time “of their enactment.”

Referring to dates then, Your Committee would remind Your Honorable House, that the Bill in question was presented for the Royal Assent on the 31st March, 1831. Had it not been reserved, it would have passed into law some three months before the first Judgment rendered against the Petitioner; it would have changed the law, and that Judgment would consequently have been rendered not against him, but in his favor. - But the reserve of Bills passed by the two branches of the Legislature is a proceeding purely depending on the Colonial system, a peculiarity to which, as well as to the delays incident to it, the Petitioner justly ascribes the grievances under which he labors. Now, as he could not have been so aggrieved in any independent country, as that grievance could only have happened in a state of Colonial dependence such as ours, Your Committee are of opinion that it is incumbent on a Colonial Legislature to grant him relief. The right to that relief seems to flow naturally, as a corollary, from the Act 1 *Will. 4, c. 53*.

The Provincial Legislature certainly intended that Act to take immediate effect, but being suspended by causes beyond its control, the Statute was temporarily inoperative. Now, such mischief as the Act was intended to prevent, and which occurred in consequence of that suspension, it would seem to be clearly within the appropriate province of the Legislature to remedy. If the Courts of Law, as at present constituted, could afford a remedy, the Petitioner might be referred to them for relief, by a fresh series of legal proceedings, at any cost however enormous. But, as the law stands, the Petitioner might be despoiled of his property before the next Session of Parliament, and Your Honorable House be thereby prevented from interposing with effect.

On that branch of the subject, Your Committee have to observe that redress by *auditâ querelâ*, to which the Vice-Chancellor, in delivering the Judgment in the Cock-pit alluded to, does not obtain in *Lower Canada*. In default of that remedy the Petitioner appears to have resorted to a process for a *restitutio in integrum* in the nature of an *auditâ querelâ*, but that mode of relief was not found to apply to his case.

The Petitioner thus failed again, and the attempt only proved that the Courts of Justice were not open to him. The decision of the Courts against the Petitioner was in strict conformity, it is true, to the law as it was believed to stand before the passing of the Act 1 *Will. 4, c. 53*. But by virtue of that Statute, passed before the rendering of the first Judgment, and by a process perfectly constitutional and legitimate, which took place two years after in *England*, the law upon which that Judgment was founded was abrogated, and new dispositions favorable to the Petitioner were actually in force. The Judgment then is now known to have been at the time when it was rendered, con-

trary to law; but the law was changed by a statutory enactment of a retrospective character, of which the Judges could not be aware, and there is no mode by which that knowledge can be now conveyed to them, or acted upon if it were, nor can any appellate tribunal interpose, nor is it in that capacity that the intervention of Your Honorable House is sought. In *England* and in *Upper Canada* redress could be obtained by *auditâ querelâ*, and Your Committee are unanimously of opinion that by the introduction of that mode of proceeding, or by some other analogous course, the Petitioner should be enabled to plead the Act 1 *Will. 4, c. 53*. It is thus that the conviction has forced itself upon the minds of Your Committee, that a case for the intervention of the Legislature has been made out. Should Your Honorable House decline to interpose, it is manifest that the Petitioner will be ejected from an estate acquired in great part by his own industry, and possessed and occupied by him for fifty-eight years, down to the present day. To that estate he has a vested right under the law of the land, and all that is required is a mode of enabling the tribunals of the country to enforce that law.

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Toronto*, (Municipal Council Bill,) be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Petition of the City of Toronto.

Ordered, That the Petition of *B. Marquette* and others, the President, Officers, and Members of the Association of Teachers of the District of *Quebec*, (Education Law,) be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Petition of B. Marquette and others.

Ordered, That five hundred additional copies of the Report of the Superintendent of Schools of *Upper Canada* for the year 1847, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Schools (U.C.)

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 26th ultimo, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause the proper officer to lay before the House, a Return of all Village Lots sold in *Rawdon*, County of *Lincoln*, the number of each Lot, to whom sold, date of sale, and how and when paid; also, the names of persons claiming pre-emption, the number of Lots so claimed, and a list of what Lots are not yet sold.

Village Lots in Rawdon.

For the said Return, see Appendix (D.D.D.)

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Ordered, That Mr. *Fergusson* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Dundas and Waterloo Macadamized Road Act*.

Dundas and Waterloo Road Bill.

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

Ordered, That Mr. *Flint* have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Trustees of Churches and Parsonages, and other Trusts, belonging to the Wesleyan Methodist Church in *Canada*, more conveniently to manage and dispose of their Estates, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Wesleyan Methodist Church Bill.

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

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *DeWitt*, Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Standing

Offices of the House.

Committee on Contingencies, to enquire into the state and organization of the several Offices appertaining to this House, the regularity in attendance, diligence and efficiency of the different under-clerks and writers employed therein, and whether any and what abuses prevail in the same requiring reform; and also to ascertain and report to this House, with all convenient despatch, whether any and what alterations may be necessary in the organization or arrangements of the said Offices, with a view to the despatch of the business of the House in both the English and French languages; and whether, without impairing the due efficiency of the establishment, it will admit of reductions in any of the offices appertaining to it, and in which of them.

On motion of Mr. Gogy, seconded by Mr. M'Connell,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Correspondence between Her Majesty's Government and the Association for colonizing the Eastern Townships, with a Statement, in detail, of all the Surveys and Roads made on behalf of, or in connection with, the said Association, as also, of the names and salaries or compensation allowed to such Surveyors, Agents or other public servants employed, and of all the expenditure incurred by the Government in relation to the said Association.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That three hundred additional copies of the Bill for removing doubts as to the legal effect of the Act of the Legislature of *Lower Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, and intituled, "An Act for rendering valid Conveyances of Lands and other immoveable property held in free and common soccage within the Province of *Lower Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for the greater uniformity of the Law relative to Real Property in *Lower Canada*, be printed in English for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Sherwood, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Hincks,

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws concerning the Interest of Money, be discharged.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Fergusson have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate certain persons as "The *Elora and Saugeen Road Company*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Gogy have leave to bring in a Bill to secure Titles to Real Estate to certain persons naturalized under the Statute of *Lower Canada*, 1 Will. 4, c. 53.

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

*Resolved*, That the Returns to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 23rd January last, praying for Statements of the income derived by the Sheriff of the District of *Montreal*, and by the Crier and Tipstaff of the Court of Queen's Bench for the said District, for the last five years, presented to this House on the 31st January and 8th February last, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Gogy, Mr. Christie, Mr. Chauveau, Mr. M'Connell, and Mr. Polette, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

*Ordered*, That Sir Allan N. MacNab have leave to bring in a Bill to establish a more efficient system of Police and Municipal Government in the City of *Hamilton*, and to extend the limits of the said City.

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

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Badgley have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the Corporation of *Rechabites of Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

According to Order, *George E. Cartier*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Verchères*, who was absent, yesterday, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Prescott*, attended in his place; and having given satisfactory reasons for his not being present at the meeting of the Committee on that day; and having verified the same upon oath;

*Ordered*, That Mr. Cartier be excused for not attending the Committee, yesterday.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law respecting *Libel*, being read; Mr. Gogy moved, seconded by Mr. M'Lean, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. Cauchon moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Notman, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Guillet*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTernière*, *Laurin*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, and *Viger*.—(37.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Gogy*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir Allan N. *MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *M'Lean*, *Papineau*, *Robinson*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, and *Stevenson*.—(12.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, this day six months.

Sheriff, Crier, and Tipstaff of the District of *Montreal*.

*Hamilton Corporation Bill*.

*Montreal Rechabites Bill*.

*Prescott Election*.

*Libel Law Bill*.

Association for Colonizing the Eastern Townships.

Real Property Conveyances Bill.

Interest of Money Bill.

*Elora and Saugeen Road Bill*.

Bill to secure Real Estate Titles to certain persons.

Emigration Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Emigration Act, being read; The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. Watts took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Watts reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Macdonald, of Glengary, seconded by Mr. Morrison,

Resolved, That William K. Mackenzie, Esquire, complaining of the undue Election and Return of T. H. Johnson, Esquire, as Member to represent the County of Prescott in this present Parliament, have leave to add the following names to the List of Witnesses put in, in his behalf, at the striking of the Committee to try the Controverted Election for the said County of Prescott:—

Colonel John Kearnes.....	Plantagenet.
Peter M. Martin.....	do
Michael Ryan.....	do
Patrick Ryan.....	do
Malcolm M. Martin.....	do
John M. Crank.....	do
Charles Waters.....	West Hawkesbury.
James P. Wells.....	do do
Peter M. Crimmon.....	do do
Henry Walker.....	do do
Duncan Dewar.....	do do
Alexander M. Caskiel.....	do do
John Sample.....	do do
Norman M. Rae.....	do do
Patrick Bulger.....	do do
John Garland.....	do do
Joseph Mullakin.....	do do
Roderick M. Rae.....	do do
Thomas M. Cafferty.....	do do
Farquhar Robertson.....	do do
Benjamin D. Flyn.....	do do
Thomas Higginson.....	do do
Peter M. Laurin.....	Caledonia.
William Bradley.....	do
Kenneth M. Leod.....	do
Hugh M. Master.....	do
John M. Master.....	do
John M. Cuaig.....	do
William Jameson.....	East Hawkesbury.
Archibald M. Bean.....	do do
John M. Cuaig.....	do do
George D. Reed.....	L'Orignal.
Chauncey Johnson.....	do
John W. Sylvester.....	do
Johnson Fitzpatrick.....	do

Resolved, That this House do nominate and appoint, under the hand and seal of Mr. Speaker, three Commissioners for the purpose of examining the Witnesses of the parties in the Controverted Election for the County of Prescott, and that Charles Waters, of West Hawkesbury, Esquire, Donald M. Donald, (Fort William,) of L'Orignal, Esquire, and Peter O'Brian, of the same place, Attorney at Law and Solicitor in Chancery, be such Commissioners, who shall be authorized and empowered to hold their several sittings at the Town of L'Orignal, in the Ottawa District, on the tenth day of March instant, with the said Donald M. Donald, Esquire, as Chairman of the said Commission; and

that the said Commissioners be also subsequently at liberty to sit at Vankleek Hill in the said District, and at Plantagenet in the said District, and to adjourn from day to day, as may be found necessary.

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery do transmit to the Chairman of the Commissioners appointed to take the examination of the Witnesses in the matter of the Controverted Election for the County of Prescott, the original Poll Books of the last Election for the said County, and all papers and documents in his possession connected with or relating to the said Controverted Election, or true copies thereof.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow. Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. Macdonald, of Glengary, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Price, The House adjourned.

Prescott Election.

Veneris, 2° die Martii;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

ON motion of Mr. Cartier, seconded by Mr. De Witt,

Resolved, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be further extended till Saturday, the tenth of March instant. Petitions for Private Bills.

Resolved, That the time for receiving Private Bills be further extended till Tuesday, the twentieth of March instant. Private Bills.

Resolved, That the time for receiving the Reports of Select and Standing Committees on Private Bills be further extended till Monday, the second of April next. Reports on Private Bills.

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

By Mr. M. Farland,—The Petition of Ozias Buchner and others, of the Township of Thorold, District of Niagara.

By Mr. Flint,—The Petition of T. H. Ketchum and others, of the Townships of Cramahe and Murray, District of Newcastle.

By Mr. Lemieux,—The Petition of the Reverend P. Beaumont and others, of the Parish of St. Jean Chrysostôme, County of Dorchester.

By Mr. Cartier,—The Petition of the Honorable Joseph Bourret and others, of the City of Montreal. By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin,—The Petition of the Oneida Indians of the Township of Delaware, District of London.

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

Of C. J. Duchesnay, Esquire, and others, of the County of Richelieu; praying that the Circuit Town of the said County may not be removed from its present site.

Of William Robinson, on behalf of a public meeting of the Inhabitants of the Townships of Leeds and Landsdowne; praying for the imposition of protective duties on articles imported into this Province from the United States.

Of John Connor, late a Gunner and Driver in the Royal Regiment of Artillery; praying that the amount of Emigrant Tax paid by him at the Port of Quebec may be refunded, in consideration of his, and his family's previous residence of fourteen years in the North American Provinces.



Of *William Evans*, and of his sons *John E. Evans* and *William Evans*, junior, of *Côte St. Paul*; praying indemnification for loss and damage sustained by them by reason of the *Lachine Canal*, through leakage and otherwise.

Of *Henry Jessup*, of the City of *Toronto*, Esquire; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the Court of Queen's Bench to admit him to practise as an Attorney therein.

Of *Mahlon Willet* and others, of the County of *Chambly*; praying that the Tariff of Duties may be so regulated as to protect Provincial labour and products.

Of *G. T. Havens* and others, of the Township of *Grantham*; praying that sectarianism and all other abuses may be removed from the constitution and administration of King's College.

Of Mrs. *Rebecca Sylvester*, of *Toronto*; praying for a pension in consideration of her past services as teacher of the Central School of the City of *Toronto*.

Of *Jacob Papst*, of *Toronto*; representing that a certain lot of land in the Township of *Sombra* allotted to him as a U. E. Loyalist, has been declared forfeited, and a Patent issued to another person upon the ground of non-performance of settlement duties, and that he had performed the said duties long ago, and praying an enquiry, and relief in the premises.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Talbot*; praying that all doubts be removed as to the liability of wild lands to pay certain taxes imposed by District Councils, and to be sold for arrears of the said taxes.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Talbot*; praying that Courts of Assize may be held in the said District twice in each year as formerly.

Of *Robert Layfield* and others, of *Inverness* and other Townships; praying for the completion of the *Gosford Road*.

Of the Reverend *J. E. A. Dupuis* and others, of *Halifax*, *Inverness*, and other Townships, County of *Megantic*; praying for the opening of a Road, already traced, between the Churches of *Halifax* and *Arthabaska*.

Of the Caput of the University of *M'Gill College*; praying that Students at Law who have graduated or attended a regular Collegiate Course, may be admitted to practise after a Clerkship of three years.

Ordered, That the Petition of *John Young* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Resolved, That the Petition of *Thomas Lotbridge* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, and the adjacent Townships, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, Mr. *Notman*, the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and Mr. *Wetenhall*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

On motion of Mr. *Laurin*, seconded by Mr. *Guillet*, Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Laws relating to Winter Roads in *Lower Canada*, be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, on Tuesday, the thirteenth instant.

On motion of Mr. *Meyers*, seconded by Mr. *Seymour*, Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the amount of Duties collected at the Port of *Belleville*, in *Upper Canada*, on Imports from the *United States of America*, and a separate Return of the amount

Petition of J. Young and others:

Of T. Lotbridge and others, referred.

Winter Roads (L.C.) Bill.

Import Duties at Belleville and Trent Port.

levied on Imports discharged at the Port of *Trent Port* during the year 1848.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Ordered, That Mr. *Taché* have leave to bring in a Bill to remove the seat of the Municipality Number One, of the County of *Rimouski*, from *St. Patrice de la Rivière du Loup* to *St. Jean Baptiste de l'Isle Verte*.

Rimouski Municipality No. 1 Bill.

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

On motion of Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by Mr. *Chabot*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of all Complaints made to the Executive touching the conduct of *William K. M' Cord*, Esquire, Justice of the Peace, Queen's Counsel, and Superintendent of Police at *Quebec*, and a copy of all Correspondence on that subject; also, a copy of all Complaints touching the incompatibility of the said offices in the person of the said *W. K. M' Cord*, and of all correspondence on that subject; together with a copy of all Correspondence between the Government and the said *W. K. M' Cord* relative to his appointment as a Queen's Counsel.

W. K. M' Cord.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* have leave to bring in a Bill for abolishing the Territorial Division of *Upper Canada* into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolution of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require.

County Division (U.C.) Bill.

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

Ordered, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *New City Gas Company of Montreal*, and to extend the powers of the said Company.

Montreal New City Gas Company Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* have leave to bring in a Bill to increase the Capital Stock of the *Grand River Navigation Company*.

Grand River Navigation Company Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the twelfth instant.

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, and the Question being put, That the Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, for Correspondence between *Alexander Morrison* and the Provincial Government, relative to his claim for Land in the District of *Niagara*, laid before the House on Thursday, the fifteenth of Feb-

Alexander Morrison.



ruary ultimo, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Malloch, Mr. M'Farland, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Christie, and the mover, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records;

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton* of TORONTO, *Christie, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Lean, Papineau, Prince, Scott* of BYTOWN, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, and *Thompson*.—(12.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boutillier, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Dumas, Ferguson, Fournier, Fourquin, Gagy, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lyon, Marquis, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Notman, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Taché, Viger, and Watts*.—(39.)

So it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. *Holmes*, seconded by Mr. *Johnson*,

*Resolved*, That the 66th Rule of this House be suspended, so far as it affects the introduction of a Bill to extend the Charter of the *Montreal* and *Lachine* Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Charter of the *Montreal* and *Lachine* Railroad Company, to authorize them to continue the said Railroad, and for the incorporation of the *Saint Lawrence* and *Ottawa* Grand Junction Railroad Company.

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

Mr. *Watts* reported the Bill to amend the Emigration Act; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee of Supply, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received on Monday next.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, also acquainted the House, That he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Friday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the free admission of certain Articles of the growth or production of the *United States* of America into *Canada*, whenever similar Articles the growth and production of *Canada* shall be admitted without Duty into the said States, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Merritt* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*,

and the Question being put, That the Bill be engrossed;

The House divided: And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the Indemnification of parties in *Lower Canada* whose property was destroyed during the Rebellion in 1837 and 1838, being read;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cayley*, That all the words after "Bill" be left out, and the words "having been introduced informally, and contrary to the rules, usages, and practice of Parliament with respect to money grants, which rules have been devised for the greater security of the People, to the end that when money is to be raised on the Subject, the proposition should have the fullest and most frequent discussion," be read a second time this day six months," added instead thereof.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton* of TORONTO, *Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Dickson, Gagy, Johnson, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Stevenson*.—(20.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boutillier, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott* of BYTOWN, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Watts*.—(46.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boutillier, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott* of BYTOWN, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Watts*.—(46.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton* of TORONTO, *Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Dickson, Gagy, Johnson, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Stevenson*.—(20.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

Indemnification Bill (L. C.)

Lachine Railroad Charter Extension Bill.

Emigration Bill.

Supply.

Reciprocity Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Morrison*, seconded by Mr. *Cau-  
chon*,

Prescott  
Election.

*Resolved*, That the Petitioner complaining of the undue Election and Return of *Thomas Hall Johnson*, Esquire, for the County of *Prescott*, and the sitting Member, do exchange, on or before the fifth day of March instant, at three o'clock, P.M., lists of the voters objected to, giving the several heads of objection, and distinguishing the same against the names of the voters excepted to by them, respectively; such lists to be delivered as follow, that is to say—the list on the part of the Petitioner to be delivered or left at the residence of the said *Thomas Hall Johnson* in the City of *Montreal*, and the list on the part of the sitting Member to be delivered to or left at the residence of, *Joseph C. Morrison*, Esquire, the Nominee of the said Petitioner in the said Controverted Election.

Orders  
deferred.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Monday next.

Then, on motion of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*,  
The House adjourned till Monday next.

*Lunæ, 5<sup>o</sup> die Martii;*

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. *Flint*.—The Petition of *Normand Macdonald* and others, of *Upper Canada*.

By Mr. *Nelson*.—The Petition of *William Simpson* and others, of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Thompson*.—The Petition of *Barnard Foley* and others, of the Township of *Grantham*, and others.

By Mr. *M'Lean*.—The Petition of the Reverend *George A. Hay* and others, the Catholic Clergyman and Laity of the Parish of *St. Andrews*.

By Mr. *Méthot*.—The Petition of *Henry Atkinson*, Esquire, and others, of the City and vicinity of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Lemieux*.—The Petition of *T. M. Guay*, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de la Pointe Levy*, Seigniorship of *Lauzon*, County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Fortier*.—The Petition of *Charles Duguay* and others, of the south shore of the River *St. Lawrence*, District of *Three Rivers*.

By Mr. *Guy*.—The Petition of *Edwin Pridham*, Esquire, and others, of the Townships of *Grenville* and augmentation, and *Harrington*, in the County of *Two Mountains*; and the Petition of *Edward Hale*, Esquire, Chairman, and *J. G. Robertson*, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of *Sherbrooke*.

By Mr. *Chauveau*.—The Petition of *Joseph P. Bradley*, Esquire, President, and others, on behalf of the Officers and Members of the *St. Patrick's Society* of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*.—The Petition of *Francis M. Hill* and others, of the City and Township of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Morrison*.—The Petition of *Thomas Dick*, Esquire, and others, Ship-Owners, Master-Mariners, and others interested in navigating the Lakes and Inland Waters of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Bell*.—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Bathurst* (Jurors).

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

Of *John M'Gill Chambers*, of the Township of *Montague*, District of *Bathurst*; praying that the Act 10 and 11 Vic. c. 53, for establishing the boundary line between the Townships of *North Elmsley* and *Montague* may not be repealed.

Of *Jesse Joseph*, of *Montreal*; praying that pipe clay may be admitted into the Province free of duty, and that a duty of 20 per cent be imposed upon tobacco pipes.

Of *James Scott*, Esquire, and others, of the Lake *St. Louis* and Province Line Railway Company; praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the said Company.

Of *Patrick Daly*, of *Drummondville*, in the District of *Three Rivers*; praying remuneration for services as District Surveyor to the late Municipal Council of *Nicolet*, and payment of an account due him by the said Council.

Of *A. Farewell* and others, of the Township of *Whitby*, Home District; praying that no division be made of the said District.

Of *John Grubb*, President of the *Abion Plank Road Company*; praying to be authorized to extend the line of Road belonging to the said Company.

Of *E. Fisher*, President, on behalf of the *Etobicoke and Mono Sixth Line Road Company*; praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the said Company.

Of *J. W. Eaton* and others, of the Municipality of the Village of *Philipsburg* and the remaining part of the School District No. 1 in the Parish of *St. Armand West*, County of *Missisquoi*; praying that the said Municipality, and that part of School District No. 1 not included therein, may be separated from the said Parish, and erected into a distinct School District.

Of *Robert Cross* and others, of the Seigniorship of *Beauharnois*; praying for the adoption of measures to change the Seigniorial Tenure of Lands.

Of *Robert Lovell* and others, of the County of *Beauharnois*; praying that the Circuit Court be removed back to the Village of *Durham*,—that the Education Laws be simplified,—that the Parish Municipalities be restored, and the Sleigh Ordinance revived.

Of *E. C. Thomas*, Esquire, Chairman, and *A. Logie*, Secretary, in behalf of a public meeting of the Inhabitants of the District of *Gore*; praying that no appropriation be made out of the Provincial Revenues for the Rebellion Losses of *Lower Canada*,—and that no indemnity be granted in any way to those persons who were openly and actively engaged in the Rebellion.

Of *Ozias Buchner* and others, of the Township of *Thorold*, District of *Niagara*; praying for the removal of the District Town of the said District to a more central position.

Of *T. H. Ketchum* and others, of the Townships of *Cramahe* and *Murray*, District of *Newcastle*; praying that certain lots in the said Township may be erected into a new Township.

Of the Reverend *P. Beaumont* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, County of *Dorchester*; praying for the abolition of Taverns, and the substitution of Temperance Houses in the place thereof.

Of the Honorable *Joseph Bourret* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated as "*L'Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal*."

Of the *Oneida* Indians of the Township of *Delaware*, District of *London*; praying that their lands may be free from taxation.

*Resolved*, That the Petition of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Montreal*, and others of the City of *Quebec*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Lemieux*, Mr. *Christie*, Mr. Petition of Lord Bishop of Montreal and others, referred.

*Taché*, and the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

venient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Gugy*, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M<sup>c</sup>Connell*, *M<sup>c</sup>Lean*, *Meyers*, *Papineau*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Stevenson*.—(18.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Marquis*, *M<sup>c</sup>Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, and *Wetenhall*.—(43.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That Mr. *Watts* have leave to absent himself from this House, for one week, on urgent private business. Leave of absence

Ordered, That Mr. *Lyon* have leave to absent himself from this House, for eight days, on account of sickness in his family.

Ordered, That Mr. *Wilson* have leave to absent himself from this House, during the present week, on account of urgent private business.

Ordered, That Mr. *Brooks* have leave to absent himself from this House, for a fortnight, on account of urgent private business.

Ordered, That Mr. *Laurin* have leave to absent himself from this House, during the present week, on account of sickness in his family.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency. Message from His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered; and is as followeth:—

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

The Governor General transmits, for the information of the Legislative Assembly, the accompanying Copy of Correspondence with Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies on the subject of Immigration and Public Works. Immigration and Public Works.

Government House,

Montreal, 5th March, 1849.

For the Documents accompanying the said Message, see Appendix (E.E.E.) Appendix (E.E.E.)

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the said Message and Documents be printed, in each of the English and French Languages, for the use of the Members of this House.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 26th ultimo, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, copies of all correspondence between the Commissioners of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum and the Government, during the Medical Superintendence of Dr. *Rees*, and between him and the Government, and him and the Commissioners, in possession of the Government, and all other documents relating to the appointment and dismissal of Dr. *Rees*. Dr. Rees.

For the said Return, see Appendix (F.F.F.) Appendix (F.F.F.)

Petition of J. W. Griffin and others.

Mr. *Notman* moved, seconded by Mr. *Hall*, and the Question being put, That the Petition of *John Watson Griffin* and others, sons and daughters of the late *Joseph Griffin*, praying for the adoption of measures to obtain a repeal of the Patent constituting the Rectory of *Wellington Square*, and to restore to them their father's property now enjoyed by the Rector of that place, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Hall*, Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Farland*, Mr. *Wetenhall*, and the mover, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Christie*, *DeWitt*, *Hall*, *Malloch*, *M<sup>c</sup>Connell*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, and *Thompson*.—(13.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Crysler*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Gugy*, *Guillet*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Marquis*, *M<sup>c</sup>Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Meyers*, *Morrison*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Robinson*, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Stevenson*, *Viger*, and *Wetenhall*.—(37.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Petition of the St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Company; Of the Corporation of Quebec:

Ordered, That the Petition of the *Saint Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Company* (increased powers); and the Petition of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec* (Railroad), be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Of the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company. Of W. H. Merritt and others; Of W. Davidson and others; Of the City Council of Kingston;

Ordered, That the Petition of the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*; the Petition of the Honorable *W. H. Merritt*, President, and others, Directors of the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*; the Petition of *William Davidson* and others, of the first and second concessions of the Township of *Caistor*, County of *Lincoln*, and the Petition of the City Council of *Kingston* (Hospital), be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of D. Wylie and others;

Ordered, that the Petition of *David Wylie* and others, Reporters engaged on the *Montreal Press*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

Of the President, &c., of the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company, referred.

The Honorable Mr. *Merritt* moved, seconded by Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, and the Question being put, That the Petition of the President and Directors of the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Petition of J. M. Ferres.

Mr. *Christie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Gugy*, and the Question being put, That the Petition of *James Moir Ferres*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire, praying for an investigation into the matter of his dismissal from the office of Revenue Inspector, be referred to a Special Committee, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all con-

Thirteenth  
Report of Com-  
mittee on  
Standing  
Orders.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Thirteenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Robert Hamilton* and others, of the District of *Niagara*, praying to be incorporated as the *Queenston Suspension Bridge Company*, and find that the requisite notices have not been given.

The Petitions of the City Council of *Hamilton*; and of *John Young* and others, do not, in the opinion of Your Committee, require a notice.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*, seconded by Mr. *Christie*,

School of Navigation.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council, praying their Honors will permit the Honorable *William Walker*, one of their Members, to attend the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the expediency of establishing a Provincial School of Navigation at *Quebec*, on Thursday next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference.

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

Bill to abolish  
imprisonment  
for Debt.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, and for the punishment of fraudulent debtors.

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

Protestant  
Clergy (U.C.)

On motion of Mr. *Bell*, seconded by Mr. *Hall*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement shewing,—1st. The quantity and estimated value of Lands originally set apart for the support of a Protestant Clergy in *Upper Canada*; 2nd. The quantity sold, the price, the amount paid, and amount still due, and the amount of monies invested; 3rd. The quantity and estimated value of that set apart for the endowment of the fifty-seven Rectories; 4th. The quantity under lease, the terms of such leases, the amount collected for rents, and the amount still due; 5th. The quantity of Land still undisposed of by sale or lease; 6th. The amount of receipts from sales and leases, the manner in which it has been disposed of, the expense of management, and the net proceeds now available.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Debates of the  
House.

Mr. *Armstrong* moved, seconded by Mr. *Notman*, and the Question being put, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the propriety of adopting a Standing Rule fixing the time during which each Member may speak on any Question in the Debates of the House;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Malloch*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, and *Seymour*.—(30.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *M'Lean*, *Meyers*, *Papineau*, *Price*, *Prince*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Stevenson*, and *Viger*.—(18.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. *Armstrong* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn;

The House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the Orders of the day be now called" added instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Lean*, *Meyers*, *Prince*, and *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*.—(11.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*, and *Viger*.—(32.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow" added instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Cayley*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *DeWitt*, *Holmes*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Lean*, *Meyers*, *Nelson*, *Price*, *Prince*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, and *Stevenson*.—(19.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Bell*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Davignon*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Méthot*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, and *Viger*.—(22.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, and the Question being put, That the further consideration of the Question be postponed till Thursday next, and be then the first Order of the day;

The House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Quebec  
Friendly  
Society Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Chabot have leave to bring in a Bill to continue for a limited time the Act of the Legislature of Lower Canada incorporating the Quebec Friendly Society.

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

On motion of Sir Allan N. MacNab, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Cayley,

Desjardins  
Canal Com-  
pany.

Ordered, That the Desjardins Canal Company do lay before this House, a true and faithful Account of the Receipts and Expenditure of the said Company, from the period at which the last Statement was made, to the 1st January, 1849, pursuant to the Act 9 Vic. c. 85, sec. 4.

Orders  
deferred

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, seconded by Mr. Chabot, The House adjourned.

Martis, 6<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. Polette,—The Petition of J. Desfossés, Esquire, and others, of the Town and District of Three Rivers; and the Petition of François Da Sylva, Esquire, and others, of the Town and District of Three Rivers.

By the Honorable Mr. Merritt,—The Petition of Rowley Kilborn and others, of the District of Niagara.

By the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent,—The Petition of William Murray and others, of the Eastern District.

By Mr. De Witt,—The Petition of Donald M'Intosh, of the Township of Godmanchester, distiller.

By Mr. M'Farland,—The Petition of James Williams and others, of the District of Niagara.

By Mr. Notman,—The Petition of John Burwell, of Port Burwell, District of London, Esquire; and the Petition of Leonard Wilcox, of the City of Toronto.

By the Honorable Mr. Boulton,—The Petition of the President and Directors of the Cobourg Harbour Company (purchase of Works).

By Mr. Malloch,—The Petition of R. Hervey, Esquire, and others, of the Town of Bytown.

By the Honorable Mr. Hincks,—The Petition of George Tylson and others, of Dereham.

By Mr. Prince,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Western District (Joint Stock Colonizing Company); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Western District (Road, Indian Reserve); and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Western District (Roads).

Emigration  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Emigration Act, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make further provision respecting Emigrants."

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Merritt do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Reciprocity  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the free admission of certain Articles of the growth or production

of the United States of America into Canada, whenever similar Articles the growth and production of Canada shall be admitted without Duty into the said States, was read the third time.

The Honorable Mr. Merritt moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General LaFontaine, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to provide for the free admission of certain Articles of the growth or production of the United States of America into Canada, whenever similar Articles the growth and production of Canada shall be admitted without Duty into the said States;"

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Bell, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutilier, Cameron of KENT, Cayley, Chabot, Chauveau, Christie, Crysler, DeWitt, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes, Attorney General LaFontaine, Macdonald of KINGSTON, M'Farland, Merritt, Morrison, Notman, Polette, Prince, Robinson, Scott of-TWO MOUNTAINS, Seymour, Smith of DURHAM, and Thompson.—(32.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Fournier, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Malloch, Marquis, Smith of FRONTENAC, Stevenson, and Taché.—(8.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Merritt do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by John Fennings Taylor, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council give leave to the Honorable William Walker to attend the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the expediency of establishing a Provincial School of Navigation at Quebec, on Thursday next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference.

And then he withdrew.

The Honorable Mr. Boulton, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fourteenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petitions of the Municipal Council of the Town of Three Rivers, and of Theophilus Richaby and others, praying that the Common appertaining to the said Town may be vested in the Municipal Council; and they find that no notice of the application has been given.

The Petitions of William Davidson and others,—of the City Council of Kingston (for incorporation of the Kingston Hospital),—and of the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company (for a reduction of their Capital,) Your Committee are of opinion do not require notice.

The Honorable Mr. Boulton, from the Select Committee to which were referred the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in Upper Canada, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled or Macadamized Roads therein, and the Bill to authorize the formation of incorporated Road and Bridge Companies in Upper Canada, with an Instruction to the Committee, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bills referred to them; made amendments to the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in Upper

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Road Com-  
panies Bill.



Canada, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled or Macadamized Roads therein, and extended the provisions thereof to Lower Canada, in accordance with their Instruction.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Representation Bill.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General LaFontaine have leave to bring in a Bill to enlarge the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday, the sixteenth instant.

Election Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General LaFontaine moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Viger, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Mr. Gagy moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Badgley, That the words "and that it be an Instruction to the said Committee, to enquire into and report upon the expediency of introducing and establishing a sound and effective system for the Registration of Votes," be added at the end thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, DeWitt, Flint, Gagy, Hall, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Lean, Papineau, Prince, Robinson, Sherwood of TORONTO, and Thompson.—(18.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Davignon, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hincks, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Sawageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Seymour, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, and Viger.—(40.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Supply.

Mr. Smith, of Wentworth, from the Committee of Supply, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty-nine thousand one hundred and twelve pounds seventeen shillings and tenpence currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the undermentioned Works on the St. Lawrence Canals, for the year 1849:

Les Galops, removing Coffer Dams, and extending the River Pier.....	£1900	0	0
Rapide Plat, removing Coffer Dams.....	100	0	0
Farren's Point, removing Coffer			

Carried forward..... £2000 0 0

Brought forward.....	£2000	0	0
Dams .....	50	0	0
Cornwall, removing Coffer Dams, and extending Towing-path...	1200	0	0
Slope-walling for protection of banks .....	1056	0	0
Beauharnois, construction of Dams, and dredging.....	6400	0	0
Slope-walling for protection of banks .....	2112	0	0
Spare Gates.....	1500	0	0
Lachine, removing Coffer Dams, and extending Piers .....	2300	0	0
Slope-walling for protection of banks .....	2583	12	0
To complete existing Contracts, and to construct a Ditch to remove further claims for damages.....	4641	5	10
General Expenditure on the St. Lawrence.....	4218	0	0
Superintendence and Contingencies .....	1052	0	0
	£29112	17	10

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

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to provide for the Indemnification of parties in Lower Canada whose property was destroyed during the Rebellion in 1837 and 1838, being read; The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Davignon took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Davignon reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

And the Question being put, That the Report be now received;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sawageau, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Taché, Thompson, and Viger.—(43.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Gagy, Johnson, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.—(19.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Davignon reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General LaFontaine moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, and the Question being proposed, That the Question be now separately put upon each of the said amendments;

Sir Allan N. MacNab moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Robinson, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the

“ whole House, for the purpose of making the following amendments thereto :—

“ Folio 2. Leave out Clause No. 1.

“ Folio 3. Leave out Clause No. 2.

“ Folio 4. Line 26, Clause No. 7. After “ that I” insert “ bear and have always borne true allegiance to Her Majesty, and did not directly or indirectly take part in the unnatural Rebellion against Her authority in year 1837 or 1838, or at any other time, nor did I aid or abet any person or persons in such Rebellion, or refuse or neglect to do my utmost endeavours to put down the same; and I swear that I.”

“ Folio 5. Leave out Clause No. 9.

“ Folio 5. Lines 36 and 37, Clause No. 11. Leave out “ subjects and other residents” and insert “ loyal subjects in.”

“ Folio 7. Line 3, Clause No. 13. After “ claim,” insert “ and no claim shall be received by the said Commissioners unless they shall be satisfied by the oath of the claimant, or of some competent witness or witnesses, that the claimant, or if he be dead, the party for whose losses compensation is claimed, is or was a subject of Her Majesty, and did not, directly or indirectly, take part in the unnatural Rebellion in the year 1837 or 1838, or aid or abet any persons concerned in such Rebellion, or refuse or neglect to do his duty as a loyal subject to put down the same.”

“ Folio 7. Line 30, Clause No. 14. Leave out from “ respectively” to “ them” in Line 43.

“ Folio 2. Line 8, Preamble. -Leave out from “ authority” to “ thereof” in Line 32, and insert to the end that, after a report stating the result of such inquiry shall have been submitted to the Governor of this Province by the Commissioners appointed to make such inquiry, and shall by the Governor have been laid before both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, provision may be made for the payment of such of the said losses as shall have been sustained by loyal subjects of Her Majesty who have not heretofore received compensation for the same.”

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Gugy, Johnson, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.*—(20.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, De Witt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hinch, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Marquis, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Taché, Thompson, and Viger.*—(43.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Question be now separately put upon each of the said amendments;

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Boulton of Toronto*, That all the words after “ That” be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: “ the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of making the following amendment thereto :—

“ Preamble. Leave out all the words after “ Where- as” and insert “ on the 28th day of February, 1845, an humble Address was adopted by the Legislative Assembly of this Province, and by them presented to the Right Honorable *Charles Theophilus Baron Metcalfe*, the then Governor General of the same, praying “ that His Excellency would be pleased to cause proper measures to be adopted in order to ensure to the Inhabitants of that part of this Province formerly *Lower Canada*, indemnity for just losses by them sustained during the Rebellion of 1837 and 1838:” And whereas the term “ just losses” meant, and was intended to mean, the losses of such persons who upon that occasion maintained their allegiance to Our Most Gracious Sovereign, and not of such as were in any manner implicated in the said unnatural Rebellion: And whereas in pursuance of the said Address, a Commission of five persons was, on the 24th November, 1845, by His Excellency the said Governor General, duly appointed to enquire into the losses sustained by Her Majesty's loyal subjects of *Lower Canada* aforesaid, during the late unnatural Rebellion which unhappily existed in that part of the said Province of *Canada*, and growing out of the said Rebellion: And whereas it appears by the Report of the said Commissioners, dated the 18th April, 1846, that “ the want of power to proceed to a strict and regular investigation of the losses in question, left the Commissioners no other resource than to trust to the allegations of the complainants as to the amount and nature of their losses:” And whereas in order to indemnify the said loyal inhabitants for such losses, it is necessary and just that the particulars of such losses not yet paid and satisfied, should form the subject of more minute inquiry under Legislative authority, and that the same so far only as they may have arisen from the total or partial destruction of the dwellings, buildings, property and effects of the said loyal inhabitants, and from the seizure, taking or carrying away of their property and effects, should be paid and satisfied.”

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Gugy, Hall, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.*—(20.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chauveau, De Witt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hinch, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, and Viger.*—(45.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Question be now separately put upon each of the said amendments;

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, That all the words after “ That” be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: “ the said Bill be recommitted forthwith to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of making the following amendment thereto :—

"Folio 2. Line 29, Preamble. After "*Bermuda*" insert "nor any person who was in any matter implicated in the said Rebellion, or who refused when called upon to aid in suppressing it."

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Gogy, Hall, Johnson, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of FRONTENAC, Smith of WENTWORTH, and Stevenson.*—(21.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of Two MOUNTAINS, Smith of DURHAM, Taché, Thompson, and Viger.*—(45.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Question be now separately put upon each of the said amendments;

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Boulton, of Toronto*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of making the following amendments thereto:—

"Folio 2. Line 36, Clause No. 1. Leave out after the word "Debentures" to "at" in Line 38.

"Folio 2. Line 41, Clause No. 1. Leave out payable out of the said Fund."

"Folio 2. Line 45, Clause No. 1. After "mentioned" add the words "And provided also, that the said Debentures shall be issued on the security of, and be made payable out of the proceeds arising from the issuing of Tavern Licenses in Lower Canada, and the Fees receivable in Lower Canada upon Marriage Licenses."

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Gogy, Johnson, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.*—(20.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of Two MOUNTAINS, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, and Viger.*—(47.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Question be now separately put upon each of the said amendments;

Mr. *Christie* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Prince*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of inserting the following Clause between the 10th and 11th Clauses of the said Bill:—

"Provided always, and be it enacted, That no claim for any loss alleged to have been sustained through or by reason of the Rebellions in Lower Canada, in 1837 and 1838, or of either of them, shall be entertained or investigated unless the claim preferred be, on the presentation thereof, accompanied by a written affidavit, or attestation on oath, of the claimant before the said Commissioners, or some one of them, which oath they are and each of them hereby is authorized and required to administer, that he in no respect aided, abetted, joined, took part, nor directly or indirectly participated in the said Rebellions, nor in either of them; and in the case where the claim preferred shall relate to the estate or succession of any deceased person, and whose decease may have taken place since the Rebellion or Outbreak in the year 1838, the claim shall not be entertained nor investigated unless it be accompanied by an affidavit, or attestation on oath, of the legal representative, or of the nearest relation of the deceased person with respect to whose estate or succession such claim is preferred, or of some other respectable person residing in the parish, township or settlement wherein the deceased person may have resided during those Rebellions, that to the best of the deponent's knowledge and belief the deceased person in whose name, or for whose estate and succession the claim is preferred, took no part openly or covertly in either of the said Rebellions, nor aided, abetted, or joined therein directly or indirectly."

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Gogy, Johnson, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.*—(19.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of Two MOUNTAINS, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Thompson, and Viger.*—(46.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Question be now separately put upon each of the said amendments;

The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cayley*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "the said Bill be recommitted forthwith to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of making the following amendment thereto:—Folio 2. Line 29, Preamble. After "*Bermuda*" insert "or who by their written confession admitted their participation in the said Rebellion."

And the Question being put on the Amendment;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Gugy, Johnson, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.*—(20.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Smith of WENTWORTH, Thompson, and Viger.*—(46.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Question be now separately put upon each of the said amendments;

Mr. *Gugy* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *M'Connell*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of making the following amendment thereto:—Folio 2. Line 45, "Clause No. 1. After "mentioned" add the words "Provided always that no Debentures chargeable on the Consolidated Revenue Fund, be issued under or by virtue of any of the enactments or provisions in this Act contained, until the Public Debts for payment of which the said Revenue Fund is pledged, be fully and entirely discharged and extinguished."

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Gugy, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.*—(17.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Richards, Scott of BYTOWN, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, and Viger.*—(45.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Question be now separately put upon each of the said amendments;

The Honorable Mr. *Cayley* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "the said Bill be forthwith recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of making the following amendment thereto:—Folio 2. Line 45; Clause No. 1. After "mentioned" add the words "Provided always that no Debentures shall be issued under this Act, until all sums authorized to be raised on the credit of the Province for the completion of Public Works and Improvements shall have been obtained."

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Gugy, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.*—(16.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, and Viger.*—(47.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, and Viger.*—(46.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Gugy, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.*—(17.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being separately put upon each of the said Amendments, they were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Acts in force in *Upper Canada* relative to the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities, the regulation of Highways, the Assessment and collection of local Taxes, and other matters of a like nature, being read;

Municipal Corporations (U.C.) Repeal Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday, the twentieth instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to raise an income of One hundred thousand pounds out of the Public Lands of *Canada*, for Common School Education, being read;

Common School Education Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

Crown Lands  
Protection  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to explain and amend an Act of the Parliament of the late Province of Upper Canada, passed in the second year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the protection of the Lands of the Crown in this Province from trespass and injury," and to make further provision for that purpose," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

Orders  
deferred.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Price,

The House adjourned.

Mercurii, 7<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Sherwood,—The Petition of George P. Ridout, Esquire, President of the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto, on behalf of the Council of the said Board.

By Mr. Chabot,—The Petition of John Curtain and others, Stevedores at the Port of Quebec.

By Mr. Mongenais,—The Petition of the Reverend T. Cholette and others, of the Parish of St. Polycarpe, County of Vaudreuil.

By the Honorable Mr. Macdonald,—The Petition of W. Kingsmill, Esquire, Chairman, and Samuel Wood, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting of the Inhabitants of the District of Niagara.

By Mr. Thompson,—The Petition of William James and others, of the Village of Thorold.

Common  
School Educa-  
tion Bill.

An engrossed Bill to raise an income of One hundred thousand pounds out of the Public Lands of Canada, for Common School Education, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Price do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions read.

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

Of Norman Macdonald and others, of Upper Canada; praying that the Medical Bill may not pass in the form in which it was passed by the Legislature of Upper Canada, but reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure, in the year 1839.

Of William Simpson and others, of Canada; praying for the abolition of punishment by death.

Of Barnard Foley and others, of the Township of Grantham, and others; praying for the incorporation of the Queenston Suspension Bridge Company.

Of the Reverend George A. Hay and others, the Catholic Clergyman and Laity of the Parish of St. Andrews; praying that suitable provision be made for the College of Regiopolis.

Of Henry Atkinson, Esquire, and others, of the City and vicinity of Quebec; praying that no alteration may be made in the existing boundaries and limits of the said City.

Of T. M. Guay, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of St. Joseph de la Pointe Levy, Seignior of Lauzon, County of Dorchester; praying that the charges and rents payable to the Seignior of the said Seignior may be made conformable to the original title thereof, and to the laws of the country.

Of Charles Duquay and others, of the south shore of the River St. Lawrence, District of Three Rivers; praying for certain alterations to the Judicature Bill, and for the abolition of Commissioners' Courts.

Of Edwin Pridham, Esquire, and others, of the Townships of Grenville and augmentation, and Harrington, in the County of Two Mountains,—and of Edward Hale, Esquire, Chairman, and J. G. Robertson, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Sherbrooke; praying that no indemnity for Rebellion Losses be granted to those who took part in the Rebellion.

Of Joseph P. Bradley, Esquire, President, and others, on behalf of the Officers and Members of the St. Patrick's Society of Quebec; praying for an Act of incorporation.

Of Francis M. Hill, and others, of the City and Township of Kingston; praying for the incorporation of the Kingston Hospital, and a certain annual grant in support thereof.

Of Thomas Dick, Esquire, and others, Ship-Owners, Master-Mariners, and others interested in navigating the Lakes and Inland Waters of Canada; praying that the Maritime Laws of the United Kingdom may be extended to the inland waters of this Province.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of Bathurst; praying that Jurors in Upper Canada may be paid out of the general funds of the Province, as in Lower Canada.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Honorable Joseph Bourret and others, of the City of Montreal, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Petition of the  
Hon. J. Bourret  
and others, re-  
ferred.

Mr. Chabot moved, seconded by Mr. Chauveau, and the Question being put, That the Petition of Joseph Legaré and others, of Quebec (with the exception of that part which relates to public monies), be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Chauveau, Mr. Méthot, Mr. Laurin, Mr. Marquis, and the mover, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records;

Petition of J.  
Legaré and  
others.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, Fortier, Guillet, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Malloch, Marquis, Méthot, and Papineau.—(11.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boulton of TORONTO, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Christie, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Fournier, Fourquin, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, Sir Allan N. MacNab, M'Farland, Merritt, Meyers, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Richards, Robinson, Scott of BYTOWN, Seymour, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of FRONTENAC, Stevenson, Taché, Thompson, and Viger.—(41.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, Dr. Telfer, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 15th ultimo, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid



before them, all papers and correspondence relative to the removal from office of Dr. *Telfer*, late Medical Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*.

For the said Return, see Appendix (G.G.G.)

*Ordered*, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *DeWitt*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of any Despatch that may have been received from the Home Government relative to a Bill passed at the first Session of the Second Parliament, by both Houses thereof, intituled, "An Act to provide a legal recourse to Her Majesty's subjects in this Province having legal or just claims upon the Government thereof, and to enable Her Majesty the more effectually to do justice in such cases," and which Bill, being on the 29th day of March, 1845, (on the prorogation of the Legislature), reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure, Her Majesty did not think fit graciously to sanction.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Kingston General Hospital*.

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

On motion of Mr. *Chabot*, seconded by Mr. *Guillet*, *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement of the names of all the Local Agents for the sale and management of Crown Lands for the cutting of Timber in *Lower Canada*; the date of the respective appointments, and the amount paid to each, or the amount annually received by each, since 1844; and how much has been collected and paid to the Receiver General by each, during the same period; together with the amount of security by the said Agents, and the names of the securities.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Honorable Mr. *Merritt* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, and the Question being put, That the 66th Rule of this House be suspended, so far as it affects the Petition of *Robert Hamilton* and others, of the District of *Niagara*, praying for an Act to incorporate a Company to construct a Suspension Bridge over the River *Niagara*;

The House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "The *Queenston Suspension Bridge Company*."

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

On motion of Mr. *Fortier*, seconded by Mr. *Polette*, *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, by the proper officer, a List of the Patents granted in *Lower Canada* for lots of Land exceeding five hundred acres, from the year 1795 to the year 1848, with the date of each Patent, the names of the parties to whom the said Lands have been granted, and by whom; the object for which each Patent was granted, and the conditions contained therein.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 26th February last,—Copies of Correspondence, Petitions and Plans, with Minutes in Council, referring to Lot No. 18, in 1st Concession of *Hallowell*, in the case of *Stephen Bowerman*.

For the said Documents, see Appendix (H.H.H.)

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to explain and amend an Act of the Parliament of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, passed in the second year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the protection of the Lands of the Crown in this Province from trespass and injury," and to make further provision for that purpose," was, according to Order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Price* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *St. George's Society of Quebec*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Warehousing Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Jobin*, Mr. *Guillet*, Mr. *Laurin*, Mr. *Boutillier*, Mr. *Duchesnay*, Mr. *Cartier*, and Mr. *Armstrong*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "The *City of Kingston Water Works Company*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. *Fergusson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein;

Appendix  
(G.G.G.)

Government  
Claimants.

Kingston Hos-  
pital Bill.

Local Agents  
for the sale of  
Crown Lands.

Petition of R.  
Hamilton and  
others.

Queenston  
Suspension  
Bridge Com-  
pany Bill.

Land Patents.

Stephen  
Bowerman.

Appendix  
(H.H.H.)

Crown Land-  
Protection  
Bill.

St. George's  
Society Bill.

Quebec Ware-  
housing Com-  
pany Bill.

Notarial Pro-  
fession Organi-  
zation Bill.

Kingston  
Water Works  
Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;  
And Mr. *Fergusson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Longueuil and  
Chambly  
Turnpike Road  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Ordinance relating to the *Longueuil* and *Chambly* Turnpike Road Company, being read;  
The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. *Bell* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Bell* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

River du Chêne  
Improvement  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the improvement of the *River du Chêne*, in the County of *Two Mountains*, being read;  
The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Taché* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Taché* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Taché* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Trial of Im-  
peachments  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to establish a Tribunal for the Trial of Impeachments by the Legislative Assembly of the Province, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*,

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Lachine Rail-  
road Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* and *Lachine* Railroad Company, and for other purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Montreal and  
Troy Tele-  
graph Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* and *Troy* Telegraph Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

L'Academie  
Industrielle  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate *L'Academie Industrielle de St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Sœurs de Ste.  
Croix Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate *La Communauté des Sœurs de Ste.*

*Croix*, in the Parish of *St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*, for the purposes of education, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to enable *Louis Comte* to recover a certain amount due to him by the Parish of *St. Edouard*, in the District of *Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

L. Comte's  
Relief Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Institut Canadien de Montréal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Davignon*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Taché*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, and Mr. *Richards*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Montreal  
Institut Cana-  
dien Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to extend the time limited for an increase of the Capital Stock of the Bank of *Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. *Beaubien* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Beaubien* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Beaubien* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Montreal Bank  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to vest a certain Road allowance in the Township of *Nelson*, in *John S. M'Collom*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

M'Collom's  
Road Allow-  
ance Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Acts and Ordinances relative to the *Montreal* Turnpike Roads, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, Mr. *Jobin*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Armstrong*, and Mr. *Chauveau*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Montreal  
Turnpike  
Roads Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "*Les Sœurs de Miséricorde pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité de Montréal*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Les Sœurs de  
Miséricorde  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "*The Mount Hermon Cemetery*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mount Hermon  
Cemetery Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the

Montreal and  
Province Line

Junction Rail-  
way Bill.

Bill to amend and extend the Act to incorporate the *Montreal and Province Line Junction Railway Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Quebec Gas  
Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Gas Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. *Sauvageau* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Sauvageau* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Nuns of the  
Quebec General  
Hospital  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intitled, "An Act to authorize the Community of the "Nuns of the General Hospital of *Quebec* to acquire "and hold additional real and personal property to a "certain amount," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

Bradley's Road  
Allowance  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to enable *William Bradley* to hold a certain Road allowance in *Caledonia*, in the *Ottawa* District, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Bridge Bill of  
A. Archambeault  
and  
others.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize *Antoine Amable Archambeault* and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Drummond  
Municipality  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the Municipality of *Drummond* into two Municipalities, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. *Guillet* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Guillet* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Guillet* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Uncultivated  
Lands (L.C.)  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to facilitate the settlement of uncultivated Lands in the Townships of *Lower Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton and Gore Mechanics' Institute*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Hamilton and  
Gore Mechan-  
ics Institute  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to regulate the trade of *Stevedores* at the Port of *Quebec*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Chabot*, the Honorable Mr. *LaTerriere*, Mr. *Egan*, Mr. *Méhot*, and Mr. *Chauveau*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Stevedores'  
Regulation  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend and consolidate the provisions contained in the Ordinances to incorporate the *City and Town of Quebec*, and to vest more ample powers in the Corporation of the said *City and Town*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Méhot*, Mr. *Laurin*, Mr. *Christie*, Mr. *Cauchon*, and Mr. *Lemieux*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Quebec Incorporation  
Amendment  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Charter of the Literary and Historical Society of *Quebec*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Quebec Literary  
and Historical  
Society  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the removal of the Registry Office of the County of *L'Islet* from the place where it is now kept to the Parish of *L'Islet*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Fournier*, Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Boutillier*, Mr. *Chabot*, and Mr. *Chauveau*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

L'Islet Registry  
Office Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to enable *Charles James Stuart*, Esquire, to practise the Law in *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, Mr. *Cartier*, Mr. *Gugy*, Mr. *Christie*, and Mr. *Dumas*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Stuart's Relief  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to detach the Parish of *St. Antoine de L'Isle aux Grues* from the Municipality of *L'Islet*, and to erect the same into a separate Municipality, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. *Chauveau* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Chauveau* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

St. Antoine de  
l'Isle aux Grues  
Municipality  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intitled, "An Act to incorporate "Les Clercs Paroissiaux

Les Clercs Pa-  
roissiaux Bill.

"ou Catechistes de Saint Viateur," in the Village of "Industry, in the County of Berthier," being read ;  
The Bill was accordingly read a second time.  
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

Building Societies Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to encourage the establishment of Building Societies in the District of Quebec, being read ;  
The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. M'Farland took the Chair of the Committee ; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ;

And Mr. M'Farland reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Provident Associations Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for incorporating certain Charitable, Philanthropic, and Provident Associations, and for the effectual protection from fraud and misappropriation of the Funds of the same, being read ;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Hastings Registration of Titles Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Titles in the County of Hastings, in Upper Canada, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and ordered to be engrossed.

Quebec Forwarding Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the Quebec Forwarding Company, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. Fournier took the Chair of the Committee ; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ;

And Mr. Fournier reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Fournier reported the Bill accordingly ; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Municipal Corporations (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in Upper Canada, being read ;

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

Quarantine Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Quarantine Act," being read ;

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

Toronto and Lake Huron Railroad Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Toronto and Lake Huron Railroad Act, being read ;

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Registry Laws of Upper Canada, being read ;

Registry Laws (U.C.) Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the Sale under Execution of the interest of Mortgages and Mortgagees in real estate in Upper Canada, being read ;

Bill relating to Mortgages and Mortgagees.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "The Minister and Trustees of St. Andrew's Church, Montreal," being read ;

St. Andrew's Church Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for removing doubts as to the legal effect of the Act of the Legislature of Lower Canada, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, and intituled, "An Act for rendering valid Conveyances of Lands and other immoveable property held in free and common soccage within the Province of Lower Canada, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for the greater uniformity of the Law relative to Real Property in Lower Canada, being read ;

Real Property Conveyances Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to establish a more equal and just system of Assessment in the several Townships, Villages, Towns, and Cities in Upper Canada, being read ;

Assessment Bill (U.C.)

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the School Law of Lower Canada, being read ;

School Law (L.C.) Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to establish a Court having jurisdiction in Appeals and Criminal matters for Lower Canada, being read ;

Courts of Appeals and Criminal Jurisdiction Bill (L.C.)

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in Lower Canada, being read ;

Courts of Civil Jurisdiction Bill (L.C.)

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

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the expediency of establishing, by Law, the Indemnity to be granted to the Members of this House, and of providing for the payment thereof, being read ;

Indemnity to Members.

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Tuesday next.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America, for the apprehension and surrender of certain Offenders, being read ;

Offenders Treaty Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Tuesday next.

Frivolous Op-  
positions Bill  
(L.C.)

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for preventing frivolous and vexatious Op-positions to the seizure of moveables or of immoveables, and for the better ensuring the execution of Judgments of the Courts of Law in *Lower Canada*, being read;

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

Transfer of  
Real Property  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to simplify the transfer of Real Property in *Upper Canada*, and to render certain rights and interests therein liable under execution, being read;

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

Joint Stock  
Companies  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies, for manufac-turing, mining, mechanical, or chemical purposes," being read;

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

Berthier Mu-  
nicipalities  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the County of *Berthier* into two Municipalities, for Municipal purposes, being read;

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

Report on Pro-  
cedure of J. H.  
Aussem and  
others.

The Order of the day for taking into considera-tion the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *John H. Aussem*, Esquire, and others, of the Province of *Canada*, being read;

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

First Report on  
Printing.

The Order of the day for the House in Commit-tee on the First Report of the Standing Committee on Printing, being read;

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

Official Salaries  
Attachment  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize to a certain extent the seizure and attachment of Official Salaries towards payment of the Incumbents' debts, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

General Ses-  
sions of the  
Peace and Dis-  
trict Courts  
Bill (U.C.)

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal so much of the several Laws of the late Province of *Upper Canada* as relate to the period for holding the District Courts and Quarter Sessions therein, and to make provision for holding General Sessions of the Peace in each District there-of, and to alter the Terms of the said District Courts, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

Presbyterian  
Church Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Members of the Presbyterian Church in *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

Montreal Pri-  
son Discipline  
Society Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the Prison Discipline Society of *Montreal*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

Bill relating to  
persons dying  
Intestate.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, inti-

tuled, "An Act to make better provision for the pro-tection of the property of persons dying Intestate in that part of this Province formerly called *Up-per Canada*," being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "The President, Directors, and Company of *Port Burwell Harbour*," being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to secure Titles to Real Estate to certain persons naturalized under the Statute of *Lower Canada*, 1st *Will. 4*, c. 53, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to alter the Law relating to the limita-tion of Actions in this Province, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for the punishment of Warehousemen and others giving false receipts for Merchandize, and of persons receiving advances upon Goods, and after-wards fraudulently disposing of the same, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Thursday, the fifteenth instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the insertion of certain Official Notices in the *Canada Gazette* only, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Friday, the sixteenth instant.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the expediency of amending so much of the Ordinance 25 *Geo. 3*, as empowers the Sheriffs of that part of the Province formerly con-stituting *Lower Canada*, to retain two and a half per cent out of the public monies in their hands, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Monday, the nineteenth instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to limit the number of Executive Functionaries, and the Salaries to be accorded to each, and for other purposes relating to their appointments to office, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Monday, the nineteenth instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act of *Lower Canada*, sixth *Wil-liam* the Fourth, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Ordinance therein mentioned concerning persons to be admitted to practise the Law, or to practise as Notaries in this Province," being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Monday, the nineteenth instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to prohibit the use of Strychnine and other Poi-sons for the destruction of certain kinds of wild animals, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Monday, the nineteenth instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law relative to the Administration of Justice in *Gaspé*, being read;

Port Burwell  
Harbour.

Bill to secure  
Real Estate Ti-  
tles to certain  
persons.

Limitation of  
Actions Bill.

Warehouse-  
men's Pun-  
ishment Bill.

Official Notices  
Bill.

Sheriffs' per  
centage.

Executive  
Functionaries  
Bill.

Bill to extend  
certain privi-  
leges to Law  
Students in  
*Lower Canada*.

Bill respecting  
Strychnine and  
other Poisons.

*Gaspé* Judica-  
ture Bill.



Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, on Tuesday, the twentieth instant.

Aliens Naturalization Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the naturalization of Aliens, being read;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, on Tuesday, the twentieth instant.

District Courts (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act, the several Laws now in force establishing and regulating the practice of the District Courts of the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly Upper Canada," and to increase the jurisdiction of the said District Courts, being read;

Ordered, that the Bill be read a second time, on Wednesday, the twenty-first instant.

Orders deferred.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Price,

The House adjourned.

Jovis, 8<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Leave of Absence.

ORDERED, That Mr. Guillet have leave to absent himself from this House, until the fifteenth instant, on urgent private business.

Ordered, That Mr. Prince have leave to absent himself from this House, for one month, on urgent private business.

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Connell,—The Petition of A. A. Adams and others, of the Township of Barnston and vicinity.

By Mr. Fergusson,—The Petition of Charles Whitlaw and others, Officers and Members of the Paris Fire Company Number One, Canada West.

By the Honorable Mr. Macdonald,—The Petition of A. Thibodo and others, Officers and Members of Fire Companies of the City of Kingston.

By the Honorable Mr. Boulton,—The Petition of the Honorable R. U. Harwood and others.

By Mr. Smith, of Wentworth,—The Petition of George S. Wilkes and others, Officers and Members of the Brantford Hook and Ladder Company Number One.

By the Honorable Mr. Sherwood,—The Petition of the Honorable Adam Ferris, Chairman, and others, members of the Provisional Committee of the Canada, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia Railway Company.

By Mr. Dumas,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of Kingston and Curé of L'Assomption, and others of the County of Leinster.

M<sup>c</sup>Collom's Road Allowance Bill.

An engrossed Bill to vest a certain Road allowance in the Township of Nelson, in John S. M<sup>c</sup>Collom, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Wetenhall do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to divide the Municipality of Drummond into two Municipalities, was read the third time.

Drummond Municipality Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Polette do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to amend and extend the Act to incorporate the Montreal and Province Line Junction Railway Company, was read the third time.

Montreal and Province Line Junction Railway Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. De Witt do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the improvement of the River du Chêne, in the County of Two Mountains, was read the third time.

River du Chêne Improvement Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Scott, of Two Mountains, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to enable William Bradley to hold a certain Road allowance in Caledonia, in the Ottawa District, was read the third time.

Bradley's Road Allowance Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Johnson do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to extend the time limited for an increase of the Capital Stock of the Bank of Montreal, was read the third time.

Montreal Bank Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Holmes do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

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

Petitions read.

Of J. Desfossés, Esquire, and others, of the Town and District of Three Rivers; praying for aid to construct Piers in the River St. Lawrence, between Pointe des Grondines and the Deschambault or Richeheu Rapids, so as to prevent the accumulation of ice there in the winter, and damage consequent thereon.

Of François Da Sylva, Esquire, and others, of the Town and District of Three Rivers; praying for aid to improve the Road from the Village of Kingsey to Port St. Francis, called "The Land Company's Road," and the Road from Gentilly to the River St. Lawrence.

Of Rowley Kilborn and others, of the District of Niagara; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate a Company to construct a Bridge across the River Niagara at Queenston.

Of William Murray and others, of the Eastern District; praying for the reduction of law costs in the collection of debts, and for alteration in the law of arrest in Lower Canada.

Of Donald M<sup>c</sup>Intosh, of the Township of Godmanchester, distiller; praying for a reduction of the Duty imposed upon distillers, and for the repeal of the Duty imposed upon spirituous liquors manufactured by them.

Of James Williams and others, of the District of Niagara; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the Queenston Suspension Bridge Company.

Of John Burwell, of Port Burwell, District of London, Esquire; praying that in case the Government do not intend constructing a Harbour at Port Burwell, the Township of Bayham may be annexed to the District of Brock, and that the privileges surrendered to the Crown by the Port Burwell Harbour Company may be granted to the Municipal Council of the said District of Brock.

Of Leonard Wilcox, of the City of Toronto; praying compensation for the loss of a boat and cargo illegally seized, sold, and bought by the Collector of

Customs and his Deputy, in the year 1815, at York, now the City of Toronto.

Of the President and Directors of the Cobourg Harbour Company; praying for an investigation into the accounts of the said Harbour, and a certain amount exceeding an original contract with the Board of Works placed to the credit of the Government,—and that the said Harbour be purchased and completed by the Government.

Of R. Hervey, Esquire, and others, of the Town of Bytown; praying for the rejection of the proposed measure for granting indemnification for Rebellion Losses in Lower Canada.

Of George Tillson and others, of Dereham; praying that measures be adopted for the repeal of the Imperial Act relating to the Clergy Reserves, and for the abolition of the Rectories,—and that certain abuses be removed from the administration and charter of the University of King's College.

Of the Municipal Council of the Western District; praying that a Charter be not granted to the Presbyterian Synod to form a Joint Stock Company to colonize certain Townships in the said District with coloured people.

Of the Municipal Council of the Western District; praying to be authorized to open a Road through the Indian Reservation in the Townships of Oxford and Zone.

Of the Municipal Council of the Western District; praying that certain Roads therein mentioned may be placed under the control of the said Council.

Petition of J. Scott and others, referred.

Ordered, That the Petition of James Scott, Esquire, and others, of the Lake St. Louis and Province Line Railway Company, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Report on Petition of G. B. de Boucherville

The Honorable Mr. LaTerrière, from the Select Committee to which was referred that part of the Petition of George B. de Boucherville, of Montreal, Esquire, praying the House to allow him to exhibit to them a Machine invented by him for the production of a self-renewing motive force, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee, in submitting the information they have obtained, relative to the project of constructing a very ingenious Machine, the motive power whereof would be constantly renewed by the combined action of the motion of the Machine with the weight of the atmospheric air, are of opinion (supposing that such a Machine could readily be made to work) that the result of this motive power applied to objects of public utility, would not justify the expense which it would cost to construct and maintain such an Engine, which the Inventor himself states could only be done in Europe.

For these reasons, Your Committee do not think themselves justified in recommending the expense of such an experiment, and consequently cannot accede to the demand of the Inventor.

Your Committee, however, feel bound to concur in the opinion expressed by the Messieurs Desauniers, that the plan of the Machine is exceedingly ingenious, and does honor to its Inventor.

Fifteenth Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

The Honorable Mr. Boulton, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fifteenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Honorable W. H. Merritt and others, praying that the exclusive right may be granted to the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company, of erecting any other Bridge across the River Niagara above the present Bridge, and they find that the provisions of the

66th Rule have not been complied with, notice having been published in the Canada Gazette only.

The Petitions of the Grand River Navigation Company, and of the Honorable Joseph Bouarret and others, do not, Your Committee conceive, require the publication of notice.

The Honorable Mr. Sherwood, from the Standing Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library, to which shall be referred all matters relating thereto, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

First Report of Committee on the Library.

Difficulties having been often experienced from the want of proper Rules regulating the admission of persons to the Library, and the procuring of Books therefrom; and the necessity for a revision of the present Orders having become generally apparent, Your Committee take an early opportunity of submitting a new set of Rules on this subject, for the examination and approval of Your Honorable House.

Hitherto there has been a partial non-observance of the existing Rules; upon which Your Committee would observe, that the Rules in question being unsuited to the increased extent and value of the Library, and to the views of Members generally in relation thereto, they had been suffered gradually to fall into disuse. They were copied, it appears, at the time of the Union, from the Book of Rules of the Lower Canada Assembly, having been adopted by that body at an early period, when the Library was of inconsiderable extent, and was deposited in one of the Clerks' Offices. Their re-enactment was intended to be merely temporary, until more suitable ones could be framed; wherein regard might be had to the alterations which time had effected in the value and importance of the collection, to the propriety of distinctly recognizing it as a separate Department among the Officers of the Assembly, and to the expediency of permitting it, under certain restrictions, to supply the place of a Public Provincial Library; as well as a collection of Books necessary for the use of Your Honorable House. It was in deference to these views, which have been generally entertained among Honorable Members for several years past, that the old Rules have been permitted to fall into disuse; and the alterations which Your Committee have now the honor to report, are mainly the embodiment of the practice which has prevailed, ever since the Union, in the regulation of this Department. It has, however, been felt to be desirable that no further delay should take place in devising proper and definite Rules, capable of being strictly enforced; accordingly, Your Committee have given their attention to the matter, and beg to submit to Your Honorable House the Orders hereunto appended, as the result of their deliberations.

Rules respecting the Library; proposed to be substituted in lieu of those now in force, and numbered 84 to 88 in the Book of Rules:—

84. That a proper Catalogue of the Books belonging to the Library be kept by the Librarians, in whom the custody and responsibility thereof shall be vested, and who shall be required to report to the House, through Mr. Speaker, at the opening of each Session, the actual state of the Library.

85. That no person whatsoever shall be entitled to resort to the Books, during a Session of Parliament, except the Governor of the Province, the Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, and Legislative Assembly, and the Officers of the two Houses for the time being; and such other persons as may receive a written Order of Admission from any two Members of the House.

86. That during a Session of Parliament, no Books belonging to the Library be permitted to be taken

out of the Building, except upon receipts given by Members of either House.

87. That during the Recess of Parliament, the Library shall be open every day in each week, Sundays and Holidays excepted, from the hour of ten in the morning until three in the afternoon; and that access thereto be permitted to persons introduced by a Member of the House, or admitted at the discretion of the Librarian, subject to such Regulations as may be deemed necessary for the security and preservation of the collection; but that no one shall be allowed to take any Book out of the Library, except Members of the House, and such persons as may be authorized by the Speaker, or, in his absence, by one of the Librarians.

88. That the Clerk of this House be authorized to import, annually, the continuation of Periodical Works in the Library.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

King's College.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 13th ultimo, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, a Copy of the Ordinance of the Council of King's College appointing Commissioners to enquire into the affairs of the said College, and of the Instructions given to the said Commissioners, as well as of all other Documents having reference thereto.

For the said Return, see Appendix (L.L.)

*Ordered*, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Appendix  
(L.L.)

Jesuits Estates.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 22d February, 1849, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, copies of all accounts, receipts and expenditure, which have been rendered by *Louis Eléonore Dubord*, Esquire, of his administration of the Jesuits' Estates in the District of *Three Rivers*, while Agent thereof.

For the said Return, see Appendix (J.J.J.)

Appendix  
(J.J.J.)

Clerical Visitors of Sick Emigrants.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to so much of an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 29th January, 1849, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, a Return of all sums of money paid during 1848, for the service of 1847; to Clerical Visitors of sick Emigrants at *Grosse Isle*, *Quebec*, *Montreal*, and elsewhere, with the name and claims of each recipient.

For the said Return, see Appendix (K.K.K.)

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Schools and Colleges.

And also, Return to so much of an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 29th January, 1849, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, a Return of all special grants to Schools and Colleges (not including the annual grant for *Upper and Lower Canada*, of £50,000,) with the particulars of the expenditure in each case, the names of the Teachers or Professors who are employed, the number of pupils who share in the benefit, and the course of instruction pursued,—also the Religious body (if any) with which the Institution is connected.

For the said Return, see Appendix (L.L.L.)

Appendix  
(L.L.L.)

On motion of Mr. *Armstrong*, seconded by Mr. *Jobin*, *Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the third reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the rate *Les Clercs Paroissiaux ou Catechistes de Saint Viateur*," in the Village of *Industry*, in the County of *Berthier*," be discharged.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Armstrong*, the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, Mr. *Boutillier*, and Mr. *Chabot*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Les Clercs Paroissiaux Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the proper Officer to cause to be laid before this House, the Report of the Commissioners appointed to enquire into, and allow or reject, the claims of the Inhabitants of the County of *Oxford*, arising out of the late Rebellion and Invasion of this Province.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Gugy*, That the words "and also a detailed Statement of the number and names of the persons convicted of or charged with Treason in *Canada*, during the years 1837 and 1838, who have since been appointed to office of honor, profit, or emolument, with the dates of their appointment," be added at the end thereof.

And the Question being put, That those words be there added; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Gugy*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Meyers*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, and *Stevenson*.—(13.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fartier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, and *Viger*.—(43.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the proper Officer to cause to be lay before this House, the Report of the Commissioners appointed to enquire into, and allow or reject, the claims of the Inhabitants of the County of *Oxford*, arising out of the late Rebellion and Invasion of this Province.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, That all the words after "Inhabitants" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, arising out of the late Rebellion and Invasion of this Province," added instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the proper Officer to cause to be laid before this House,

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the Report of the Commissioners appointed to enquire into, and allow or reject, the claims of the Inhabitants of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, arising out of the late Rebellion and Invasion of this Province.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Quebec Forwarding Company Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Méthot*, seconded by Mr. *Taché*, *Ordered*, That the Order of yesterday, for engrossing the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Quebec Forwarding Company*, as amended, be rescinded.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Holmes*, seconded by Mr. *Notman*,

M<sup>c</sup>Gill College.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause the proper Officer to lay before this House, copies of all Papers or Correspondence relative to *M<sup>c</sup>Gill College* between the Authorities in *Canada* and the Home Government since 1840, and of the Charter and Statutes as now amended, or proposed to be amended; also, a list of the Officers, Teachers, or Professors, (exclusive of the Medical Faculty), with the pay of each, together with a statement of the College Property and Income, the course of study pursued in the Faculty of Arts, and the present number of Students in the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Magog Township Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Connell* have leave to bring in a Bill to erect a new Township, to be formed out of part of the Township of *Hatley* and part of the Township of *Bolton*, in the County of *Stanstead*.

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

On motion of Mr. *Thompson*, seconded by Mr. *Johnson*,

Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, to enquire whether due notice was given in the matter of the renewal of the Charter of the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*,

Call of the House.

*Resolved*, That a Call of the House be made on Friday, the sixteenth day of March instant.

*Resolved*, That such Members as shall not then attend, be sent for in custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do cause Circular Letters to be written immediately to absent Members, except those who are on leave from the House, enclosing to them copies of the preceding Resolutions, signed by the Clerk of this House.

Les Sœurs de la Charité de Bytown Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Scott*, of *Bytown*, have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate *Les Sœurs de la Charité* of *Bytown*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the twenty-sixth instant.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Richards* have leave to bring in a Bill to substitute Yearly Returns for the Quarterly Returns required of Clergymen and others, by the sixteenth section of the Census Act.

Clergymen's Returns Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize liens in certain cases on Vessels navigating the Lakes of *Upper Canada*.

Bill to authorize liens on certain Vessels.

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

On motion of Mr. *Holmes*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*;

*Ordered*, That the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills be discharged from the further consideration of the Petition of the *Saint Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Company*, praying for an amendment to their Act of Incorporation.

St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Méthot*, and the Question being proposed, That the Order of the day for the third reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Community of the Nuns of the General Hospital of *Quebec* to acquire and hold additional real and personal property to a certain amount," be now read;

Nuns of the Quebec General Hospital Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, That the words "now read" be left out, and the words "discharged, and the Bill committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next," added instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment:— It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The main Question, so amended, being put;

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the third reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Community of the Nuns of the General Hospital of *Quebec*, to acquire and hold additional real and personal property to a certain amount," be discharged; and the Bill committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Mr. *Fergusson* reported the Bill to incorporate "The City of *Kingston Water Works Company*," and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Kingston Water Works Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. *Sauvageau* reported the Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Gas Company*; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Quebec Gas Company Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to

St. Antoine de l'Isle aux Grues Municipality Bill.



detach the Parish of *St. Antoine de l'Isle aux Grues* from the Municipality of *L'Islet*, and to erect the same into a separate Municipality, being read ;

On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, seconded by Mr. *Sauvageau*,

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed until Monday, the twenty-sixth instant.

Building Societies Bill.

Mr. *M'Farland* reported the Bill to encourage the establishment of Building Societies in the District of *Quebec*; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Debates of the House.

The Order of the day for taking into further consideration the Question proposed on Monday last, "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair," [for the House in Committee to consider the propriety of adopting a Standing Rule fixing the time during which each Member may speak on any Question in the Debates of the House,] being read ;

On motion of Mr. *Armstrong*, seconded by Mr. *Thompson*,

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed until Wednesday, the twenty-first instant.

Cayuga Township Division Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the Township of *Cayuga*, in the District of *Niagara*, into two Townships, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Gore Bank Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Gore Bank*, and to increase the Capital Stock of the said Bank, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Interest of Money Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws concerning the Interest of Money, being read ;

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

*Ordered*, That the said Order be then the first Order of the day.

Canada Life Assurance Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Canada Life Assurance Company*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Bridge Bill of A. M. Delisle and others.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize *Alexandre M. Delisle* and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the *River Jésus*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Commutation of Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act the better to facilitate optional commutation of the tenure of lands *en roture*, in the Seignories and Fiefs in "*Lower Canada*, into that of *franc-aleu-roturier*," being read ;

Mr. *Christie* moved, seconded by Mr. *DeWitt*, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, acquainted the House that His Excellency having been informed of the purport of

the Bill, gives his consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

The Bill was then read a second time ; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Christie*, Mr. *DeWitt*, Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Davignon*, and Mr. *Lemieux*, to report thereon with all convenient speed ; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the Religious Community of the "*Sœurs Hospitalières de St. Joseph de l'Hôtel Dieu de Montréal*," to acquire and hold real and personal property to a certain amount over and above that now held by them, as well for themselves as for the Poor of the *Hôtel Dieu* on whose behalf they administer certain property, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Notice being taken, that there was no Quorum :— The names of the Members present were taken down, as follow :—

Mr. Speaker,

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Cartier*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Fournier*, *Hincks*, *Malloch*, *M'Farland*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Price*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, *Stevenson*, and *Taché*.

And at a quarter of an hour after midnight, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till to-morrow.

Veneris, 9° die Martii ;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

By Mr. *Lemieux*,—The Petition of *Joseph Vachon*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly constituting the County of *Beauce* (Commissioners' Courts); the Petition of the Reverend *J. D. Déziel*, President, and *Charles Bourget*, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting held at *Pointe Levy*; the Petition of *Joseph Vachon*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly constituting the County of *Beauce* (tenure of Land); the Petition of *Joseph Vachon*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly constituting the County of *Beauce* (Parish Councils); the Petition of *Joseph Vachon*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly constituting the County of *Beauce* (Registry Laws); the Petition of *Joseph Vachon*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly constituting the County of *Beauce* (Inspection of Highways); the Petition of *Joseph Vachon*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly constituting the County of *Beauce* (Education); the Petition of *Joseph Vachon*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly constituting the County of *Beauce* (Roads); and the Petition of *Joseph Vachon*, Esquire, and others of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly constituting the County of *Beauce* (increased Representation).

By the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*,—The Petition of the Honorable *P. M'Gill* and others, Trustees of the *Huron Mining Company*.

Sœurs Hospitalières (Montreal) Bill.

Petitions brought up.



By the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, The Petition of the Council of the *Toronto* Board of Trade (Assessment).

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of *John LeBoutillier*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Gaspé*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,—The Petition of *Archibald Young*, Chairman, and *Alexander M'Intosh*, Secretary, on behalf of the *Port Sarnia* Temperance Society.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,—The Petition of the President, Directors, and Company of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District.

By the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,—The Petition of *Henry Groves* and others, Officers and Members of Fire Companies in the Province of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Duchesnay*,—The Petition of Messieurs *Lovell* and *Gibson*, Contractors for the Sessional Printing of the Legislative Assembly.

By Mr. *Dumas*,—The Petition of The City Bank.

By Mr. *Fournier*,—The Petition of *Eucher Dion*, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of *St. Thomas* and the Village of *Montmagny*, County of *L'Islet*.

By Mr. *M'Farland*,—The Petition of the Honorable *William Hamilton Merritt* and others.

By Mr. *Holmes*,—The Petition of *John Perrigo* and others, the Officers and Members of Fire Companies in *Canada*.

By Mr. *DeWitt*,—The Petition of *Thomas Fee* and others, of the County of *Beauharnois*.

By Mr. *Thompson*,—The Petition of *David Thompson*, Esquire, Stockholder and Director of the *Gore* Bank, on behalf thereof.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cayley*,—The Petition of *Joseph Wenham*, Esquire, Manager of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, at *Montreal*.

Building Societies Bill.

An engrossed Bill to encourage the establishment of Building Societies in the District of *Quebec*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to encourage the establishment of Building Societies in *Lower Canada*."

Ordered, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Quebec Literary and Historical Society Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Charter of the Literary and Historical Society of *Quebec*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chabot* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Hastings Registration of Titles Bill.

An engrossed Bill to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Titles in the County of *Hastings*, in *Upper Canada*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to amend the Acts passed to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Titles in the County of *Hastings*."

Ordered, That Mr. *Flint* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Indemnification Bill (L. C.)

An engrossed Bill to provide for the Indemnification of parties in *Lower Canada* whose property was destroyed during the Rebellion in 1837 and 1838, was read the third time.

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, and the Question being put, That the following engrossed Clause (A.) be added to the Bill, by way of Rider:—

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that the said Commissioners shall, from time to time, at their discretion, or as often as they shall be thereunto required, and as soon as possible after the determination of their examination and proceedings by virtue of this Act, and without

"any further requisition, furnish an account of their proceedings in writing to the Governor General; and that a copy of such proceedings may be laid before the Legislature of this Province at the then next ensuing Session of Parliament, and that no Debentures be issued under this Act until the said account of the proceedings of the said Commissioners be laid before the Legislature as aforesaid, for at least thirty days after its meeting, and before called upon."

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *Toronto*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *Macdonald* of *Kingston*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Meyers*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *Toronto*, *Smith* of *Frontenac*, and *Stevenson*.—(17.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *Norfolk*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *Kent*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sawageau*, *Scott* of *Two Mountains*, *Smith* of *Durham*, *Smith* of *Wentworth*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, and *Viger*.—(47.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to provide for the Indemnification of parties in *Lower Canada* whose property was destroyed during the Rebellion in the years one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven and one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight;"

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *Norfolk*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *Kent*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sawageau*, *Scott* of *Two Mountains*, *Smith* of *Wentworth*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, and *Viger*.—(47.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *Toronto*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *Macdonald* of *Kingston*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Meyers*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *Toronto*, *Smith* of *Durham*, *Smith* of *Frontenac*, and *Stevenson*.—(18.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

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

Of *George P. Ridout*, Esquire, President of the Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto*, on behalf of the Council of the said Board; praying for the insertion of a provision in the Bill relating to the Interest on Money, to restrict the rate chargeable by Banks to seven per cent per annum.

Of *John Curtain* and others, Stevedores at the Port of *Quebec*; praying for certain amendments to the Bill to regulate the trade of Stevedore at that Port.

Of the Reverend *T. Cholette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Polycarpe*, County of *Vaudreuil*; praying for the passing of an Act to prohibit the employing or sailing of Vessels on Sundays and *Fêtes d' Obligation*.

Of *W. Kingsmill*, Esquire, Chairman, and *Samuel Wood*, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting of the Inhabitants of the District of *Niagara*; praying that indemnification for Rebellion Losses in *Lower Canada* be not granted, but upon certain conditions therein set forth.

Of *William James* and others, of the Village of *Thorold*; taking notice of the *Upper Canada Municipal Corporation Bill*,—the *Upper Canada Assessment Bill*,—and the Bill for the removal of the *Niagara District Town to Port Robinson*; and praying that the same may not become law as they now stand.

Petition of G. D. Watson;

Ordered, That the Petition of *George D. Watson*, on behalf of the Board of Management of the Merchant's Exchange and Reading Room Association of *Montreal*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

W. Simpson and A. R. Ward;

Resolved, That the Petition of *William Simpson* and *Abel R. Ward*, of the Village of *Smith's Falls*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, Mr. *Bell*, Mr. *Flint*, and Mr. *Morrison*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of F. Dupin and others, referred.

Ordered, That the Petition of *François Dupin* and others, of the Parish of *St. François du Lac*, be referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Pierre Cartier* and others, of *St. François du Lac St. Pierre*.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* and Mr. *Cartier* be added to the said Committee.

Petition of P. M. Bardy and others, committed.

Ordered, That the Petition of *P. M. Bardy*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*, be referred to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof.

Message from His Excellency.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered; and is as followeth:—

#### ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Legislative Assembly, copies of communications from the Secretary of State and the Royal Engineer Department, on the subject of erecting an Observatory at the Port of *Quebec*.

Government House,  
Montreal, 9th March, 1849.

#### Schedule.

1. Despatch from Earl *Grey* to the Earl of *Elgin*, 26th March, 1847.—States that the erection of an Observatory at *Quebec* has been recommended for the purpose of communicating time accurately to the Shipping.—Considers that the expenses ought to be provided for by the Provincial Legislature.

2. Letter from Colonel *Holloway*, R. E., to Major

*Campbell*, 8th November, 1847.—Transmitting Estimates and Plans.

3. Letter from ditto to ditto, 1st June, 1848.—Requesting to be informed of the decision of the Provincial Government.

4. Despatch from Earl *Grey* to the Earl of *Elgin*, 3rd August, 1848.—Instruments for the proposed Observatory will be furnished by Her Majesty's Government.

For the Documents accompanying the said Message, see Appendix (M.M.M.)

Appendix (M.M.M.)

Ordered, That the said Message, with the accompanying Documents, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That the Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, for any documents in the possession of the Government relating to the case of Mr. *Joseph Donegani*, of the City of *Montreal*, laid before this House, on the twenty-second ultimo, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Joseph Donegani.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cartier* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate *L'Association Saint Jean Baptiste de Montreal*.

L'Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montreal Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday, the fourteenth instant.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, and for other purposes.

Quebec Trinity House Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the twentieth instant.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Savings Banks.

Savings Banks Bill.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee on that part of the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General, at the opening of the present Session, which relates to giving the Government such powers as may be necessary for the re-organization of the Provincial Debt, the creation of an efficient Sinking Fund, and the alienation of works of a purely local character; and also, to certain matters connected with the said Public Debt, and the keeping of the Public Accounts;

Public Debt.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, acquainted the House, That His Excellency having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Morrison* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Morrison* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the said Order be then the first Order of the day.

Supply. The Order of the day for the House in Committee of Supply, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Tuesday next.

Election Bill. The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Tuesday next.

Quarantine Bill. The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intitled, "An Act to amend the Quarantine Act," being read;

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

Bill respecting Lands for Slides. The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to enable persons to obtain Lands necessary for the construction of Slides, in certain cases, being read;

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

County Division (U. C.) Bill. The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for abolishing the Territorial Division of Upper Canada into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolutions of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require, being read;

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

Orders deferred. Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Monday next.

Then, on motion of Mr. Richards, seconded by Mr. Smith, of Durham,  
The House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 12<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. Johnson,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of Ottawa.

By Mr. Marquis,—The Petition of the Honorable A. Dionne and others, of the County of Kamouraska.

By Mr. Chauveau,—The Petition of Joseph Painchaud, Esquire, and others, Members of the Medical Profession, of Quebec; and the Petition of G. O'Kill Stuart, Esquire, and others, Stockholders in the Quebec Protestant Cemetery Association.

By Mr. Meyers,—The Petition of the Cobourg and Grafton Road Company.

By Mr. Jobin,—the Petition of V. Roy Lapensée and others, of the Parish of St. Michel, of Lachine, District of Montreal.

By Mr. Holmes,—The Petition of the Bank of Montreal (Debentures).

By Mr. Beaubien,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Bishop of Bytown, and others (Peres Oblats).

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

Of A. A. Adams and others, of the Township of Barnston and vicinity; praying for aid to complete the main Eastern Townships' Road leading to the Province Line at Hereford.

Of Charles Whilaw and others, Officers and Members of the Paris Fire Company Number One, Canada West; of A. Thibodo and others, Officers and Members of Fire Companies of the City of Kingston; of George S. Wilkes and others, Officers and Members of the Brantford Hook and Ladder Company Number One; of Henry Groves and others, Officers and Members of Fire Companies in the Province of Canada; and of John Ferrigo and others, Officers and Members of Fire Companies in Canada; praying that the provisions of the Act 4 and 5 Vic. c. 43, may be so extended as to exempt any person having served as a Fireman for seven consecutive years, from serving as a Juryman, Constable, or Militiaman.

Of the Honorable R. U. Harwood and others; praying for the adoption of certain measures to promote the construction of a Railroad from Montreal to Lake Huron.

Of the Honorable Adam Ferric, Chairman, and others, members of the Provisional Committee of the Canada, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia Railway Company; praying for a grant to the said Company of a certain quantity of the waste lands of the Crown, along the proposed line of the said Railway, or elsewhere, to aid in the construction thereof.

Of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of Kingston and Curé of L'Assomption, and others of the County of Leinster; praying that the privilege of constructing a Toll Bridge over the River L'Assomption may be granted to A. A. Archambeault and others, as petitioned for by them.

Of Joseph Vachon, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of Dorchester formerly constituting the County of Beauce; praying for the abolition of Commissioners' Courts, and the re-establishment of District and Division Courts.

Of the Reverend J. D. Déziel, President, and Charles Bourget, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting held at Pointe Levy; and of Eucher Dion, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of St. Thomas and the Village of Montmagny, County of L'Islet; praying for the adoption of measures to promote the construction of a Railroad from Quebec to Halifax.

Of Joseph Vachon, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of Dorchester formerly constituting the County of Beauce; praying for the passing of an Act to explain, define, and establish the Law for the regulation of the Seigniorial Tenure of Land, and to facilitate the voluntary commutation of the said Tenure.

Of Joseph Vachon, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of Dorchester formerly constituting the County of Beauce; praying for the re-establishment of Parish Councils.

Of Joseph Vachon, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of Dorchester formerly constituting the County of Beauce; praying for certain amendments to the law establishing Registry Offices in Lower Canada.

Of Joseph Vachon, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of Dorchester formerly constituting the County of Beauce; praying for amendments to the Road Laws.

Of Joseph Vachon, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of Dorchester formerly constituting the County of Beauce; praying for the amend-

ment or repeal of the Education Law, and the enactment of other provisions in lieu thereof.

Of *Joseph Vachon*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly constituting the County of *Beauce*; praying aid for the improvement of certain roads.

Of *Joseph Vachon*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly constituting the County of *Beauce*; praying for an increased Representation in Parliament, upon the basis of Population.

Of the Honorable *P. M. Gill* and others, Trustees of the *Huron Mining Company*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the Council of the *Toronto Board of Trade*; praying for certain amendments to the Bill for establishing a more equal and just system of Assessment in *Upper Canada*.

Of *John Le Boutillier*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Gaspé*; praying for a grant of money by way of loan, to be placed at the disposal of the Agricultural Societies of the said District, for the purpose of aiding those whose grain and potato crops failed during the last season, by supplying them with seed for the coming spring.

Of *Archibald Young*, Chairman, and *Alexander M. Intosh*, Secretary, on behalf of the *Port Sarnia Temperance Society*; praying for certain amendments to the laws for granting beer and spirit licenses, and for the adoption of certain other measures for the suppression of intemperance.

Of the President, Directors and Company of the Commercial Bank of the Midland District,—of The City Bank,—of *David Thompson*, Esquire, Stockholder and Director of the *Gore Bank*, on behalf thereof,—and of *Joseph Wenham*, Esquire, Manager of the Bank of *Upper Canada* at *Montreal*; praying to be heard by Counsel, at the bar of the House, against certain Resolutions to be proposed by the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* for the issuing of Debentures by the Government.

Of Messieurs *Lovell* and *Gibson*, Contractors for the Sessional Printing of the Legislative Assembly; setting forth: That in the First Report of the Standing Committee on Printing, it is recommended that "the work done under the contract for Sessional printing shall be such only as is executed and delivered during the Session, and any printing ordered during the Session, and not so delivered, shall form a portion of the work to be performed by the contractors for the Journals and Appendix,"—this recommendation being made because "the price paid for this printing is invariably higher than for any other class, and that heretofore, in accordance with the present practice, a great proportion of the printing has been done during the recess by the contractors for, and at the price of, Sessional printing." That the printing required for the service of the House is of two classes—the Sessional printing, and the printing of the Journals and Appendix. The former of these, for which the Petitioners tendered at the lowest rate, has by long established custom been made to embrace all work ordered during the Session, although a press of Parliamentary business has rendered it necessary to defer the printing of particular papers ordered, until the Parliament has been prorogued: That the Petitioners, from personal knowledge of this custom during the whole period in which the Parliament has been held in the City of *Montreal*, made their Tender in the faith that no change would be made or contemplated in the established usage, and that the Sessional printing would be interpreted as it always heretofore had been: That the Petitioners have made expensive pecuniary engagements and preparations, with the view of performing satisfactorily the service required by the House; these

engagements being made previous to the announcement of the change recommended for adoption: this change, if carried into effect, will therefore be, to the Petitioners, productive of serious pecuniary loss: That it is recommended to adopt other and further changes, which the Petitioners could not foresee when tendering to perform the work, and which will materially affect their contract; but as these changes will effect a saving of expense to the House, the Petitioners cheerfully submit to their adoption: That the Petitioners are nevertheless willing, rather than that consequences so serious to them should be incurred, to perform such work as may not have been commenced during the Session, at a reduction from the rates mentioned in their Tender equal to that proposed by the contractors for the other class of printing, if to the House it appears desirable, after taking into consideration the circumstances which attend the printing during the Session, when a most expensive establishment must be retained, whether employment be or be not found, in order that when required, the necessary service may be performed; and that the Petitioners have always looked to the work to be done after the Session, as a compensation for the onerous nature of the contract, as to the work to be performed during the Session; and praying that in considering the Report of the Standing Committee of the House, the prayer of the Petitioners may meet with such favorable consideration as to the House in its wisdom and justice it may seem to merit, and that the Sessional printing may, during the present Parliament, be held to be what it has always hitherto been held to be, and what when the several Tenders were made it was believed to be, by all the parties tendering.

Of the Honorable *William Hamilton Merritt* and others; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate them as the *Neepigon Mining Company*.

Of *Thomas Fee* and others, of the County of *Beauharnois*; praying that no division be made of the said County.

Ordered, That the Petition of *James G. Rogers* and others, of *Haldimand*, *Seymour*, and *Percy*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders. Petition of J. G. Rogers and others;

Ordered, That the Petition of *W. H. Anderson*, Esquire, and others, Stockholders and Subscribers to the *Quebec Protestant Cemetery Association*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills. Of W. H. Anderson and others, referred.

Mr. *Gugy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Brooks*, and the Question being put, That the Petition of *Matthew Bostwick*, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*, praying for an investigation into the conduct of the Collector of Customs at the Port of *Quebec*, with reference to a certain seizure of cattle made by the Petitioner in the year 1846, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, Mr. *Brooks*, Mr. *M. Connell*, and the mover, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records; The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of *Toronto*, *Brooks*, *Gugy*, *Malloch*, and *M. Connell*.—(5.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, *Boulton* of *Norfolk*, *Cameron* of *Kent*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *De Witt*, *Duchasnay*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flin*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, *La Terrière*, *Laurin*, *Lonioux*, *Marquis*, *M. Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mejers*, *Morrison*, *Not-*



man, *Papineau, Polette, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Stevenson, Taché, Thompson,* and *Viger*.—(46.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Public Debt.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *David Thompson*, Esquire, Stockholder and Director of the *Gore Bank*, on behalf thereof, praying to be heard by Counsel at the bar of the House, against certain Resolutions to be proposed for the issuing of Debentures by the Government, and also, the several other Petitions on the same subject, be referred to the Committee of the whole House on that part of the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General, at the opening of the present Session, which relates to giving the Government such powers as may be necessary for the reorganization of the Provincial Debt, the creation of an efficient Sinking Fund, and the alienation of works of a purely local character; and also, to certain matters connected with the said Public Debt, and the keeping of the Public Accounts.

Petition of the Bishop of Carthage;

Of *L. Z. Nolin* and others, referred.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Kingston* and *Curé of L'Assomption*, and others of the County of *Leinster*; and the Petition of *L. Z. Nolin* and others, of the Village and Parish of *L'Assomption*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Sixteenth Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Sixteenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *George D. Watson*, and find that it is not of a nature to require notice.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Cayley*, seconded by Mr. *Dumas*,

Public Debt.

*Resolved*, That the prayer of the Petitions of the President, Directors and Company of the Commercial Bank of the Midland District; of The City Bank; of *David Thompson*, Esquire, Stockholder and Director of the *Gore Bank*, on behalf thereof; and of *Joseph Wenham*, Esquire, Manager of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, at *Montreal*, to be heard by Counsel at the bar of the House, against certain Resolutions to be proposed for the issuing of Debentures by the Government, and also, of the several other Petitions on the same subject, be granted; and that the Clerk of this House do inform the several Petitioners that Counsel will be heard on their behalf, on Thursday next.

Petition of C. Cazeau and others.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Charles Cazeau* and others, Cullers, of the District of *Quebec*, and other references, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Hungerford Side Lines Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Flint* have leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend certain side lines of the Township of *Hungerford*, in the *Victoria* District.

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

Testatum Writs (U.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, have leave to bring in a Bill to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to allow the issuing of *Testatum Writs*

"of *Capias ad respondendum* in the several Districts of *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Méthot* have leave to bring in a Bill to encourage Ship-building in *Lower Canada*, by affording better security to persons advancing money, or furnishing work or materials for the construction of Ships.

Ship-building Encouragement Bill.

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

On motion of Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by Mr. *Lemieux*,

*Ordered*, That the Entries in the Journal of this House, of the 10th, 13th, 15th, and 16th March, 1848, relating to the Petition against the sitting Member for the County of *Bonaventure*, be now read.

Bonaventure Election.

And the same were read accordingly.

*Resolved*, That a Special Committee of five Members be appointed, to enquire as to whether the Seals of the Justice of the Peace and of the Judge, affixed to the Certificates attached to the Petition in the matter of the Petition against the Return of the sitting Member for the County of *Bonaventure*, were affixed to the said Certificates before or since the Petition was presented to this House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Lemieux*, Mr. *Christie*, and Mr. *Gugy*, do compose the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Notman*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the expediency of regulating the Fees allowed to Magistrates in *Upper Canada*.

Magistrates Fees (U.C.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Gugy* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Gugy* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, and the Question being put, That the Return to the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 15th ultimo, for a copy of all correspondence connected with the dismissal of *William Ireland*, Esquire, from his situation on the *Kingston* and *Napanee* Macadamized Road, or connected with the abolition of the said situation, and laid before this House on the 27th ultimo, be referred to a Special Committee of five Members to be named by the House, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records;

William Ireland.

The House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—



Montreal Bank Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the time limited for an increase of the Capital Stock of the Bank of Montreal."

Emigration Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make further provision respecting Emigrants." And also,

Interpretation of Terms Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act for putting a Legislative Interpretation upon certain Terms used in Acts of Parliament, and for rendering it unnecessary to repeat certain provisions and expressions therein, and for ascertaining the date and commencement thereof, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House." And also,

Official and Legal Notices Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the insertion of certain Official and Legal Notices in the *Canada Gazette* only," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by Mr. *Lemieux*,

Lake St. John.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of the Report or Reports made by Messieurs *Blaklock* and *Duburger* on the subject of the exploration of the Territory in rear of *Quebec*, in the direction of *Lake St. John*, and also, copies of all correspondence on the subject of the opening of a Road from some point in the Counties of *Quebec*, *Portneuf*, or *Montmorency*, to *Lake St. John*, or to some point in the *Saguenay* Territory.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*,

Interest of Money Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws concerning the Interest of Money, be discharged.

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

*Ordered*, That the said Order be then the first Order of the day.

Mutual Insurance Companies (U.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Stevenson* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act relating to Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*.

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

Witnesses.

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* moved, seconded by Mr. *Christie*, and the Question being put, That no Witness shall be paid for his or her attendance to give evidence before any Select Committee, unless the said Witness attend by order of this House, or unless a certificate from some Member of such Committee be filed with the Chairman thereof, stating that the evidence to be obtained from such Witness is, in his opinion, material and important in the investigation of the merits of the subject matter referred to such Committee, and which said certificate the said Chairman is hereby required to file with the Clerk of this House before any such Witness shall be entitled to payment for his attendance; and when the Chairman gives his certificate he shall file the same with the said Clerk before any Witness can be paid as aforesaid;

The House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter (precise date unknown) addressed in the year 1839 or 1840, to His Excellency the Right Honorable *C. Poulett Thomson*, then Governor General, by the Colonial Secretary, relating to the Trinity Houses of *Quebec* and *Montreal*, and any Answer which may have been made to the same.

Trinity Houses.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Lemieux*, seconded by Mr. *Davignon*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to be pleased to direct the proper officer to lay before this House, a detailed Statement of the monies annually received and paid by the Agent of the Seignior of *Lauzon*, from the period at which the Crown became the proprietor thereof, to the 20th December last, shewing the annual amount proceeding from the *lods et ventes*, *cens et rentes*, mill leases, lands, and other property within the said Seignior; and also, a Statement shewing the amount of *cens et rentes* demandable and payable annually in each Parish of the said Seignior of *Lauzon*; the number and description of the mills in the said Seignior; whether any, and which, of the said mills have been repaired; what amount of money has been expended in repairing the said mills; by whose order and under whose superintendence these repairs have been made, and how the expense of these repairs have been defrayed; under whose superintendence and agency the said mills have been since the Crown became proprietor of the said Seignior of *Lauzon*, and under whose superintendence and agency the said mills are at present; in what order and condition the said mills and other buildings now are; how many and which of the said mills are under lease; what are the dates and nature of the said leases; the names of the securities thereto; the amount of the annual rental for each mill lease, and when payable; whether any arrears of rent are due, to what amount, and by whom; and finally, the annual amount of monies received and paid by the late Commissioner or Agent of the said Seignior of *Lauzon* up to the time at which he ceased to act as such, shewing the source from which the said revenues are derived.

Seignior of Lauzon.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, seconded by Mr. *Solicitor General Blake*,

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the insertion of certain Official and Legal Notices in the *Canada Gazette* only," be now read the first time.

Official and Legal Notices Bill.

And the Bill was read the first time.  
*Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Attorney General Baldwin*, seconded by Mr. *Solicitor General Blake*,

Interpretation  
of Terms Bill.

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act for putting a Legislative Interpretation upon certain Terms used in Acts of Parliament, and for rendering it unnecessary to repeat certain provisions and expressions therein, and for ascertaining the date and commencement thereof, and for other purposes," be now read the first time.

And the Bill was read the first time.

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

Government  
Claimants.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 7th instant,—Extract of a Despatch from Lord *Stanley* to Lord *Metcalfe*, dated *Downing Street*, 3rd September, 1845 :

"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," is a measure for which the Law of *England* affords no precedent and no analogy. The remedy which it gives against the Crown is far more extensive than the now obsolete proceeding of Petition of Right. It reduces the Crown as nearly as possible to the level of the subject in private litigation, and (if reliance may be placed on such a subject on the judgment of the highest legal authorities to which I have access) the subordinate details of the Bill are ill adapted to promote the objects of the Legislature.

"The preceding considerations compel me to pause in advising the Queen to ratify and finally enact this Bill. On the other hand, the weight of Your Lordship's authority, and the concurrent opinions of your legal advisers, and of the two Houses of the Provincial Legislature in favor of the measure, unavoidably create in my mind the strongest possible repugnance to advise the Queen to withhold Her assent, if consistently with my public duty I may abstain from submitting to Her Majesty that advice.

"I should therefore wish that Your Lordship would resume the consideration of the subject, and report to me, first, whether there is really any cause to apprehend either that this Bill would be ineffectual to its purpose, or that it would denude the Crown of any Prerogative, the maintenance of which is requisite either for the honor of the Crown, or for the general benefit of Her Majesty's Canadian subjects.

"On the receipt of such a report, but not till then, Her Majesty's decision on this Bill will be taken."

Longueuil and  
Chambly  
Turnpike Bill.

Mr. *Bell* reported the Bill to amend the Ordinance relating to the *Longueuil* and *Chambly* Turnpike Road Company; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Registry Laws  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Registry Laws of *Upper Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, Mr. *Morrison*, Mr. *Richards*, the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, Mr. *Meyers*, and Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Limited Part-  
nerships Bill  
(U.C.)

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize limited Partnerships in *Upper Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Wednesday, the twenty-first instant.

Waterloo  
Election.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, the Return made by the Sheriff of the *Wellington* District to the Order of this House, of the 8th February last, transmitting to him Summonses for service on the Deputy Returning Officers for the Townships of *Waterloo*, *Holland*, *Sullivan*, and *Arthur*, at the last Election for the County of *Waterloo*, to appear at the bar of the House, this day.

And it appearing by the said Return, that *John Miller*, the Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Holland*, had wilfully evaded the service of the Summons of the Honorable The Speaker of this House;

On motion of Mr. *Notman*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

*Resolved*, That *John Miller*, late Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Holland*, at the last Election for the County of *Waterloo*, having wilfully evaded service of the Summons of the Honorable Mr. Speaker, bearing date the 8th day of February last, requiring his attendance at the bar of this House, on Monday the 12th day of March, instant, to answer for his conduct as such Deputy Returning Officer, Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant for the apprehension of the said *John Miller*, to be forthwith brought to the bar of this House, to answer for his conduct as such Deputy Returning Officer as aforesaid, and that the same be directed to the Serjeant at Arms, or his Deputy, for execution.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill requiring Mortgages of personal property in *Upper Canada* to be filed, being read;

Bill requiring  
Mortgages to  
be filed.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the twenty-second instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Huron Copper Bay* Company, being read;

Huron Copper  
Bay Company  
Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the relief of *Joseph Richard Thompson*, being read;

Thompson's  
Relief Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the twenty-second day of March, instant.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal the several Laws now in force in *Upper Canada* regulating the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams, and to make provision for better defining the mode of constructing the same, being read;

Bill respecting  
Aprons to Mill  
Dams.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Crysler* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Crysler* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

And the Question being put, That the Committee have leave to sit again:—It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Flint*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, and Mr. *Wilson*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to compel Pilots' Apprentices to qualify themselves to pilot vessels by the north channel of the River *St. Lawrence*, below the Island of *Orleans*,

Pilots Appren-  
tices Bill.

and to oblige the Trinity House of *Quebec* to lay down buoys to mark the shoals in the said channel, and to facilitate the traverse from the south to the north, from *Isle aux Réaux* to *Cap Tourmente*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

- Mr. *Lyon* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Lyon* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next.

Protested Bills of Exchange Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to regulate and make uniform the rates of damages on Protested Bills of Exchange in this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Bill to amend the Laws regulating Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and the protesting thereof.

Petit Jurors (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to limit the number of Petit Jurors to be summoned to attend the several Courts in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the payment of them, being read;

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

Writs of Execution Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to extend the remedy by Writs of Execution, being read;

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

Bill relating to Mortgages and Mortgagees (U.C.)

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the Sale under Execution of the interest of Mortgages and Mortgagees in real estate in *Upper Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Bill to amend the Registry Laws of *Upper Canada*.

City of Kingston Incorporation Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Town of *Kingston* as a City, and to enlarge the limits of the said City, being read;

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

Weights and Measures Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the several Laws therein mentioned relative to the appointment and duties of Inspectors of Weights and Measures in *Upper Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *DeWitt* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *DeWitt* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received on Thursday next.

St. Andrew's Church Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "The Minister and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, Montreal*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Morrison*, Mr. *Nelson*, Mr. *Notman*, and the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the inhabitant householders holding lands in the new Settlements on the borders of the *Saguenay*, forming the Second Municipal Division of that County, to establish a Municipal Council therein, and for other purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Saguenay Municipal Council Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to remove the site of the District Town of the District of *Niagara*, to *Port Robinson* in the Township of *Thorold*, in the County of *Welland*, being read;

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

Niagara District Town Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law and facilitate proceedings in Actions of Dower in *Upper Canada*, being read;

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

Dower Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize *Marc Antoine Primeaux* and *Antoine A. Trotter* to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Chateauguay*, in the Parish of *Ste. Martine*, and to make a Plank Road from the River *St. Lawrence* to the River *Chateauguay*, in the said Parish, and to fix the Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, and to make further provision in that behalf, being read;

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

Primeaux and Trotter's Bridge Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to regulate the construction of, and to protect from injury, Electro-Magnetic Telegraphs in this Province, being read;

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

Electro Magnetic Telegraphs Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize *Jean Clovis Bélanger*, Esquire, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemin*, in the Parish of *St. Anselme*, near the Church of the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*, and to incorporate the said *Jean Clovis Bélanger* and others, under the name of the "*St. Anselme Bridge Company*," and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

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

St. Anselme Bridge Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "The *Sault Sainte Marie Mining Company*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Sault Ste. Marie Mining Company Bill.

Mr. *M'Farland* moved, seconded by Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, and the Question being put, That the House do now adjourn;

The House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

Adjournment.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to reduce the expenses of proceedings in *Upper Canada*, against the property of absconding or concealed Debtors, being read;

Absconding Debtors Property Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Cullers Act  
Amendment  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's reign, chapter forty-nine, 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," being read;

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

Bathurst  
Boundary  
Line Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to define the southern boundary of the Bathurst District, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Mutual and  
General In-  
surance Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Medical Pro-  
fession (U.C.)  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Members of the Medical Profession in Upper Canada, and to regulate the study and practise of Physic and Surgery therein, being read;

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

Militia Act  
Amendment  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal part of and to amend the Act regulating the Militia of this Province, in so far as regards the enrolment of and fines imposed upon Quakers, Menonists, and Tunkers, being read;

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

Personal Pro-  
perty Attach-  
ment Bill  
(U.C.)

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize Attachments against personal property for sums of Ten pounds and under, in certain cases in Upper Canada, being read;

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

Manufactories  
Bill

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to enable the British American Land Company to promote and establish Manufactories in the Eastern Townships of Canada, being read;

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

Lotbinière  
Municipalities  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the County of Lotbinière into two Municipalities, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved into the said Committee.

Mr. Cartier took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Cartier reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Cartier reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to alter the boundary line between the Townships of *Hallowell* and *Sophiasburgh*, in the District of *Prince Edward*, being read;

Hallowell and  
Sophiasburgh  
Boundary Line  
Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Stevenson*, the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, Mr. *Flint*, Mr. *Seymour*, and Mr. *Bell*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the *Toronto* and *Lake Huron* Railroad Act, being read;

Toronto and  
Lake Huron  
Railroad Act  
Amendment  
Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to establish a more efficient system of Police and Municipal Government in the City of *Hamilton*, and to extend the limits of the said City, being read;

Hamilton In-  
corporation  
Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the *Dundas* and *Waterloo* Macadamized Road Act, being read;

Dundas and  
Waterloo Road  
Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to enable the Trustees of Churches and Parsonages, and other Trusts, belonging to the Wesleyan Methodist Church in *Canada*, more conveniently to manage and dispose of their Estates, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

Wesleyan  
Methodist  
Church Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to remove the seat of the Municipality Number One, of the County of *Rimouski*, from *St. Patrice de la Rivière du Loup* to *St. Jean Baptiste de L'Isle Verte*, being read;

Rimouski Mu-  
nicipality No. 1  
Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Malloch* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Malloch* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Malloch* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *New City Gas Company of Montreal*, and to extend the powers of the said Company, being read;

Montreal New  
City Gas Com-  
pany Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to extend the Charter of the *Montreal* and *Lachine* Railroad Company, to authorize them to continue the said Railroad, and for the incorporation of the *Saint Lawrence* and *Ottawa Grand Junction* Railroad Company, being read;

Lachine Rail-  
road Charter  
Extension Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.



Grand River  
Navigation  
Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to increase the Capital Stock of the *Grand River Navigation Company*, being read;

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

Orders  
deferred.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by Mr. *Davignon*,  
The House adjourned.

Martis, 13<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. *Lemieux*,—The Petition of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester* (Parish Councils); the Petition of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester* (Representation); the Petition of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester* (Schools); the Petition of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester* (Registry Laws); the Petition of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester* (aid for Roads); the Petition of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester* (Road Laws); and the Petition of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester* (Seigniorial Tenure.)

By Mr. *Davignon*,—The Petition of *R. B. Hatt*, Esquire, and others, the Mayor, and Councillors of the Village of the *Canton of Chambly*; and the Petition of *E. P. Christie* and others, of the Seigniories of *Bleury*, *Sabrevois*, and *Nayau*.

By Mr. *Dickson*,—The Petition of *Adam Timmerman* and others, of the Township of *Clinton*, District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *Abisha Morse* and others, of the Townships of *Grimby*, *Gainsborough*, and *Caistor*, in the District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *John Dobbie* and others, of the Township of *Willoughby*, District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *Peter B. Clement* and others, of the Town and Township of *Niagara*; the Petition of *James Oswald* and others, of the Township of *Stamford*, District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *George Secord* and others, of the Township of *Gainsborough*; the Petition of *Isaac Johnson* and others, of the Township of *Bertie*, District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *Charles Neall* and others, of the Township of *Niagara*, in the District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *William Duff* and others, of the Town of *Queenston*; the Petition of *Arthur Shaw* and others, of the Township of *Niagara*, District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *J. E. Jennings* and others, of the Township of *Louth*, District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *W. Kingmill*, Esquire, Sheriff, and others, of the Town of *Niagara*; the Petition of *John Root* and others, of the Township of *Sherbrooke*, District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *William T. Burke* and others, of the Township of *Canborough*, District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *Henry Smith* and others, of the Township of *Grimby*, District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *George Walker*

and others, of the Township of *Cayuga*, District of *Niagara*; the Petition of *George Jamison* and others, of the Township of *Moulton*, District of *Niagara*; and the Petition of *W. B. Shean* and others, of the Township of *Dunn*, District of *Niagara*.

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of *A. Campbell*, Esquire, and others, Merchants, Ship Owners, and others interested in the Trade of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *M'Connell*,—The Petition of *L. K. Benton* and others, of *Stanstead*, in the County of *Stanstead*.

By Mr. *Bell*,—The Petition of *James Easson* and others, of *Perth*.

By Mr. *Chabot*,—The Petition of the Mayor and Citizens of *Quebec* (Intemperance).

By Mr. *Brooks*,—The Petition of *William Smith* and others, of the Township of *Brompton*, *Canada East*.

An engrossed Bill to divide the County of *Lotbinière* into two Municipalities, was read the third time.

Lotbinière Mu-  
nicipalities  
Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to define the southern boundary of the *Bathurst* District, was read the third time.

Bathurst  
Boundary  
Line Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be,  
“An Act to define the boundary between the  
“Districts of *Bathurst* and *Johnstown*.”

Ordered, That Mr. *Bell* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to reduce the expenses of proceedings in *Upper Canada*, against the property of absconding or concealed Debtors, was read the third time.

Absconding  
Debtors Pro-  
perty Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be,  
“An Act to reduce the expense of proceedings  
“in *Upper Canada*, against the property of ab-  
“sconding or concealed Debtors.”

Ordered, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Ordinance relating to the *Longueuil* and *Chambly* Turnpike Road, was read the third time.

Longueuil and  
Chambly  
Turnpike  
Road Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Davignon* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Christie* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, “An Act the better to facilitate optional commutation of tenure of lands *en roture*, in the Seigniories and “Fiefs in *Lower Canada*, into that of *franc-aleu-roturier*,” That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Commutation  
of Tenure Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Beaubien* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize *John Yule*, the younger, Esquire, and others, to erect a Mill Dam upon the River *Richelieu*, in the District of *Montreal*. He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

J. Yule's Mill  
Dam Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Beaubien* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate “*Les Révérends Pères Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de Marie*,” in the Province of *Canada*.

Pères Oblats  
Bill.



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

Court of Chancery (U.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of *Upper Canada*.

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

Superior Criminal Court, and Court of Error and Appeal (U.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes.

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

Law of Evidence (U.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*.

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

Bill relating to Actions upon Foreign Judgments.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize Defendants to make full defence in certain cases in Actions upon foreign Judgments.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, seconded by Mr. *Thompson*,

Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Bill.

*Ordered*, That the 66th Rule of this House be suspended, so far as it affects the Petition of the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*, praying that the Capital Stock of the said Company be reduced.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*.

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

Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, and the Question being proposed, That the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* be added to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, in the place of Mr. *Prince* absent on leave from this House.

Mr. *Thompson* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *M'Farland*, That the words "the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*" be left out, and the words "this House do name one Member to" inserted instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Bouillier*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*,

*Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lyon*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Taché*, and *Thompson*.—(33.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Brooks*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Dickson*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Guy*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Meyers*, *Morrison*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Stevenson*, *Viger*, and *Wilson*.—(29.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; *Resolved*, That this House do name one Member to be added to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, in the place of Mr. *Prince* absent on leave from this House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Taché* be added to the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Allan N. MacNab* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company*.

Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company Bill.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 22d ultimo, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, copies of all correspondence relative to the placing an advance of twenty-five per cent, by the Government, on the appraised value of the Clergy Reserves in that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*.

Clergy Reserves.

For the said Return, see Appendix (N.N.N.)

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*Ordered*, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Messieurs *Lovell* and *Gibson*, Contractors for the Sessional Printing of the Legislative Assembly, be referred to the Committee of the whole House on the First Report of the Standing Committee on Printing.

Petition of Lovell and Gibson.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Quarantine Act," was, according to Order, read a second time.

Quarantine Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof, being read;

Election Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Cauchon* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Cauchon* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, The House adjourned.

*Mercurii*, 14<sup>o</sup> die Martii ;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. *Egan*,—The Petition of *Richard M<sup>c</sup>Connell* and others, Merchants interested and engaged in the Lumber Trade, residing on the *Ottawa* River.

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of *W. F. Whitcher* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*.

Petitions read.

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

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Ottawa*; praying for the incorporation of a Company to construct a Railroad, to be called the “*St. Lawrence and Ottawa Grand Junction Railroad*.”

Of the Honorable *A. Dionne* and others, of the County of *Kamouraska*; praying that the Petition of certain inhabitants of the Parish of *Ste. Anne* for the establishment of a separate jurisdiction, with the Circuit Town at *St. Patrice de la Rivière du Loup*, be not granted,—and that no alteration be made in their present connection with the District of *Quebec*, unless a majority of those interested shall express their views thereon.

Of *Joseph Painchaud*, Esquire, and others, Members of the Medical Profession, of *Quebec*; praying that the Petition of *B. H. Charlebois*, Esquire, and others, praying for certain amendments to the Act for regulating the Medical Profession be not granted.

Of *G. O’Kill Stuart*, Esquire, and others, Stockholders in the *Quebec* Protestant Cemetery Association; praying that no alteration may be made in the Bill now before the House for incorporating the “*Mount Hermon* Cemetery.”

Of the *Cobourg* and *Grafton* Road Company; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize them to extend a branch road through certain Townships to the River *Trent*.

Of *V. Roy Lapensée* and others, of the Parish of *St. Michel* of *Lachine*, District of *Montreal*; praying to be authorized to construct a Bridge across that part of the *Lachine* Canal called the “*Old Canal*,” and that certain lands not required for the purposes of the said Canal be restored to their original proprietors.

Of the Bank of *Montreal*; praying to be heard by Counsel at the bar of the House, against certain Resolutions to be proposed by the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* for the issuing of Debentures by the Government.

Of the Right Reverend the Bishop of *Bytown* and others; praying for the incorporation of the *Révérends Peres Oblats de l’Immaculée Conception de Marie*.

Petition of the Hon. P. M<sup>c</sup>Gill and others;

Of the Hon. W. H. Merritt and others;

Of J. P. Bradley and others;

Of J. S. M<sup>c</sup>Cord and others;

Of M. M<sup>c</sup>Donnell, referred.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Honorable *P. M<sup>c</sup>Gill* and others, Trustees of the *Huron* Mining Company; the Petition of the Honorable *William Hamilton Merritt* and others; the Petition of *Joseph P. Bradley*, Esquire, President, and others, on behalf of the Officers and Members of the *St. Patrick’s* Society of *Quebec*; and the Petition of *John S. M<sup>c</sup>Cord*, Esquire, and others, Members of the *Montreal* Horticultural Society, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Resolved, That the Petition of *Murdoch M<sup>c</sup>Donnell*, of the Town of *Perth*, be referred to a Se-

lect Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Hall*, Mr. *Bell*, and Mr. *Lyon*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Seventeenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Seventeenth Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

Your Committee have examined the Petitions of the *Saint Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Railroad Company, for authority to the Directors to regulate the Tariff without reference to a general meeting of Proprietors,—and of *James G. Rogers* and others, in favor of an application from the *Cobourg* and *Grafton* Road Company, for authority to construct a branch road; and they are of opinion that neither of these Petitions require the publication of notice.

Ordered, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Saint Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Railroad Company.

St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Bill.

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

Mr. *DeWitt*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Third Report of Committee on Contingencies.

Your Committee after having taken into consideration the Petition of *Joseph Smolinski*, of *Montreal*, and maturely deliberated thereon, are of opinion, That the Calorifers or *Russian* Stoves are extremely well adapted to the warming of Private Houses and Public Edifices, when a uniform temperature is required; but as these Stoves take some time to heat the rooms, and consequently the heat cannot be reduced when the Galleries are crowded, Your Committee do not think the Calorifers well adapted for warming our present Legislative Hall. Besides, as there is now before the Legislative Assembly a Bill to increase the Representation, which, if it should become a Law, would necessitate the providing of further accommodation, “by means of new buildings,” for the increased number of Members, and consequently a change in the apparatus for warming, Your Committee do not think it expedient to recommend during the present Session the adoption of the Calorifers.

On motion of Mr. *Jobin*, seconded by Mr. *Bouillier*, Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council, praying that their Honors will permit the Honorable *Barthelemy Joliette*, one of their Members, to attend the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*, on Tuesday next, at ten o’clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference.

Notarial Profession Organization Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jobin* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

On motion of Mr. *Taché*, seconded by Mr. *Méthot*, Ordered, That the Order made upon Monday last, for engrossing the Bill to remove the seat of the Municipality Number One, of the County of *Rimouski*, from *St. Patrice de la Rivière du Loup* to *St. Jean Baptiste de L’Isle Verte*, be rescinded.

Rimouski Municipality No. 1 Bill.

Ordered, That the said Bill, as amended, be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Scott, of *Two Mountains*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Scott, of *Two Mountains*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made another amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Scott, of *Two Mountains*, reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

An engrossed Bill to remove the seat of the Municipality Number One, of the County of *Kimouski*, from *St. Patrice de la Rivière du Loup* to *St. Jean Baptiste de L'Isle Verte*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Taché do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill relating to Real or Mixed Actions.

Ordered, That Mr. Chauveau have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of *Lower Canada*, as regards the District in which real or mixed Actions may be commenced.

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

Religious Societies Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Flint have leave to bring in a Bill to amend certain Acts of the Parliament of *Upper Canada* for the relief of Religious Societies.

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

Shipping of Seamen at Quebec.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Supplementary Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 15th February last, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before the House, the Correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the latter and any private individuals, with reference to the Act to regulate the shipping of Seamen at the Port of *Quebec*.

For the said Supplementary Return, see Appendix (W.W.)

Appendix (W.W.)

Trinity Houses.

And also, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 12th instant, praying him to cause to be laid before the House, a Copy of a Letter (precise date unknown) addressed in the year 1839 or 1840, to His Excellency the Right Honorable *C. Poulett Thomson*, then Governor General, by the Colonial Secretary, relating to the Trinity Houses of *Quebec* and *Montreal*, and any Answer which may have been made to the same.

By Command.

J. LESLIE, Secretary.

Secretary's Office,  
*Montreal*, 14th March, 1849.

Government House, 14th March, 1849.

Sir,—In accordance with your letter of yesterday's date, I have the honor to transmit the accompanying Extracts of Despatches relative to the Trinity Houses of *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

T. E. CAMPBELL, Major.

The Honorable *J. Leslie*,  
Provincial Secretary, &c. &c. &c.

Extract from Despatch from the Secretary of State to the Right Honorable *C. P. Thomson*, Governor General, dated 8th February, 1840, No. 74:

"The Ordinance No. 66, for incorporating a Trinity House at *Montreal*, is unobjectionable as regards British Trade, but Her Majesty's Government entertain doubts as to the policy of having Trinity Houses at *Quebec* and at *Montreal* independent of each other. In this country the inconvenience of these independent Bodies has been severely felt, and the advantage of one presiding Authority is generally admitted. But upon this subject, Her Majesty's Government would likewise be glad of your opinion."

Extract of a Despatch from the Right Honorable *C. P. Thomson*, to Lord *J. Russell*, dated *Montreal*, 21st December, 1840:

"With reference to Your Lordship's Despatch of the 8th of February last, No. 74, I have the honor to inform you, that having fully considered the circumstances which led to the passing of the Ordinance to establish a Trinity House at *Montreal* distinct from and independent of the similar Board at *Quebec*, I am of opinion that they fully justify the departure from the principle which has generally been observed in regard to such matters in *England*. I would, therefore, recommend that Her Majesty should be advised by Her Order in Council to confirm this Ordinance."

Ordered, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Quarantine Act," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Quarantine Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts passed to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Titles in the County of *Hastings*," without any amendment: And also,

Hastings Registration of Titles Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to vest a certain Road allowance in the Township of *Nelson*, in *John S. M'Collom*, with an Amendment," to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

M'Collom's Road Allowance Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to vest the *Toronto* General Burying Ground in certain Trustees and their successors," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Toronto General Burying Ground Bill.

And then he withdrew.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws concerning the Interest of Money, being read;

Interest of Money Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Davignon* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *DeWitt*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Boutilier, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Crysler, Davignon, De Witt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Gugg, Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTernière, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Marquis, M'Connell, Méthot, Mongenais, Nelson, Papineau, Polette, Richards, Robinson, Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Seymour, Smith of FRONTENAC, Stevenson, Taché, Viger, and Wilson*.—(40.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Bell, Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Brooks, Burritt, Cameron* of KENT, *Cayley, Christie, Dickson, Egan, Fergusson, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Johnson, Lyon, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *M'Farland, Merritt, Meyers, Notman, Price, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Thompson, and Watts*—(29.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put ;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, this day six months.

Frivolous Op-  
positions Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for preventing frivolous and vexatious Oppositions to the seizure of moveables or of immoveables, and for better ensuring the execution of Judgments of the Courts of Law in *Lower Canada*, being read ;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Wednesday, the twenty-eighth instant.

Transfer of  
Real Property  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to simplify the transfer of Real Property in *Upper Canada*, and to render certain rights and interests therein liable under execution, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Petit Jurors  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to limit the number of Petit Jurors to be summoned to attend the several Courts in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the payment of them, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Berthier Mu-  
nicipalities  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the County of *Berthier* into two Municipalities, for Municipal purposes, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and ordered to be engrossed.

Toronto, Sim-  
coe and Lake  
Huron Union  
Railroad Com-  
pany Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate *Frederick C. Capreol, Robert Easton Burns* and others, under the style of the *Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron* Union Railroad Company, to enable them to construct a Railroad from *Toronto* to *Lake Huron*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Quebec District  
Teachers Asso-  
ciation Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Teachers' Association of the District of *Quebec*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Laurin, Mr. Chabot, Mr. Chauveau, Mr. Lemieux, and Mr. Méthot*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Peterborough  
Incorporation  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Town of *Peterborough*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to continue for a limited time the Act of the Legislature of *Lower Canada* incorporating the *Quebec Friendly Society*, being read ;

Quebec  
Friendly So-  
ciety Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Polette* took the Chair of the Committee ; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ;

And Mr. *Polette* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Polette* reported the Bill accordingly ; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Kingston* General Hospital, being read ;

Kingston  
Hospital Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and ordered to be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to divide the Township of *Cayuga*, in the District of *Niagara*, into two Townships, being read ;  
The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Cayuga Town-  
ship Division  
Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* took the Chair of the Committee ; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ;

And the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* reported the Bill accordingly ; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to erect a new Township, to be formed out of part of the Township of *Hatley* and part of the Township of *Bolton*, in the County of *Stanstead*, being read ;

Magog Town-  
ship Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Armstrong* took the Chair of the Committee ; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ;

And Mr. *Armstrong* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Armstrong* reported the Bill accordingly ; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Orders  
deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Thompson*, seconded by Mr. *Chabot*,  
The House adjourned.

Jovis, 15<sup>o</sup> die Martii ;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. *Boutillier*,—The Petition of *Boucher de LaBruère* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hyacinthe*.

By Mr. *Egan*,—The Petition of *R. M'Connell* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Mongenais*,—The Petition of *Joseph Héneau dit Deschamps*, landowner in the *Grande Isle de Beauharnois*.

By Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*,—The Petition of *Henry Rinch*, of the Township of *Clarke*, District of *Newcastle*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Western District (Road between *Chatham* and *Windsor*).

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of *John W. Gwynne*, Esquire, and others, Directors of the *Toronto* and *Goderich* Railroad Company.

By Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*,—The Petition of *George Crawford* and others, of the District of *Johnstown*.

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,—The Petition of *John O. Hatt* and others, Stockholders in the *Desjardins* Canal Company.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *John Shore* and others, of the fifth Concession of the Township of *Westmeath*.

Quebec  
Friendly So-  
ciety Bill.

An engrossed Bill to continue for a limited time the Act of the Legislature of *Lower Canada* incorporating the *Quebec Friendly Society*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chabot* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Cayuga Town-  
ship Division  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to divide the Township of *Cayuga*, in the District of *Niagara*, into two Townships, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Thompson* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Magog Town-  
ship Bill.

An engrossed Bill to erect a new Township to be formed out of part of the Township of *Hatley* and part of the Township of *Bolton*, in the County of *Stanstead*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *M'Connell* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Berthier Mu-  
nicipalities  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to divide the County of *Berthier* into two Municipalities, for Municipal purposes, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to divide the County of *Berthier* into "two Municipalities, and for other purposes "relative to the said County."

Ordered, That Mr. *Armstrong* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Kingston  
Hospital Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the *Kingston* General Hospital, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the "Kingston Hospital."

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

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

Of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester*; praying for the re-establishment of Parish Municipal Councils.

Of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester*; praying for an increased Representation in Parliament, upon the basis of Population.

Of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester*; praying for the amendment or repeal of the Common School Law, and the re-enactment of other provisions in lieu thereof.

Of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester*; praying for certain amendments to the law establishing Registry Offices in *Lower Canada*.

Of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester*; praying for aid for the improvement of certain Roads.

Of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester*; praying for amendments to the Road Laws.

Of *E. Dalaire*, Esquire, and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* heretofore constituting the County of *Dorchester*; praying for the passing of an Act to explain, define, and establish the law for the regulation of the Seigniorial Tenure of Land, and to facilitate the voluntary commutation of the said Tenure.

Of *R. B. Hatt*, Esquire, and others, the Mayor and Councillors of the Village of the *Canton of Chambly*; praying for the improvement of a small piece of road which, with the bridge across the River *Richelieu*, connects the *termini* of the *Longueuil* and *Chambly*, and the *Granby* Turnpike Roads.

Of *E. P. Christie* and others, of the Seigniories of *Bleury*, *Sabrevois*, and *Noyau*; praying that *John Yule*, Esquire, and his co-petitioners, be not authorized to construct a Dam across the River *Richelieu*.

Of *Adam Timmerman* and others, of the Township of *Clinton*; of *Abisha Morse* and others, of the Townships of *Grimsbly*, *Gainsborough*, and *Caistor*; of *John Dobbie* and others, of the Township of *Willoughby*; of *James Oswald* and others, of the Township of *Stamford*; of *George Secord* and others, of the Township of *Gainsborough*; of *Isaac Johnson* and others, of the Township of *Bertie*; of *Charles Neall* and others, of the Township of *Niagara*; of *William Duff* and others, of the Town of *Queenston*; of *Arthur Shaw* and others, of the Township of *Niagara*; of *J. E. Jennings* and others, of the Township of *Louth*; of *W. Kingsmill*, Esquire, Sheriff, and others, of the Town of *Niagara*; of *John Root* and others, of the Township of *Sherbrooke*; of *William T. Burke* and others, of the Township of *Canborough*; of *Henry Smith* and others, of the Township of *Grimsbly*; of *George Walker* and others, of the Township of *Cayuga*; of *George Jamison* and others, of the Township of *Moulton*; and of *W. B. Shean* and others, of the Township of *Dunn*, all in the District of *Niagara*; praying that the Bill for removing the District Town of the said District from *Niagara* to *Port Robinson*, may not pass.

Of *Peter B. Clement* and others, of the Town and Township of *Niagara*, District of *Niagara*; praying for the incorporation of a Company to construct a Suspension Bridge across the River *Niagara*, at *Queenston*.

Of *A. Campbell*, Esquire, and others, Merchants, Ship Owners, and others interested in the Trade of



Quebec; praying that that part of the Petition of the Reverend *P. F. Durocher*, on behalf of the *Montagnais* Indians, which prays that certain lands on the north shore of the River *St. Lawrence* be granted to the said Indians for hunting grounds, be not granted.

Of *L. K. Benton* and others, of *Stanstead*, in the County of *Stanstead*; praying for the repeal of certain Road Laws, and the enactment of provisions in accordance with the Municipal Council Act.

Of *James Easson* and others, of *Perth*; praying for the abolition of punishment by death.

Of the Mayor and Citizens of *Quebec*; praying for the adoption of certain measures for the suppression of Intemperance.

Of *William Smith* and others, of the Township of *Brompton, Canada East*; praying that the proposed payment of Rebellion Losses in *Lower Canada* be not concurred in.

Petition of *E. Dion* and others, referred.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Eucher Dion*, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of *St. Thomas* and the Village of *Montmagny*, County of *L'Islet*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

First Report of Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate the *St. George's Society of Quebec*, and the Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton and Gore Mechanics' Institute*, and have agreed to report the same without amendment.

They have also examined the following Bills, and have agreed to certain amendments to each of the same, which they beg leave to submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House, viz:—

Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Warehousing Company*.

Bill to incorporate *L'Académie Industrielle de St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*.

Bill to incorporate *La Communauté des Sœurs de Ste. Croix*, in the Parish of *St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*, for the purposes of education.

Bill to incorporate "*Les Sœurs de Miséricorde pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité de Montréal*."

Quebec Warehousing Company Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Méhot*, seconded by Mr. *Lemieux*, Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Warehousing Company*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Fortier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Fortier* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next.

Intemperance.

Ordered, That the several Petitions on the subject of Intemperance, presented to this House since the twenty-eighth day of February last, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to enquire whether any and what Legislative measures can be adopted to repress the evils growing out of Intemperance.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Cornwall*, have leave to absent himself from this House, for one month, on account of sickness in his family.

On motion of Mr. *Fortier*, seconded by Mr. *Polette*, Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council, praying their Honors will permit the Honorable *Barthelemy Joliette*, one of their Members, to attend the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills appointed by this House, on Saturday next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined with reference to the Bill to authorize *Antoine Amable Archambeault* and others to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fortier* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Bridge Bill of A. Archambeault and others.

On motion of Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by Mr. *Lemieux*,

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the *St. George's Society of Quebec* be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

St. George's Society Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Watts* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Watts* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the Indemnification of parties in *Lower Canada* whose property was destroyed during the Rebellion in the years one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven and one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight:—"

Indemnification Bill (L.C.)

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend and extend the Act to incorporate the *Montreal and Province Line Junction Railway Company*:"

Montreal and Province Line Junction Railway Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable *William Bradley* to hold a certain Road allowance in *Caledonia*, in the *Ottawa District*:" And also,

Bradley's Road Allowance Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the naturalization of Aliens," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Naturalization of Aliens Bill.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,

Ordered, That the Orders of the day be now read.

Orders of the day.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on that part of the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General, at the opening of the present Session, which relates to giving the Government such powers as may be necessary for the re-organization of the Provincial Debt, the creation of an efficient Sinking Fund, and the alienation of works of a purely local character, and also, to certain matters connected with the said Public Debt and the keeping of the Public Accounts; and also, on the Petitions from the several Banking Institutions praying to be heard by Counsel at the bar of the House, against certain Resolutions to be proposed for the issuing of Debentures by the Government, being read;

Public Debt.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, That they do hear Counsel as prayed for by the Petitioners.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Morrison* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Morrison reported from the Committee, That they had heard Counsel in support of the Petitions; and that the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Commutation of Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act the better to facilitate optional commutation of tenure of lands *en roture*, in the Seigniories and Fiefs in "Lower Canada, into that of *franc-aleu-roturier*," being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Boulton, of Toronto, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Boulton, of Toronto, reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next.

Orders deferred.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Price, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin,

The House adjourned.

Veneris, 16° die Martii;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Quebec Provident and Savings Bank.

MR. SPEAKER laid before the House, a Statement of the Affairs of the Quebec Provident and Savings Bank, received in conformity to an Order of this House, of the 25th January last.

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For the said Statement, see Appendix (P.)

Petitions brought up.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Macdonald,—The Petition of *W. G. Chambers*, of Kingston.

By Mr. Bell,—The Petition of *John A. Gemmill* and others, of the District of Bathurst.

By Mr. Davignon,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Rouville.

Petitions read.

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

Of *Richard M'Connell* and others, Merchants interested and engaged in the Lumber Trade, residing on the *Ottawa River*; praying that no alteration may be made in the Law relative to the measurement of Timber at *Quebec*.

Of *W. F. Whitcher* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*; praying for the abolition of punishment by death.

Petition of J. Painchaud and others;

Ordered, That the Petition of *Joseph Painchaud*, Esquire, and others, Members of the Medical Profession, of *Quebec*, be referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition

of *B. H. Charlebois*, Esquire, and others, Physicians and Surgeons of *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend *J. D. Déziel*, President, and *Charles Bourget*, Secretary, on behalf of a Public Meeting held at *Pointe Lévy*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Of the Revd. J. D. Déziel and C. Bourget;

Resolved, That the Petition of the Reverend *T. Cholette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Polycarpe*, County of *Vaudreuil*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Mongenais*, Mr. *Jobin*, Mr. *Taché*, Mr. *Boutillier*, and Mr. *Fortier*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of the Revd. T. Cholette and others;

Ordered, That the Petition of the President and Directors of the *Desjardins Canal Company*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of the Desjardins Canal Company;

Ordered, That the Petition of the Provincial Agricultural Association of *Canada West*, be referred to the Select Committee to which were referred the two Petitions of *John Clark*, Esquire, on behalf of the *Niagara District Agricultural Society*.

Of the Provincial Agricultural Association of Canada West, referred.

Mr. *Armstrong* reported from the Select Committee on the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "*Les Clercs "Paroissiaux ou Catéchistes de Saint Viateur*," in the "Village of *Industry*, in the County of *Berthier*," That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Les Clercs Paroissiaux Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Mr. *Wetenhall*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *George Thomson* and others, of *West Flamborough* and other Townships in the District of *Gore*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Report on Petition of G. Thomson and others.

Your Committee, in obedience to the order of Your Honorable House, have proceeded to the consideration of the subject matter contained in the Petition referred to them.

The Petitioners are inhabitants of the Townships of *Beverly* and *West Flamborough* in the *Gore* District, and represent: That they are aggrieved by the present arrangement of placing the Toll Bars, Nos. 1 and 2, upon the Macadamized Roads leading from *Dundas* to *Waterloo* and *Galt*:

That the inhabitants of the extensive settlements of *Paris*, *St. George*, south part of *Dumfries*, north part of *Ancaster*, and the south part of *Beverly*, before entering upon the Macadamized Road at Gate No. 2, have to pay four pence for each team, and after travelling about two and a half miles to Gate No. 1, have to pay eight pence more, and afterwards, having the use of the Road but one and a half mile to *Dundas*,—in all, four miles travel for the sum of one shilling.

Your Committee, having satisfied themselves of the strict correctness of the several statements contained in the Petition, feel it their duty to state, as their unanimous opinion, that the public should be relieved from the injustice complained of.

Your Committee are convinced that unless some means be adopted for that purpose, those improvements which have been constructed at great public expense will prove a burthen rather than a benefit to the inhabitants of the locality, and will, ere long,

drive them from the present improved public thoroughfares to seek new markets for their Produce, and new establishments at which to transact their ordinary business, not so convenient as the present.

Your Committee would therefore strongly recommend that such an alteration may be made in the disposition of the Toll Bars referred to, as will cause the injustice complained of to be speedily removed, either by the reduction of the Toll at those Bars, or by such an arrangement as shall be alike for the interest of the public, as for the relief of the inhabitants signing the Petition.

First Report of Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Sir Allan N. MacNab, from the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal and Lachine* Railroad Company, and for other purposes, referred to them; and have agreed to certain amendments which they respectfully submit for the adoption of Your Honorable House.

Lachine Railroad Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal and Lachine* Railroad Company, and for other purposes, as reported from the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Lemieux took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Lemieux reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Lemieux reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Eighteenth Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

The Honorable Mr. Boulton, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Eighteenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petitions of James Scott, Esquire, and others; of the Honorable P. M<sup>c</sup>Gill and others, Trustees of the *Huron* Mining Company; of Joseph P. Bradley, Esquire, and others; of John S. M<sup>c</sup>Cord, Esquire, and others; and of the Honorable William Hamilton Merritt and others; and do not consider them to be of such a nature as to require notice under the Rules of Your Honorable House.

On motion of Mr. Jobin, seconded by Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Farland,

Les Sœurs de Miséricorde Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate "*Les Sœurs de Miséricorde pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité de Montréal*," as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

M<sup>c</sup>Collom's Road Allowance Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to vest a certain Road allowance in the Township of Nelson, in John S. M<sup>c</sup>Collom," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Press 1, Line 31.—After "Memorial" insert "in lieu and stead of the said Road so running through the said Lot number twenty, which, to the width

"of sixty-six feet is hereby declared to be and shall be and remain a public highway, as if the same had been originally reserved for that purpose."

And the said Amendment being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Wetenhall do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Merritt, seconded by Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Farland,

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the naturalization of Aliens," be now read the first time.

Naturalization of Aliens Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Price, seconded by Mr. Wetenhall,

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to vest the Toronto General Burying Ground in certain Trustees and their successors," be now read the first time.

Toronto General Burying Ground Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

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

On motion of Mr. Jobin, seconded by Mr. Armstrong,

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate *La Communauté des Sœurs de Ste. Croix*, in the Parish of *St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*, for the purposes of education, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

Sœurs de Ste. Croix Bill.

On motion of Mr. Jobin, seconded by Mr. Armstrong,

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate *L'Académie Industrielle de St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

L'Académie Industrielle Bill.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council, praying their Honors will permit the Honorable Jean Baptiste Taché, one of their Members, to attend the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*, on Tuesday next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference.

Notarial Profession Organization Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Laurin do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Holmes, have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Merchants' Reading Room of *Montreal*.

Montreal Merchants Reading Room Bill.

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

The Honorable Mr. Badgley reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to enable Charles James Stuart, Esquire, to practise the Law in *Lower Canada*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Stuart's Relief Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

Seurs de la  
Charité of  
Bytown Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Egan have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate *La Communauté des Révérendes Sœurs de la Charité* of *Bytown*.

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

Bytown Col-  
lege Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Egan have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the College of *Bytown*.

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

Montreal Hor-  
ticultural So-  
ciety Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Horticultural Society of *Montreal*.

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

Neepigon  
Mining Com-  
pany Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *M'Farland* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of *Neepigon Mining Company*.

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

Huron Mining  
Company Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Huron Mining Company*.

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

Land Survey-  
ors Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Price* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands in this Province.

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

Police Office,  
Quebec.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 22nd February, 1849, and praying that His Excellency would be pleased to lay before the House, copies of all representations, complaints, memorials or petitions, on the part of *W. K. M' Cord*, Esquire, Superintendent of Police at the City of *Quebec*, relative to the keeping of the Police Office at *Quebec* since the said *W. K. M' Cord* has been Superintendent of Police; also, copies of all complaints or representations by the said *W. K. M' Cord*, touching the assiduity or want of assiduity of the Justices of the Peace at the weekly sittings of the said Magistrates; and copies of all communications between the said *W. K. M' Cord* and the Executive Government, and the Clerks of the Peace or Justices of the Peace, respectively, relative to the matters aforesaid,—and a copy of the investigation made by order of the Executive Government last year, in consequence of the said complaints; and copies of all documents relative to the matters aforesaid.

For the said Return, see Appendix (O.O.O.)

Appendix  
(O.O.O.)

On motion of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a List of the several Parishes, Seigniories, Townships, or other Divisions, comprising the several Electoral Divisions of this Province, as now constituted.

Electoral Di-  
visions of the  
Province.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Malloch* have leave to absent himself from this House, for two weeks, by reason of a domestic affliction.

Leave of  
absence.

The Order of the day for the Call of the House, being read;

Call of the  
House.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*,

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

*Resolved*, That such Members as shall not then attend, be sent for in the custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from  
the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to raise an Income of One hundred thousand pounds out of the Public Lands of *Canada*, for Common School Education:"

Common  
School Educa-  
tion Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Charter of the Literary and Historical Society of *Quebec*:"

Quebec Liter-  
ary and His-  
torical Society  
Bill.

And also,  
The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to divide the Municipality of *Drummond* into two Municipalities," with several Amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Drummond  
Municipality  
Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Ursuline Nuns of *Quebec* to acquire and hold additional real and personal property to a certain amount," to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Ursuline Nuns  
of Quebec Pro-  
perty Bill.

The Legislative Council give leave to the Honorable *Barthelemy Joliette* to attend the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*, on Tuesday next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference, if he thinks fit: And also,

Notarial Pro-  
fession Organi-  
zation Bill.

The Legislative Council give leave to the Honorable *Barthelemy Joliette* to attend the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, on Saturday next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined with reference to the Bill to authorize *Antoine Amable Archangeault* and others to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, if he thinks fit.

Bridge Bill of  
A. Archangeault  
and  
others.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. *Morrison*, from the Committee of the whole House on that part of the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General, at the opening of the present Session, which relates to giving the Government such powers as may be necessary for the re-organization of the Provincial Debt; the creation of an efficient Sinking Fund; and the alienation of works of a purely local character, and also, to certain matters connected with the said Public Debt and the keeping of the Public Accounts; and also, on the Petitions from the several Banking Institutions praying to be heard by Counsel at the bar of the House, against certain Resolutions to be proposed for the issuing of Debentures by the Government, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

Public Debt.



1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council, from time to time, and as the interests of the Public Service may require, to redeem or to purchase on account of the Province, all or any of the then outstanding Debentures constituting the Public Debt of the Province of Canada, or of either of the late Provinces of Lower or Upper Canada, or all or any of the Debentures issued by Commissioners or other Public Officers under the authority of the Legislatures of either of the late Provinces of Upper or Lower Canada, or of the Legislature of Canada, the Interest or Principal of which Debentures is made a charge on the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, and to issue new Debentures to an amount not exceeding that of the Debentures so redeemed or purchased, or to arrange with the holders of any such Debentures as are hereinbefore described to accept in lieu thereof new Debentures, the Principal or Interest whereof shall be respectively payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province at such times as the Governor in Council may direct; and to make all such Debentures payable in Sterling Money of Great Britain or in the Currency of this Province, and to make the Principal and Interest payable at such place either within or without this Province as the said Governor in Council may direct, and to fix the Interest on such Debentures at such rate, not exceeding the then legal rate, per centum per annum, as the said Governor in Council may direct: Provided that the Governor in Council shall not increase the aggregate amount of the Public Debt of the Province without the authority of the Provincial Parliament.
2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that, of the Debentures which the Governor in Council is or may be authorized to cause to be issued under any Act passed or to be passed, a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty thousand pounds currency, may be issued in Debentures being each for a sum less than Ten pounds currency; and that such Debentures may be made payable on demand or any time after date, and with or without Interest, and may be receivable in payment of monies payable to the Provincial Government generally, or in payment of such duties or dues, and by such Officers or Departments, and upon such terms and conditions as the Governor in Council shall from time to time appoint; and being so received, may be re-issued, or may be cancelled and others issued in their stead: Provided that the total amount of such Debentures as aforesaid, outstanding at any one time, shall not exceed the said sum of Two hundred and fifty thousand pounds, and that the total amount of all Debentures, including those above mentioned, shall not at any time exceed the amount then authorized by Law.
3. *Resolved*, That whereas it appears that, owing to the pressure of just demands on the Provincial Government which the Funds in the Public Chest were insufficient to meet, Debentures of the description mentioned in the next preceding Resolution have been issued under the authority of the Governor in Council since the 1st day of July, 1848, and have, under the said authority, been received in payment of duties and of other monies payable to the Provincial Government, and being so received have been cancelled, and others have been issued in their stead, but the total amount of such Debentures outstanding at any one time has not exceeded the sum of One hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds, and the total amount of all Debentures outstanding

has never exceeded the amount authorized by law, and that the exigencies of the Public Service are such that it may be necessary for the preservation of the Public Credit, that the course so adopted be continued until the Provincial Parliament shall have made provision in this behalf, and whereas the course so adopted by the Provincial Government, although justified by the necessity of the case, is not within the letter of the law; it is therefore expedient to indemnify all persons who may have been concerned in the adoption thereof, and to provide that all Debentures of the description mentioned in the next preceding Resolution, issued or received in payment as aforesaid after the said 1st day of July, 1848, and before the time when the Provincial Parliament shall have made provision in this behalf, shall be held to have been lawfully issued and received: Provided the total amount of such Debentures as aforesaid outstanding at any time, shall not have exceeded the sum of One hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds, and that the total amount of all Debentures outstanding at any one time, shall not have exceeded the amount then authorized by law, and not otherwise.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to direct the proper Officers to grant terminable Annuities chargeable on the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, which Annuities shall be granted on terms in accordance with the most approved English Tables, and based on a rate of interest not to exceed six per cent per annum, and to apply the proceeds of such grants to the extinction of the Public Debt.
5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the entire net Revenue derived from the Tolls on Public Works, after deducting therefrom the sum of Twenty thousand pounds which shall be annually placed at the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, be carried to the credit of the Sinking Fund; and that the said Governor in Council be authorized to direct the investment of all sums forming part of the Sinking Fund, either in the Public Securities of this Province, or in the British Funds; and that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, from time to time, to direct the transfer from the Consolidated Revenue Fund to the Sinking Fund, of any unappropriated Revenue which it may, at the close of each year, be found practicable to apply towards the extinction of the Public Debt; such sums to be invested in the securities hereinbefore mentioned: Provided always, that nothing in this Resolution shall be held to repeal or affect the provisions of an Act of the Parliament of this Province, passed in the tenth and eleventh year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to facilitate the issue of Debentures, and for other purposes therein mentioned."
6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to empower the Governor in Council to make such regulations as may be necessary for the management of the Public Debt of this Province, and the payment of the Interest thereon, and to appoint one or more fiscal Agents of the Province in the City of London, and to agree with them as to the rate of compensation to be allowed them for negotiating loans, and for paying the Interest on the Public Debt, and for other services connected with the management of the said Debt, and to pay such compensation out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.
7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to empower the Governor in Council, from time to time, as the exigencies of the public service may require, in



consequence of the Consolidated Revenue Fund being at the time insufficient to meet the charges placed thereon by law, to direct the proper Officers to effect temporary loans chargeable on the said Consolidated Revenue Fund, in such manner and form, in such amounts, and payable at such periods, and bearing such rates of interest, not exceeding the then legal rate per centum per annum, as the said Governor in Council may direct: Provided that such loans shall not exceed the amount of the deficiencies in the said Consolidated Revenue Fund to meet the charges placed thereon by law.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to direct the proper Officer to ascertain as accurately as possible, the amount of the appropriations for permanent works which have been paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and to credit the said Fund for the aggregate amount of the said payments, charging the same to the respective Public Works; and to issue Debentures for such a portion of these appropriations as shall be necessary to enable the Consolidated Revenue Fund to meet the charges imposed upon it by law, and which the surplus and unappropriated revenues of the Province paid into the Provincial Chest prior to the 1st January, 1849, have been insufficient to cover, and to cause a separate Statement to be inserted in the then next Public Accounts of whatever may have been done in the behalf aforesaid: Provided that such Debentures shall not be issued for sums less than Ten pounds currency each, and shall not in the whole exceed the sum of Two hundred thousand pounds.
9. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Public Accounts of the Province be kept by Double Entry, and that an annual Statement be prepared as soon as practicable after the termination of each fiscal year, exhibiting the state of the Public Debt, and the amounts chargeable against each of the Public Works for which any part of the debt has been contracted,—also, the state of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and of the various trusts and special funds under the management of the Provincial Government, and such other accounts and matters as may be required to show what the liabilities and assets of the Province really are at the date of such Statement; that an Account be opened, to the debit of which the sums invested in works which are totally unproductive, or which are otherwise totally lost to the Province, may be entered; and that the balances at the debit and credit of the Accounts intitled, respectively, "Civil List," "Schedule A," and "Civil List, Schedule B," shall be respectively transferred to the debit and credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.
10. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to empower the Governor in Council to enter into arrangements with any of the Municipal or District Councils, or other local Corporations or Authorities, or with any incorporated Company in *Lower or Upper Canada*, for the transfer to them of any of the Public Roads, Harbours, Bridges, or Public Buildings, which it may be found more convenient to place under the management of such local authorities or companies, and on the completion of such arrangements to grant (and, by so granting, to transfer and convey) for ever, or for any term of years, all or any of such Roads, Harbours, Bridges, or Public Buildings, to the District or Municipal Council or other local authority or company with whom such arrangement may have been made, and upon such terms and conditions as may have been agreed upon, and to make proper provisions with regard

to the form and effect of any such grant; the monies payable to the Province under the terms of any such grant, to be carried to the credit of the Sinking Fund, and to form part thereof.

The first Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The second Resolution being read a second time,

The Honorable Mr. *Cayley* moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. *Thompson*, That the words "Two hundred and fifty thousand pounds" be left out, and the words "One hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds" inserted instead thereof; and, That the words "Provided also, that the amount of Debentures issued for sums less than Ten pounds of currency, so authorized to be issued or re-issued, shall be reduced to the sum of Sixty-five thousand pounds, on or before the 1st day of January, 1850, and that the whole issue be withdrawn on or before the 1st day of January, 1851," be added at the end thereof.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Brooks*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Meyers*, *Papineau*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Stevenson* and *Thompson*.—(14.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Dickson*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Marquis*, *McConnell*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Scott* of BYTOWN, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché*, *Viger*, *Wetenhall*, and *Wilson*.—(49.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the second Resolution was agreed to.

The third Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The fourth Resolution being read a second time,

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* have leave to bring in a Bill for the better management of the Public Debt, Accounts, Revenue, and Property. Public Debt, &c., Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof, being read; Election Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Cauchon* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Cauchon* reported, That the Committee

had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Monday next.

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

Lunæ, 19° die Martii;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

By Mr. *Lemieux*,—The Petition of *Charles Robertson* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph, Pointe Lévy*.

By Mr. *Fergusson*,—The Petition of *Jacob S. Shoemaker*, Chairman, and *Christian Enslin*, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting of the inhabitants of the Township of *Waterloo*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,—The Petition of *John Haggert* and others.

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of *John Holmes* and others, of *Chinguacousey* and its vicinity.

By Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*,—The Petition of *John Mackenzie*, Moderator, on behalf of the Ministers and Elders of the Presbytery of *Glengary*; and the Petition of the Magistrates of the Eastern District in Special Session assembled.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*,—The Petition of The Bank of *Upper Canada* (Debentures).

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,—The Petition of *Frederick J. Cheshire*, of the Township of *Tuscarora*, District of *Gore*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,—The Petition of *James Burns*, Esquire, M. D. and others, of the Village and vicinity of *Stratford*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Pierre Bedard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Rémi*, District of *Montreal*; and the Petition of the Reverend *C. L. Vinet* and others, of the Parish of *St. Constant*, District of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,—The Petition of *Abishai Morse* and others, of the District of *Niagara*; and the Petition of *Dennis Woolverton* and others, of *Grimsby* and other Townships.

Stuart's Relief Bill.

An engrossed Bill to enable *Charles James Stuart*, Esquire, to practise the Law in *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Lachine Railroad Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal and Lachine Railroad Company*, and for other purposes, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal and Lachine Railroad Company*, and for other purposes."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions read.

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

Of *Boucher de LaBruère* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Hyacinthe*; praying that the Village of *Saint Hyacinthe* may not be incorporated with the limits prayed for by the Petition of the inhabitants thereof.

Of *R. M. Connell* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize *Thomsonian Physicians* to practice, and to collect pay for professional services.

Of *Joseph Héneau dit Deschamps*, landowner in the *Grande Isle de Beauharnois*; representing that he has sustained damage by quarry excavations on his property and otherwise, on account of the *Beauharnois Canal*, and that hitherto he has failed to obtain indemnification therefor, and praying relief.

Of *Henry Rinch*, of the Township of *Clarke*, District of *Newcastle*; complaining that a certain Clergy Reserve Lot in the said Township which he leased in 1831, and upon which he had made improvements, has been set apart as a Glebe Lot, and praying redress.

Of the Municipal Council of the Western District; praying for an appropriation out of the funds which may accrue from the Post Office Department, for the improvement of the Road travelled by the mail stage between *Chatham* and *Windsor*.

Of *John W. Gwynne*, Esquire, and others, Directors of the *Toronto and Goderich Railroad Company*; praying for an appropriation of certain waste lands of the Crown to promote the construction of the said Railroad.

Of *George Crawford* and others, of the District of *Johnstown*; praying that the Tariff of Duties on foreign importations may be so amended as to afford protection to domestic manufactures.

Of *John O. Hatt* and others, Stockholders in the *Desjardins Canal Company*; praying that the prayer of the Petition of the President and Directors of the said Company, for an amendment to the Act authorizing them to borrow a certain sum of money for the completion of the said Canal, be not granted.

Of *John Shore* and others, of the fifth Concession of the Township of *Westmeath*; praying that the said Concession may be attached to the County of *Middlesex*, in case the proposed division of the *London District* be made.

Of *W. G. Chambers*, of *Kingston*; setting forth his claim to a grant of land as the eldest son of the late *William Chambers* who served as an Officer in the Royal Navy, at Sea and in *Canada*.

Of *John A. Gemmill* and others, of the District of *Bathurst*; praying for aid for the survey and completion of a Road from the Town of *Brockville* by a certain route to intersect the proposed Road from *Bytown* to *Pembroke*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Rouville*; praying for an amendment of the Law regulating tavern licences, and for the promotion of temperance.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *G. O'Kill Stuart*, Esquire, and others, Stockholders in the *Quebec Protestant Cemetery Association*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

*Resolved*, That the Petition of *George S. Wilkes* and others, Officers and Members of the *Brantford Hook and Ladder Company Number One*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, Mr. *Thompson*, of *Hall*, the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Message from  
the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor, Esquire*, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

Reciprocity  
Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the free admission of certain Articles of the growth or production of the *United States of America* into *Canada*, whenever similar Articles the growth and production of *Canada* shall be admitted without Duty into the said States," with several Amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Public Health  
Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the preservation of the Public Health in certain emergencies;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Notarial Pro-  
fession Organ-  
ization Bill.

The Legislative Council give leave to the Honorable *Jean Baptiste Taché*, one of their Members, to attend the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*, on Tuesday next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference, if he thinks fit.

And then he withdrew.

Petition of J.  
Smolinski

Mr. *Laurin* moved, seconded by Mr. *Lemieux*, and the Question being put, That that part of the Petition of *Joseph Smolinski*, of *Montreal*, relating to Calorifers, and which has not been taken into consideration by the Standing Committee on Contingencies, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Lemieux*, Mr. *Guillet*, Mr. *Cauchon*, and the mover, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records;

The House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

Petition of T.  
C. Lee and  
others.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chabot* be added to the Select Committee to which is referred the Petition of *Thomas C. Lee* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, and others interested in the Shipping frequenting the Port of *Quebec*.

Second Report  
of Committee  
on Miscellane-  
ous Private  
Bills.

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same without amendment, viz:

Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Gas Company* (as amended in a Committee of the whole House).

Bill to incorporate "The City of *Kingston Water Works Company*" (as amended in a Committee of the whole House.)

Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Gore Bank*, and to increase the Capital Stock of the said Bank.

They have also examined the following Bills, and have made certain amendments to each of them, respectively, which they beg leave to submit for the adoption of Your Honorable House, viz:

Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Quebec Forwarding Company*.

Bill to incorporate the *Canada Life Assurance Company*.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, seconded by Mr. *Smith* of *Frontenac*,

Kingston  
Water Works  
Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate "The City of *Kingston Water Works Company*," as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *Thompson*, seconded by Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*,

Ordered, That the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Gore Bank*, and to increase the Capital Stock of the said Bank, be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Johnson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Johnson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Johnson* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *Chabot*, seconded by Mr. *Méhot*,

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Gas Company*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made another amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

On motion of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the *Canada Life Assurance Company*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Notman* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Notman* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Notman* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to repeal the several Laws now in force in *Upper Canada*, regulating the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams, and to make provision for better defining the mode of constructing the same. That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Registry Laws of *Upper Canada*, and the Bill to provide for the Sale under Execution of the interest of Mortgagees and Mortgagees in real estate in *Upper Canada*,

That the Committee had gone through the Bill to amend the Registry Laws of *Upper Canada*, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Bill to facilitate  
Actions against  
unincorporated  
Bodies.

Mr. *Chauveau* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Societies and Companies, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

L'Islet Registry  
Office Bill.

Mr. *Fournier* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to provide for the removal of the Registry Office of the County of *L'Islet* from the place where it is now kept to the Parish of *L'Islet*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Rebellion  
Claims (U.C.)

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 8th instant, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before them, the Report of the Commissioners appointed to enquire into, and allow or reject, the claims of the Inhabitants of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, arising out of the late Rebellion and Invasion of this Province.

For the said Return, see Appendix (P.P.P.)

Appendix  
(P.P.P.)

Registration  
and Statistics.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—The First Report of the Board of Registration and Statistics for the Province of *Canada*, constituted under authority of the Act of the Provincial Parliament 10 & 11 Vic. c. 14.

For the said Report, see Appendix (B.)

Appendix (B.)

On motion of Mr. *Wetenhall*, seconded by Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton and Gore Mechanics' Institute*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Hamilton and  
Gore Mechanics  
Institute  
Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Méthot*, seconded by Mr. *Fortier*,

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Quebec Forwarding Company*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

Quebec Forwarding  
Company Bill.

Drummond  
Municipality  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to divide the Municipality of *Drummond* into two Municipalities," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:

Press 1, line 27. After "the" insert "first Saturday in July next after the."

Press 2, line 14. After "the" where it occurs the first time, insert "first Saturday in July next after the."

Press 2, line 20. Leave out "first" and insert "second."

Press 2, line 28. Leave out "first" and insert "second."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Watts* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Return to so much of an Address of this House to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 29th January, 1849, as relates to all special grants to Schools and Colleges, laid before the House on Monday, the eighth instant, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Schools and  
Colleges.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the free admission of certain Articles of the growth or production of the *United States of America* into *Canada*, whenever similar Articles the growth and production of *Canada* shall be admitted without Duty into the said States," be now taken into consideration.

Reciprocity  
Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 17. Leave out from "heretofore" to "passed" in line 18, both inclusive.

In the Preamble, line 1. Leave out from "Whereas" to "Be" in line 9, and insert "it is desirable to provide for the free admission into *Canada* of certain Articles of the growth or production of the *United States of America* mentioned in the Schedule to this Act annexed, whenever similar Articles the growth or production of *Canada* shall be admitted without Duty into the said States."

In the Title, line 1. After "admission" insert "into *Canada*."

In the Title, line 3. Leave out from "into" to "States" in line 6, both inclusive, and insert "on certain conditions therein mentioned."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

On motion of Mr. *Chabot*, seconded by Mr. *Méthot*,

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Ursuline Nuns of Quebec* to acquire and hold additional real and personal property to a certain amount," be now read the first time. The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Ursuline Nuns  
of Quebec Property  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *Morrison*,

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the preservation of the Public Health in certain emergencies," be now read the first time.

Public Health  
Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Christie* have leave to bring in a Bill to detach the settlement of *St. Anne des Monts* and *Cape Chat* from the Municipality of

St. Anne des  
Monts and  
Cape Chat Mu-  
nicipality Bill.

*Gaspé*, and to erect them into a separate Municipality.

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

Lower Canada Bar Incorporation Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chabot* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*. He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Sheriff, Crier, and Tipstaff of Montreal.

*Ordered*, That the Select Committee to which are referred the Returns to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 23d January last, praying for Statements of the Income derived by the Sheriff of the District of *Montreal*, and by the Crier and Tipstaff of the Court of Queen's Bench for the said District, for the last five years, presented to this House on the 31st January and 8th February last, have leave to report from time to time.

Circuit Courts (L.C.)

*Ordered*, That the Returns of the Clerks of the Circuit Courts in *Lower Canada*, laid before the House on the first instant, received in conformity to an Order of the House of the 30th January last, be referred to the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Burritt*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*,

Petition of W. Gibson and others.

*Ordered*, That the Entry in the Journal of this House, of the 6th June, 1846, containing the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *William Gibson*, Esquire, and others, freeholders of the Township of *Edwardsburgh*, praying that the Town line may be continued from the rear of the fifth Concession to the rear of the Township, agreeably to the Map in the Surveyor General's Office, be now read.

And the same was read accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the said Entry be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Burritt*, Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, Mr. *Bell*, Mr. *Thompson*, and Mr. *Cryslor*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Mr. *Fortier* moved, seconded by Mr. *Chauveau*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. *Polette* be added to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, in the place of the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Cornwall*.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved in amendment to the Question, That the words "Mr. *Polette*" be left out, and the words "Mr. *Seymour*" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put;

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Seymour* be added to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, in the place of the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Cornwall*.

City Bank Act Amendment Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the City Bank, and to provide for a reduction of its Capital Stock.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Lake St. Louis and Province Line Railway Company*. Lake St. Louis and Province Line Railway Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chabot* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Health of the City of *Quebec*. Quebec Health Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau* be added to the Select Committee to which is referred the Petition of *B. H. Charlebois*, Esquire, and others, Physicians and Surgeons of *Lower Canada*, and another reference. Petition of B. H. Charlebois and others.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chabot* have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the mode of calling and holding meetings for the election of Church Wardens, and the rendering of accounts by Church Wardens, and to establish the qualification of persons entitled to attend such meetings, and for other purposes. Church Wardens Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Flint* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the appointment of Guardians to restrain the improvidence of persons incompetent to manage property in *Upper Canada*. Guardians' Appointment (U.C.) Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *St. Patrick's Society of Quebec*. St. Patrick's Society Bill.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, and the Question being put, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee on the First Report of the Standing Committee on Printing, and on the Petition of Messieurs *Lovell* and *Gibson*, Contractors for the Sessional Printing of the Legislative Assembly, be now read; Printing.

The House divided:

Yeas, 28.

Nays, 19.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Order of the day being read; the House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Brooks* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *DeWitt* reported the Bill to amend the several Laws therein mentioned relative to the appointment and duties of Inspectors of Weights and Measures in *Upper Canada*; and the amendments were read, and agreed to. Weights and Measures Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.



St. George's  
Society Bill.

Mr. *Watts* reported the Bill to incorporate the *St. George's Society of Quebec*; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Orders  
deferred.

Mr. *Watts* moved, seconded by Mr. *Notman*, and the Question being put, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow;

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Cauchon*, *Chauveau*, *Crysler*, *Dickson*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Flint*, *Guillet*, *Hincks*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, *LaTerrière*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, and *Watts*.—(25.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Cartier*, *DeWitt*, *Dumas*, *Fortier*, *Fourquin*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *M'Connell*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, *Stevenson*, *Taché*, *Viger*, and *Wilson*.—(18.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Watts*, seconded by Mr. *Notman*,  
The House adjourned.

Martis, 20<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. *Boutillier*,—The Petition of *E. Cartier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hyacinthe*; and the Petition of *E. L. R. C. Desprès* and *J. F. Tétu*, of the Parish of *St. Hyacinthe*.

By Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of *Joseph Sauvageau* and others, School Commissioners of the Municipality of *Deschambault*.

By the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Sophie B. Rousseau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre* and *St. Paul*, County of *Saguenay*.

By Mr. *Méthot*,—The Petition of the *Quebec Board of Trade* (*Stevodores*).

Gore Bank Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Gore Bank*, and to increase the Capital Stock of the said Bank, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Thompson* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

St. George's  
Society Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the *St. George's Society of Quebec*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Weights and  
Measures Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the several Laws therein mentioned, relative to the appointment and duties of Inspectors of Weights and Measures in *Upper Canada*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Bell*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *William Simpson* and *Abel R. Ward*, of the Village of *Smith's Falls*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Report on Pe-  
tition of W.  
Simpson and A.  
R. Ward.

Your Committee have examined the original Petition of *John M'Gill Chambers* and others, which was referred to the Committee on whose Report the Statute 10 & 11 Vic. c. 53, was passed, the prayer of which was in effect desiring the Legislature "to vest in one or more competent persons the power to survey the boundary line between the Townships of *Montague* and *North Elmsley*, and to determine, if possible, the precise spot where the original post at Lot No. 30, in the fourth concession of *Montague*, actually stood, by the best means in their power, and that such position of the post so decided and fixed upon, and such survey to be made, shall be known and established as the true boundary line between the said Townships in all time coming, as if such post had really existed." By referring to the Statute, Your Committee find that, instead of appointing competent persons to make a survey, and ascertain, if possible, the true position of the said original post, according to the prayer of the Petition, an arbitrary line was fixed thereby, which, in the opinion of Your Committee, will, if unrepealed, work great and manifest injustice to the owners of real estate on Lot No. 1, in the first concession of *North Elmsley*.

Your Committee are of opinion, that if the facts which have been brought before them had been made known to the said Committee, they would not have recommended the passing of the said Act.

Accompanying the Petition referred to Your Committee, are Reports by *John Booth* and *William Campbell*, Esquires, Deputy Provincial Surveyors, gentlemen of acknowledged probity and high professional skill, containing facts and statements from actual surveys made long before and since the passing of the said Act, which satisfy Your Committee that the true point or limit at which the original post or monument, at the southerly angle of said Lot No. 30, can be and always could have been readily ascertained.

It does not appear from the Report of the said Committee, that any evidence, by Surveyors, from actual survey, was given before them, but that the only evidence laid before them, except by Mr. *Russell*, of the Surveyor General's Office, was that of *John M'Gill Chambers*, who appears to Your Committee to be a person largely benefitted by the operation of the Statute. Your Committee have called Mr. *Russell*, with the original plans, before them, and have submitted to him the Reports of Messrs. *Booth* and *Campbell*, whose professional standing and personal character are vouched for by him; and after a careful examination and consideration of all the documents and plans, he now states that in his belief there was no necessity for passing the said Act, and that in his opinion the decision of the point should have been left to the ordinary law of the country.

Your Committee, therefore, unanimously recommend that the said Act be repealed.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bell* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Act defining the boundary line between the Townships of *Montague* and *North Elmsley*.

Montague  
Boundary  
Line Bill.

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

Prescott  
Election.

On motion of Mr. *Chabot*, seconded by Mr. *Cartier*,  
*Ordered*, That the Select Committee appointed to  
try the merits of the Petition complaining of an  
undue Election and Return for the County of  
*Prescott*, have leave to adjourn until Tuesday,  
the twenty-seventh instant, at ten o'clock A.M.  
(no Return having been received from the Com-  
missioners appointed to take evidence in the  
matter of this Election.)

Agricultural  
Abuses Act.

Mr. *Watts*, from the Select Committee appointed  
to enquire into the expediency of continuing and  
amending the Act, intituled, "An Act to remedy  
"abuses prejudicial to Agriculture in *Lower Ca-*  
"*nada*," with power to report by Bill or otherwise,  
presented to the House, a Bill to repeal two certain  
Acts therein mentioned relating to Agriculture, and  
to provide for the remedy of abuses prejudicial to  
Agriculture, which was received and read for the  
first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on  
Friday next.

Bill for the re-  
medy of abuses  
prejudicial to  
Agriculture.

Bridge Bill of  
A. M. *Delisle*  
and others.

Mr. *Fortier*, from the Standing Committee on  
Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the  
Third Report of the said Committee; which was  
read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the provisions of  
the Bill to authorize *Alexandre M. Delisle* and others,  
to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, and for  
other purposes therein mentioned, and have agreed to  
several amendments thereto, which they herewith sub-  
mit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

On motion of Mr. *Dumas*, seconded by Mr. *Cartier*,  
*Ordered*, That the Bill to authorize *Alexandre M.*  
*Delisle* and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over  
the River *Jésus*, and for other purposes therein  
mentioned, as reported from the Standing Com-  
mittee on Road and Bridge Bills, be committed  
to a Committee of the whole House, for to-  
morrow.

Nineteenth  
Report of Com-  
mittee on  
Standing  
Orders.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing  
Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the  
House the Nineteenth Report of the said Committee;  
which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of  
the President and Directors of the *Desjardins* Canal  
Company, and are of opinion that it is not of such a  
nature as to require notice.

Printing.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Messieurs *Lovell* and  
*Gibson*, Contractors for the Sessional Printing  
of the Legislative Assembly, be referred to the  
Standing Committee on Printing.

L'Islet Regis-  
try Office Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to provide for the removal  
of the Registry Office of the County of *L'Islet*  
from the place where it is now kept to the Pa-  
rish of *L'Islet*, be engrossed.

Message from  
the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John*  
*Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in  
Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following  
Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to define the boundary  
"between the Districts of *Bathurst* and *Johnstown*."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to divide the County of  
"Berthier into two Municipalities, and for other pur-  
"poses relative to the said County:"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to continue for a limited  
"time the Act of the Legislature of *Lower Canada*  
"incorporating the *Quebec Friendly Society*:"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to remove the seat of the  
"Municipality Number One, of the County of *Ri-*

Bathurst  
Boundary  
Line Bill.  
Berthier Mu-  
nicipalities  
Bill.

Quebec  
Friendly So-  
ciety Bill.

Rimouski Mu-  
nicipality No. 1  
Bill.

"*mouski*, from *St. Patrice de la Rivière du Loup* to *St.*  
"*Jean Baptiste de L'Isle Verte*:"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to erect a new Township  
"to be formed out of part of the Township of *Hatley*  
"and part of the Township of *Bolton*, in the County  
"of *Stanstead*."

And then he withdrew.

Magoe Town-  
ship Bill

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney Gen-  
eral *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*,  
*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the Call  
of the House, be now read.

And the Order of the day being read;

*Ordered*, That the House be now called over.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant at Arms attending  
this House do go with the Mace, to the places  
adjacent, and summon the Members there to at-  
tend the service of the House:—And he went  
accordingly; and being returned;

The House was called over, and several of the  
Members appeared; and the names of such Members  
as made default to appear, were taken down.

*Ordered*, That the names of the Members who did  
not appear this day at the Call of the House  
(whose names were set aside) be reported by  
Mr. Speaker to the House, on Monday next.

House called  
over

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney Gen-  
eral *LaFontaine*, seconded by the Honorable Mr.  
Attorney General *Baldwin*,

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second  
reading of the Bill to enlarge the Representation  
of the People of this Province in Parliament, be  
now read.

And the Order of the day being read;

Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Laurin*,  
and the Question being put, That it is to be regretted  
that the Inhabitants of the late Province of *Lower*  
*Canada* have not been constitutionally consulted with  
respect to the passing of the Act of the Imperial  
Parliament re-uniting the two late Provinces of *Up-*  
*per* and *Lower Canada*, and that the said Act con-  
tains provisions contrary to justice, and to the rights  
of British Subjects;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Chauveau*, *Laurin*, and *Papineau*.—(3.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General  
*Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*,  
*Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*,  
*Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*,  
*De Witt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Du-*  
*mas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guil-*  
*let*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney Gen-  
eral *LaFontaine*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*,  
*Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,  
*Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*,  
*Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*,  
*Richards*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUN-*  
*TAINS*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Smith* of  
*WENTWORTH*, *Stevenson*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*,  
*Wettnhall*, and *Wilson*.—(59.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Laurin*,  
and the Question being put, That among the provi-  
sions which are contrary to justice and the rights of  
British Subjects, is that which establishes an equal  
number of Representatives for each of the sections of  
the Province formerly constituting the Provinces of  
*Upper* and *Lower Canada*, without taking into con-  
sideration their respective population;

The House divided: and the names being called  
for, they were taken down, as in the last preceding  
division.

Representation  
Bill.

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Laurin*, and the Question being put, That in order better to apportion the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament, it is expedient that another Census should be taken of the People of this Province, at the cost of the Province, under the sanction of a Law, and the immediate direction of the Executive Government;

The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as in the last preceding division.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill to enlarge the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament, be now read a second time;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned till to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

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

*Mercurii, 21° die Martii;*

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Quebec Gas  
Company Bill.

**A**N engrossed Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Gas Company* was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to incorporate "The *Quebec Gas Company*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chabot* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

L'Islet Regis-  
try Office Bill.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the removal of the Registry Office of the County of *L'Islet* from the place where it is now kept to the Parish of *L'Islet*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fournier* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Kingston  
Water Works  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate "The City of *Kingston* Water Works Company," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions read.

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

Of *Charles Robertson* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph, Pointe Lévy*; praying that the said Parish may be erected into a separate Municipality.

Of *Jacob S. Shoemaker*, Chairman, and *Christian Enslin*, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting of the inhabitants of the Township of *Waterloo*; praying that no division may be made of the said Township.

Of *John Haggert* and others; praying that an inquiry be instituted into the dismissal of *George H. Park*, M.D., from the office of Medical Superintendent of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*.

Of *John Holmes* and others, of *Chinguacousy* and its vicinity; praying for the adoption of measures to obtain a repeal of the Imperial Act relating to the Clergy Reserves, and that the funds arising therefrom may be applied to purposes of general utility and the promotion of education.

Of *John Mackenzie*, Moderator, on behalf of the Ministers and Elders of the Presbytery of *Glengary*; praying for the adoption of certain measures to prevent the violation of the Sabbath.

Of the Magistrates of the Eastern District, in Special Session assembled; praying for certain amendments to the Division Courts Law.

Of The Bank of *Upper Canada*; praying that certain proposed Resolutions for the issue of Government Debentures may not pass, or that should it be deemed necessary to pass the same, the Bank Tax Act may be repealed.

Of *Frederick J. Cheshire*, of the Township of *Tuscarora*, District of *Gore*; praying that the said Township may not be detached from the District of *Gore*, to form part of a new District, as petitioned for.

Of *James Burns*, Esquire, M. D. and others, of the Village and vicinity of *Stratford*; praying for the indemnification of the Rebellion Losses of *Lower Canada*, as proposed by certain Resolutions.

Of the Reverend *C. L. Vinet* and others, of the Parish of *St. Constant*, District of *Montreal*; praying for the adoption of certain measures for the promotion of Temperance.

Of *Abishai Morse* and others, of the District of *Niagara*; praying that certain Townships in the said District be set apart as a new District or County, to be called "*Elgin*," and that the District Town of the said District of *Niagara* be not removed until such division be made.

Of *Dennis Woolberton* and others, of *Grimsby* and other Townships; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate a Company for the erection of a Suspension Bridge over the River *Niagara*, at *Queenston*.

Of the Reverend *Pierre Bedard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Rémi*, District of *Montreal*; praying for the prohibition of the sale or importation of Spirituous Liquors by tavern keepers or merchants, and for the abolition of Distilleries and Breweries.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *John Curtain* and others, Stevedores at the Port of *Quebec*, be referred to the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill to regulate the trade of Stevedore at the Port of *Quebec*.

Petition of J.  
Curtain and  
others:

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Ottawa*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Of the Municipal  
Council,  
Ottawa Dis-  
trict;

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Henry Groves* and others, Officers and Members of Fire Companies in the Province of *Canada*, and the Petition of *John Ferrigo* and others, the Officers and Members of Fire Companies in *Canada*, be referred to the Select Committee to which is referred the Petition of *George S. Wilkes* and others, Officers and Members of the *Brantford* Hook and Ladder Company Number One.

Of H. Groves  
and others;

Of J. Ferrigo  
and others, re-  
ferred.

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Third Report  
of Committee  
on Miscellane-  
ous Private  
Bills.

Your Committee have examined the following Bills, and have agreed to certain amendments to each of the said Bills respectively, which they recommend for the adoption of Your Honorable House, viz:—  
Bill to amend the Act incorporating the New City Gas Company of *Montreal*, and to extend the powers of the said Company.

Bill to incorporate "The Mount Hermon Cemetery."

They have also examined the following Bills, and agreed to report the same without amendment, viz. :

Bill to incorporate the Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company.

Bill to incorporate "The Sault Sainte Marie Mining Company."

Bill to incorporate the Huron Copper Bay Company.

On motion of Mr. Morrison, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Price,

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Mutual and General Insurance Bill.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Robinson,

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate "The Sault Sainte Marie Mining Company," as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Sault Ste. Marie Mining Company Bill.

On motion of Mr. Holmes, seconded by Mr. Macdonald, of Glengary,

Ordered, That the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the New City Gas Company of Montreal, and to extend the powers of the said Company, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Montreal New City Gas Company Bill.

On motion of Mr. Chauveau, seconded by Mr. Lemieux,

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate "The Mount Hermon Cemetery," as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Mount Hermon Cemetery Bill.

Mr. DeWitt, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Fourth Report of Committee on Contingencies.

The Clerk of Your Honorable House having reported to Your Committee, that the balance remaining in his hands at the date of the last audit, 1st January, 1849, together with the sum of Five thousand pounds since granted, by Address to His Excellency the Governor General, and the sum of Four hundred and sixty pounds received as fees on Private Bills, are nearly expended; Your Committee, therefore, beg leave to recommend a further advance in favor of the Clerk, of Five thousand pounds.

On motion of Mr. DeWitt, seconded by Mr. Christie, Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency will be pleased to issue his Warrant in favor of William Burns Lindsay, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of Five thousand pounds, currency, towards defraying the Contingencies of this House; and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

Contingencies of the House.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Sir Allan N. MacNab, from the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee; which was read.

Second Report of Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

For the said Report, see Appendix (Q.Q.Q.) Ordered, That the said Report, together with the Evidence and Documents thereunto appended, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Appendix (Q.Q.Q.)

Ordered, That Mr. M<sup>r</sup> Farland have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of the Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company.

Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Bill.

Sir Allan N. MacNab, from the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Third Report of Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Your Committee have examined the provisions of the Bill to incorporate the Montreal and Troy Telegraph Company, referred to them, and have agreed to report the same with an amendment, which they respectfully submit for the adoption of Your Honorable House.

On motion of Mr. Holmes, seconded by Mr. Macdonald, of Glengary,

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the Montreal and Troy Telegraph Company, as reported from the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Montreal and Troy Telegraph Bill.

A Message from the Legislative Council by John Fennings Taylor, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intitled, "An Act to divide the Township of Cayuga, in the District of Niagara, into two Townships," without any amendment.

Cayuga Township Division Bill.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Holmes, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of J. O. Alfred Turgeon, Esquire, and others, the Mayor and Councillors of the County of Terrebonne, and other references, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Report on Petition of J. O. Alfred Turgeon and others.

Your Committee having first taken up the Petitions from the County of Terrebonne,—of New Glasgow,—of the City of Montreal,—and of Ste. Anne des Plaines, proceeded to examine into and consider what were the advantages which would accrue to the public by recommending a compliance with the prayer of said Petitioners to have the Papineau Road opened from its present terminus to the River at Sault au Recollet; and in connection therewith Your Committee considered the Petition of B. H. LeMoine and A. M. Delisle, Esquires, supporting the prayer of the aforesaid Petitioners, and offering upon certain conditions, to advance the funds requisite to enable the Trustees of the Montreal Turnpike Roads, on being authorized to do so, to open and complete the said Road, and levy Tolls thereon.

In pursuance of their instructions, Your Committee have also considered, in connection with the several Petitions above referred to, that of the St. Michel Road Company, (a chartered body) praying that in the event of Your Honorable House assenting to the prayer of the said several Petitioners, the outlay, say Two thousand pounds, of the St. Michel Road Company, be refunded to them, by the issue of Turnpike Trust Bonds to that extent, and that the Road also be assumed by and placed under the management of the Montreal Turnpike Trust; and they append to this Report a communication received by them from the said Company, offering to give up the Road upon these terms.

Although Your Committee are impressed with the opinion that it would in some points of view be desirable that the *Papineau* Road should be continued from its present terminus, and opened, at its present width, to the River, in conformity with the prayer of the Petitioners, they consider that no increase of travel will thereby be induced, while nearly all the Tolls anticipated to be collected on the said new Road would, to an equal extent, cause a diminution of revenue on the Roads now in existence, of which there are two leading from the City to the River.

Your Committee have ascertained that the Turnpike Trust of *Montreal* for the formation of the several Roads in the vicinity of and leading to the City, have incurred a debt of Fifty thousand pounds, by the issue of Debentures bearing interest at six per cent, which interest is guaranteed by the Province; and Your Committee are of opinion that unless it can be clearly shewn that a commensurate increase of revenue is to be secured from Tolls, it would be unwise and inexpedient to open other lines of communication, or incur liabilities which might lessen the security of the present Bond Holders.

Your Committee have, however, ascertained that, with a view to facilitating the collection of Tolls, and also as an accommodation to the public along the *St. Michel* Road, an agreement exists between that Company and the Road Trustees, whereby the latter award Two hundred and forty pounds per annum to the former, as a fair proportion of the Tolls levied at the gate entering upon the line of Road to *St. Michel*, and that no other Toll is levied.

Your Committee have also ascertained that the *St. Michel* Road is already turnpiked to within the distance of about three miles of the River at *Sault au Recollet*; and further, that the completion of this line of Road would be productive of all the advantages contemplated by the opening of the *Papineau* Road to the same point, while it would involve considerably less expense.

Wherefore, Your Committee, taking into consideration the saving to the *Montreal* Turnpike Trust which would accrue from the purchase of the *St. Michel* Company's privileges for Two thousand pounds, when compared with the present arrangement, and the securing not only to the Petitioners, *B. H. LeMoine* and *A. M. Deisle*, all the advantages which they set forth in their Petition, but also to the persons residing on the *St. Michel* Road and the inhabitants of *Terrebonne* and *Ste. Anne*, a more direct and shorter communication with the City, deem it advisable to authorize the Turnpike Trustees to purchase out, as proposed, the present *St. Michel* Road Company, and to complete the said Road from the point to which it is now macadamized to the Church at *Sault au Recollet*, whenever in their judgment such should be necessary and advantageous to the public; and on condition that the requisite funds for the so doing should be loaned to them by the Petitioners at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum.

Ordered, That the said Report, together with the documents thereunto appended, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, The Public Accounts of the Province of *Canada*, for the year 1848.

For the said Accounts, see Appendix (A.)

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Order of the day for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed yesterday, That

the Bill to enlarge the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament be now read a second time, be now read;

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, That the words "now read" at the end of the Question be left out, and the words "postponed till the Order of this House, of the sixteenth instant, relative to certain information in reference to the subject matter of the said Bill be complied with, by the laying of the same upon the Table of the House by the Head of the Department of the Government whose duty it is so to do," added instead thereof;

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Brooks*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Egan*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *M<sup>c</sup>Connell*, *Papineau*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, and *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*.—(15.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Marquis*, *M<sup>c</sup>Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méhot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(43.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Order of the day for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed yesterday, That the Bill to enlarge the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament be now read a second time, be now read;

*Sir Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, That the further consideration of the Question be postponed till the second Tuesday of the First Session of the next Parliament;

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Brooks*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *M<sup>c</sup>Connell*, *Papineau*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, and *Wilson*.—(15.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Marquis*, *M<sup>c</sup>Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méhot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(44.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Order of the day for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed yesterday, That the Bill to enlarge the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament be now read a second time, be now read.

And the Order of the day being read;



And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*. That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day nine months, in order to afford an opportunity for taking an accurate Census of the People of Lower Canada," added at the end thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton* of TORONTO, *Brooks, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Gogy, Hall, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab, M'Connell, Papineau, Robinson, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, and *Wilson*.—(16.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Bell, Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hincks, Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Marquis, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Polette, Price, Thompson, Viger*, and *Wetenhall*.—(35.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier, Burrill, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott* of BYTOWN, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(55.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton* of TORONTO, *Brooks, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Gogy, Johnson, Lyon, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab, M'Connell, Papineau, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Stevenson*, and *Wilson*.—(20.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill to enlarge the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament, was accordingly read a second time.

Sheriffs' per centage.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the expediency of amending so much of the Ordinance 25 Geo. 3, as empowers the Sheriffs of that part of the Province formerly constituting Lower Canada, to retain two and a half per cent out of the public monies in their hands, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Thursday, the twenty-ninth instant.

Militia Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal part of and to amend the Act regulating the Militia of this Province, in so far as regards the enrolment of and fines imposed upon Quakers, Menonists and Tunkers, being read;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the twenty-ninth instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to consolidate and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in force regulating the system and practice of certain Courts in Upper Canada established for the recovery of Small Debts, and to make other provisions therefor, being read;

Small Debts (U.C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the twenty-ninth instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to increase the Capital Stock of the Grand River Navigation Company, being read;

Grand River Navigation Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the twenty-ninth instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend certain Acts of the Parliament of Upper Canada for the relief of Religious Societies, being read;

Religious Societies Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the twenty-ninth instant.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Members of the Medical Profession in Upper Canada, and to regulate the study and practise of Physic and Surgery therein, being read;

Medical Profession (U.C.) Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to secure Titles to Real Estate to certain persons naturalized under the Statute of Lower Canada, 1 Will. 4, c. 53, being read;

Bill to secure Real Estate Titles to certain persons.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Horticultural Society of Montreal, being read;

Montreal Horticultural Society Bill.

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

The Order of the day for taking into consideration the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of John H. Aussem, Esquire, and others, of the Province of Canada, being read;

Petition of J. H. Aussem and others.

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Monday next.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company, being read;

Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Monday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for removing doubts as to the legal effect of the Act of the Legislature of Lower Canada, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, and intituled, "An Act for rendering valid Conveyances of Lands and other immovable property held in free and common soccage within the Province of Lower Canada, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for the greater uniformity of the Law relative to Real Property in Lower Canada, being read;

Real Property Conveyances Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to establish a more equal and just system of Assessment in the several Townships, Villages, Towns, and Cities in Upper Canada, being read;

Assessment Bill (U.C.)

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

School Law  
(L.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*, being read;

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

Court of Appeals and  
Criminal Jurisdiction Bill  
(L.C.)

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to establish a Court having jurisdiction in Appeals and Criminal matters for *Lower Canada*, being read;

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

Courts of Civil  
Jurisdiction Bill (L.C.)

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*, being read;

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

Gaspé Judicature Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law relative to the Administration of Justice in *Gaspé*, being read;

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

Municipal  
Corporations (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, being read;

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

County Division Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for abolishing the Territorial Division of *Upper Canada* into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolution of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require, being read;

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

Court of Chancery (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, being read;

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

Superior Criminal  
Court and Court of Error and Appeal (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes, being read;

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

Law of Evidence (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*, being read;

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

Naturalization of Aliens Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the naturalization of Aliens," being read;

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

Land Surveyors Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands in this Province, being read;

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the better management of the Public Debt, Accounts, Revenue, and Property, being read;

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

Public Debt, &amp;c., Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the expediency of establishing, by Law, the Indemnity to be granted to the Members of this House, and of providing for the payment thereof, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Friday next.

Indemnity to Members.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the *United States of America*, for the apprehension and surrender of certain Offenders, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Friday next.

Offenders' Treaty Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee of Supply, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Friday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day for House in Committee on the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Friday next.

Election Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to remove the site of the District Town of the District of *Niagara*, to *Port Robinson* in the Township of *Thorold*, in the County of *Welland*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Saturday next.

Niagara District Town Bill.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. Laurin, seconded by Mr. Chabot,  
The House adjourned.

*Jovis, 22<sup>o</sup> die Martii;*

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

Petitions brought up.

By the Honorable Mr. Boulton,—The Petition of *W. M. Wilson*, Chairman, and *M. H. Foley*, Secretary, in behalf of a public meeting of the inhabitants of the District of *Talbot*.

By Mr. *Stevenson*,—The Petition of *Josiah Bowerman* and others.

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

Petitions read.

Of *E. Cartier* and others, and of *E. L. R. C. Desprès* and *J. F. Tetu*, all of the Parish of *St. Hyacinthe*; praying that the Petition of certain inhabitants of the Village of *St. Hyacinthe* for the incor-

poration of the said Village and the extension of the limits thereof, be not granted.

Of *Joseph Sauvageau* and others, School Commissioners of the Municipality of *Deschambault*; praying for certain amendments to the Education Law, with reference to their powers and obligations.

Of Mrs. *Sophie B. Rousseau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre* and *St. Paul*, County of *Saguenay*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize certain *Actes* or *Contracts* passed before the late *François Sasseville*, Notary, but defective in law from the want of his signature or that of a colleague.

Of the *Quebec* Board of Trade; praying that the proposed Bill to regulate the trade of *Stevadore* at the Port of *Quebec*, may not pass into law.

Local Agents  
for the sale of  
Crown Lands.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 7th instant, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, a Statement of the names of all the Local Agents for the sale and management of Crown Lands for the cutting of Timber in *Lower Canada*; the date of the respective appointments, and the amount paid to each, or the amount annually received by each, since 1844; and how much has been collected and paid to the Receiver General by each, during the same period; together with the amount of security given by the said Agents, and the names of the securities.

For the said Return, see Appendix (R.R.R.)

Appendix  
(R.R.R.)

Petition of T.  
H. Ketchum  
and others;

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *T. H. Ketchum* and others, of the Township of *Cramahe* and *Murray*, District of *Newcastle*; and the Petition of *Charles Robertson* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph Pointe Lévy*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of C. Robert-  
son and others;

Of B. de La  
Bruère and  
others,  
referred.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Boucher de La Bruère* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hyacinthe*, be referred to the Special Committee to which is referred the Petition of *Joseph Bistodeau* and others, of the Village of *St. Hyacinthe*.

Petition of J.  
Holmes and  
others.

Mr. *Morrison* moved, seconded by Mr. *Flint*, and the Question being proposed, That the Petition of *John Holmes* and others, of *Chinguacousy* and its vicinity, praying for the adoption of measures to obtain a repeal of the Imperial Act relating to the Clergy Reserves, and that the fund arising therefrom may be applied to purposes of general utility, and the promotion of education, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Bell*, Mr. *Flint*, Mr. *Hall*, Mr. *M'Farland*, Mr. *Fergusson*, Mr. *Notman*, and the mover, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records; And the previous Question being put, That that Question be now put;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Cayley*, *Guy*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *Robinson*, and *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*.—(7.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Bouillier*, *Brooks*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Marquis*, *M'Con-*

*nell*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, *Wetenhall*, and *Wilson*.—(52.)  
So it passed in the Negative.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from  
the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intitled, "An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the "*Kingston Hospital*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Kingston Hos-  
pital Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intitled, "An Act to divide the County of *Lotbinière* "into two Municipalities," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Lotbinière  
Municipalities  
Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intitled, "An Act for the protection of Mill Owners "in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Mill Owners  
(U.C.) Protec-  
tion Bill.

And then he withdrew.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the *Canada Life Assurance Company*, was read the third time; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Canada Life  
Assurance  
Company Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That *Sir Allan N. MacNab* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the expediency of establishing a Provincial School of Navigation at *Quebec*, in which *Pilots' Apprentices* and *Seamen* of all classes should be taught gratuitously, and in the French and English Languages, Mathematics, and the use of Nautical Instruments; such School being provided with Books, Maps and all other Apparatus necessary for demonstrating, explaining and practising the science aforesaid, with an Instruction to the said Committee, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read.

Report on  
School of Navi-  
gation.

For the said Report, see Appendix (S.S.S.)

Appendix  
(S.S.S.)

*Ordered*, That the said Report be printed in each of the French and English languages, for the use of the Members of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, from the Standing Committee on Printing, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Second Report  
of Committee  
on Printing.

Your Committee have agreed to make the following recommendations to Your Honorable House, in reference to the matters connected with the Printing and Binding required to be performed for the present Session:

That the Tender for Printing, of Mr. *Rollo Campbell* for the English, and of Mr. *Louis Perrault* for the French "Journals and Appendix," and of Messrs. *Lovell* and *Gibson* for the "Sessional" (they being the lowest,) be accepted: That the Tender for Binding, of Mr. *Lamothe* for the French Journal and Appendix, and of Messrs. *R. & A. Miller* for the English, be also accepted; and that written Contracts be entered into, by the several parties giving good and sufficient security for the fulfilment of the same.

That the form in which the Bills are printed should contain double the quantity of matter on the page, and that the type used should be Pica.

That in future no Bills be printed in both languages having reference exclusively to *Upper Ca-*

nada, and that such Bills be printed in English alone, with French marginal notes, unless otherwise required by any one Member of the House.

That no work be paid for at the rate of Sessional Printing, which is not delivered to the House during the Session; and that any work not so delivered, shall be paid for at the rate allowed for the Printing of the Journals and Appendix.

That the Contractors for the Sessional Printing shall be entitled to perform such work as is delivered to them during the Session; and that no portion of the work intended to form part of the Appendix shall be so delivered, unless it appears to the Clerk of the House that it can be executed during the Session.

That in case extra copies of any portion of the Appendix which cannot be delivered during the Session be required, the same shall be furnished by the Contractors for the Appendix, at their contract price.

That the Printing of the Journals should forthwith commence and proceed with every possible despatch, in order that they may be completed, and in the hands of Members, immediately after the close of the Session.

Ordered, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next; and that it be then the first Order of the day.

On motion of Mr. Macdonald, of Glengary, seconded by Mr. Smith, of Durham,

Ordered, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act for the protection of Mill Owners in Upper Canada," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to divide the County of Lotbinière into two Municipalities," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 17. After "and" insert "after the first Saturday in July next."

Press 1, line 33. After "and" insert "after the first Saturday in July next."

Press 1, line 43. After "Municipalities" insert

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted that all By-Laws of the Municipal Council of the now existing Municipality of the said Council shall remain in full force and effect as By-Laws of each of the said new Municipalities respectively, until altered or repealed by any By-Law to be passed by the said Municipalities respectively; and all monies in the hands of the Secretary-Treasurer of the said Municipality shall, after paying therefrom all debts due by the said Municipality, be divided between the said two Municipalities, in proportion to the amount levied in each respectively."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Laurin do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Kingston Hospital," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 2, line 7. Leave out from "shall" to "for" and insert "from time to time, as hereinafter mentioned, be elected."

Press 2, line 8. Leave out from "City" to "shall" in line 9.

Press 2, line 9. Leave out from "shall" to "be" in line 10.

Press 2, line 16. After "from" insert "Her Majesty or from."

Press 2, line 18. After "which" insert "Her Majesty or."

Press 2, line 33. After "Trustees" insert Clause (A).

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that it shall be lawful for the said City Council of the City of Kingston, immediately after the passing of this Act, and thereafter in the month of January in each and every year, beginning with the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty, to elect any three of the Aldermen of the said City to be Trustees under this Act; and the Aldermen so at any time elected, or the survivor or survivors of them, shall continue in office as such Trustees until the end of the month of January next following their election, or until the election of their successors as aforesaid, which ever event may soonest happen."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Macdonald do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Ordered, That the Petition of Henry Atkinson, Esquire, and others, of the City and vicinity of Quebec, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. Cartier, seconded by Mr. Macdonald, of Glengary,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House do subscribe, during the present Session, for two copies of each of the following Papers, to be placed in the Reading Room for the use of the Members of the House:—The Evening Post, New York;—The Daily New York Herald;—The Albion;—The Intelligencer, and The Union, published at Washington;—The Boston Post, and The Chronotype, published at Boston;—The Argus, and The Evening Journal, published at Albany.

Ordered, That Mr. Notman have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate George Carruthers, H. Hogg and William Hatellie, and their successors, to carry into effect the last Will and Testament of the late Richard Noble Starr.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Robinson, seconded by Sir Allan N. MacNab,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any Correspondence that may have passed between Her Majesty's Government and the Executive Government of this Province since the close of the last Session of the Legislature, on the subject of Immigration, in addition to that transmitted, by Message from His Excellency, on the fifth instant.

Mill Owners Protection (U. C.) Bill.

Lotbinière Municipalities Bill.

Kingston Hospital Bill.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Surveys on the  
Ottawa.

On motion of Mr. *Egan*, seconded by Mr. *Lyon*, *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency will be pleased to cause the proper officer to lay before this House, the Report of all the Surveys performed on the *Ottawa* and its tributaries, by whom such Surveys have been made, the cost of each, and by whom ordered, since 1st January, 1844, up to the present period; and if there are any Surveys now in progress, where, and the names of the Surveyors employed since the above period, and the total cost up to this date.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Bill relating to  
Streams in  
Upper Canada.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Flint* have leave to bring in a Bill to prevent Mill Owners and others from restraining the natural flow of Streams in certain cases in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday, the twenty-ninth instant.

Bill relating to  
Causes in  
formâ pauperis.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lemieux* have leave to bring in a Bill to remove doubts as to the right of suing and defending Causes in *formâ pauperis* before the Courts of Law in *Lower Canada*.

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

Religious, Edu-  
cational, or  
Charitable  
Institutions.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Christie*, the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*, the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, Mr. *Chauveau*, and Mr. *Lemieux*, be appointed to enquire into and report to this House what Acts, since the Union of the late Provinces of *Upper and Lower Canada*, have been passed by the Parliament of this Province incorporating Religious, Educational, or Charitable Institutions therein; their several and respective titles, styles or denominations; the annual amount as Income or Revenue from real property which by their respective Acts of Incorporation they are authorized to acquire and hold; the collective or total annual amount thereof; and also, whether any and which of the Religious, Educational, or Charitable Institutions existing in *Lower Canada* previous to the Union, have since that period been authorized by Act of Parliament to increase their respective Income or Revenue in Mortmain, and by what amount, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Winter Roads  
(L. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Laws relating to Winter Roads in *Lower Canada*, being read;

Mr. *Laurin* moved, seconded by Mr. *Boutillier*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Holmes* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Brooks*, *Burrutt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Gugy*, *Hall*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *McConnell*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Stevenson*, and *Viger*.—(42.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Boutillier*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *Duchesnay*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Marquis*, *Méthot*, and *Taché*.—(15.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as in the last preceding division.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, this day six months.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to limit the number of Executive Functionaries, and the Salaries to be accorded to each, and for other purposes relating to their appointments to office, being read;

Executive  
Functionaries  
Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize limited Partnerships in *Upper Canada*, being read;

Limited Part-  
nerships  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill requiring Mortgages of personal property in *Upper Canada* to be filed, being read;

Bill requiring  
Mortgages to be  
Filed.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the relief of *Joseph Richard Thompson*, being read;

Thompson's  
Relief Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize to a certain extent the seizure and attachment of Official Salaries towards payment of the Incumbents' debts, being read;

Official Salaries  
Attachment  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada*, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein, being read;

Joint Stock  
Road Compa-  
nies Bill.

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Monday next, and be then the second Order of the day.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Orders  
deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Chabot*, seconded by Mr. *Laurin*,  
The House adjourned.



Veneris, 23<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

House adjourns  
on account of  
the death of a  
Member.

MR. GUGY, Member for the Town of *Sherbrooke*, rose in his place, and acquainted Mr. Speaker and the House, that the County of *Sherbrooke* was not represented, as *Samuel Brooks*, Esquire, Member for the said County of *Sherbrooke*, is deceased.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Guky, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, Resolved, That, out of respect for the memory of the late *Samuel Brooks*, Esquire, a Member of this House, this House do adjourn.

The House accordingly adjourned, till Monday next.

Lunæ, 26<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Electoral  
Divisions.

THE following Return, pursuant to an Order of the House, of the 16th instant, having been transmitted to the Clerk, was laid upon the Table, viz:—List of the several Parishes, Seigniories, Townships, or other Divisions comprising the several Electoral Divisions of this Province, as now constituted.

For the said Return, see Appendix (T.T.T.)

Appendix  
(T.T.T.)

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. *Flint*,—The Petition of *Isaac Read* and others, of *Upper Canada*.

By Mr. *Chabot*,—The Petition of *Peter Winter*, of the District of *Gaspé*, Barrister and Advocate, on behalf of *J. T. Coffin*, Esquire, of the *Isle of Wight*, Captain in the Royal Navy, and proprietor of the *Magdalen Islands*; the Petition of *Peter Winter*, of *Percé*, County of *Gaspé*, Advocate; the Petition of *Thomas Lloyd*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire, one of the Councillors of the said City; and the Petition of *P. M. Bardy*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Wetenhall*,—The Petition of *John Turner*, Chief Engineer, and others, Officers and Members of the *Brantford Fire Company Number One*; and the Petition of *John William* and others, of the Township of *East Flamborough*, District of *Gore*.

By Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of *Francis Monette* and others, Officers and Members of Fire Companies, of *St. John's, Canada East*.

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,—The Petition of *George Keefer*, Chairman, and *A. K. Boomer*, Secretary, on behalf of the Inhabitants of the District of *Niagara* in public meeting assembled.

By Mr. *Lemieux*,—The Petition of *Miville de Chêne* and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly the County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Morrison*,—The Petition of *William Charles Gwynne*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Toronto*; and the Petition of *Samuel Heath* and others, of *Chinguacousey* and vicinity.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Commercial Bank of the Midland District.

By Mr. *Fergusson*,—The Petition of *John Bonham* and others, of the south half of the Township of *Dumfries*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*,—The Petition of *Silas E. Austin* and others, members of the Order of *Réhabites*.

By Mr. *Bell*,—The Petition of *S. A. Huntingdon* and others, of the sixth division of the District of

*Bathurst*; the Petition of *Edward Farrall* and others, of the sixth division of the District of *Bathurst*; and the Petition of *Thomas O'Neil* and others, of the sixth division of the District of *Bathurst*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,—The Petition of *J. Leslie* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; and the Petition of *George Hamilton Park*, Esquire, late Medical Superintendent of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum.

By Mr. *Egan*,—The Petition of the *Algonquin Indians of the Gatineau*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *James Inglis* and others, members and adherents of the Baptist Churches in *Canada West*.

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

Of *W. M. Wilson*, Chairman, and *M. H. Foley*, Secretary, in behalf of a public meeting of the inhabitants of the District of *Talbot*; praying for a renewal of the Charter of the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*.

Of *Josiah Bowerman* and others; praying that the Medical Bill of *Upper Canada* may not pass in its present form.

Ordered, That the Petition of the *Quebec Board of Trade (Stevadores)* be referred to the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill to regulate the trade of *Stevadore* at the Port of *Quebec*, and another reference.

Petition of  
Quebec Board  
of Trade;

Ordered, That the Petition of *Henry Atkinson*, Esquire, and others, of the City and vicinity of *Quebec*, be referred to the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill to amend and consolidate the provisions contained in the Ordinances to incorporate the City and Town of *Quebec*, and to vest more ample powers in the Corporation of the said City and Town.

Of H. Atkinson  
and others,  
referred.

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Fourth Report  
of Committee  
on Miscellane-  
ous Private  
Bills

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate the Town of *Peterborough*, and the Bill to authorize the Religious Community of the "*Sœurs Hospitâlières de St. Joseph de l'Hôtel Dieu de Montréal*" to acquire and hold real and personal property to a certain amount over and above that now held by them, as well for themselves as for the Poor of the *Hôtel Dieu* on whose behalf they administer certain property, and for other purposes therein mentioned; and have made certain amendments to each of the said Bills, which they beg leave to submit for the adoption of Your Honorable House.

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Fifth Report of  
Committee on  
Miscellaneous  
Private Bills.

Your Committee have examined the Bill to enable *Louis Comte* to recover a certain amount due to him by the Parish of *St. Edouard*, in the District of *Montréal*, and have made certain amendments thereto, which they beg leave to submit for the adoption of Your Honorable House.

Mr. *Stevenson* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to alter the boundary line between the Townships of *Hallowell* and *Sophiasburgh*, in the District of *Prince Edward*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Hallowell and  
Sophiasburgh  
Boundary Line  
Bill.

Mr. *Laurin* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Teachers' Association

Quebec Dis-  
trict: Teachers  
Association  
Bill.

of the District of *Quebec*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Militia Muster (U.C.) Bill.

Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of the Very Reverend *John Macdonald*, Vicar General of the Diocese of *Kingston*, and others, the Clergy, Magistrates, and others of the Eastern District, with power to report by Bill or otherwise, presented to the House, a Bill to alter the day on which the Militia shall annually assemble for muster and discipline in *Upper Canada*, which was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Witnesses before Committees.

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *De Witt*, Ordered, That the Clerk of this House do lay on the Table thereof, for the information of the Members, a List of the persons who have been paid in the course of the present Session, for their attendance before Committees of this House as Witnesses, or for examination with respect to matters before it, the amount or amounts paid to each, the dates of payment, and by whose order the several payments have been so made.

Upton Township Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Davignon* have leave to bring in a Bill to annex a certain part of the Township of *Upton* to the County of *St. Hyacinthe*. He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Bill.

Mr. *McFarland* presented a Bill to incorporate the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Huron Copper Bay Company Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the *Huron Copper Bay Company*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Real Property Conveyances Bill.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for removing doubts as to the legal effect of the Act of the Legislature of *Lower Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, and intituled, "An Act for rendering "valid Conveyances of Lands and other immoveable property held in free and common socage within the Province of *Lower Canada*, "and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for the greater uniformity of the Law relative to Real Property in *Lower Canada*, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, tomorrow.

Assessment Bill (U.C.)

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to establish a more equal and just system of Assessment in the several Townships, Villages, Towns, and Cities in *Upper Canada*, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, tomorrow.

School Law (L.C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the School Law of

*Lower Canada*, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, tomorrow.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to establish a Court having jurisdiction in Appeals and Criminal matters for *Lower Canada*, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived. Court of Appeals and Criminal Jurisdiction (L.C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, tomorrow.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived. Courts of Civil Jurisdiction (L.C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, tomorrow.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law relative to the Administration of Justice in *Gaspé*, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived. Gaspé Judicature Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, tomorrow.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived. Municipal Corporations (U.C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, tomorrow.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for abolishing the Territorial Division of *Upper Canada* into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolution of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived. County Division (U.C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, tomorrow.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived. Court of Chancery (U.C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, tomorrow.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived. Superior Criminal Court and Court of Error and Appeal (U.C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, tomorrow.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived. Law of Evidence (U.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Naturalization of Aliens Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and to make a better provision for the naturalization of Aliens," which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Land Surveyors Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands in this Province, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the better management of the Public Debt, Accounts, Revenue, and Property, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Public Health Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the preservation of the Public Health in certain emergencies," which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Savings Banks Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws relating to Savings Banks, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Quebec Trinity House Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec, and for other purposes, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Interpretation of Terms Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act for putting a Legislative Interpretation upon certain Terms used in Acts of Parliament, and for rendering it unnecessary to repeat certain provisions and expressions therein, and for ascertaining the date and commencement thereof, and for other purposes," which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Official and Legal Notices Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the insertion of certain Official and Legal Notices in the Canada Gazette only," which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the expediency of establishing, by Law, the Indemnity to be granted to the Members of this House, and of providing for the payment thereof, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

Indemnity to Members.

*Resolved*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America, for the apprehension and surrender of certain Offenders, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

Offenders' Treaty Bill.

*Resolved*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

Election Bill.

*Resolved*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee of Supply, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

*Resolved*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal the Acts in force in Upper Canada, relative to the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities, the regulation of Highways, the Assessment and collection of local Taxes, and other matters of a like nature, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

Municipal Corporations, &c., (U.C.)  
Repeal Bill.

*Resolved*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for the punishment of Warehousemen and others giving false receipts for Merchandise, and of persons receiving advances upon Goods, and afterwards fraudulently disposing of the same, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

Warehousemen's Punishment Bill.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be the first Order of that day.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee on the First Report of the Standing Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library, which was lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

First Report on Library.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be the second Order of that day.

Orders revived  
and deferred.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day which were lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

*Ordered*, That the said Orders of the day be postponed till Thursday next.

Niagara Dis-  
trict Town  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to remove the site of the District Town of the District of *Niagara*, to *Port Robinson* in the Township of *Thorold*, in the County of *Welland*, which was fixed for Saturday last, and lost by the adjournment of the House, of the previous day, be revived.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Monday next, and be then the first Order of the day.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*,

Montreal Bro-  
kers' Circular.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Standing Committee on Contingencies, to order that five hundred copies in sheets and five hundred copies in covers, of the Brokers' Circular lately published in *Montreal*, and dated 26th March, 1849, together with the Return of the Bank Issues, be printed for the use of the Members of this House, and also, a sufficient number of copies of the said documents for the Appendix to the Journal of this House.

Association for  
Colonizing the  
Eastern Town-  
ships.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 1st instant, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before the House, copies of all Correspondence between Her Majesty's Government and the Association for colonizing the Eastern Townships, with a Statement, in detail, of all the Surveys and Roads made on behalf of, or in connection with, the said Association, as also, of the names and salaries or compensation allowed to such Surveyors, Agents, or other public servants employed, and of all the expenditure incurred by the Government in relation to the said Association.

For the said Return, see Appendix (U.U.U.)

Appendix  
(U.U.U.)

Message from  
His Excel-  
lency.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered; and is as followeth:—

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

Estimates for  
1849.

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Assembly, a Statement of the probable Revenue and Expenditure of the Province during the year ending 31st December, 1849, together with Estimates of the Sums required for the Service of the same year; and, in conformity with the provisions of the 57th clause of the Union Act, he recommends these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

Government House,

*Montreal*, 26th March, 1849.

Appendix  
(V.V.V.)

For the Statement and Estimates accompanying the Message, see Appendix (V.V.V.)

*Ordered*, That the said Message, with the accompanying documents, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. *M'Connell*, seconded by Mr. *Guy*,

Sherbrooke  
Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the election of one Member

to serve in the present Provincial Parliament for the County of *Sherbrooke*, in the room of *Samuel Brooks*, Esquire, deceased.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bell* have leave to bring in a Bill to annex certain unsurveyed Lands to the *Bathurst* District, for Judicial purposes.

Bathurst Dis-  
trict Lands  
Bill.

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

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from  
the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz.:

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the City of *Kingston* Water Works Company."

Kingston  
Water Works  
Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the removal of the Registry Office of the County of *L'Islet* from the place where it is now kept to the Parish of *L'Islet*:"

L'Islet Regi-  
stry Office Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable *Charles James Stuart*, Esquire, to practise the Law in *Lower Canada*."

Stuart's Relief  
Bill.

And then he withdrew.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Flint*, and the Question being put, That this House will, on Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the expediency of addressing Her Majesty and the other Branches of the Imperial Parliament upon the propriety of amending the Union Act; and of representing that it is the opinion of this House, That whatever may tend to lessen the independence, or disparage the character or dignity, of either Branch of the Legislature, is a blemish and an injury to the whole body: That that provision of the Act of Union which declares that it shall be lawful for any Member of the Legislative Council of the Province of *Canada* to resign his seat in the said Legislative Council, has a direct tendency to destroy the independence, lessen the dignity of, and diminish the respect due to, that Branch of the Legislature: That the provision of the Union Act which declares that the presence of at least twenty Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*, including the Speaker, shall be necessary to constitute a meeting of the said Legislative Assembly for the exercise of its powers, is a minute and unnecessary interference with the internal course of its proceedings, which should be left free and unfettered to the judgment and discretion of this House and be regulated by its own orders, and imports a distrust of the discretion and judgment of the House in the ordinary discharge of its high functions as a Legislative body: That the provision of the Union Act, that it shall not be lawful to present to the Governor of the Province of *Canada*, for Her Majesty's assent, any Bill of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the said Province by which the number of Representatives of the Legislative Assembly may be altered, unless the second and third reading of such Bill in the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly shall have been passed with the concurrence of two-thirds of the Members for the time being of such Legislative Council and of two-thirds of the Members for the time being of the said Legislative Assembly, respectively, is an unjust, unwise, and injurious restraint upon the free voice of the majority of the People through their Representatives, placing the majority in the most vital point of constitutional Government under the unalterable control of the minority,—a principle altogether inconsistent with, and diametrically opposed to every sound view of

Union Act.

Responsible Government: That the People of this Province ought not to be called upon to pay the salary of any Public Functionary, however exalted may be his position, in whose appointment their Representatives are not consulted, and over whose conduct they have no control: That by the Act of Union the several sums of Seven thousand pounds, and One thousand pounds, of sterling money of Great Britain, are thereby appropriated in Schedule A, appended to the said Act, to the Governor and Lieutenant Governor respectively, and who are respectively appointed at Home, upon the sole responsibility of the Ministers of Her Majesty's Imperial Government: That upon all sound constitutional principles of free Government, such appropriations should, in the language of Lord Viscount Howick, (now Earl Grey,) and Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, be borne upon the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, because, as the Governor General is sent out by, he ought to be paid by Great Britain:—It passed in the Negative.

On motion of Sir Allan N. MacNab, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Cayley,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause the proper Officer to lay before this House, copies of all Tenders made, during the last year, to lease the Tolls on the Public Roads in Western Canada.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of Mr. Watts, Mr. Boutillier, Mr. Gagy, Mr. Solicitor General Drummond, and Mr. Davignon, be appointed to take into consideration the expediency of amending the Act of Lower Canada relating to Masters and Servants in the country parts, to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

According to Order, Mr. Speaker reported to the House the names of the Members who were absent at the Call of the House, on Tuesday last, as follow:—

The Honorable John Hillyard Cameron (absent on leave.)

William Cuthbert (indisposed.)

The Honorable Dominick Daly (beyond seas.)

Edward Malloch (absent on leave.)

Alexander M'Lean (sick.)

Adam Henry Meyers (sick.)

John Prince (absent on leave.)

Mr. Chauveau reported the Bill to detach the Parish of St. Antoine de L'Isle aux Grues from the Municipality of L'Islet, and to erect the same into a separate Municipality; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Printing, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Malloch took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Malloch reported, That the Committee had made some progress; and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next; and that it be then the first Order of the day.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in Upper Canada for the construction of Planked, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Laurin took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Laurin reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to limit the number of Executive Functionaries, and the Salaries to be accorded to each, and for other purposes relating to their appointments to office, being read;

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Members of the Medical Profession in Upper Canada, and to regulate the study and practise of Physic and Surgery therein, being read;

The Honorable Mr. Sherwood moved, seconded by Mr. M'Lean, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. Flint moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Bell, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Beaubien, Bell, Boulton of NORFOLK, Burritt, Fergusson, Flint, Fourmier, Fourquin, Holmes, Johnson, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald of GLENGARY, M'Connell, Merritt, Méthot, Morrison, Richards, Scott of BYTOWN, Smith of DURHAM, Thompson, and Wilson.—(22.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Solicitor General Blake, Boutillier, Cartier, Cayley, Chabot, Christie, Davignon, Dickson, Gagy, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Malloch, M'Farland, Nelson, Papineau, Polette, Price, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of FRONTENAC, Smith of WENTWORTH, Stevenson, and Wetenhall.—(28.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Solicitor General Blake, Cartier, Chabot, Christie, Davignon, Dickson, Dumas, Gagy, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Malloch, Nelson, Papineau, Polette, Robinson, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Seymour, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of FRONTENAC, Smith of WENTWORTH, Stevenson, Taché, and Wetenhall.—(26.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Beaubien, Bell, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, DeWitt, Fergusson, Flint, Fourmier, Fourquin, Gullet, Holmes, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Connell, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Richards,

Joint Stock  
Road Compa-  
nies Bill.

Executive  
Functionaries  
Bill.

Medical Pro-  
fession (U.C.)  
Bill.

Tolls on Public  
Roads in Upper  
Canada.

Masters and  
Servants  
(L.C.) Act.

Members absent at the Call  
of the House.

St. Antoine de  
l'Isle aux Grues  
Municipality  
Bill.

Second Report  
of Committee  
on Printing.



*Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Smith of DURHAM, Viger, and Wilson.*—(25.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, Mr. *Nelson*, Mr. *Wetenhall*, Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, and Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Report on Petition of J. H. Aussem and others.

The Order of the day for taking into consideration the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *John H. Aussem*, Esquire, and others, of the Province of *Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Monday next.

Bill to secure Real Estate Titles to certain persons.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to secure Titles to Real Estate to certain persons naturalized under the Statute of *Lower Canada*, 1 Will. 4, c. 53, being read;

Mr. *Gugy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Christie*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Cartier* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Polette*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided:

Yeas, 13.

Nays, 22.

So it passed in the Negative.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cauchon*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Flint*, *Gugy*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Meyers*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, and *Stevenson*.—(25.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cartier*, *Dumas*, *Fournier*, *Guillet*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Sauvageau*, *Taché*, and *Viger*.—(14)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Les Sœurs de la Charité de Bytown Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate *La Communauté des Révérendes Sœurs de la Charité* of *Bytown*, being read;

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

Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Thursday next.

Montreal Horticultural Society Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Horticultural Society of Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ste. Anne des Monts and Cape Chat Municipality Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to detach the settlement of *Ste. Anne des Monts* and *Cape Chat* from the Municipality of *Gaspé*, and to erect them into a separate Municipality, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr.

*Christie*, the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*, Mr. *Taché*, Mr. *Fournier*, and Mr. *Chauveau*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*, being read;

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *City Bank*, and to provide for a reduction of its Capital Stock, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Lake St. Louis* and *Province Line Railway Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to regulate the mode of calling and holding meetings for the election of Church Wardens, and the rendering of accounts by Church Wardens, and to establish the qualification of persons entitled to attend such meetings, and for other purposes, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Monday, the ninth day of April next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Act defining the boundary line between the Townships of *Montague* and *North Elmsley*, being read;

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate *George Carruthers*, *H. Hogg*, and *William Hatellie*, and their successors, to carry into effect the last Will and Testament of the late *Richard Noble Starr*, being read;

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to remove doubts as to the right of suing and defending Causes *in formâ pauperis* before the Courts of Law in *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize limited Partnerships in *Upper Canada*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Dumas* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Dumas* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received, on Thursday next.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill requiring Mortgages of personal property in *Upper Canada* to be filed, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Lower Canada Bar Incorporation Bill.

City Bank Act Amendment Bill.

Lake St. Louis and Province Line Railway Bill.

Church Wardens Bill.

Montague Boundary Line Bill.

Bill relating to the Will of the late R.N. Starr.

Bill relating to Causes in formâ pauperis.

Limited Partnerships (U.C.) Bill.

Bill requiring Mortgages to be Filed.

Mr. Seymour took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Seymour reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received, on Thursday next.

Then, on motion of Mr. Laurin, seconded by Mr. Richards,

The House adjourned.

Martis, 27<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Desjardins Canal Company.

MR. SPEAKER laid before the House the following Return to an Order of the sixth instant, viz.: Receipts and Expenditures of the Desjardins Canal Company, from the year 1837 to the year 1848, inclusive.

For the said Return, see Appendix (W.W.W.)

Appendix (W.W.W.)

Clerical Visitors of Sick Emigrants.

The Honorable Mr. Hincks, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Supplementary Return to so much of an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 29th January, 1849, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, a Return of all sums of money paid during 1848, for the service of 1847, to Clerical Visitors of sick Emigrants at Grosse Isle, Quebec, Montreal, and elsewhere, with the name and claims of each recipient.

For the said Supplementary Return, see Appendix (K.K.K.)

Appendix (K.K.K.)

St. Antoine de L'Isle aux Grues Municipality Bill.

An engrossed Bill to detach the Parish of St. Antoine de L'Isle aux Grues from the Municipality of L'Islet, and to erect the same into a separate Municipality, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Fournier do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill relating to Causes in formâ pauperis.

An engrossed Bill to remove doubts as to the right of suing and defending Causes in formâ pauperis before the Courts of Law in Lower Canada, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Lemieux do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions brought up.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Boulton,—The Petition of I. W. Powell, President, and M. H. Foley, Secretary of the Talbot District Temperance Association, on behalf of the same.

By the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent,—The Petition of George Chaperon, of the Parish of St. Pierre and St. Paul, County of Saguenay; and the Petition of Francis Drake, President of the County of Kent Agricultural Society, on behalf of the said Society.

By Mr. M'Farland,—The Petition of George S. Wilkes and others, of the Districts of Niagara and Gore.

Ordered, That the Return to an Order of this House of the 6th instant, being,—Receipts and Expenditures of the Desjardins Canal Company from 1837 to 1848, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Desjardins Canal Company.

Ordered, That the Petition of E. Cartier and others, of the Parish of St. Hyacinthe, and the Petition of E. L. R. C. Desprès, and J. F. Tetu, of the Parish of St. Hyacinthe, be referred to the Select Committee to which is referred the Petition of Joseph Bistodeau and others, of the Village of St. Hyacinthe.

Petition of E. Cartier and others; Of Desprès and Tetu;

Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend C. L. Vinet and others, of the Parish of St. Constant, District of Montreal, and the Petition of the Reverend Pierre Bedard and others, of the Parish of St. Rémi, District of Montreal, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to enquire whether any and what Legislative measures can be adopted to repress the evils growing out of Intemperance.

Of the Revd. C. L. Vinet and others;

Of the Revd. P. Bedard and others, referred.

Mr. M'Farland, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of Henry Smith, Esquire, and others, of Grimsby and other Townships, and another reference, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Report on Petition of H. Smith and others.

Your Committee have examined the Petitions of Henry Smith, Esquire, and others, of the Townships of Grimsby, Gainsborough, and Caistor, in the Niagara District, and of Henry Morgan and others, inhabitants of the Townships of Binbrook and Saltfleet, in the Gore District, referred to them, praying Your Honorable House will be pleased to take into Your favorable consideration the state of the country lying between Hamilton in the Gore District, and Fort Erie in the District of Niagara, which has hitherto been greatly neglected, for want of Roads to open up that line of country; and further praying that Your Honorable House will be pleased to pass a Bill authorizing the formation of a Plank or Macadamized Road, or partly of the one and partly of the other, (as may be found most expedient,) from the City of Hamilton, through Smithville, Pelham, and Fort Robinson, to Waterloo Ferry, in the Niagara District, it being the opinion of the Petitioners that the above-mentioned line of Road would be highly advantageous to the Agricultural and Commercial community, and would form a most desirable Military line of communication with the Niagara Frontier.

Your Committee are of opinion that it would be highly advantageous, to the Agricultural part of the community, to open up that section of the country by the construction of a Road, which might also be advantageous as a Military communication with the Niagara Frontier.

Your Committee consider that the provisions of the Bill, now before Your Honorable House, authorizing the formation of Joint Stock Companies in Upper Canada, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein, are amply sufficient to meet the views of the Petitioners on this subject.

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. Laurin, seconded by Mr. Lemieux,

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the Teachers' Association of the District of Quebec, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Quebec District Teachers Association Bill.

Railroad and  
Telegraph  
Line Bills.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, and the Question being proposed, That the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* be added to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills;

Mr. *Cauchon* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, That the words "The Honorable Mr. *Robinson*" be left out, and the words "Mr. *M'Connell*" inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; Ordered, That Mr. *M'Connell* be added to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Message from  
the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

Lachine Rail-  
road Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intitled, "An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal and Lachine* Railroad Company, and for other purposes," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Petition of  
Hamilton &  
Thomson, and  
others

Ordered, That the Petition of Messieurs *Hamilton* and *Thomson*, and others engaged in the Lumber Trade of *Canada*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Clerks of the  
Peace, Quebec.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 22d February last, praying him to cause to be laid before the House, a Statement of the fees, income and salary of the Clerks of the Peace at *Quebec* for the years 1844, 1845, 1846, 1847, and 1848, and also of the number of Causes or Prosecutions brought before the Superintendent of Police, and before the Magistrates of the District, and the amount of the fees of the said Clerks of the Peace upon each Prosecution or action; the number of Prosecutions for assault, battery, or breach of the peace; the number of Bail-bonds given and furnished, and the fees of the said Clerks on each; the number of Indictments laid before the Grand Jurors at the Quarter Sessions of the Peace, and the nature of such Indictment, and the fees of the said Clerks thereon; and the number of Warrants for apprehension and imprisonment, and the fees of the said Clerks thereon.

For the said Return, see Appendix (X.X.X.)

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(X.X.X.)

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,

Customs Man-  
agement Act.

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the propriety of continuing and amending the Act for the management of the Customs.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Beaubien* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Beaubien* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Public Debt,  
&c. Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the better management of the Public Debt, Accounts, Revenue, and Property, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Wetenhall* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Wetenhall* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intitled, "An Act for putting a Legislative Interpretation upon certain Terms used in Acts of Parli-

Interpretation  
of Terms Bill.

ment, and for rendering it unnecessary to repeat certain provisions and expressions therein, and for ascertaining the date and commencement thereof, and for other purposes," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, being read;

Municipal  
Corporations  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Stevenson*, and the Question being put, That the further consideration of the said Question be postponed until the next Session of the Legislature;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Cayley*, *Crysler*, *Dichson*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *Meyers*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, and *Stevenson*.—(12.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Christie*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Ferguson*, *Flint*, *Fournier*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Wetenhall*, and *Wilson*.—(42.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Egan* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Egan* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of Gore; the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of Newcastle; the Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of Toronto; the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of Niagara; the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of Victoria; the Petition of George Rykert, Esquire, Chairman, and Thomas Foley, Secretary, on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of St. Catherines and Township of Grantham; the Petition of the City Council of the City of Hamilton; and the Petition of J. Bedard and others, of the Town of Bytown, be referred to the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; And Mr. Scott, of Bytown, reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow. Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. Scott, of Bytown, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Price, The House adjourned.

Election Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Scott, of Bytown, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mercurii, 28<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE Clerk laid upon the Table, pursuant to an Order of the 26th instant, the following Return, viz:—

Witnesses.

LIST of Persons who have been paid, in the course of the present Session, for their attendance before the Committees of this House, as Witnesses, or for examination with respect to matters before it; the amount or amounts paid to each, the dates of payment, and by whose order the several payments have been so made.

Witnesses.

Date of Payment.	Persons Paid.	Amount Paid.			Total Amount Paid.			Matters Referred.	Authority for Payment.
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
1849.									
February 13...	A. Dorval.....	9	0	0	27	10	0	Petition of C. Cazeau and others, Inspection of Timber.	Mr. Laurin, Chairman.
do 14...	J. Sharples.....	9	5	0					
do 17...	C. Cazeau.....	9	5	0					
do 19...	J. Sharples.....	3	0	0					
do 23...	D. D. Young.....	1	0	0					
do 24...	J. Waddel.....	2	2	6					
March 1...	L. G. Bigelow.....	6	0	0					
do 3...	R. Conroy.....	7	0	0					
do do...	R. Russell.....	7	10	0					
do do...	J. Aumond.....	7	0	0					
do do...	J. Wadsworth.....	8	10	0					
do do...	A. P. L'Espérance.....	8	10	0					
do 5...	T. M'Goey.....	7	15	0					
do do...	W. Stubbs.....	10	15	0					
do do...	P. Aylen.....	10	15	0					
do do...	J. Porter.....	7	9	0					
do 7...	H. J. Freel.....	5	0	0					
do do...	Wm. Harris.....	7	10	0					
do 17...	A. J. Russell.....	11	6	3					
do 19...	J. G. Irvine.....	12	10	0					
					123	12	9		
February 21...	J. B. Frechette.....	10	10	0	84	0	0	Petition of T. C. Lea and others, (on Repeal of Seamen's Act.)	Mr. Méthot, Chairman.
do 22...	E. Glackmeyer.....	11	5	0					
do 24...	D. Maguire.....	7	10	0					
do do...	J. Maguire.....	11	0	0					
do do...	W. K. M'CORD.....	14	15	0					
do 28...	D. Ross.....	10	0	0					
March 1...	P. Doucet.....	9	10	0					
do 5...	H. LeMesurier.....	9	10	0					
February 22...	J. Monferand.....	2	0	0	6	0	0	Petition of J. Aumond et al., (on damage to Lumber Trade.)	Mr. Egan, Chairman.
do 27...	A. Cooke.....	4	0	0					
do 24...	J. C. Belleau.....	11	10	0	11	10	0	Petition of A. Talbot and others, (Protection to the Fisheries.)	Hon. Mr. LaTerrière, Chairman.
do 28...	F. Desanvier.....	5	10	0					
do do...	J. Desanvier.....	4	12	6					
do 24...	M. Borne.....	1	10	0					
					10	2	6	Petition of G. B. De Boucherville, (Self-Motive Machine.)	Hon. Mr. LaTerrière, Chairman.
					1	10	0		
	Carried over.....				£264	5	3		

List of Witnesses Paid during the present Session.—(Continued.)

Date of Payment.	Persons Paid.	Amount Paid.			Total Amount Paid.			Matters Referred.	Authority for Payment.
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
1849.	Brought over.....				264	5	3		
March 15...	J. J. Gilkison.....	22	17	6	22	17	6	Railroads and Telegraphs.	Sir A. N. MacNab, Chairman.
do 6...	J. D. Armstrong.....	2	15	0				Provincial School of Navigation.	Hon. Mr. LaTerrière, Chairman.
do 22...	A. LeMoine.....	4	0	0					
do 8...	L. Legendre.....	10	5	0	6	15	0	Petition of L. Legendre et al., (Legacy for Schools.)	Mr. Chauveau, Chairman.
do 12...	T. Boutillier (Expenses)..	6	15	0	10	5	0	Petition of J. Bistodeau and others, (Incorporation of St. Hyacinthe.)	Mr. Boutillier, Chairman.
do 26...	L. K. Blanchard.....	2	12	6					
do do...	L. V. Sicotte.....	2	1	3					
do 13...	F. Gourdeau.....	11	10	0	11	8	9	Navigation of St. Lawrence below Quebec.	Mr. Blake, Chairman.
do 15...	H. LeMesurier.....	6	10	0	18	0	0	Petition of J. Clarke et al., (Montreal Turnpike Roads.)	Hon. Mr. Papineau, Chairman.
do 19...	J. M. Ferres.....	0	10	0					
do 20...	L. M. Seers.....	1	5	0					
do do...	T. E. Globensky.....	1	5	0					
do do...	W. LeClair.....	1	5	0	4	5	0	Road and Bridges.	Mr. Fortier, Chairman.
do 21...	P. Sherman.....	2	0	0				do do	
do do...	P. U. Archambault.....	2	0	0				do do	
do do...	P. R. Fauteux.....	1	10	0					
	Total amount paid.....				£343	6	6		

Thos. Vaux,  
Accountant.

Legislative Assembly, 27th March, 1849.

W. B. Lindsay,  
Clerk Assembly.

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. Fergusson,—The Petition of James Walker and others, of the Township of Nichol.

By the Honorable Mr. Viger,—The Petition of L. Bourassa and others, of St. Martin, Isle Jésus.

By Sir Allan N. MacNab,—The Petition of the City Council of the City of Hamilton.

By Mr. Cauchon,—The Petition of D. M. Millan and others, on behalf of a meeting of the Freeholders of the County of Vaudreuil.

Petition read.

Ordered, That the Petition of D. M. Millan and others, on behalf of a meeting of the Freeholders of the County of Vaudreuil, be now read; and the Rules of this House be suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying that the Montreal and Lachine Railroad Company be not allowed to extend their Railroad otherwise than by the route laid down in the Act for the construction of a Railroad from Montreal to Kingston,—that the Lake St. Louis and Province Line Railroad Company be not allowed to make their Railroad along the south bank of the St. Lawrence to the Province Line at St. Regis,—and that a Survey be made at the expense of the Province, of the Lines for which Charters have been granted for the construction of Railroads from Montreal to the western limits of the Province.

Public Debt, &c., Bill.

An engrossed Bill for the better management of the Public Debt, Accounts, Revenue, and Property, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Hincks do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill to secure Real Estate Titles to certain persons.

An engrossed Bill to secure Titles to Real Estate to certain persons naturalized under the Statute of Lower Canada, 1 Will. 4, c. 53, was read the third time.

Mr. Gagy moved, seconded by Mr. Boulton, of Toronto, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to secure Titles to Real Estate to certain persons naturalized under the Statute of Lower Canada first William the Fourth, chapter fifty-three;"

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Bell, Boulton of Toronto, Cameron of Kent, Cauchon, Cayley, Chabot, Crysler, Davignon, Flint, Gagy, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, LaTerrière, Laurin, Macdonald, of GLENGARY, Sir Allan N. MacNab, M. Connell, M. Farland, Price, Seymour, Smith of WENTWORTH, Stevenson, Thompson, Watts, and Wenthall.—(29.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Beaubien, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Burrill, Cartier, Chauveau, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Lemieux, Lyon, Méthot, Mongenais, Papineau, Polette, Sauvageau, Sherwood of Toronto, Smith of DURHAM, Taché, and Viger.—(22.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Gagy do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

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

Of Isaac Read and others, of Upper Canada; praying that the Bill to incorporate the Members of the Medical Profession in Upper Canada may not pass.

Of Peter Winter, of the District of Gaspé; Barrister and Advocate, on behalf of J. T. Coffin, Esquire, of the Isle of Wight, Captain in the Royal Navy, and Proprietor of the Magdalen Islands; praying that no measure be adopted which would affect Mr. Coffin's rights as proprietor, until he or his Agent be called upon to defend his right of possession.

Of Peter Winter, of Percé, County of Gaspé, Ad-



vocate; praying remuneration for his services as Clerk of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gaspé*.

Of *Thomas Lloyd*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire, one of the Councillors of the said City; praying the Legislature to withhold the *Cul-de-Sac* from the Trinity House at *Quebec*, and that it may be vested in the Corporation of the said City.

Of *P. M. Bardy*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for certain amendments to the Bill to amend the Ordinances incorporating the said City.

Of *John Turner*, Chief Engineer, and others, Officers and Members of the *Brantford* Fire Company Number One, and of *Francis Monette* and others, Officers and Members of Fire Companies, of *St. John's, Canada East*; praying that the provisions of the Act 4 and 5 Vic. c. 43, may be so extended as to exempt Firemen having served for seven consecutive years, from serving as jurymen, constables, or militiamen.

Of *John William* and others, of the Township of *East Flamborough*, District of *Gore*; praying that no alteration be made in the limits of the said District.

Of *George Keefer*, Chairman, and *A. K. Boomer*, Secretary, on behalf of the Inhabitants of the District of *Niagara* in public meeting assembled; praying that the proposed measure of indemnification for Rebellion Losses in *Lower Canada* be not passed.

Of *Miville de Chêne* and others, of that part of the County of *Dorchester* formerly the County of *Dorchester*; praying for the abolition of Commissioners' Courts, and the re-establishment of District or Division Courts.

Of *William Charles Gwynne*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Toronto*; praying that the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto and Lake Huron* Railroad Company may not pass.

Of *Samuel Heath* and others, of *Chinguacousy* and vicinity; praying that the constitution and management of the University of King's College may be placed upon a more enlarged and liberal basis.

Of the Commercial Bank of the Midland District; praying extension of time for the payment of the increase to their Capital Stock, and for a certain alteration in their Title.

Of *John Bonham* and others, of the south half of the Township of *Dumfries*; praying that no division may be made of the said Township.

Of *Silas E. Austin* and others, members of the Order of Rechabites; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *S. A. Huntingdon* and others; of *Edward Ferrall*, and others; and of *Thomas O'Neil* and others, of the sixth division of the District of *Bathurst*; praying that the Division Court Law be altered so as to allow three Courts to be held annually in the said Division, instead of six as at present.

Of *J. Leslie* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; praying that an enquiry be instituted into the management of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*.

Of *George Hamilton Park*, Esquire, late Medical Superintendent of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum; representing certain defects and grievances in the government of the said Asylum; setting forth his unjust removal from the said situation,—and praying an investigation and relief in the premises.

Of the *Algonquin* Indians of the *Gatineau*; praying for a grant of Land on the *River du Désert*, for purposes of Agriculture.

Of *James Inglis* and others, members and adherents of the Baptist Churches in *Canada West*; praying that the endowment of the University of King's College may be preserved undivided, and that the said University may be conducted upon non-sectarian principles.

Ordered, That the Petition of *D. M. Millan* and others, on behalf of a meeting of the Freeholders of the County of *Vaudreuil*, and the Petition of the Honorable *R. U. Harwood* and others, be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Petition of D. M. Millan and others;

Ordered, That the Petition of *P. M. Bardy*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*, and the Petition of *W. K. M. Cord*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*, be referred to the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill to amend and consolidate the provisions contained in the Ordinances to incorporate the City and Town of *Quebec*, and to vest more ample powers in the Corporation of the said City and Town.

Of P. M. Bardy and others;

Of W. K. M. Cord and others;

Resolved, That the Petition of Mrs. *Sophie B. Rousseau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre* and *St. Paul*, County of *Saguenay*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *La Terrière*, Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Laurin*, Mr. *Lemieux*, and Mr. *Cartier*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Of Mrs. S. B. Rousseau and others, referred.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intitled, "An Act to amend the several Laws therein mentioned relative to the appointment and duties of Inspectors of Weights and Measures in *Upper Canada*," without any Amendment: And also,

Weights and Measures Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intitled, "An Act to incorporate the *Canada Life Assurance Company*," with an Amendment; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Canada Life Assurance Company Bill.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. *Christie*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire and report what Acts, since the Union of the late Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, have been passed by the Parliament of this Province incorporating Religious, Educational, or Charitable Institutions therein; their several and respective titles, styles, or denominations; the annual amount as Income or Revenue from real property which by their respective Acts of Incorporation they are authorized to acquire and hold; the collective or total annual amount thereof; and also, whether any and which of the Religious, Educational, or Charitable Institutions existing in *Lower Canada* previous to the Union, have since that period been authorized by Act of Parliament to increase their respective Income or Revenue in Mortmain, and by what amount, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read.

Report on Religious, Educational, or Charitable Institutions.

For the said Report, see Appendix (Y.Y.Y.)

Appendix (Y.Y.Y.)

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Mr. *Guy*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire whether any and what Legislative measures can be adopted to repress the evils growing out of Intemperance, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read.

Report on Intemperance.

For the said Report, see Appendix (Z.Z.Z.)

Appendix (Z.Z.Z.)

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Mr. *Davignon*, reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to incorporate *L'Institut Canadien de Montréal*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Montreal Institut Canadien Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Report on  
Canada  
Gazette.

Mr. *Duchesnay*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the system adopted in the distribution of the *Canada Gazette*, with an Instruction to the Committee, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read.

Appendix  
(A.A.A.A.)

For the said Report, see Appendix (A.A.A.A.)

*Ordered*, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Twentieth Re-  
port of Com-  
mittee on  
Standing  
Orders.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Twentieth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petitions of *Charles Robertson* and others, and of *T. H. Ketchum* and others, and they are not of such a nature as to require notice under the 66th Rule.

Masters and  
Servants  
(L.C.) Bill.

Mr. *Watts*, from the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the expediency of amending the Act of *Lower Canada* relating to Masters and Servants in the country parts, with power to report by Bill or otherwise, presented to the House, a Bill to amend the Act relating to Masters and Servants in the country parts of *Lower Canada*, which was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Canada Life  
Assurance  
Company Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Canada Life Assurance Company*," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

In the Preamble, line 34. After "Company" insert "And whereas the sum of two pounds on each share of the Capital Stock of the said Association has been paid up by the said Stockholders."

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

*Ordered*, That Sir *Allan N. MacNab* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

Leave of  
absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, have leave to absent himself from this House, for four weeks, on urgent and pressing business.

Lachine Rail-  
road Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal and Lachine Railroad Company*, and for other purposes," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 2, line 48. After "and" insert "that the calls in arrear have been made as aforesaid, and that he."

Press 3, line 1. Leave out from "and" to "thereof" both inclusive.

Press 3, line 30. After "exceeding" insert "in the whole at any one time."

Press 4, line 1. Leave out from "without" to "necessary" in line 2, both inclusive, and insert "on proof of the execution thereof by the oath of one witness, which oath any such Registrar, or his deputy, is hereby authorized to administer; and if at any time after the registration of any such Debenture as aforesaid, the same shall be brought to such Register, or his deputy, with the word "cancelled,"

"and the signature of the President or other duly authorized Director of the said Company written across the face thereof, the said Registrar, or his deputy, shall make an entry in the margin of the Register against the registry of such Debenture, to the effect that such Debenture has been cancelled, adding the date of such entry, and shall thereupon file such Debenture to remain of record in the said Registry Office in the same manner as Certificates of discharge."

Press 4, line 18. Leave out from "same" to "provided" in line 27.

Press 4, line 40. After "notwithstanding" insert "Provided always, that it shall not be lawful for the said Company to issue any Debenture payable to bearer, under this Act, for a less sum than one hundred pounds."

Press 4, line 42. After "majority" insert "consisting of not less than two-thirds."

Press 6, line 35. After "money" insert "nor shall any Note issued or to be issued by the said Company be assignable or transferable otherwise than by indorsement in full."

Press 7, line 27. After "*Lachine*," insert "but the said Company shall at each and every other place where the said Railroad shall cross any highway on a level, erect and keep up a sign-board stretching across the highway at such a height as to leave sixteen feet from the highway to the lower edge of the sign-board and having the words "Railway Crossing" and "*Traverse de Chemin à Rails*" painted on each side thereof, in letters not less than six inches in length; and for each and every neglect to comply with this requirement, the said Company shall incur a penalty of five pounds currency."

Press 7, line 44. After "Directors" insert: Clauses (A.) and (B.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that the forty-seventh section of the Act herein first cited, and the twelfth section of the Act herein cited amending the said Act be, and the same are hereby repealed, and that the said Company shall at all times when thereunto required by Her Majesty's Deputy Post Master General, the Commander of the Forces, or any person having the superintendance or command of any Police Force, and with the whole resources of the Company if necessary, carry Her Majesty's Mails, Her Majesty's Naval or Military Forces, or Militia, and all Artillery, Ammunition, Provisions, or other Stores for their use, and all Policemen, Constables, and others travelling on Her Majesty's service, on their said Railroad, on such terms and conditions and under such regulations as the said Company and the said Deputy Post Master General, the Commander of the Forces, or person in command of any Police Force, respectively, shall agree upon, or if they cannot agree, then on such terms and conditions and under such regulations as the Governor or person administering the Government shall in Council make: Provided, that any further enactments which the Legislature of this Province may hereafter deem it expedient to make, with regard to the carriage of the said Mail, or Her Majesty's Forces, and other persons and articles as aforesaid, or the rates to be paid for carrying the same, or in any way respecting the use of any Electric Telegraph, or other service to be rendered by the Company to the Government, shall not be deemed an infringement of the privileges conferred by the said Acts or either of them, or by this Act, or intended so to be."

Clause (B.) "And be it enacted, that for and notwithstanding anything in the said Acts or either of them, no By-law, Rule, or Order, which may be made by the said Company after the passing of this Act, shall have any force or effect until the same shall have been sanctioned and confirmed by the

" Governor of this Province, under his hand and seal at arms, and shall thereafter have been published in the *Canada Gazette*."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

On motion of Mr. *Jobin*, seconded by Mr. *Mon-genais*,

*Ordered*, That the Bill to enable *Louis Comte* to recover a certain amount due to him by the Parish of *St. Edouard*, in the District of *Montreal*, as reported by the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Holmes*, seconded by Mr. *DeWitt*,

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *J. O. Alfred Turgeon*, Esquire, and others, the Mayor and Councillors of the County of *Terrebonne*, and other references, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Dumas*, seconded by Mr. *Cartier*,

*Ordered*, That the Bill to authorize the Religious Community of the "*Sœurs Hospitalières de St. Joseph de l'Hôtel Dieu de Montréal*" to acquire and hold real and personal property to a certain amount over and above that now held by them, as well for themselves as for the Poor of the *Hôtel Dieu* on whose behalf they administer certain property, and for other purposes therein mentioned, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Price* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to make other provisions for the management and disposal of Public Lands, and to limit the period for making free grants.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Erection of certain New Counties and Townships in *Upper Canada*, and for certain purposes relative to such New Counties; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

Mr. *Morrison* moved, seconded by Mr. *Beaubien*, and the Question being put, That the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *William K. M'Kenzie*, of *L'Orignal*, in the County of *Prescott*, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *Thomas Hall Johnson*, Esquire, to represent the County of *Prescott* in this present Parliament, have leave to examine the Honorable *James H. Price*, Commissioner of Crown Lands, and the Honorable *Richard Alexander Tucker*, Provincial Registrar, respecting the issuing or non-issuing at the time of the last General Election for the said County, of certain Patents for Lots in the Township of *Plan-*

*tagenet*, upon which votes were given for the said *Thomas Hall Johnson* at the said last General Election; and that the Petitioner do forthwith deliver to the sitting Member, a List of such persons as have so voted at the said Election, with their residences, and the several lots or parcels or parts of lots on which they so voted; and that the Petitioner have leave to add the names of such persons to his former List of objected voters, and the names of the Honorable *James H. Price* and the Honorable *Richard Alexander Tucker* to his former List of exchanged witnesses.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Beaubien*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, and *Morrison*.—(3.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Dickson*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *La Terrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Meyers*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Price*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Vizger*, and *Wilson*.—(53.)

So it passed in the Negative.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act for putting a Legislative Interpretation upon certain Terms used in Acts of Parliament, and for rendering it unnecessary to repeat certain provisions and expressions therein, and for ascertaining the date and commencement thereof, and for other purposes," was, according to Order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any Amendment.

Mr. *Beaubien*, from the Committee of the whole House to consider the propriety of continuing and amending the Act for the management of the Customs, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to continue and make permanent the Act 8 Vic. c. 24, for the management of the Customs, and to amend the said Act by authorizing the Governor in Council to fix the Salaries of the Collectors at the Ports of *Québec* and *Montreal*, at a rate not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty pounds currency.

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

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend, and to render permanent as amended, the Act for the management of the Customs.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to establish a more equal and just system of Assessment in the several Townships, Villages, Towns, and Cities in *Upper Canada*, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

L. Comte's Relief Bill.

Petition of J. O. A. Turgeon and others.

Sœurs Hospitalières (Montreal) Bill.

Public Lands Management Bill.

New Counties and Townships (U.C.) Erection Bill.

Prescott Election.

Interpretation of Terms Bill.

Customs Management Act.

Customs Management Bill.

Assessment (U.C.) Bill.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chauveau*, *DeWitt*, *Flint*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, and *Wilson*.—(39.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Malloch*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, and *Stevenson*.—(7.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Frivolous Oppositions (L.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for preventing frivolous and vexatious Oppositions to the seizure of moveables or of immoveables, and for the better ensuring the execution of Judgments of the Courts of Law in Lower Canada, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Quebec District Teachers Association Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Teachers' Association of the District of *Quebec*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Orders deferred.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Friday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by Mr. *M'Farland*, The House adjourned.

Jovis, 29<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. *Wetenhall*,—The Petition of *John M'Kenzie* and others, of *Dumfries*, *Flamborough*, and *Beverly*, District of *Gore*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,—The Petition of *John Crow*, of the Town of *Chatham*, in the Western District.

By Mr. *Mongenais*,—The Petition of *J. A. Mathison* and others, on behalf of a public meeting of the freeholders of the County of *Vaudreuil*.

Petitions read.

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

Of *I. W. Powell*, President, and *M. H. Foley*, Secretary, of the *Talbot* District Temperance Association, on behalf of the same; praying that the power of granting Tavern Licenses may be transferred from the Magistrates to the District Councils.

Of *George Chaperon*, of the Parish of *St. Pierre* and *St. Paul*, County of *Saguenay*; praying compensation for certain loss and damage sustained by him as a Commissioner for exploring *Les Caps* between that Parish and *St. Joachim*.

Of *Francis Drake*, President of the County of *Kent* Agricultural Society, on behalf of the said So-

ciety; praying for the adoption of certain measures to effect the draining of a large marsh or prairie in the Township of *Raleigh*.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *George S. Wilkes* and others, of the Districts of *Niagara* and *Gore*, be now read; and that the Rule of this House relating to the reception of Petitions on private matters be suspended as to the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying for an Act of Incorporation to authorize the Petitioners to build an Iron Bridge at or near the *Waterloo* Ferry, over the *Niagara Falls*.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Edward Wright* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Home District (Salaries of District Officers,) be referred to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to provide by one general Law for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships and Villages in *Upper Canada*.

Petition of E. Wright and others; Of the Mun. Council of the Home District, referred.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, from the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Fourth Report of Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Your Committee have seen, with satisfaction, that the *Niagara* and *Detroit* Rivers Railroad Company on learning that its agent, Mr. *Wallace*, had been paid the sum of Nineteen pounds seventeen shillings and sixpence for his travelling expenses and evidence, and considering that all expenses incurred in promoting its private interests should be borne by the Company and not by the Public, immediately returned the said sum to the Clerk of the House; and they entertain the hope that the Great Western Railroad Company, feeling its obligations towards the country, will promptly follow an example so worthy of imitation.

Your Committee have also examined the provisions of the Bill to incorporate *Frederick C. Capreol*, *Robert Easton Burns* and others, under the style of the *Toronto*, *Simcoe*, and *Lake Huron* Union Railroad Company, to enable them to construct a Railroad from *Toronto* to *Lake Huron*, referred to them, and have agreed to report the same with several amendments, which they respectfully submit for the adoption of Your Honorable House.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate *Frederick C. Capreol*, *Robert Easton Burns* and others, under the style of the *Toronto*, *Simcoe*, and *Lake Huron* Union Railroad Company, to enable them to construct a Railroad from *Toronto* to *Lake Huron*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Toronto, Simcoe and Lake Huron Union Railroad Company Bill.

Mr. *Fortier*, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Fourth Report of Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Your Committee have examined the Bill to authorize *Antoine Amable Archambeault* and others to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, and have agreed to certain amendments thereto, which they beg leave to report for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

On motion of Mr. *Hall*, seconded by Mr. *Wilson*, *Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate the Town of *Peterborough*, as reported from the Standing

Peterborough Incorporation Bill.

Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Montreal  
Turnpike  
Roads Bill.

Mr. Scott, of *Two Mountains*, reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Acts and Ordinances relative to the *Montreal* Turnpike Roads, That they had carefully examined the Bill, and taken evidence upon the subject matter thereof; and that, after a due consideration of the Bill and evidence, they had made an amendment to the Bill.

On motion of Mr. Chabot, seconded by Mr. Beau-  
bien,

Prescott  
Election.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Prescott*, have leave to adjourn till Thursday, the fifth day of April next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to give time to the Members of the Committee to examine the Evidence taken and reported by the Commissioners appointed by this House.

Petition of G.  
H. Park.

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the Petition of *George Hamilton Park*, Esquire, late Medical Superintendent of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Clerks of the  
Peace, Quebec.

Ordered, That the Return to an Address of this House, of the 22d February last, to His Excellency the Governor General, for a Statement of fees, income and salary of the Clerks of the Peace at *Quebec*, during the years 1844, 1845, 1846, 1847, and 1848, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

W. K. M'Cord.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 2nd March, 1849, and praying that he would be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, a copy of all Complaints made to the Executive, touching the conduct of *William K. M'Cord*, Esquire, Justice of the Peace, Queen's Counsel, and Superintendent of Police at *Quebec*, and a copy of all Correspondence on that subject; also, a copy of all Complaints touching the incompatibility of the said offices in the person of the said *W. K. M'Cord*, and of all correspondence on that subject; together with a copy of all Correspondence between the Government and the said *W. K. M'Cord* relative to his appointment as a Queen's Counsel.

For the said Return, see Appendix (B.B.B.B.)

Appendix  
(B.B.B.B.)

Police Office,  
Quebec.

Ordered, That the Return to an Address of this House to His Excellency the Governor General, of 22nd February, 1849, for copies of all representations, complaints, memorials or petitions on the part of *W. K. M'Cord*, Esquire, Superintendent of Police at *Quebec*, relative to the Police Office, and to the assiduity of the Magistrates thereat, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Report on Pe-  
tition of M.  
M'Donnell.

The Honorable Mr. Cameron, of *Kent*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Murdoch M'Donnell*, of the Town of *Perth*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have, in obedience to the order of reference, examined the prayer of the Petition referred to them, and have agreed to recommend that a Bill may be passed to confirm in the Petitioner his

title to a certain piece of Land conveyed to him by the Trustees of the Calvinistic Baptist Church of the Town of *Perth*, in accordance with the prayer of the Petition.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of *Kent*, have leave to bring in a Bill to confirm the Title of the Calvinistic Baptist Congregation of *Perth* to a certain piece of Land in that Town.

Calvinistic  
Baptist Con-  
gregation  
(Perth) Land  
Title Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Bill to alter the boundary line between the Townships of *Hallowell* and *Sophiasburgh*, in the District of *Prince Edward*, be engrossed.

Hallowell and  
Sophiasburgh  
Boundary  
Line Bill.

Resolved, That the Petition of *George S. Wilkes* and others, of the Districts of *Niagara* and *Gore*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. M'Farland, Mr. Cauchon, Mr. Watts, Mr. Hall, and Mr. Notman, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Petition of G.  
S. Wilkes and  
others,  
referred.

On motion of Mr. Meyers, seconded by Mr. Ste-  
venson,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause the proper Officer to lay before this House, a Statement of the cost of the Dredging Machine purchased for the deepening of *Lake St. Peter*, the present employment thereof, and the state of the same.

Dredging  
Machine.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Ordered, That Mr. *Boutillier* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Road Laws of *Lower Canada*, in so far as relates to the Townships in that part of this Province.

Road Laws  
(L. C.)  
Amendment  
Bill.

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

On motion of Mr. Jobin, seconded by Mr. Laurin,

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*, to consolidate the said Act with the amendments intended to be made thereto by the Bill, in order that a Bill be reported repealing the Act and including the provisions thereof, with the amendments; and to cause the Bill to be re-printed.

Notarial Pro-  
fession Organi-  
zation Bill.

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, Mr. Bell, Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, Mr. *Burrill*, the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, the Honorable Mr. *Cayley*, Mr. *Dickson*, Mr. *Fergusson*, Mr. *Flinn*, Mr. *Hall*, the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, Mr. *Malloch*, Mr. *M'Farland*, Mr. *M'Lean*, the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, Mr. *Meyers*, Mr. *Notman*, the Honorable Mr. *Price*, Mr. *Richards*, the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, Mr. *Scott*, of *Bytown*, Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, Mr. *Smith*, of

Limits and in-  
ternal Di-  
visions of  
Cities, &c., in  
Upper Canada.



*Durham, Mr. Smith, of Frontenac, Mr. Smith, of Wentworth, Mr. Stevenson, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. Wilson*, be appointed to enquire into the present limits and internal divisions of the different Cities, Towns, and Villages in *Upper Canada* already having by Law a Corporate Municipal organization, and also into the limits and internal divisions of such other Towns and Villages therein, upon which, from their position, wealth, or population, it is, in the opinion of such Committee, expedient to confer such organization, and into the expediency of amending the same, or any of them, with power to report thereon, from time to time, as to the limits and internal divisions which it may, in their opinion, be expedient to establish for such Cities, Towns, and Villages respectively, or for any of them; with power to send for persons, papers, and records; and that eleven Members, including the Chairman, be a Quorum of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Petition of *James Sampson* and others, inhabitants of Lot No. 24, first Concession of *Kingston*, be referred to the said Committee.

Witnesses.

Mr. *Christie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, and the Question being put, That during the remainder of the present Session, no monies be paid by the Clerk of this House, from the Contingencies of the House, to any person attending for examination before any Committee thereof, unless, in addition to the formalities heretofore usual and observed previous to payment in such cases, the payment to the person sent for and examined before such Committee is authorized by the Standing Committee on Contingencies, and endorsed, in testimony thereof, by the Chairman of the said Standing Committee; and that no person residing in the City of *Montreal*, so sent for and examined, be paid; and that in any case when a Witness shall have been in attendance during four days, and where his presence may be still further required, the authority of the said Committee on Contingencies shall be had recourse to by the Chairman of the examining Committee, and so on every four days; and that no payment be made unless the above requirements have been attended to, and are so certified;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Badgley, Bell, Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Boutillier, Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cauchon, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Dickson, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Fournier, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Johnson, Lyon, Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Sir Allan N. MacNab, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, Mongenais, Price, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Stevenson, Taché, Thompson, Watts, Wetenhall, and Wilson*.—(37.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake, Cartier, Chabot, Chauveau, Egan, Fortier, Fourquin, Guillet*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, Méthot, Morrison, Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, and *Viger*.—(19.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Agriculture Act (L.C.)

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Watts*, the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, Mr. *Davignon*, Mr. *Taché*, and Mr. *Armstrong*, be appointed to consider the expediency of continuing and amending the Act for the encouragement of Agriculture in *Lower Canada*, to report thereon with all convenient speed, by

Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of Libel.

Bill to amend the Law of Libel.

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

Ordered, That Mr. *Laurin* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relating to Winter Roads in that part of the Province of *Canada* heretofore *Lower Canada*, in so far as regards the District of *Quebec*, the District of *Gaspé*, and the District of *Three Rivers*, with the exception of that part of the County of *Drummond* within the District of *Three Rivers*.

Winter Roads (No. 2, L.C.) Bill.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Fergusson*, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the issuing of Writs of Election to certain Constituencies in this Province to return additional Members to Parliament;

Writs of Election.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Fergusson, Lemieux, Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Richards, Sauvageau, and Wetenhall*.—(8.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Boutillier, Cartier, Chabot, Christie, Crysler, Davignon, DeWitt, Duchesnay, Fortier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, Laurin, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, Marquis, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Price, Robinson, Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wilson*.—(38.)

So it passed in the Negative.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, seconded by Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, by the proper Officer, copies of all applications which have been made to the Executive Government by Religious Denominations other than those which have been provided for by name in the Act for the settlement of the Clergy Reserves, as well as all correspondence which has taken place having reference to the subject.

Religious Denominations.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, seconded by Mr. *Morrison*,

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to take into consideration the expediency of amending the Act 39 Geo. 3, c. 7, concerning the inspection of Weights and Measures in *Lower Canada*.

Weights and Measures (L.C.) Act.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ;

And Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act 39 Geo. 3, c. 7, and to substitute other and more efficient means than now provided for the inspection of Weights and Measures in *Lower Canada*.

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

Weights and Measures (L.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relative to the inspection of Weights and Measures in *Lower Canada*.

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

Upper and Lower Canada Division Line Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Price* have leave to bring in a Bill to define the Division Line between *Upper* and *Lower Canada*.

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

Missisquoi Railroad Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Beaubien*, seconded by Mr. *Holmes*,

*Resolved*, That the 66th Rule of this House be suspended in so far as regards the Petition of *P. P. Russell* and others, inhabitants of the District of *Montreal*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Beaubien* have leave to bring in a Bill for the incorporation of a Company to establish a Line of Railroad between *Montreal* and *Missisquoi*.

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

Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laurin* be added to the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill to amend the Laws regulating Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and the protesting thereof.

Sheriff, Crier and Tipstaff of Montreal.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Boutillier* be added to the Select Committee to which are referred the Returns to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, praying for Statements of the income derived by the Sheriff of the District of *Montreal*, and by the Crier and Tipstaff of the Court of Queen's Bench for the said District, for the last five years.

Limited Partnerships (U.C.) Bill.

Mr. *Dumas* reported the Bill to authorize limited Partnerships in *Upper Canada*; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Bill requiring Mortgages to be Filed.

Mr. *Seymour* reported the Bill requiring Mortgages of personal property in *Upper Canada* to be filed; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Lyon* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Lyon* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for the punishment of Warehousemen and others giving false receipts for Merchandize, and of persons receiving advances upon Goods, and afterwards fraudulently disposing of the same, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Jobin* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Jobin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Jobin* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada*, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Wilson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Wilson* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next; and that it be then the first Order of the day.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the First Report of the Standing Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Duchesnay* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Duchesnay* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That the First Report of the Standing Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate *Les Sœurs de la Charité* of *Bytown*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Act defining the boundary line between the Townships of *Montague* and *North Elmsley*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for preventing frivolous and vexatious Oppositions to the seizure of moveables or of immoveables, and

Warehousemen's Punishment Bill.

Joint Stock Road Companies (U.C.) Bill.

First Report of Committee on Library.

Les Sœurs de la Charité de Bytown Bill.

Montague Boundary Line Bill.

Frivolous Oppositions Bill.

for better ensuring the execution of Judgments of the Courts of Law in *Lower Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Queenston  
Suspension  
Bridge Com-  
pany Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "The Queenston Suspension "Bridge Company," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Militia Muster  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to alter the day on which the Militia shall annually assemble for muster and discipline in *Upper Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Richards* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Richards* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Richards* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Clergymen's  
Returns Bill.

Mr. *Richards* moved, seconded by Mr. *Wilson*, and the Question being put, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to substitute Yearly Returns for the Quarterly Returns required of Clergymen and others, by the sixteenth section of the Census Act, be now read;

The House divided:

Yeas, 25.

Nays, 14.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Order of the day being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Printing.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Printing, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Malloch* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Malloch* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

- Resolved*, That the Tender for Printing of Mr. *Rollo Campbell* for the English, and of Mr. *Louis Perrault* for the French "Journals and "Appendix," and of Messrs. *Lovell* and *Gibson* for the "Sessional," (they being the lowest,) be accepted; that the Tender for Binding of Mr. *Lamothe* for the French Journal and Appendix, and of Messrs. *R. & A. Miller* for the English, be also accepted; and that written Contracts be entered into, by the several parties giving good and sufficient security for the fulfilment of the same.
- Resolved*, That the form in which the Bills are printed should contain double the quantity of matter, or nearly so, on the page, and that the type used should be Pica.

3. *Resolved*, That in future no Bills be printed in both languages having reference exclusively to *Upper Canada*, and that such Bills be printed in English alone, with French marginal notes, unless otherwise required by any one Member of the House.

4. *Resolved*, That no work be paid for at the rate of Sessional Printing, which is not delivered to the House during the Session; and that any work not so delivered, shall be paid for at the rate allowed for the Printing of the Journals and Appendix.

5. *Resolved*, That the Contractors for the Sessional Printing shall be entitled to perform such work as is delivered to them during the Session; and that no portion of the work intended to form part of the Appendix shall be so delivered, unless it appears to the Clerk of the House that it can be executed during the Session.

6. *Resolved*, That in case extra copies of any portion of the Appendix, which cannot be delivered during the Session, be required, the same shall be furnished by the Contractors for the Appendix at their contract price.

7. *Resolved*, That the Printing of the Journals should forthwith commence and proceed with every possible despatch, in order that they may be completed, and in the hands of Members, immediately after the close of the Session.

The first, second, and third Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The fourth Resolution being read a second time, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. *Christie* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Duchesnay*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "the said Resolution be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, to consider the expediency of inserting after the first word "work" the words "after the present, nor at any "future Session."

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Badgley, Boulton* of TORONTO, *Cayley, Chauveau, Christie, Crysler, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Fournier, Johnson, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Stevenson, Taché, and Wilson*.—(19.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boutillier, Burritt, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Chabot, Davignon, DeWitt, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *M<sup>c</sup>Connell, M<sup>c</sup>Farland, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Price, Richards, Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Thompson, Viger, and Wetenhall*.—(28.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution.

The fifth Resolution being read a second time, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution,

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cayley*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "the said "Resolution be re-committed to a Committee of the "whole House, with the view of leaving out all the "words after "perform," and adding the words "all the work ordered during the Session, such work "to be paid for at the rate allowed for the print-

“ing of the Journals and Appendix” instead thereof.”

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as in the last preceding division.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution.

Then the subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Montreal and  
Troy Telegraph  
Bill.

Mr. *Holmes* moved, seconded by Mr. *Richards*, and the Question being put, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal and Troy Telegraph Company*, be now read;

The House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

Orders  
deferred.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* moved, seconded by Mr. *Notman*, and the Question being put, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow;

The House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*,

The House adjourned.

*Veneris, 30° die Martii;*

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Distribution of  
the Statutes.

MR. SPEAKER laid before the House, a Statement of the Distribution of the Statutes of *Canada*, in *Upper and Lower Canada*, as required by Act 8 *Vic. c. 68*.

For the said Statement, see Appendix (C.C.C.C.)

Appendix  
(C.C.C.C.)

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Viger*,—The Petition of the Reverend *M. Brunet* and others, of the Parish of *St. Janvier de Blainville*, District of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Mongenais*,—The Petition of *J. A. Mathison* and others, on behalf of a General Meeting of the Inhabitants of the County of *Vaudreuil* (Seigniorial Tenure).

By the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,—The Petition of *Jacob Kennedy* and others, of the District of *Niagara*; and the Petition of *Jacob Ker* and others, of the District of *Niagara*.

By Mr. *Chabot*,—The Petition of *E. A. Dubois*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire.

By Mr. *Lemieux*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. Auclair* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Marie de la Nouvelle Beauce*, County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of *John G. Thompson*, President of the Agricultural Society No. 1, County of *Bonaventure*; the Petition of the Mayor and Corporation of the Municipality, second division, County of *Bonaventure*; and the Petition of the Mayor and Corporation of the Municipal Division No. 1; County of *Bonaventure*.

By Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of the Honorable *Louis Panet* and others, the President, Officers, and Members of the Managing Committee of the *Saint Jean Baptiste Society of Quebec*.

By Mr. *Jobin*,—The Petition of the Reverend *C. Aubry* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de la Rivière des Prairies*.

An engrossed Bill to alter the day on which the Militia shall annually assemble for muster and discipline in *Upper Canada*, was read the third time.

Militia Muster  
(U.C.) Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to repeal the Act defining the boundary line between the Townships of *Montague* and *North Elmsley*, was read the third time.

Montague  
Boundary  
Line Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be,

“An Act to repeal the Act defining the boundary line between the fourth Concessions of

“the Townships of *Montague* and *North Elmsley*.”

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bell* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill for the punishment of Warehousemen and others giving false receipts for Merchandize, and of persons receiving advances upon Goods and afterwards fraudulently disposing of the same, was read the third time.

Warehousemen's  
Punishment  
Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to substitute Yearly Returns for the Quarterly Returns required of Clergymen and others by the sixteenth section of the Census Act, was read the third time.

Clergymen's  
Returns Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Richards* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill requiring Mortgages of personal property in *Upper Canada* to be filed, was read the third time.

Bill requiring  
Mortgages to be  
Filed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Morrison* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to authorize limited Partnerships in *Upper Canada*, was read the third time.

Limited Partnerships  
(U.C.) Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Morrison* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

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

Petitions read.

Of *James Walker* and others, of the Township of *Nichol*; praying that the *Pilkington Tract* may not be annexed to the said Township.

Of *L. Bourassa* and others, of *St. Martin, Isle Jésus*; praying for the repeal of the Law regulating the granting of Tavern Licences, and for the enactment of other provisions in lieu thereof, for the suppression of Intemperance.

Of the City Council of the City of *Hamilton*; praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Council Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the City Council of the City of *Hamilton* (Municipal Bill), be referred to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to provide by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships and Villages in *Upper Canada*.

Petition of City  
Council of  
Hamilton com-  
mitted.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning's Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from  
the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

Gore Bank Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Gore Bank, and to increase the Capital Stock of the said Bank," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Commercial Bank New Stock Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act further to extend the time for paying up the new Stock of the Commercial Bank of the Midland District;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Report on Petition of J. B. Warren and others

Mr. Macdonald, of Glengary, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of John B. Warren and others, of Whitby and other Townships in the Home District, and another reference, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Petition referred to them with all the care which its importance demands; and whether they regard the great extent of the Home District, its extent of population, or its wealth, Your Committee cannot doubt that the convenience of its inhabitants must, ere long, compel its division in the manner contemplated by the Petition referred to them by Your Honorable House. Your Committee are not insensible to the inconveniences and losses attendant upon the undue formation of Districts, but having regard to the course of legislation in Upper Canada, and specially to the Act introduced during the present Session for altering the territorial Divisions of the Province, Your Committee feel constrained to report, that the people inhabiting the Townships mentioned in the Petition in question have a just right to claim from the Legislature the formation of a new District, as asked by the prayer of their Petition.

Those Townships contain a population of nearly 24,000 souls, and their annual revenue for general purposes, arising from an assessment of but one penny in the pound, is said to amount to £1700.

Your Committee believe that Districts have been set off in numerous instances within the last twelve years, with a population very much smaller than that of the Townships from which the Petition emanates, whilst the available funds of the latter would be more than double the income enjoyed by several of those Districts at the period of their separations, and would at the present moment much exceed the revenue of some of those Districts after ten years of separate existence.

Your Committee have not overlooked the fact, that objections to this Petition have emanated as well from persons resident within the locality to be more immediately affected by the contemplated measure, as also from some of the inhabitants in other portions of the Home District. In reference to the former class of persons, Your Committee were prepared to find a certain amount of opposition arising within the locality, as Your Committee believe has been the case with respect to every District heretofore set off. The formation of a new District, involving as it does the selection of a County Town, affects personal interests so materially, that it would be chimerical to hope that such a measure could be accomplished without encountering some amount of opposition.

Your Committee are far from attributing any improper motive to the persons who have felt it to be their duty to oppose the measure. Those persons conceive, no doubt, that the formation of the contemplated District would be injurious to the general interest of the locality, and they not only have a right, but are bound to express their dissent. Your Committee only mean to convey to Your Honorable House, that the prayer of the Petition from its very

nature, is such as necessarily to give rise to some opposition, and having reference to the numerous signatures appended to the Petition referred to Your Committee, and the comparatively small number of persons who have objected to the concession claimed by the Petition, Your Committee conceive that the opposition is less than might have been expected, and that the formation of the new District is desired by a vast majority of those interested.

With respect to opposition coming from other portions of the District, Your Committee have felt no surprize that opposition should emanate from persons who reside in the neighbourhood of the present District Town, and enjoy all the benefit arising from the centralization there of the commerce and multifarious business of an extensive and wealthy country, whilst they are exempt from the daily losses and inconveniences experienced by those whose unreasonable distance from the metropolis is felt to be a most burdensome tax paid upon every transaction in which they may be engaged throughout the whole circle of their business; a tax imposed for the purpose of maintaining a system of centralization, which not only does not contribute to their well-being, but is diametrically opposed to it. Your Committee conceive that such opposition, however natural, should not have much weight with Your Honorable House.

In a country becoming peopled so rapidly as Canada, changes, such as that prayed for by the Petition, must from time to time be made. The Petitioners are usually well qualified to judge whether the present District division is, or is not calculated to promote their own well-being; and as they must be admitted to be well qualified to form the soundest opinion on this subject, so are they well entitled to have that opinion respectfully attended to by the Legislature, provided the number and wealth of those Petitioners be such as to warrant the formation of a new District.

Your Committee have not lost sight of the remonstrances against the contemplated division which has proceeded from the District Council of the Home District, and cannot deny that any document emanating from so respectable a body is justly entitled to serious consideration; but Your Committee cannot overlook a fact, that as the individual personal interests of the inhabitants of the Home District resident without the locality to be separated, must be prejudicially affected by the change, and as their decision cannot on that account be entitled to much weight, so upon this subject the District Council is the very body whose opinion should be received with the utmost jealousy. The gentlemen composing that body are not only exposed to all the prejudice of an ordinary inhabitant, but they are also liable to be drawn aside by other considerations peculiar to their position. Not only will the dignity and importance of their body be materially affected by the division which they deprecate, but moreover, the large revenues now at their disposal would be seriously diminished by the proposed measure. That the Home District Council should remonstrate against a division attended with such consequences, appears to Your Committee not only natural but proper. Possibly, were the Council to pursue any other course, they might be regarded as neglecting their duty to their constituents, whose interests must be prejudicially affected by the separation. But Your Committee do not find in the Petition of the Home District Council any reasoning which could justify Your Honorable House in refusing the prayer of the Petition referred to them, and they would deem it unjust that the rights of the Petitioners should be affected at the mere will of any body of men, however respectable, more especially if the interest of such body should be opposed



to the Petitioners. Your Committee, moreover, cannot overlook the fact that the Home District Council, while declining to sanction the present formation of a new District, did, at its last session, form a Resolution declaring that the Townships now petitioning, ought, when separated, to be indemnified from the funds of the Home District for all such sums as they may contribute towards the completion and improvement of the present District Buildings; thus evincing the opinion of that body, that a separation must take place, and that at no very distant period.

Your Committee, therefore, humbly beg leave to report to Your Honorable House, that the prayer of the Petition referred to them ought to be granted, and that the Townships mentioned in the prayer of that Petition ought to be formed into a separate District, and that the District Town should be the Village of *Whitby*.

*Ordered*, That the Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ste. Anne des Monts and Cape Chat Municipality Bill.

Mr. *Christie* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to detach the settlements of *Ste. Anne des Monts* and *Cape Chat* from the Municipality of *Gaspé*, and to erect them into a separate Municipality, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Gore Bank Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Gore* Bank, and to increase the Capital Stock of the said Bank," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 2, line 19. Leave out "no" and insert "every."

Press 2, line 20. Leave out from "for" to "from" and insert "within eighteen months."

Press 2, line 21. After "Act" insert "or within such extended period not exceeding five years from the passing of this Act, as the Governor General in Council may permit."

Press 2, line 22. Leave out "eight" and insert "two."

Press 2, line 23. After "Act" insert "or within such extended period not exceeding eight years from the passing of this Act, as the Governor General in Council may permit."

Press 2, line 34. After "same" insert Clause (A.) Clause (A.) "And be it enacted that, except as hereinbefore provided, every person subscribing for, or taking any share or shares in the said additional Capital Stock, shall have the same rights and be subject to the liabilities as the original Subscribers and Shareholders in the said Bank."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thompson* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Cobourg Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the Return to an Address of this House to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 15th February last, for copies of Contracts entered into by the Board of Works for completing any Work connected with improving the *Cobourg* Harbour, and laid before the House on the 27th of February last, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Fifth Report of Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, from the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Great Western Railroad Company, praying an Act may be passed amending the Charter of said Company, referred to them, and have agreed to recommend the prayer of the said Petition.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Allan N. MacNab* have leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Charter of the Great Western Railroad Company.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, seconded by Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act further to extend the time for paying up the new Stock of the Commercial Bank of the Midland District," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

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

An engrossed Bill to alter the boundary line between the Townships of *Hallowell* and *Sophiasburgh*, in the District of *Prince Edward*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Stevenson* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, seconded by Mr. *Jobin*,

*Ordered*, That the Bill to amend the Acts and Ordinance relative to the *Montreal* Turnpike Roads, be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Crysler* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Crysler* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received, on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Wetenhall*, seconded by Mr. *Thompson*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the proper Officer to lay before this House, a Return of the Tolls collected on the Macadamized Road between *Dundas* and *Waterloo*, specifying the amount collected at each Gate during the years 1846, 1847, and 1848, and stating the amount, if any, in the hands of the Commissioners.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. *Speaker*, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. *Speaker*, all the Members of the House being uncovered; and is as followeth:—

Great Western Railroad Bill.

Commercial Bank New Stock Bill.

Hallowell and Sophiasburgh Boundary Line Bill.

Montreal Turnpike Roads Bill.

Dundas and Waterloo Road.

Message from His Excellency.

## ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

Halifax Rail-  
road and Public  
Works.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Legislative Assembly, copies of Despatches subsequent to those already transmitted on the subject of the *Halifax* and *Quebec* Railroad, and Public Works in *Canada*.

Government House,  
*Montreal*, 30th March, 1849.

## Schedule.

1. Earl *Grey* to the Earl of *Elgin*, 26th January, 1849. Encloses observations of the Railway Commissioners on Major *Robinson's* Report.
2. The same to the same, 27th January, 1849. Acknowledges receipt of a Despatch of 4th January, enclosing Tabular Statement of Population and Amount of Rateable Property in *Upper Canada*.
3. The Earl of *Elgin* to Earl *Grey*, 20th December, 1848. With copy of a Letter from the Inspector General to Messrs. *Baring* and Co. on Financial arrangements.
4. The same to the same, 20th December, 1848. In reply to Lord *Grey's* Despatch No. 299, transmitting Major *Robinson's* Report; sends Minute of Executive Council, and Memorandum of the Inspector General on measures for constructing the Railway.
5. The same to the same, 3rd January, 1849. In continuation of above, sends copy of Instructions addressed to the Lieutenant Governor of *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*.
6. The same to the same, 4th January, 1849. Population and Value of Property of *Upper Canada*, from 1825 to 1847.
7. Sir *E. Head* to Earl *Grey*, 1st January, 1849. Observations on Major *Robinson's* final Report, submitted by Mr. *Wilkinson* of the Crown Land Office, *New Brunswick*.
8. The same to the same, 6th January, 1849. Minute of Council on receiving the final Report of Major *Robinson*; and in connexion with the Instructions received from Lord *Elgin*.
9. The same to the same, 19th January, 1849. With copy of Resolutions of Meeting held at *Dorchester*, on the subject of the *Halifax* and *Quebec* Railway.
10. Sir *J. Harvey* to Earl *Grey*, 8th December, 1848. Acknowledging Lord *Grey's* Despatch of 17th November, transmitting Major *Robinson's* final Report.

Appendix (N.)

For the said Documents, see Appendix (N.)  
*Ordered*, That the said Message, with the accompanying Documents, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

County Division (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for abolishing the Territorial Division of *Upper Canada* into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolution of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

Court of Appeals and Criminal Jurisdiction (L.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to establish a Court having Jurisdiction in Appeals and Criminal matters for *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

Courts of Civil Jurisdiction (L.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of

Original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law relative to the Administration of Justice in *Gaspé*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the *Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Allan N. MacNab* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the preservation of "the Public Health in certain emergencies," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a third time, on Tuesday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend, and to render permanent as amended, the Act for the management of the Customs, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Chabot* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Chabot* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Chabot* reported the Bill accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, and the Question being put, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Tuesday next;

The House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* moved, seconded by Mr. *Richards*, and the Question being put, That the House do now adjourn;

The House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House accordingly adjourned till Monday next.

*Luna*, 2° die Aprilis;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,—The Petition of *Kenneth Cameron* and others, of the Township of *Thora*, Home District.

Gaspé Judicial Bill.

Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company Bill.

Public Health Bill.

Customs Management Bill.

Orders deferred.

Petitions brought up.

By Mr. Lemieux,—The Petition of *A. G. Ruel*, Esquire, Notary Public, and Registrar of the County of *Rimouski*.

By Mr. Sherwood, of *Brockville*,—The Petition of *John Crawford*, Esquire, and others, of the Town of *Brockville*.

By the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of *Kent*,—The Petition of the *Quebec Board of Trade* (Lumber Bill); and the Petition of the *Quebec Board of Trade* (Bill to encourage Ship-building).

By Mr. Flint,—The Petition of *John P. Roblin*, Esquire, and others, of the Township of *Hallowell*, District of *Prince Edward*.

By Mr. Laurin,—The Petition of Messieurs *Provan* and *Anderson* and others, Merchants, and others, of *Quebec*, interested in the Deal trade of this Province.

By Mr. Holmes,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*, (Amendments to Act of Incorporation); and the Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal* (Compensation for site of Custom House).

Customs Management Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend, and to render permanent as amended, the Act for the management of the Customs, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Hincks do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions read.

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

Of *John M'Kenzie* and others, of *Dunfries, Flamborough* and *Beverly*, District of *Gore*; praying that measures be adopted for the repeal of the Imperial Act for the disposal of the Clergy Reserves,—and also for the abolition of Rectories, and that the funds arising therefrom be applied to purposes of education and general utility.

Of *John Crow*, of the Town of *Chatham*, in the Western District; praying compensation for the loss of his property destroyed by fire while occupied as Barracks by Her Majesty's Troops.

Of *J. A. Mathison* and others, on behalf of a public meeting of the freeholders of the County of *Vaudreuil*; praying that the jurisdiction of the Commissioners' Courts be extended,—that a low and uniform rate of Postage be established,—that the Navigation Laws be repealed,—that Tavern Licences be suppressed and Temperance promoted,—that the public Roads and Bridges be placed under the control of the Municipal Councils,—and that Petit Jurors be paid.

Of the Reverend *M. Brunet* and others, of the Parish of *St. Janvier de Blainville*, District of *Montreal*; praying that measures be adopted for the suppression of Intemperance, by the amendment of the Tavern Licence law, or otherwise.

Of *J. A. Mathison* and others, on behalf of a General Meeting of the Inhabitants of the County of *Vaudreuil*; praying for the passing of a law to define the reciprocal rights and duties of Seigniors and *Censitaires*, and for the commutation of Seigniorial Tenure.

Of *Jacob Kennedy* and others, and of *Jacob Ker* and others, all of the District of *Niagara*; praying that a certain portion of the said District be set apart as a new District, to be called "The District of *Elgin*."

Of *E. A. Dubois*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire; praying that a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the merits of the Caloriferous Apparatus as a mode of heating large public buildings.

Of the Reverend *J. Auclair* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Marie de la Nouvelle Beauce*, County of

*Dorchester*, and of the Reverend *C. Aubry* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de la Rivière des Prairies*; praying for the abolition of Tavern Licences, and the substitution of Licences for Temperance Houses, and that certain other measures be adopted for the suppression of Intemperance.

Of *John G. Thompson*, President of the Agricultural Society No. 1, County of *Bonaventure*; praying for the establishment of a District Agricultural Society in the District of *Gaspé*, and for provision therefor.

Of the Mayor and Corporation of the Municipality, (second division,)—and of the Mayor and Corporation of the Municipal Division No. 1,—County of *Bonaventure*; representing the destitution which prevails in the said Municipalities, in consequence of an unusually short catch of Fish, and the failure of the Grain and Potato crops, and the depression of the Lumber Trade, and praying relief.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Honorable *Louis Panet* and others, the President, Officers and Members of the Managing Committee of the *Saint Jean Baptiste Society* of *Quebec*, be now read; and that the Rules of this House relating to the reception of Private Petitions be suspended as to the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "*Société Saint Jean Baptiste de la Cité de Québec*."

Resolved, That the Petition of *James P. Wells* and others, Trustees of the Grammar School for the District of *Ottawa*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Johnson, Mr. Egan, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Scott, of *Bytown*, and Mr. Thompson, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Council of the *Toronto Board of Trade* (Assessment) be referred to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to establish a more equal and just system of Assessment in the several Townships, Villages, Towns, and Cities in *Upper Canada*.

Mr. Holmes reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Laws regulating Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and the protesting thereof, and on the Bill to regulate and make uniform the rates of damages on Protested Bills of Exchange in this Province, That the Committee had gone through the said Bills, and made amendments unto each of them.

On motion of Mr. Holmes, seconded by Mr. Morrison,

Ordered, That the Bill to amend the Laws regulating Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and the protesting thereof, as reported from the Select Committee thereon; be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mr. Holmes,

Ordered, That the Bill to regulate and make uniform the rates of damages on Protested Bills of Exchange in this Province, as reported from the Select Committee thereon, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Charles Cazeau* and others, Cullers, of the District of *Quebec*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Leave of absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Duchesnay* have leave to absent himself from this House, during a fortnight, on urgent business.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* have leave to absent himself from this House, during a fortnight, on account of the illness of certain members of his family.

Justices of the Peace Qualification Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cauchon* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act passed in the sixth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the qualification of Justices of the Peace."

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

English Mails.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Cauchon*, Mr. *Chabot*, the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, and the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, be appointed to enquire whether, with a view to the speed as well as the cheapness of the transport thereof, it would be more convenient to have the English Mails carried, as at present, through the British Provinces, or through the *United States of America*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Saguenay Registry Districts Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière* have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the County of *Saguenay* into two Districts for the Registration of Deeds.

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

London District Division Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Notman* have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the District of *London*, in the Province of *Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the sixteenth instant.

Township Land Claimants (L.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fortier* have leave to bring in a Bill to compel persons claiming Lands under Patent in the Townships of *Lower Canada* to register their claims to the same, and to provide for the settlement of such of the said Lands as shall remain unclaimed after a certain time, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

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

Home District New County Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the erection of certain Townships in the Home District into a separate County, and for certain other purposes relative to such new County.

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

Farmers' Joint Stock Banking Company.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, Mr. *Holmes*, and Mr. *Wilson*, be appointed to enquire into the position and management of the Farmers' Joint Stock Banking Company at *Toronto*,

to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lemieux* have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish Oppositions to Marriages, founded on promises of Marriage. Marriage Oppositions Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laurin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Ordinance providing for the enregistration of Titles to immovable property and incumbrances thereon. Bill relating to the Enregistration of certain Titles.

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

On motion of Mr. *Lemieux*, seconded by Mr. *Chauveau*,

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the expediency of amending the Act 3, *Will* 4, c. 1, to regulate the exercise of certain rights of Lessors and Lessees. Lessors and Lessees Act.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Hall* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Hall* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act passed in the third year of the Reign of His late Majesty *William* the Fourth, chapter one, intituled, "An Act to regulate the exercise of certain rights of Lessors and Lessees."

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lemieux* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act passed in the third year of the Reign of His late Majesty *William* the Fourth, chapter one, intituled, "An Act to regulate the exercise of certain rights of Lessors and Lessees." Lessors and Lessees Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Taché* have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the County of *Rimouski* into two Districts for the Registration of Deeds. Rimouski Registry Districts Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bell* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the alteration of the times and places for holding the Division Courts in Division number six, in the District of *Bathurst*. Bathurst Division Courts Bill.

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

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, copies of all Petitions, Resolutions, and Ad-

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dresses which His Excellency may have received on the subject of the payment of the Rebellion Losses in that part of the Province lately called *Lower Canada*;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Dickson*, *Dumas*, *Gugy*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, and *Stevenson*.—(16.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Davignon*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(39.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

Building Societies Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to encourage the establishment of "Building Societies in *Lower Canada*," with an Amendment; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Quebec Gas Company Bill.

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And then he withdrew.

Winter Roads (No. 3, L.C.) Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cauchon* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Ordinances therein mentioned relating to Winter Roads in *Lower Canada*, in so far as regards the District of *Quebec*, the District of *Gaspé*, and part of the District of *Three Rivers*.

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

Reports on Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. *DeWitt*, seconded by Mr. *Christie*, Resolved, That the time for receiving Reports of Select and Standing Committees on Private Bills be further extended till Friday, the thirteenth instant.

Quebec Gas Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act "to incorporate the *Quebec Gas Company*," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 10, line 22. Leave out from "Surveyor" to "of" in line 23.

Press 10, line 27. After "places" insert "to the satisfaction of the said Road Surveyor."

Press 10, line 29. Leave out from "delay" to "and" in Press 11, line 1.

Press 15, line 46. Leave out "in case" and insert "whenever."

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Press 16, line 5. Leave out from "Surveyor" to "shall" in line 6.

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chabot* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Ordered, That the Lists laid upon the Table by the Clerk of this House, on the 28th ultimo, pursuant to the Order of this House of the 26th of March last, shewing the several sums paid to persons examined before Select Committees in the course of the present Session, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Witnesses.

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *Seymour*,

Ordered, That the Bill to detach the Settlements of *Ste. Anne des Monts* and *Cap Chat* from the Municipality of *Gaspé*, and to erect them into a separate Municipality, be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Ste. Anne des Monts* and *Cap Chat* Municipality Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Notman* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Notman*, reported That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Notman* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 22nd February last, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, a clear and detailed Statement of the fees and emoluments received by the Prothonotaries of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*, in the years 1846, 1847, and 1848, indicating separately the source from which the said fees and emoluments are derived during each year, together with the detailed disbursements and expenses of their office for each year, indicating separately why those expenses have been incurred, the number of Clerks employed in the said office, and their respective ages and annual salaries, and the net profits remaining to the Prothonotaries in each year; and, further, a Statement of the monies remaining in their hands and possession, whether as legal deposits, or as monies remaining deposited with them in cases of ratification, and actually in their hands and possession, since 1840 inclusively, shewing in what Causes the said monies were deposited, when they were deposited, and the time at which they became payable.

Prothonotaries of the Queen's Bench, District of *Quebec*.

For the said Return, see Appendix (D.D.D.D.)

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The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly of the 26th ultimo, calling for copies of all Tenders made, during the last year, to lease the Tolls on the Public Roads in *Western Canada*.

Tolls on Public Roads in *Upper Canada*.

For the said Return, see Appendix (E.E.E.E.)

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Mr. *Crysler* reported the Bill to amend the Acts and Ordinance relative to the *Montreal Turnpike Roads*; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Montreal Turnpike Roads* Bill.



Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Joint Stock  
Road Compa-  
nies (U.C.)  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada*, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Wilson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Wilson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received, on Wednesday next.

Niagara Dis-  
trict Town  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to remove the site of the District Town of the District of *Niagara*, to *Port Robinson* in the Township of *Thorold*, in the County of *Welland*, being read;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday next; and that it be then the first Order of the day.

Limitation of  
Actions Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to alter the Law relating to the limitation of Actions in this Province, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Sauvageau* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Sauvageau* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

And the Question being put, That the Committee have leave to sit again:—It passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, Mr. *Notman*, and Mr. *Richards*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, to confine the operation of the Bill to *Upper Canada*.

Pilots' Apprenti-  
ces Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to compel Pilots' Apprentices to qualify themselves to pilot vessels by the north channel of the River *St. Lawrence*, below the Island of *Orleans*, and to oblige the Trinity House of *Quebec* to lay down buoys to mark the shoals in the said channel, and to facilitate the traverse from the south to the north, from *Isle aux Reaux* to *Cape Tourmente*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Guillet* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Guillet* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Guillet* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Writs of  
Execution Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to extend the remedy by Writs of Execution, being read;

Mr. *Wilson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Richards*, and

the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Armstrong*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day" "three months" added at the end thereof.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Cartier*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *DeWitt*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fourmier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Johnson*, *Laurin*, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Price*, *Sauvageau*, *Scymour*, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Stevenson*, *Taché*, and *Wetenhall*.—(36.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Chabot*, *Holmes*, *LaTerrière*, *Malloch*, *Richards*, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, and *Wilson*.—(12.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, this day three months.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled,

Joint Stock  
Companies  
Bill.

"An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for manufacturing, mining, mechanical, or chemical purposes," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for recognizing for civil purposes, the Canonical Erection of Catholic Parishes, and to regulate the construction and repairing of Churches, Sacristies, Parsonage Houses and Church Yards, and for repealing certain Acts and Ordinances therein mentioned, being read;

Church Build-  
ing Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Boutillier*, Mr. *Armstrong*, Mr. *Guillet*, Mr. *Taché*, the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*, and Mr. *Lemieux*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Markham* and *Elgin* Plank Road Company, being read;

Markham and  
Elgin Plank  
Road Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize Attachments against personal property for sums of Ten pounds and under, in certain cases in *Upper Canada*, being read;

Personal Pro-  
perty Attach-  
ment Bill  
(U.C.)

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, Mr. *Burritt*, and the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to enable the Trustees of Churches and Parsonages, and other Trusts, belonging to the Wesleyan Methodist Church in *Canada*, more conveniently to manage and dispose of their Estates, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

Wesleyan  
Methodist  
Church Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Grand River Navigation Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to increase the Capital Stock of the *Grand River Navigation Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

L'Association de St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate *L'Association Saint Jean Baptiste de Montréal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Debates of the House.

The Order of the day for taking into further consideration the Question proposed on Monday, the fifth day of March last, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, [for the House in Committee to consider the propriety of adopting a Standing Rule fixing the time during which each Member may speak on any Question in the Debates of the House,] being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Wednesday, the eighteenth instant.

Mutual Insurance Companies (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act relating to Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Stevenson*, Mr. *M'Farland*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Malloch*, and Mr. *Seymour*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Saguenay Municipal Council Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize the inhabitant householders holding lands in the new Settlements on the borders of the *Saguenay*, forming the Second Municipal Division of that County, to establish a Municipal Council therein, and for other purposes, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Wetenhall* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Wetenhall* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Wetenhall* reported, the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Militia Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal part of and to amend the Act regulating the Militia of this Province, in so far as regards the enrolment of and fines imposed upon Quakers, Menonists and Tunkers, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Commutation of Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act the better to facilitate optional commutation of "tenure of lands *en roture*, in the Seigniories and "Fiefs in *Lower Canada*, into that of *franc-aleu-roturier*," being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Seymour* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Seymour* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Seymour* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law of *Lower Canada* as regards the District in which real or mixed Actions may be commenced, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Bill relating to Real or Mixed Actions.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act therein mentioned, and "to vest the *Toronto* General Burying Ground in certain Trustees and their successors," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a third time, on Thursday next.

Toronto General Burying Ground Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Merchants' Reading Room of *Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Montreal Merchants Reading Room Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Societies and Companies, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *M'Farland* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *M'Farland* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Bill to facilitate Actions against unincorporated Bodies.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton* and *Gore* Mechanics' Institute, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *DeWitt* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *DeWitt* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

Hamilton and Gore Mechanics Institute Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the Health of the City of *Quebec*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill to amend and consolidate the provisions contained in the Ordinances to incorporate the City and Town of *Quebec*, and to vest more ample powers in the Corporation of the said City and Town, and other references.

Quebec Health Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *St. Patrick's* Society of *Quebec*, being read;

St. Patrick's Society Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Niagara and  
Detroit Rivers  
Railroad Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Lower Canada  
Bar Incorpora-  
tion Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Chabot*, the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, Mr. *Cartier*, Mr. *Polette*, the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*, Mr. *Lemieux*, and Mr. *Chauveau*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Bridge Bill of  
A. M. Delisle  
and others.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize *Alexandre M. Delisle* and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Wilson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Wilson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Montreal New  
City Gas Com-  
pany Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the New City Gas Company of *Montreal*, and to extend the powers of the said Company, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Laurin* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Laurin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Mount Her-  
mon Cemetery  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate "The Mount *Hermon* Cemetery," being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Richards* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Richards* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Richards* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Mutual and  
General In-  
surance Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Dumas* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Dumas* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

Notice being taken, that there was no Quorum:—  
The names of the Members present were taken down, as follow:

Mr. Speaker,

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *DeWitt*, *Dumas*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Hall*, *Laurin*, *Malloch*, *M<sup>r</sup>Farland*, *Mongenais*, *Price*, and *Wilson*.

And at five minutes after one o'clock on Tuesday morning, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till three o'clock in the afternoon.

*Martis*, 3<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

**A**N engrossed Bill to detach the settlements of *St. Anne des Monts* and *Cape Chat* from the Municipality of *Gaspé*, and to erect them into a separate Municipality, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Christie* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

St. Anne des  
Monts and  
Cape Chat  
Municipality  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to compel Pilots' Apprentices to qualify themselves to pilot vessels by the north channel of the River *St. Lawrence*, below the Island of *Orleans*, and to oblige the Trinity House of *Quebec* to lay down buoys to mark the shoals in the said channel, and to facilitate the traverse from the south to the north, from *Isle aux Reaux* to *Cape Tourmente*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Pilots' Appren-  
tices Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Acts and Ordinance relative to the *Montreal Turnpike Roads*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to amend the Acts and Ordinances relating to the *Montreal Turnpike Roads*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Montreal  
Turnpike  
Roads Bill.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the inhabitant householders holding lands in the new Settlements on the borders of the *Saguenay*, forming the Second Municipal Division of that County, to establish a Municipal Council therein, and for other purposes, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Saguenay  
Municipal  
Council Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend an Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act the better to facilitate optional commutation of the tenure of lands *en roture*, in the Seigniories and Fiefs in *Lower Canada*, into that of *franc-aleu-roturier*," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Christie* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Commutation  
of Tenure Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Hugh Maginnis* and others, of the Township of *Thurlow*, be referred

Petition of H.  
Maginnis and  
others;

to the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the limits and internal divisions of the different Cities, Towns, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, and another reference.

Of the Hamilton Mercantile Library Association, referred.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the *Hamilton Mercantile Library Association* be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders; and that the Rules of this House be suspended as regards the said Petition.

On motion of Mr. *Cauchon*, seconded by Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,

Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* be added to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, in the place of the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, absent on leave.

Sixth Report of Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate the Horticultural Society of *Montreal*, and the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the City Bank, and to provide for a reduction of its Capital Stock; and have agreed to report the same, without amendment.

The Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Lake St. Louis* and Province Line Railway Company has also been referred to Your Committee, but they would respectfully submit, that it ought rather to have been referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by Mr. *Méthot*,

Building Societies Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to encourage the establishment of Building Societies in *Lower Canada*," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Press 3, line 20. Leave out from "cases" to "and" in line 24.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

Timber Management Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Price* have leave to bring in a Bill for the sale and better management of Timber upon the Public Lands.

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

University Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Charter of the University established at *Toronto* by His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, to provide for the more satisfactory government of the said University, and for other purposes connected with the same, and with the College and Royal Grammar School forming an appendage thereof.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the seventeenth instant.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act for the better management of the "Public Debt, Accounts, Revenue, and Property," without any Amendment: And also,

Public Debt, &c., Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to reduce the expense of proceedings in *Upper Canada* against the property of absconding or concealed Debtors," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Absconding Debtors Property Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to detach the Parish of *St. Antoine de l'Isle aux Grues* from the Municipality of "L'Islet, and to erect the same into a separate Municipality," with an Amendment; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

St. Antoine de l'Isle aux Grues Municipality Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend and simplify the Laws relating to the Interest of Money;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Interest of Money Laws Amendment Bill.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain Resolutions for repealing the present Tariff of Duties, and for substituting another therefor.

Customs Duties.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *William Workman*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of Messieurs *Greene* and Sons, and others, Furriers and Hatters; the Petition of *William Robinson*, on behalf of a public meeting of the Inhabitants of the Townships of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*; the Petition of *Donald McIntosh*, of the Township of *Godmanchester*, District of *Montreal*, distiller; the Petition of *Mahlon Willet* and others, of the County of *Chambly*; the Petition of *A. T. Galt* and others, of the County of *Sherbrooke*; the Petition of *George Crawford* and others, of the District of *Johnstown*; and the Petition of *James Wadsworth* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*, and others residing on the shores of the River *Ottawa* and its tributaries, be referred to the said Committee.

The House then resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Richards* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Richards* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Deeds and Instruments relating to Real Property in the Registry Office at *Montreal*.

Montreal Registry Office Bill.

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

On motion of Mr. *Stevenson*, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*,

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to confirm a certain Survey of the Township of *Ameliasburgh*, in *Upper Canada*," be now read the first time.

Ameliasburgh Survey Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

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

On motion of Mr. *Holmes*, seconded by Mr. *Morrison*,

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend and "simplify the Laws relating to the Interest of "Money," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

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

On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, seconded by Mr. *Dumas*,

*Ordered*, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to "detach the Parish of *St. Antoine de l'Isle aux "Grues* from the Municipality of *L'Islet*, and "to erect the same into a separate Municipality," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Press 2, line 13. After "year" insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that all By-Laws of the Municipal Council of the now existing Municipality of the said County, shall remain in full force and effect as By-Laws of each of the said two new Municipalities respectively, until altered or repealed by any By-Law to be passed by the said Municipalities respectively; and all monies in the hands of the Secretary-Treasurer of the said Municipality shall, after paying therefrom all debts due by the said Municipality, be divided between the said two new Municipalities in proportion to the amount levied in each respectively."

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fournier* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Fortier*, seconded by Mr. *Polette*,

*Ordered*, That the Bill to authorize *Antoine Amable Archambeault*, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, be re-committed to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*, That the Order of the day for the third reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to make provision "for the preservation of the Public Health, in certain "emergencies," be now read.

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House to the 10th Clause of the said Bill, which imposes certain Penalties relating to the prevention or punishment of offences, it being a case in which, agreeably to the 49th Rule, the House would probably think fit not to insist on their privileges. He also directed attention to the 7th Clause of the Bill, authorizing the proposed Boards of Health to expend certain monies which may be appropriated by Parliament for the purposes of the Act,—said Clause being intended to carry out the intentions of Parliament in granting public money for such purposes, and not actually appropriating the same; and submitted whether it would not be expedient, with a view to expedite the business of the Legislature, that the House should agree to waive its privileges in this instance also.

*Resolved*, That in order to expedite the Public Business, this House, adhering to its declaration

on the exercise of its privileges, does not think expedient to insist on them in laying aside the said Bill.

And the Order for the third reading of the said Bill being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Mr. *M'Farland* reported the Bill to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Societies and Companies; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Bill to facilitate Actions against unincorporated Bodies.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. *Wilson* reported the Bill to authorize *Alexandre M. Delisle*, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, and for other purposes therein mentioned; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Bridge Bill of A. M. Delisle and others.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. *Laurin* reported the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the New City Gas Company of *Montreal*, and to extend the powers of the said Company; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Montreal New City Gas Company Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof, being read;

Election Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Crysler* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Crysler* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for removing doubts as to the legal effect of the Act of the Legislature of *Lower Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, and intituled, "An Act for "rendering valid Conveyances of Lands and other "immoveable property held in free and common socage within the Province of *Lower Canada*, and for "other purposes therein mentioned," and for the greater uniformity of the Law relative to Real Property in *Lower Canada*, being read;

Real Property Conveyances Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow,

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*, being read;

School Law (L.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law relating to Savings Banks, being read;

Savings Banks Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the

Quebec Trinity House Bill.

Interest of Money Laws Amendment Bill.

St. Antoine de l'Isle aux Grues Municipality Bill.

Bridge Bill of A. Archambeault and others.

Public Health Bill.



Bill to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, and for other purposes, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Official and  
Legal Notices  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the insertion of certain "Official and Legal Notices in the *Canada Gazette* "only," being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Court of  
Chancery  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Superior  
Criminal  
Court and  
Court of Error  
and Appeal  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Law of Evi-  
dence (U. C.)  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Naturalization  
of Aliens Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, "and to make better provision for the naturalization "of Aliens," being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Land Survey-  
ors' Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands in this Province, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Public Lands  
Management  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to make other provisions for the management and disposal of the Public Lands, and to limit the period for making free grants, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Indemnity to  
Members.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the expediency of establishing, by Law, the Indemnity to be granted to the Members of this House, and of providing for the payment thereof, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Offenders'  
Treaty Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the *United States of America*, for the apprehension and surrender of certain Offenders, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Supply.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee of Supply, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal the Acts in force in *Upper Canada*, relative to the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities, the regulation of Highways, the Assessment and collection of local Taxes, and other matters of a like nature, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Municipal  
Corporations,  
&c., (U.C.)  
Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to provide, by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Municipal  
Corporations  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to establish a more equal and just system of Assessment in the several Townships, Villages, Towns, and Cities in *Upper Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

County Divi-  
sion (U.C.)  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for abolishing the Territorial Division of *Upper Canada* into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolutions of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Assessment  
Bill (U.C.)

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to establish a Court having jurisdiction in Appeals and Criminal matters for *Lower Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Court of Ap-  
peals and  
Criminal Ju-  
risdiction  
(L.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Courts of Civil  
Jurisdiction  
(L.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Law relative to the Administration of Justice in *Gaspé*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Gaspé Judica-  
ture Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Warehousing* Company, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Thursday next; and that it be then the second Order of the day.

Quebec Ware-  
housing Com-  
pany Bill.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Thursday next.

Orders  
deferred.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, seconded by Mr. *Richards*,  
The House adjourned.

*Mercurii, 4<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis ;*

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. *Chabot*,—The Petition of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec (Cul de Sac)*; the Petition of *H. Gowen*, Esquire, and others, Citizens of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Laurin*,—The Petition of *George Thomas dit Bigaouette*, Prefect, and others, Officers and Members of the *Congrégation des hommes de St. Roch de Québec*.

Hamilton and  
Gore Mechan-  
ics Institute  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton and Gore Mechanics' Institute*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Wetenhall* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mutual and  
General In-  
surance Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Provincial, Mutual and General Insurance Company, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morrison* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mount Her-  
mon Cemetery  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate "The Mount Hermon Cemetery," was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill to facilitate  
Actions against  
unincorporated  
Bodies.

An engrossed Bill to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Societies and Companies, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions read.

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

Of *Kenneth Cameron*, and others, of the Township of *Thora*, Home District; praying that the said Township may remain, as at present, a part of the Fourth Riding of the County of *York*, in the said District.

Of *A. G. Ruel*, Esquire, Notary Public, and Registrar of the County of *Rimouski*; praying that no division of the said County for purposes of Registration may take place, and that he be allowed to practise his profession in case the Bill relating to the Notarial Profession be passed into law, notwithstanding his filling the said office.

Of *John Crawford*, Esquire, and others, of the Town of *Brockville*; praying that the limits of the said Town be not extended.

Of the *Quebec Board of Trade*; praying that the Bill to amend the Act regulating the inspection of Lumber, be not passed into a law.

Of the *Quebec Board of Trade*; praying that the Bill to encourage Ship-building in *Lower Canada* be not passed into a law.

Of *John P. Roblin*, Esquire, and others, of the Township of *Hallowell*, District of *Prince Edward*; praying for certain amendments to the law regulating the granting of Tavern Licences, and for the adoption of certain other measures for the suppression of Intemperance.

Of Messieurs *Provan* and *Anderson* and others, Merchants, and others, of *Quebec*, interested in the

Deal trade of this Province; praying for the passing of the Bill to amend the Act relative to the Inspection of Lumber.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*; praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the said City (8 Vic. c. 59), and for the consolidation of the said Act with certain other Acts amending the same.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*; praying more adequate compensation for the site of the Custom House at the said City.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Simon Fraser*, Esquire, and others, of *Bytown*; the Petition of *James Whiteford*, Esquire, and others, Members of the Board of Police of the Town of *Belleville*; and the Petition of *John Crawford*, Esquire, and others, of the Town of *Brockville*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the limits and internal divisions of the different Cities, Towns, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, and other references.

Petition of S.  
Fraser and  
others;  
Of J. White-  
ford and  
others;  
Of J. Craw-  
ford and  
others;

Ordered, That the Petition of *John Keenan* and others, Officers and Members of Fire Companies, be referred to the Select Committee to which is referred the Petition of *George S. Wilkes* and others, Officers and Members of the *Brantford Hook and Ladder Company Number One*, and other references.

Of J. Keenan  
and others;

Ordered, That the Petition of the *Cobourg and Grafton Road Company* be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of the Co-  
bourg Road  
Company,  
referred.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *George S. Wilkes* and others, Officers and Members of the *Brantford Hook and Ladder Company Number One*, and other references, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth :—

Report on Pe-  
tition of G. S.  
Wilkes and  
others.

Your Committee have examined the Petitions of *George S. Wilkes* and others, of *Henry Groves* and others, and *John Perrigo* and others, Officers and Members of Fire Companies in different parts of the Province, praying that in consideration of their arduous and hazardous duties, the Members of Fire Companies may be exempt, after seven years service, from serving as Jurymen, Constables or Militiamen in time of peace, and all other Parish or Town Offices during the remainder of their lives. After a due consideration of these Petitions, Your Committee are of opinion that it is expedient to grant the prayer thereof, with the exception of so much of the same as relates to exempting Firemen from serving as Jurors.

Ordered, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, have leave to bring in a Bill to exempt Firemen, after a certain number of years of service as such, from Militia and other duties.

Bill to exempt  
Firemen from  
certain duties.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday, the twelfth instant.

Mr. *Holmes* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to incorporate "The Minister and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, Montreal*," That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

St. Andrew's  
Church Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for tomorrow.

Mr. *Johnson*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *James P. Wells* and

Report on Pe-  
tition of J. P.

Wells and others.

Ottawa District Grammar School House Bill.

others, Trustees of the Grammar School for the District of *Ottawa*, with power to report by Bill or otherwise, presented to the House, a Bill to enable the Trustees of the *Ottawa* District Grammar School to sell the present School House, and apply the funds arising from the sale thereof towards purchasing a new site, and erecting a new School House in the Town of *L'Orignal*, which was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Sixth Report of Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, from the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have taken into their consideration the Bill to extend the Charter of the *Montreal* and *Lachine* Railroad Company, to authorize them to continue the said Railroad, and for the incorporation of the *St. Lawrence* and *Ottawa* Grand Junction Railroad Company, referred to them, and respectfully submit, that they cannot recommend the same.

Petition of Provan and Anderson and others.

Ordered, That the Petition of Messieurs *Provan* and *Anderson* and others, Merchants, and others, of *Quebec*, interested in the Deal trade of this Province, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

City Bank Act Amendment Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Holmes*, seconded by Mr. *Watts*, Ordered, That the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the City Bank, and to provide for a reduction of its Capital Stock, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Absconding Debtors Property Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to reduce the expense of proceedings in *Upper Canada* against the property of absconding or concealed Debtors," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 21. After "repealed" insert "Provided always, that notwithstanding the repeal of the said Section, any notice inserted before the passing of this Act, under the provisions of the said Section, may be continued in the same way and for the same time, and with the same effect, as if this Act had not been passed."

Press 1, line 25. After "Debtor" insert "as to whom he shall not have already caused the notice hereinafter mentioned to be published under any Writ issued within six months next preceding the date of such Writ."

Press 1, line 26. Leave out from "notice" to "to" in line 27.

Press 2, line 1. Leave out "twelve" and insert "six."

Press 2, line 2. Leave out "first;" and after "attachment" insert "in virtue of which such notice shall be so published."

Press 2, line 9. Leave out "twelve" and insert "six."

Press 2, line 10. Leave out "first."

Press 2, line 12. After "Debtors" insert "in virtue of which such notice shall be so published."

Press 2, line 17. After "always" insert "that the Defendant in any attachment shall be entitled to three calendar months from the day of the issuing thereof, to give the Bond mentioned in the fourth and fifth Sections of the hereinbefore mentioned Act: and provided also."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

On motion of Mr. *Holmes*, seconded by Mr. *Montgenais*,

Ordered, That the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Lake St. Louis* and Province Line Railway Company, be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Lake St. Louis and Province Line Railway Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Laurin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act for the summary decision of Small Causes in *Lower Canada*.

Small Causes (L.C.) Bill.

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

Mr. *McFarland*, from the Select Committee to which were referred the two Petitions of *John Clark*, Esquire, on behalf of the *Niagara* District Agricultural Society, and another reference, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Report on Petitions of J. Clark.

Your Committee have, in obedience to the Order of reference, examined the contents of the Petitions of the President of the *Niagara* District Agricultural Society, praying for certain amendments to the Act for the encouragement of Agriculture and Agricultural Societies throughout *Upper Canada*, as also the Petition of the Provincial Agricultural Association of *Canada West*, praying that an appropriation may be made from the public funds for the encouragement of the objects for which the Association was established.

Your Committee, upon a careful consideration of the prayer of the Petitioners of the *Niagara* District Agricultural Society, have agreed that an alteration is desirable in so far as regards the distribution of the annual grant from the public funds; and suggest, in amendment to the present Act in this particular, that the appropriation be equally divided among and unconditionally paid to the several County Societies throughout the Province of *Upper Canada*, two-thirds of which amount shall be equally divided among the organized Township Societies of the County, provided that twenty-five per cent of the share so allowed be raised by the members of such Township Societies, and any amount remaining, and not so appropriated or paid over to the Township Societies as above provided, may form a part of the funds belonging to, and subject to the disposal of such County Society.

Your Committee would also recommend that County Societies may be invested with authority to make such rules and regulations as they may see fit for their guidance and well-being; provided that such rules or regulations shall not interfere with the privileges granted to the Township Societies, respectively, situated within their limits.

Your Committee would further suggest, that the members of the Township Societies may be allowed to compete at the County Fairs or Shows in which such Township is situate, without any charge whatever by the County Society; by which privilege the inhabitants of the rural or thinly settled Townships will be benefitted, although unable to avail themselves, in any other way, of the public appropriation.

Your Committee, in reference to the Petition of the Provincial Association, gladly avail themselves of an opportunity to express their anxious desire for the prosperity of an Institution with which is identified the most important interests of the Province; and, therefore, unanimously recommend that Your Honorable House will favorably consider any appropriation of the public monies that may be proposed for

the encouragement of the objects of this important Association, and also, that such appropriation may be extended in an equal share to a similar Association established in *Lower Canada*, as Your Committee conceive that the interests of Agriculture are alike important to both sections of the Province.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz. :—

Militia Muster (U.C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to alter the day on which the Militia shall annually assemble for muster and discipline in *Upper Canada*."

Hallowell and Sophiasburgh Boundary Line Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to alter the boundary line between the Townships of *Hallowell* and *Sophiasburgh*, in the District of *Prince Edward*."

Clergymens' Returns Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to substitute Yearly Returns for the Quarterly Returns required of Clergymen and others, by the sixteenth section of the "Census Act." And also,

Criminal Justice Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act for the removal of defects in the Administration of Criminal Justice;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Railroad Companies Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to make certain general provisions with regard to the services which the Government may require of Railroad Companies, whose Acts of Incorporation make them subject to such general provisions:" to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Thompson and Jessup's Relief Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act for the relief of *Joseph Richard Thompson* and *Henry Jessup*:" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Price*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,

Thompson and Jessup's Relief Bill.

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act for the relief of *Joseph Richard Thompson* and *Henry Jessup*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,

Public Works Management Bill.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the propriety of amending the Act relating to the management of the Public Works.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Armstrong* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Armstrong* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Petition of C. Robertson and others.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Charles Robertson* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph Pointe Lévy*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Joint Stock Road Companies Bill.

Mr. *Wilson* reported the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada*,

for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein; and the amendments, as far as Clause (C.) were read, and agreed to.

Clause (C.) The next amendment being read a second time, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said amendment:—It passed unanimously in the Negative.

Then the subsequent amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*, (L.C.) Bill. being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, and for other purposes, being read;

Quebec Trinity House Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the naturalization of Aliens," being read;

Naturalization of Aliens Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Fergusson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Fergusson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

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

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to take into consideration the expediency of establishing, by Law, the Indemnity to be granted to the Members of this House, and of providing for the payment thereof, being read;

Indemnity to Members.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to take into consideration the expediency of establishing, by Law, the Indemnity to be granted to the Members of this House, and of providing for the payment thereof;

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, acquainted the House that His Excellency having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Malloch* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Malloch* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee Public Health Bill.

on the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the preservation of the Public Health, in certain emergencies," being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be discharged.

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

County Division (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for abolishing the Territorial Division of Upper Canada into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolution of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Fortier took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Fortier reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Friday next.

Orders deferred.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Friday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, seconded by Mr. M'Farland, The House adjourned.

Jovis, 5° die Aprilis;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. Malloch,—The Petition of Robert P. Spittal and others, of the Township of Nepean, District of Dalhousie.

By the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent,—The Petition of J. Mills and others, of the Township of Zone, County of Kent.

By Mr. M'Farland,—The Petition of David Doan and others, of the Township of Crowland, District of Niagara; the Petition of John Rannie and others, of the Township of Thorold, District of Niagara; the Petition of John Thompson and others, of the Township of Humberstone, District of Niagara; the Petition of John S. Price and others, of the Township of Pelham, District of Niagara; the Petition of Albert H. Page and others, of the Township of Pelham, District of Niagara; the Petition of Richard Graham and others, of the Township of Bertie, District of Niagara; the Petition of Lemuel S. Yokom and others, of the Township of Wainfleet, District of Niagara; the Petition of Andrew Upper and others, of the Township of Thorold, District of Niagara; and the Petition of William P. Wilson and others, of the Township of Bertie, District of Niagara.

By Mr. Chauveau,—The Petition of H. Lemesurier, Esquire, and others, of the City of Quebec.

By Mr. Flint,—The Petition of the Board of Trustees of the University of Victoria College.

By Mr. Lyon,—The Petition of G. G. Dunning and others, of the County of Russell; and the Petition of John R. Loucks and others, of the Township of Russell.

Joint Stock Road Compa-

An engrossed Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in Upper Canada, for the

construction of Plank, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads and other Works in Upper Canada."

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Boulton do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act incorporating the New City Gas Company of Montreal, and to extend the powers of the said Company, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Holmes do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to authorize Alexandre M. Delisle, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River Jésus, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to authorize Alexandre M. Delisle and others, to build a Toll Bridge over the River Jésus, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Dumas do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Jesse Joseph, of Montreal, be referred to the Committee of the whole House to consider certain Resolutions for repealing the present Tariff of Duties, and for substituting another therefor.

Mr. Fortier, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have re-considered the Bill to authorize Antoine Amable Archambeault, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River L'Assomption, and for other purposes therein mentioned, re-committed to them by Your Honorable House; and have agreed to a further amendment, which they beg leave now to report.

Mr. Chabot, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition of William K. Mackenzie, of L'Orignal, in the County of Prescott, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of Prescott, presented to the House the final Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That Thomas Hall Johnson, Esquire, the sitting Member, was duly elected a Member to represent the County of Prescott at the last Election for that County.

*Resolved*, That the Petition in this case is not frivolous or vexatious.

*Resolved*, That the defence of the sitting Member is not frivolous or vexatious.

The Honorable Mr. Badgley reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws of Patents for Inventions in this Province, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Flint, seconded by Mr. Bell, *Ordered*, That the Petition of the Board of Trustees of the University of Victoria College, be

Law of Patents Bill.

Petition read.



now read; and that the Rules of this House be suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; representing the circumstances and claims of that Institution, and praying increased aid in support thereof.

On motion of Mr. Christie, seconded by Mr. DeWitt,

Postages of Letters.

**Resolved,** That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the amount paid by the Executive Government, for Postages of Letters, to the General Post Office, specifying the amounts incurred under this head by the several Departments.

**Ordered,** That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Actions of Account for Fees of Office.

Mr. Laurin moved, seconded by Mr. Fortier, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill providing that Actions of Account for Fees of Office may be tried by Jury and according to the Laws of England; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

Bill relating to Biddings at Sales of Land.

**Ordered,** That Mr. Laurin have leave to bring in a Bill to ensure the validity of Biddings at Sales of Land made by order of any Court of Justice, and to fix the days on which the adjudication thereof may be made.

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

Adjournment.

**Resolved,** That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Saturday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, (to-morrow being Good Friday.)

Orders deferred.

**Ordered,** That the Orders of the day for to-morrow, be now read. And the said Orders of the day being read accordingly;

**Ordered,** That the said Orders of the day be postponed till Saturday next.

Canada Life Assurance Company Bill.

On motion of Sir Allan N. MacNab, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Robinson,

**Ordered,** That the Clerk of this House do refund to the Petitioners, or their agent, the fee of £20 paid this Session on the Bill to incorporate the Canada Life Assurance Company, the like fee having been paid at the two last Sessions.

Bridge Bill of A. Archambeault and others.

On motion of Mr. Dumas, seconded by Mr. Cartier,

**Ordered,** That the Bill to authorize Antoine Amable Archambeault, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River L'Assomption, and for other purposes therein mentioned, as reported from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Sault Ste. Marie Mining Company Bill.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Robinson,

**Ordered,** That the Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate "The Sault Sainte Marie Mining Company," be discharged.

**Ordered,** That the Bill be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Solicitor General Blake, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin,

**Ordered,** That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act for the removal of defects in the Administration of Criminal Justice," be now read the first time.

Criminal Justice Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

**Ordered,** That the Bill be read a second time, on Saturday next.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to vest the Toronto General Burying Ground in certain Trustees and their successors," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Toronto General Burying Ground Bill.

**Resolved,** That the Bill do pass.

**Ordered,** That the Honorable Mr. Price do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any Amendment.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the naturalization of Aliens," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Naturalization of Aliens Bill.

**Resolved,** That the Bill do pass.

**Ordered,** That the Honorable Mr. Merritt do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any Amendment.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the preservation of the Public Health, in certain emergencies," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Public Health Bill.

**Resolved,** That the Bill do pass.

**Ordered,** That Mr. Solicitor General Blake do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any Amendment.

Mr. Armstrong, from the Committee of the whole House to consider the propriety of amending the Act relating to the management of the Public Works, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:—

Public Works Management Act.

- Resolved,** That it is expedient to repeal the Schedules B. 1, B. 2, B. 3, B. 4, B. 5, and B. 6, annexed to the Act 9 Vic. c. 37, and being Tables of the Maximum Tolls to be levied on the several Public Works therein mentioned, and so much of the said Act, or of the Act 10 and 11 Vic. c. 24, as requires that the Tolls levied on the said Works, under any Order of the Governor in Council, should be governed by or based upon the Tables in the said Schedules.
- Resolved,** That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council, from time to time to fix and regulate the Tolls to be levied on the several Public Works in the said Schedules mentioned, and on goods, vessels and passengers coming down the St. Lawrence, and past any of the Canals constructed to facilitate the navigation thereof, without being brought through such Canals: such Tolls not to exceed the following rates, viz:—

	£	s.	d.
On Goods and Merchandise passing through all the Canals between Montreal and Kingston, upwards, per ton weight.....	0	7	6
The same downwards.....	0	5	0
On Steamboats or other Vessels passing through the same, upwards, per ton burthen.....	0	0	3
Do do do downwards, do	0	0	1½
On Passengers of or over 21 years of age, upwards, each.....	0	0	6
Do do do downwards, each	0	0	3

	£	s.	d.
On Passengers under 21 years of age, upwards, each.....	0	0	3
Do do do downwards, each.....	0	0	1½
The same Tolls being payable on Goods and Merchandize brought down the River <i>St. Lawrence</i> past any section or sections of the said Canals, as if they had been brought through the same; excepting always timber brought down in Rafts or Cribs, and having been cut upon the banks of the <i>St. Lawrence</i> or <i>Ottawa</i> Rivers, or of the <i>Bay of Quinté</i> , or of the Streams running into the said Rivers or Bay.			
On Goods and Merchandize passing through the <i>Welland Canal</i> , upwards or downwards, per ton weight.....	0	7	6
On Steamboats or other Vessels passing through the same, upwards or downwards, per ton burthen.....	0	0	1½
On Passengers of or over 21 years of age, upwards or downwards, each.....	0	0	6
Do do under 21 years of age, upwards or downwards, each.....	0	0	3
On Goods and Merchandize passing through the <i>Chambly Canal</i> , upwards or downwards, per ton weight.....	0	2	6
On Steamboats or other Vessels passing through the same, upwards or downwards, per ton burthen.....	0	0	1½
On Passengers of or over 21 years of age, upwards or downwards, each.....	0	0	6
Do do under 21 years of age, upwards or downwards, each.....	0	0	3
And on Goods, Vessels, or Passengers passing through any portion or section of the said Canals, respectively, such portions of the above rates as the Governor in Council shall deem expedient.			
On Goods, Vessels, and Passengers passing through any of the Locks in the said Schedules mentioned or hereafter to be constructed, and not being on any of the Canals aforesaid, per ton weight, upwards or downwards, at each Lock.....	0	0	3
On Steamboats and other Vessels, upwards or downwards, per ton burthen.....	0	0	1
On Passengers of or over 21 years of age, upwards or downwards, each.....	0	0	4
Do do under 21 years of age, upwards or downwards, each.....	0	0	2
For the use of the several Public Harbours in the said Schedules mentioned:—			
For each ton weight of Goods or Merchandize landed or shipped.....	0	5	0
On Steamboats and other Vessels using any such Harbour, per ton burthen, per diem,	0	0	0½
On Passengers embarked or disembarked, of or over 21 years of age, each.....	0	0	1
Do do do under 21 years of age, each.....	0	0	0½
For the use of the several Slides in the said Schedules mentioned:—			
For each Crib of hardwood Timber, Masts, Staves, or Sawed Lumber.....	0	12	6
For each Crib of other Timber or of Saw Logs.....	0	10	0
On the several Public Roads in the said Schedules mentioned, at each Gate thereon, and for each time of passing such Gate:—			
For each Vehicle of any kind, and one Horse or other beast of draught.....	0	0	6
For each additional Horse or beast of draught attached to such Vehicle, or saddle Horse or other beast and its rider.....	0	0	2
For each Horse not attached to any vehicle and without a rider, Ox, Cow, or head of cattle, or non-enumerated quadruped.....	0	0	1
For each Sheep, Pig, or Goat.....	0	0	0½
On the several Public Bridges in the same Schedules mentioned, and for each time of passing over the same:—			
The same Tolls as on the Public Roads aforesaid, for animals and carriages, and for each foot passenger.....	0	0	1

3. *Resolved*, That any fraction of a ton or other quantity on which Tolls are to be calculated, may be considered as a whole ton or quantity; and that provided the rates aforesaid be not exceeded in any case, the Tolls may be varied, or exemptions from Toll allowed, as to particular

sections or portions of the Public Works aforesaid, or on particular classes or kinds of vessels, goods, animals, carriages or passengers, in such manner as the Governor in Council shall deem to be most for the public good.

4. *Resolved*, That on or for the use of any Public Work not included in the foregoing Resolutions, or hereafter to be constructed, such Tolls may be levied as the Governor in Council shall deem expedient, and as shall be in his opinion proportionate to the Tolls levied at the same period under the authority of any Act, upon the works most nearly similar to it.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *Malloch*, from the Committee of the whole House to take into consideration the expediency of establishing, by Law, the Indemnity to be granted to the Members of this House, and of providing for the payment thereof, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

Indemnity to Members.

1. *Resolved*, That for the present Session of the Provincial Parliament, and for each Session thereafter, there should be allowed to each Member of the Legislative Assembly attending at any such Session, twenty shillings for each day's attendance thereat, and six-pence for each mile of the distance between the place of residence of such Member and the place at which the Session shall be held.

2. *Resolved*, That the sum due to each Member at the close of any Session should be paid to him by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, on the said Member signing a declaration to be kept by the said Clerk, and stating the number of days' attendance, the number of miles of distance for which such Member is entitled to an allowance, and the amount of such allowance; and that each day on which the Member shall have attended any sitting of the Legislative Assembly or of any Committee thereof, and each day during the Session on which there shall have been no sitting of the Legislative Assembly, or on which he shall have been prevented by sickness from attending any sitting, but on which he shall, in either case, have been in the place where the Session is held, should be reckoned as a day of attendance at such Session.

3. *Resolved*, That there be granted to Her Majesty, out of the unappropriated monies in the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, an annual sum, sufficient to enable Her Majesty to advance to the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of this Province such a sum of money as shall be required to pay the estimated amount of such Sessional allowance according to the foregoing Resolutions.

4. *Resolved*, That the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of this Province should account for such monies as he shall receive for this purpose, in the same manner as for monies advanced to him for the Contingent Expenses of the said Legislative Assembly; and that he should be authorized to apply any surplus thereof to the payment of such Contingent Expenses, and to supply any deficiency of such estimated amount to meet the same out of any monies in his hands applicable to the payment of such Contingent Expenses.

The first Resolution being read a second time, And the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee on the said Resolution;

Mr. *Wilson* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Cartier*, That all the words after "That" be left out to the end of the Question, and

the words "the said Resolution be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the expediency of leaving out the words 'twenty shillings' and inserting the words 'ten shillings' instead thereof ;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Cartier* and *Wilson*.—(2.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *DeWitt*, *Dickson*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerriere*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, *Scymour*, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Stevenson*, *Viger*, and *Watts*.—(53.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put ;

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution.

The subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill to indemnify Members of the Legislative Assembly for their expenses in attending the Sessions of the Legislature.

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

Members Indemnification Bill.

Great Western Railroad Bill.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and the Question being put, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to alter and amend the Charter of the Great Western Railroad Company, be now read ;

The House divided :

Yeas, 18.

Nays, 23.

So it passed in the Negative.

Niagara District Town Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to remove the site of the District Town of the District of *Niagara*, to *Port Robinson* in the Township of *Thorold*, in the County of *Welland*, being read ;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next ; and that it be then the first Order of the day.

Quebec Warehousing Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Warehousing Company*, being read ;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Laurin* took the Chair of the Committee ; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ;

And Mr. *Laurin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Laurin* reported the Bill accordingly ; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Bill relating to persons dying Intestate.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled,

"An Act to make better provision for the protection of the property of persons dying Intestate in that part of this Province formerly called *Upper Canada*," being read ;

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Notman*, and the Question being proposed, That the said Bill be now read a second time ;

Mr. *Morrison* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Laurin*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day three months" added at the end thereof ;

And the Question being put on the Amendment :—It was unanimously resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put ; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, this day three months.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery :—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council request, That this House will communicate to their Honors, the Documents, Evidence and Proofs upon which is founded the Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal the Act defining the boundary line between the fourth Concessions of the Townships of *Montague* and *North Elmsley*."

Montague Boundary Line Bill.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House will send an Answer to the said Message, by Messengers of their own.

And the Master in Chancery was again called in ; and Mr. Speaker acquainted him therewith.

And then he again withdrew.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to prohibit the use of Strychnine and other Poisons for the destruction of certain kinds of wild animals, being read ;

Bill respecting Strychnine and other Poisons.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Boutillier* took the Chair of the Committee ; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ;

And Mr. *Boutillier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received, on Saturday next.

The Order of the day for taking into consideration the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *John H. Aussem*, Esquire, and others, of the Province of *Canada*, being read ;

Report on Petition of John H. Aussem and others.

Mr. *Flint* moved, seconded by Mr. *M'Connell*, and the Question being put, That the said Report be now committed to a Committee of the whole House ;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Burritt*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *DeWitt*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Fournier*, *Gugy*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Lemieux*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *M'Connell*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Stevenson*, *Viger*, and *Wilson*.—(33.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Cartier*, *Davignon*, *Fortier*, *LaTerrière*, *Nelson*, and *Robinson*.—(6.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Burrill* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Port Burwell  
Harbour Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "The President, Directors, and Company of *Port Burwell* Harbour," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Toronto and  
Lake Huron  
Railroad Act  
Amendment  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the *Toronto* and *Lake Huron* Railroad Act, being read;

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

District Courts  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act, the several Laws now in force establishing and regulating the practice of the District Courts of the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*," and to increase the jurisdiction of the said District Courts, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Notman*, and Mr. *Burrill*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Hamilton Cor-  
poration Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to establish a more efficient system of Police and Municipal Government in the City of *Hamilton*, and to extend the limits of the said City, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to provide by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*.

Bill to abolish  
Imprisonment  
for Debt.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, and for the punishment of fraudulent debtors, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Notman*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Wilson* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Richards*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day three months" added at the end thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Dumas*, *Gugy*, *Hall*, *Johnson*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Morrison*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Stevenson*, *Watts*, and *Wilson*.—(19.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Beaubien*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Robinson*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, and *Viger*.—(28.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, That the word "now" be left out, and the

words "on Thursday next" added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment:—It was unanimously resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday next.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to consider the expediency of regulating the Fees allowed to Magistrates in *Upper Canada*, being read; The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Magistrates  
Fees (U.C.)

Mr. *Gugy* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; And Mr. *Gugy* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to encourage Ship-building in *Lower Canada*, by affording better security to persons advancing money, or furnishing work or materials for the construction of Ships, being read;

Ship-building  
Encourage-  
ment Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Lemieux*, Mr. *Chauveau*, and Mr. *Cartier*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Niagara Falls* Suspension Bridge Company, being read;

Niagara Falls  
Suspension  
Bridge Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to enable persons to obtain Lands necessary for the construction of Slides, in certain cases, being read;

Bill respecting  
Lands for  
Slides.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to define the Division Line between *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, being read;

Upper and  
Lower Canada  
Division Line  
Bill.

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

Mr. *Gugy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Davignon*, and the Question being put, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Monday next;

Orders  
deferred.

The House divided:

Yeas, 21.

Nays, 8.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Gugy*, seconded by Mr. *Davignon*,

The House adjourned till Saturday next.

Sabbati, 7<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

Petitions  
brought up.

By Mr. *M'Farland*.—The Petition of *M. M'Kenzie* and others, stockholders in the *Niagara* and *De-*

troit Rivers Railroad Company, and inhabitants of the Township of *Yarmouth*.

By Mr. *Bell*—The Petition of *Archibald Russell* and others, of *Pakenham*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*—The Petition of *E. Reynolds* and others, of the Township of *Sandwich*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*—The Petition of the Reverend *M. Foisy* and others, of the Parish of *St. Edouard*, County of *Huntingdon*.

Petitions read.

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

Of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*; praying that the tract of land known as the *Cul de Sac*, may be vested in the Corporation of the said City, under such restrictions and terms as may be deemed proper.

Of *H. Gowen*, Esquire, and others, Citizens of *Quebec*; praying that no action unfavorable to the Inspector and Superintendent of Police of the said City, may be taken upon the Petition impugning his public and moral character.

Of *Robert P. Spittal* and others, of the Township of *Nepean*, District of *Dalhousie*; praying that the Municipal Corporation Bill and the Assessment Bill, may not be passed into Law.

Of *J. Mills* and others, of the Township of *Zone*, County of *Kent*; praying that measures be adopted for the abolition of the Rectories in *Upper Canada*, and for the repeal of the Imperial Act relating to the Clergy Reserves, and that the funds arising from the said Rectories and Clergy Reserves be appropriated to purposes of Education, and the distribution of the Holy Scriptures.

Of *David Doan* and others, of the Township of *Crowland*; of *John Rannie* and others, of the Township of *Thorold*; of *John Thompson* and others, of the Township of *Humberstone*; of *John S. Price* and others, of the Township of *Pelham*; of *Richard Graham* and others, of the Township of *Bertie*; of *Lemuel S. Yokom* and others, of the Township of *Wainfleet*; and of *Andrew Upper* and others, of the Township of *Thorold*, all in the District of *Niagara*; praying for the removal of the District Town of the said District from its present site to a more central position, and that the District Council be authorized to select the site thereof.

Of *G. G. Dunning* and others, of the County of *Russell*; praying that the amount appropriated in the year 1845 for the completion of the front Road from *L'Orignal* to *Bytown*, may be expended in completing the same, and that there may be no interference with the Act 10 and 11 *Vic. c. 24*, (for the improvement of the said Road,) particularly the 10th clause thereof.

Of *John R. Loucks* and others, of the Township of *Russell*; praying for a reduction of law costs in the collection of debts, and for the amendment of the Law of Arrest in *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, That the Petition of *George Thomas dit Bigaouette*, Prefect, and others, Officers and Members of the *Congrégation des hommes de St. Roch de Québec*, be now received and read; and that the Rule of this House relating to the reception of Petitions be suspended as to the same. And the said Petition was read; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Ordered, That the Petition of *H. Lemesurier*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*, be now read; and that the Rule of this House relating to the reception of Petitions be suspended as to the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "*St. Andrew's and Québec Railroad*."

of the City of *Quebec*, Advocate, and the Petition of *George Thomas dit Bigaouette*, Prefect, and others, Officers and Members of the *Congrégation des hommes de St. Roch de Québec*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of G. Thomas dit Bigaouette and others, referred.

Resolved, That the Documents, Evidence and Proofs upon which is founded the Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal the Act defining the boundary line between the fourth Concessions of the Townships of *Montague* and *North Elmsley*," be communicated to the Legislative Council, by Message.

Montague Boundary Line Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Richards* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Board of Trustees of the University of *Victoria College*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Petition of Victoria College.

Ordered, That the Petition of *H. Gowen*, Esquire, and others, Citizens of *Quebec*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Petition of H. Gowen and others.

Ordered, That Mr. *Richards* have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the Townships of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*, in the District of *Johnstown*, and to attach *South Burgess* to *Bastard*, in the same District.

Leeds and Lansdowne Townships Division Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the sixteenth instant.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*,

Ordered, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to make certain general provisions with regard to the services which the Government may require of Railroad Companies whose Acts of Incorporation make them subject to such general provisions," be now read the first time.

Railroad Companies Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

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

Mr. *Christie*, from the Select Committee to which were referred the Public Accounts for 1847, and the Accounts of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, with power to report from time to time, with an Instruction, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee; which was read.

First Report of Committee on Public Accounts and Quebec Trinity House Accounts.

For the said Report, see Appendix (F.F.F.F.)

Appendix (F.F.F.F.)

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act requiring Mortgages of personal property to be filed:"

Bill requiring Mortgages to be Filed.

Bill, intituled, "An Act for the punishment of Warehousemen and others giving false receipts for Merchandize, and of persons receiving advances upon Goods and afterwards fraudulently disposing of the same:"

Warehousemen's Punishment Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend, and to render permanent as amended, the Act for the management of the Customs:"

Customs Management Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize limited Partnerships in *Upper Canada*:" And also,

Limited Partnerships (U.C.) Bill.

The Legislative Council request, That this House will communicate to their Honors, the Documents,

Bill to secure Real Estate

Petition of J. Motz;

Ordered, That the Petition of *James Motz*, Esquire,



Titles to certain persons.

Evidence and Proofs on which is founded the Bill, intituled, "An Act to secure Titles to Real Estate to certain persons naturalized under the Statute of Lower Canada first William the Fourth, chapter fifty-three."

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House will send an Answer to the last part of the said Message, by Messengers of their own.

And the Master in Chancery was again called in; and Mr. Speaker acquainted him therewith.

And then he again withdrew.

Bill respecting Strychnine and other Poisons.

Mr. *Boutillier* reported the Bill to prohibit the use of Strychnine and other Poisons for the destruction of certain kinds of wild animals; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Customs Duties.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to consider certain Resolutions for repealing the present Tariff of Duties, and for substituting another therefor, and other references, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Guillet* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Guillet* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Tuesday next.

Immigration.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 22d March, 1849, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, copies of all Correspondence that may have passed between Her Majesty's Government and the Executive Government, since the close of the last Session of the Legislature, on the subject of Immigration, in addition to that transmitted, by Message from His Excellency, on the fifth of the same month.

For the said Return, see Appendix (E.E.E.)

*Ordered*, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Appendix (E. E. E.)

Orders deferred.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Tuesday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*,

The House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 9° die Aprilis;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*,—The Petition of Messieurs *Burton* and *Sadler*, Attornies for and on behalf of *Henry M'Sherry*, of the Township of *Glanford*, District of *Gore*; and the Petition of *Duncan M'Farland*, Esquire, and others, of the Townships of *Burford* and *Brantford*.

By Mr. *Fergusson*,—The Petition of *Michael Charlton* and others, of the south half of the Town-

ship of *Dumfries*; the Petition of *W. D. Powell*, Esquire, Chairman, and *Thomas Saunders*, Esquire, Clerk of the Peace, on behalf of the Magistrates of the District of *Wellington* in Quarter Sessions assembled; and the Petition of *A. M. Stephens*, Chairman, and others, on behalf of a public meeting of the Inhabitants of the Townships proposed to form the County of *Grey*.

By Mr. *Marquis*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kamouraska* (Seigniorial Tenure).

By Mr. *Lemieux*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Portneuf* (Seigniorial Tenure).

By Mr. *Méthot*,—The Petition of Messieurs *C. and W. Wurtele* and others, Merchants, Ship-builders and Manufacturers.

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,—The Petition of the Board of Trade of *Hamilton* (Tariff); and the Petition of *Robert E. Burns*, Esquire, and others, Members of the Bar of *Upper Canada*.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the *Quebec Warehousing Company*, was read the third time.

Quebec Warehousing Company Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Méthot* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate "The *Sault Sainte Marie Mining Company*," was read the third time.

Sault Ste. Marie Mining Company Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to incorporate "The *Sault Saint Mary Mining Company*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wilson* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to prohibit the use of Strychnine and other Poisons for the destruction of certain kinds of wild animals, was read the third time.

Bill respecting Strychnine and other Poisons.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

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

Of *M. M'Kenzie* and others, stockholders in the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*, and Inhabitants of the Township of *Yarmouth*; praying for the revival of the Charter of the said Company, and that the time for the completion of the said Railroad may be extended.

Of *Archibald Russell* and others, of *Pakenham*; praying for the abolition of punishment by death.

Of *E. Reynolds* and others, of the Township of *Sandwich*; praying that the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Western District for closing the Road from *Sandwich* to *Windsor* along the bank of the *Detroit River*, and opening another in lieu thereof, be not granted.

Of the Reverend *M. Foisy* and others, of the Parish of *St. Edouard*, County of *Huntingdon*; praying that the law regulating the granting of Tavern Licences and the sale of Spirituous Liquors, may be so amended as to promote the cause of temperance.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Messieurs *C. and W. Wurtele* and others, Merchants, Ship-builders, and Manufacturers, be now read; and that the Rule of this House relating to the reception of Petitions be suspended as to the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying for the insertion of certain rates and provisions in the proposed new Tariff of Customs Duties.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Board of Trade of *Hamilton*, be now read; and that the Rule of this House relating to the reception of Petitions be suspended as to the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying for certain modifications of the Tariff of Customs Duties, and of the proposed Resolutions relative thereto.

Petition of the Hon. L. Panet and others;

Ordered, That the Petition of the Honorable *Louis Panet* and others, the President, Officers, and Members of the Managing Committee of the *Saint Jean Baptiste Society of Quebec*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Of C. and W. Wurtele and others;

Ordered, That the Petition of Messieurs *C. and W. Wurtele* and others, Merchants, Ship-builders, and Manufacturers, and the Petition of the Board of Trade of *Hamilton* (Tariff), be referred to the Committee of the whole House to consider certain Resolutions for repealing the present Tariff of Duties, and for substituting another therefor.

Of the Hamilton Board of Trade, referred.

Report on Petition of A. Plumly.

Mr. *Gugy*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Auldin Plumly*, of the Township of *Hatley*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Various extracts from the Records of the Court of Queen's Bench, Inferior Term, for the District of *St. Francis*, having been laid before Your Committee, they are enabled to certify to the truth of the allegations of the said Petitioner.

It is true then that Appeals to the said Court of Queen's Bench were instituted, in sixteen Causes in which the late Municipal Council for the Township of *Hatley* was concerned, and in which the said late Municipal Council had failed in the Commissioners' Court in the said Township.

It is true that upon these sixteen Appeals it was necessary to give security, and it is true that the said Petitioner and one *Alphonso Burbank* consented to intervene as sureties, and subscribed the necessary bonds on behalf of the said Municipal Council, the Appellant.

It is true that these Appeals were all dismissed; and these results seem to have been caused by the repeal of the Act under which the said late Township Municipalities existed, and by the passing of that which created the present County Municipalities.

It is true that upon the rendering of these judgments the two sureties become jointly and severally responsible for the costs upon fourteen out of the said sixteen cases, and it cannot be doubted that the amount must have pressed ruinously upon the said Petitioner. Your Committee calculate that the aggregate cannot have been less than £125, and must now exceed that amount.

It appears that the said *Alphonso Burbank*, unable to meet the demand, has fled the country, and that the Petitioner is left to bear alone the whole of the burden.

This is not an unusual consequence of the Act to which the Petitioner was a party; but as the result was caused by the Legislature of the Province, the Legislature is bound to repair it.

Had the late Municipal Act not been repealed, the said Appeals would no doubt have been pursued to judgment, and they might have been successful: had they even failed, the Petitioner could have claimed from the late Municipal Township Council of *Hatley* that indemnity to which by Law every surety is entitled from his principal; but by the repeal of that Act the Township Municipal Council has ceased to exist, and the Petitioner is left without any kind of remedy.

This is manifestly a case of great hardship, and a grievance in which Your Committee venture to submit that Your Honorable House is bound to afford redress.

It is clear that the Township of *Hatley* is bound to pay the whole amount of costs incurred on the said Appeals, and fully and entirely to indemnify the said Petitioner, and to save him harmless.

Accordingly, Your Committee recommend the passing of an Act to empower and enjoin the Municipal Council of the County of *Stanstead*, in which the Township of *Hatley* is situate, to levy an assessment upon the said Township of *Hatley*, in order to defray all the expenses incident to the said Appeals, fully to indemnify the said Petitioner, and to enable him by legal process to claim and to enforce that remedy to which, in common justice, he is most undoubtedly entitled.

Ordered, That Mr. *Gugy* have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Sureties of the late Municipal Council of the Township of *Hatley* to enforce their claims against the said Township.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the twenty-third instant.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fergusson* and Mr. *Crysler* be added to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, in the place of the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* and Mr. *Meyers*, absent.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to authorize Attachments against personal property for sums of Ten pounds and under, in certain cases in *Upper Canada*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Ordered, That the First Report of the Select Committee to which were referred the Public Accounts for 1847, and the Accounts of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, (but without the Evidence thereunto appended,) be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Twenty-first Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the *Cobourg and Grafton Road Company*, and find that the requisite notice has been given. The Petition of the *Hamilton Mercantile Library Association* they do not consider to be of such a nature as to require notice.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Twenty-second Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *James Motz*, Esquire, and find that the 66th Rule has not been complied with in respect to the said Petition.

They have also examined the Petition of *George Thomas dit Bigaouette* and others, and do not consider that notice is requisite in this case.

Ordered, That Mr. *Laurin* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Association called "*La Congrégation des hommes de la Paroisse de Saint Roch de Québec.*"

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

Bill relating to Hatley Municipal Council.

Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Personal Property Attachment Bill (U.C.)

First Report of Committee on Public Accounts, &c., to be printed.

Twenty-first Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

Twenty-second Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

St. Roch de Québec Congrégation Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Gugy*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*,

Bill relating to Hatley Municipal Council.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, to enquire whether the Bill to enable the Sureties of the late Municipal Council of the Township of *Hatley* to enforce their claims against the said Township, is one of those whereof previous notice is required.

Farmers' Joint Stock Banking Company.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Cayley* and Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* be added to the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the position and management of the Farmers' Joint Stock Banking Company at *Toronto*, in the place of the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* (absent on leave,) and Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* (who desires to be excused from serving on the said Committee.)

Leave of absence.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* have leave to absent himself from this House, for fifteen days, on urgent private business.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Prince* have further leave to absent himself from this House, for one month from this date, on urgent private business.

Huron Copper Bay Company Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*,

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Huron Copper Bay Company*, be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed.

Bill relating to Mortgages and Mortgagees (U. C.)

On motion of Mr. *Richards*, seconded by Mr. *Armstrong*,

*Ordered*, That the Select Committee to which was referred the Bill to provide for the Sale under Execution of the interest of Mortgagees and Mortgagees in real estate in *Upper Canada*, be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, and Mr. *Burritt*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Public Lands Act Amendment Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of the thirteenth section of an Act of the Province of *Upper Canada*, intituled, "An Act for the disposal of Public Lands," and to amend the said Act in other respects, and further to provide for the final settlement of Land claims.

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

Witnesses.

Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Fortier*, and the Question being put, That the Rule of this House respecting the payment of Witnesses for their attendance before Select Committees, which requires the interference of the Standing Committee on Contingencies, be rescinded, as far as such interference is required; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

Joint Stock Road and Bridge, &c., Companies (L. C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Beaubien* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Lower Canada*, for the construction of Macadamized Roads, and of Bridges and other works of like nature.

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

*Ordered*, That the 68th Rule of this House be suspended so far as relates to the introduction of a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Cobourg and Grafton Road Company*.

Cobourg and Grafton Road Company Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, have leave to bring in a Bill to extend, alter, and amend an Act, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "the *Cobourg and Grafton Road Company*."

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, seconded by Mr. *Wetenhall*,

*Ordered*, That the Message of His Excellency the Governor General transmitting to this House the Estimates of the Sums required for the Service of the year 1849, together with the said Estimates, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Estimates for 1849, committed.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* have leave to bring in a Bill to make better provision with regard to the Tolls to be levied on the Public Provincial Works, and for other purposes relative to the said Works.

Public Works Tolls Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fergusson* have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the County of *Haldimand*.

Haldimand County Division Bill.

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

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of "incorporated Joint Stock Companies for manufacturing, mining, mechanical, or chemical purposes," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Joint Stock Companies Bill.

Mr. *Richards* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill do pass;

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the Question be postponed till Monday next.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company*," without any Amendment: And also,

Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *St. George's Society of Quebec*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

St. George's Society Bill.

And then he withdrew.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to limit the number of Executive Functionaries and the Salaries to be accorded to each, and for other purposes relating to their appointments to office, being read;

Executive Functionaries Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*,

That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day three months" added at the end thereof;

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boutillier, Burrill, Cartier, Cauchon, Cayley, Chauveau, Christie, Crysler, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Dumas, Egan, Fortier, Fournier, Gagy, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, Lemieux, Sir Allan N. MacNab, M'Connell, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Robinson, Sauvageau, Scott of Two Mountains, Stevenson, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Wetenhall, and Wilson.*—(48.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Boulton of NORFOLK, Flint, and Malloch.*—(3.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; The House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the Bill be read a second time, this day three months.

Primeaux and  
Trotter's  
Bridge Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize *Marc Antoine Primeaux* and *Antoine A. Trotter* to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Chateauguay*, in the Parish of *Ste. Martine*, and to make a Plank Road from the River *St. Lawrence* to the River *Chateauguay*, in the said Parish, and to fix the Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, and to make further provision in that behalf, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Manufactories  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to enable the British American Land Company to promote and establish Manufactories in the Eastern Townships of *Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Nuns of the  
Quebec General  
Hospital  
Property Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Community of "the Nuns of the General Hospital of *Quebec* to acquire and hold additional real and personal property to a certain amount," being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

*Mr. M'Connell* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair;

And *Mr. M'Connell* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

*Ordered,* That the Report be now received.

*Mr. M'Connell* reported the Bill accordingly; and the Amendments were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 27. Strike out "this Province" and insert "*Lower Canada.*"

Press 1, line 33. After "whatsoever" insert "in "*Lower Canada.*"

Press 1, line 41. After "thereof" insert "in *Lower Canada.*"

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered,* That the Amendments be engrossed.

J. Yule's Mill  
Dam Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize *John Yule, the younger, Esquire,*

and others, to erect a Mill Dam upon the River *Richelieu*, in the District of *Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "*Les Révérends Pères Oblats de "l'Immaculée Conception de Marie,"*" in the Province of *Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Pères Oblats  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize Defendants to make full defence in certain cases in Actions upon foreign Judgments, being read;

Bill relating to  
Actions upon  
Foreign Judgments.

The Honorable *Mr. Boulton* moved, seconded by *Mr. Armstrong*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

*Mr. Morrison* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by *Mr. Solicitor General Drummond*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment:—It was unanimously resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; *Ordered,* That the Bill be read a second time, this day six months.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to limit the number of Petit Jurors to be summoned to attend the several Courts in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the payment of them, being read;

Petit Jurors  
(U.C.) Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Honorable *Mr. Badgley* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair;

And the Honorable *Mr. Badgley* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

And the Question being put, That the Report be received to-morrow;

*Mr. Johnson* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable *Mr. Robinson*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the "whole House, for to-morrow, for the purpose of re-considering the eleventh Clause" added instead thereof;

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Boulton of NORFOLK, Cayley, Christie, DeWitt, Egan, Fournier, Gagy, Hall, Jobin, Johnson, Malloch, M'Farland, Papineau, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Stevenson, Thompson, Viger, and Wetenhall.*—(22.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Beaubien, Solicitor General Blake, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, Flint, Fortier, Fourquin, Guillet, Holmes, Laurin, Lemieux, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Méthot, Morrison, Notman, Price, Richards, Smith of DURHAM, and Wilson.*—(24.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

*Ordered,* That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Saint Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Company*, being read;

St. Lawrence  
and Atlantic  
Railroad Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Transfer of Real Property (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to simplify the transfer of Real Property in Upper Canada, and to render certain rights and interests therein liable under execution, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Davignon took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Davignon reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

Orders deferred.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Thursday next.

Then, on motion of Mr. Gagy, seconded by Mr. Smith, of Durham,  
The House adjourned.

Martis, 10<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Message from the Council.

A MESSAGE from the Legislative Council, by John Fenning Taylor, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

Bridge Bill of A. M. Delisle and others.

The Legislative Council request, That this House will communicate to their Honors, the Grounds, Evidence and Proofs upon which is founded the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize Alexandre M. Delisle and others, to build a Toll Bridge over the River "Jésus, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

And then he withdrew.

Resolved, That this House will send an Answer to the said Message, by Messengers of their own.

And the Master in Chancery was again called in; and Mr. Speaker acquainted him therewith.

And then he again withdrew.

Petition brought up.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the table:—

By Mr. DeWitt,—The Petition of Alexander Shearer and others, of the western portion of the Township of Hinchinbrooke.

Nuns of the Quebec General Hospital Property Bill.

Mr. Chauveau moved, seconded by Mr. Taché, and the Question being put, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Community of the Nuns of the General Hospital of Québec to acquire and hold additional real and personal property to a certain amount," be now read the third time;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Chabot, Chauveau, Christie, Davignon, DeWitt, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Lemieux, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, M<sup>c</sup>Farland, Méthol, Morrison, Notman, Polette, Price, Scott of BYTOWN, Taché, and Viger.

—(30.)

NAYS.

Mr. Flint.—(1.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Chauveau do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, with several Amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General LaFontaine, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 8th March, 1849, for copies of all Papers or Correspondence relative to M<sup>c</sup>Gill College between the Authorities in Canada and the Home Government, since 1840, and of the Charter and Statutes as now amended, or proposed to be amended; also, a list of the Officers, Teachers, or Professors, (exclusive of the Medical Faculty,) with the pay of each, together with a statement of the College Property and Income, the course of study pursued in the Faculty of Arts, and the present number of Students in the same.

For the said Return, see Appendix (G.G.G.G.)

M<sup>c</sup>Gill College.

Appendix (G.G.G.G.)

The Honorable Mr. Price, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 22d ultimo, praying His Excellency would be pleased to cause the proper officer to lay before the House, a Report of all the Surveys performed on the Ottawa and its tributaries, by whom such Surveys have been made, the cost of each, and by whom ordered, since the first January, 1844, up to the present period; and if there are any Surveys now in progress, where, and the names of the Surveyors employed since the above period, and the total cost up to this date.

For the said Return, see Appendix (H.H.H.H.)

Surveys on the Ottawa.

Appendix (H.H.H.H.)

Also, Return to so much of an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 29th January, 1849, praying that His Excellency the Governor General would be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, a Return of all the expenditure of the Clergy Reserves money, giving the particulars of each outlay since the passing of the Imperial Act relating to the said Reserves; also, copies of all the correspondence or documents received by Government relative to the surplus fund now accruing from the Reserves, and the aggregate amount of such surplus fund.

For the said Return, see Appendix (I.I.I.I.)

Clergy Reserves.

Appendix (I.I.I.I.)

And also, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 29th ultimo, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, by the proper Officer, copies of all applications which have been made to the Executive Government by Religious Denominations other than those which have been provided for by name in the Act for the settlement of the Clergy Reserves, as well as all correspondence which has taken place having reference to the subject.

For the said Return, see Appendix (J.J.J.J.)

Clergy Reserves.

Appendix (J.J.J.J.)

Ordered, That the two foregoing Returns, on the subject of the Clergy Reserves, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Mr. Sherwood, of Brockville, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Seventh Report of Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.



Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate *L'Association Saint Jean Baptiste de Montreal*, and have agreed to certain amendments thereto, which they beg leave to report for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

They have also examined the Bill to incorporate the Merchants' Reading Room of *Montreal*, and the Bill to incorporate the *St. Patrick's Society of Quebec*, and have agreed to report the same, without amendment.

Report on Petition of J. Jones and others.

Mr. *Thompson*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *John Jones* and others, of the Township of *Walpole*, and another reference, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have carefully examined the several Petitions referred to them, praying for a final settlement of the boundary line between the Townships of *Walpole* and *Woodhouse*, and the voluminous evidence taken before a Special Committee of Your Honorable House, on the 21st July, 1847, Appendix of that year (W. W.) as also maps and plans furnished from the Commissioner of Crown Lands Office. The field notes made by *William Hambly* in 1797, prove that he did not complete the survey of the Town line between the Townships of *Walpole* and *Woodhouse*, but, on the contrary, that he found himself three chains east of the line, and ceased running. His field notes are, "That he ran seventy-four chains in the Sixth Concession of *Woodhouse*, close under a slope bank, left the line, knowing the ground, and found the corner three chains to the westward, and carried out his line as per order, and cut the line at seventy-four chains; but made no corner other than was made, waiting to ask instruction in point." No further instructions appear to have been given, whereby it is manifest to Your Committee that said *Hambly* failed in laying down said line. Further, Your Committee see good grounds for presuming, and do presume, that when the present *T. W. Walsh*, in pursuance of his instructions from the Surveyor General in 1847, sought to trace out the supposed *Hambly* line, he did not find said line, or could not trace it, as he reports said line to be crooked, and that at the north-east corner of *Woodhouse* it is twelve chains east, instead of three chains, as said *Hambly*, at the time of undertaking to lay it down, declared it to be. Your Committee conceive that the lapse of forty-nine years rendered the tracing of said line doubtful.

Your Committee beg leave further to state, that the late *Thomas Walsh*, then extra Deputy Surveyor, when sent in 1798 to complete the survey of *Woodhouse* and *Walpole*, did not find the Town line between these Townships laid down; consequently, he extended the same in a direct course with the line between *Townsend* and *Walpole* to the lake, and which is now called the west line.

Your Committee find Patents have issued for lots bounding on the supposed *Hambly* line, and for others upon the west or *Thomas Walsh's* line, others again on no line; that the establishing of the east or supposed *Hambly* line would derange mostly all the improvements on lots in *Walpole* from the 1st to the 7th Concession inclusive, they having been settled upon conformably to the west line; it would place churches, school-houses, grave-yards and dwellings upon the highway, and in other cases, buildings, mills and orchards upon lots belonging to others, to the great injury of the rightful owner. The recognizing the west or *Thomas Walsh's* line would be attended with but comparatively little injury to *Woodhouse*, in respect to improvements, as they are mostly made conformable to that line; and as far as lots of land are concerned, (which is not serious,) Your Committee however suggest a course.

Your Committee have given this vexed and important matter their serious consideration, and have concluded to strongly recommend to Your Honorable House to pass a Bill declaring the west line laid down by extra Deputy Surveyor the late *Thomas Walsh*, the boundary line between *Woodhouse* and *Walpole*:

To name, or else authorize His Excellency the Governor General and Council to appoint three Arbitrators to value on oath the improvements, if any, as also the lands in *Woodhouse*, if any may thereby be taken therefrom; that in liquidation thereof the fifty acres which would thereby remain vacant in Lot 1 of the 6th and 7th Concession, and also the 100 acres more or less of Lot 1 in the 1st Concession *Walpole*, belonging to the Crown, be sold and applied; and further to authorize, in case said proceeds do not cover the same, a tax to be raised upon the lands in *Walpole*, from the 1st to the 7th Concessions inclusive, sufficient to cover the same, and to be applied in satisfaction of the said valuation.

Field Notes sent to the Committee by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, with descriptions of lots on boundary line between *Walpole* and *Woodhouse*:—

COPY of D. P. S. *William Hambly's* field notes, of the east line of *Woodhouse*, surveyed in 1795.

Boundary.—Mr. *Atkins*' stake by the Lake, under a high slope bank, the beach being covered with ice; saw no stone, but imagined some might be obtained when the ice was gone; sat off on the line N. 15, 30 W., nearest by my compass, 123 chains, through hemlock and pine timber, mostly, and in a hollow stands the

Second Concession.—A picket squared and marked Second Concession, No. 24, thence over uneven ground; timber mixed to 35 chains; on this Concession a small creek trending East at 55 chains across the same creek, trending West, and at 68 chains on a level stands the

Third Concession.—A picket squared and road stake marked Third Concession, No. 24, thence on broken land; timber much down and many dead pines standing with thick low green bushes, pine, and hemlock. On a moist piece of land stands the

Fourth Concession.—A picket squared and marked Fourth Concession, No. 24, thence with little variation of soil or timber, being all low pine and hemlock, with small oak intermixed. On land of the same description stands the

Fifth Concession.—A picket squared and marked with its road at 44 chains across *Nanticook*, trending S. E. about a chain wide, and on to 56 chains, cross again, river trending S. W. at 68 chains, land level, timber mixed; and river east of me stands the

Sixth Concession.—A picket squared and marked Sixth Concession, No. 24, and at tenth Concession cross the river, bearing off south easterly, with 15 chains of interval, and cross the river again trending S. West, and now over a beech hill to 54 chains, and cross again trending south easterly, and on beech land to 74 chains close under a slope bank, left the line, knowing the ground, and found the corner three chains to the westward, and carried my line out as per order, and cut the line at 74 chains; but made no corner other than was made, waiting to ask instruction in point.

(A true copy.)

J. H. PRICE,  
Com. Crown Lands.

Crown Lands Department,  
*Montreal*, 10th April, 1849.

Grant to *Jacob Lemon*, all that parcel of Land in the Township of *Walpole*, being Lot number 1 in 5th, 6th, and 7th Concessions, and the North quarter of No. 1, in the 4th Concession, that is to say,

commencing at a post on the boundary line between *Woodhouse* and *Walpole*, about 277 chains distance from *Lake Erie*, and marked P.  $\frac{No. 1}{3}$  then North 15 degrees 40 minutes West 222 chains 5 links, more or less, then North  $78\frac{1}{2}$  degrees, East 29 chains 80 links, then South 15 degrees 40 minutes, East 222 chains, then South  $78\frac{1}{2}$  degrees West to the place of beginning, containing about 650 acres, for which 92 acres and 6-7ths are reserved, per margin.

Description, No. 2130.

(Signed,)

D. W. SMITH,

31st day of August, 1796.

A. S. G.

Grant to *Isaac Gilbert*, all that parcel of Land in the Township of *Woodhouse*, in the County of *Norfolk*, in the *London* District, being Lot number 24 in the 6th Concession, that is to say, commencing where a post has been planted in front of the said Concession, at the South-East angle of the said Lot, then North 15 degrees 40 minutes West 67 chains 40 links, then South 78 degrees, 30 minutes West 23 chains 25 links, more or less, to Lot No. 23, between Lots No. then South 15 degrees 40 minutes East 67 chains 40 links, then North 78 degrees 30 minutes East 23 chains 25 links, more or less, to the place of beginning, containing 150 Acres, more or less.

No. 99, Description No. 335, N. R.

(Signed,)

D. W. SMITH,

Act. Sur. Gen.

Grant to Honorable *D. W. Smith*, all that parcel of Land in the Township of *Woodhouse*, in the County of *Norfolk*, in the *Western* District, being Lot number 24 in front, commencing where a post has been planted, to the eastward of a small creek on the shore of *Lake Erie*, in the limit between *Woodhouse* and *Walpole*; then North 15 degrees 40 minutes West 124 chains more or less, then South  $78\frac{1}{2}$  degrees West to Lot No. 23, 23 chains, 52 links, may the distance be more or less; then South 15 degrees 40 minutes East to *Lake Erie*, and then easterly along the shore of the Lake to the place of beginning, containing about 290 Acres more or less.

Description No. 2946.

(Signed,)

D. W. SMITH.

6th July, 1799.

*Helena M'Donell,*  
*Walpole.*

Lots No. 1 in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and South end of 4th Concession, and Lot No. 2 in 2nd Concession. Commencing on *Lake Erie*, in the limit between *Woodhouse* and *Walpole*, then North 15 degrees 40 minutes West 237 chains more or less, then North  $78\frac{1}{2}$  degrees East 29 chains 80 links, then South 15 degrees 40 minutes East 76 chains 25 links, then North  $78\frac{1}{2}$  degrees East 29 chains 80 links, then South 15 degrees 40 minutes East 67 chains, thence South  $78\frac{1}{2}$  degrees West 29 chains 80 links, thence South 15 degrees 40 minutes East to *Lake Erie*, and thence westerly along the bank to the place of beginning.

No. 1683.

Certified true Copies,

*T. Bouthillier.*

Crown Lands Department,

*Montreal*, 31st March, 1849.

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Mr. *Chauveau*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Louis Legendre*, Esquire, and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Lotbinière*, with power to report by Bill or otherwise, presented to the House, a Bill to empower the School

Commissioners for the Municipality of *Lotbinière* to sue for the recovery of a certain Legacy for the education of Children in the Parish of *Lotbinière*, which was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Mr. *Christie*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *James Cormier* and others, of the *Magdalen* Islands, and another reference, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read.

Report on Petition of J. Cormier and others.

For the said Report, see Appendix (K.K.K.K.)

Appendix (K.K.K.K.)

Resolved, That the Documents, Evidence and Proofs on which is founded the Bill, intituled, "An Act to secure Titles to Real Estate to certain persons naturalized under the Statute of *Lower Canada* first *William the Fourth*, chapter fifty-three," be communicated by Message to the Legislative Council.

Bill to secure Real Estate Titles to certain persons.

Ordered, That Mr. *Guy* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *St. George's* Society of *Quebec*," be now taken into consideration.

St George's Society Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 4, line 11. After "management," insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that no person otherwise competent to be a witness in any suit, action, or prosecution in which the said Corporation may be engaged, shall be deemed incompetent to be such witness by reason of his being, or having been at any time, a member, officer, or servant of the said Corporation."

Press 4, line 19. After "Corporation," insert, "Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any member of the said Corporation from withdrawing therefrom, after payment of all arrears of subscription by him due to the funds thereof, and of his annual subscription for the then current year."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. *Thompson* have leave to bring in a Bill to define the boundary line between the Township of *Walpole* in the *Niagara* District, and the Township of *Woodhouse* in the *Talbot* District.

Walpole and Woodhouse Boundary Line Bill.

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

The Order of the day for receiving the Report on the Bill to limit the number of Petit Jurors to be summoned to attend the several Courts in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the payment of them, being read;

Petit Jurors (U.C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Thursday next.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for abolishing the Territorial Division of *Upper Canada* into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolutions of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require, being read;

County Division (U. C.) Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Fortier took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Fortier reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Fortier reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments, as far as Schedule (C.) were read, and agreed to.

Schedule (C.) The next amendment, being read a second time, as followeth:—

Schedule (C.)

“Counties in *Upper Canada* which henceforth shall for all purposes include and consist of the Townships and places therein mentioned:

“1. *Haldimand*, which shall include and consist of the Townships of *Canboro'*, *Cayuga*, *Dunn*, *Moulton*, *Rainham*, *Sherbrooke*, and *Walpole*.

“2. *Halton*, which shall include and consist of the Townships of *Beverly*, *Dumfries*, *Esquesing*, *East Flamboro'*, *West Flamboro'*, *Nassagaweya*, *Nelson*, and *Trafalgar*.

“3. *Norfolk*, which shall include and consist of the Townships of *Charlotteville*, *Houghton*, *Middleton*, *Townsend*, *Woodhouse*, *Windham*, *Walsingham*, and *Long Point*, and *Ryerson's Island* in *Lake Erie*.

“4. *Waterloo*, which shall include and consist of the Townships of *Arthur*, *Amaranth*, *Bentinck*, *Derby*, *Eramosa*, *Egremont*, *Erin*, *Guelph*, *Glenelg*, *Garrafraxa*, *Holland*, *Luther*, *Mornington*, *Minto*, *Maryborough*, *Melancthon*, *Normanby*, *Nichol*, *Peel*, *Proton*, *Pustinch*, *Sydenham*, *Sullivan*, *Waterloo*, *Wilmot*, *Woolwich*, and *Wellesley*.

“5. *Wentworth*, which shall include and consist of the Townships of *Ancaster*, *Brantford*, *Binbrooke*, *Barton*, *Glandford*, *Oneida*, *Onondaga*, *Saltfleet*, *Seneca*, and *Tuscarora*.”

Mr. Thompson moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Hincks, That the words “*Oneida*” and “*Seneca*” in the fifth paragraph be left out, and that they be inserted, in their alphabetical order, in the first paragraph thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Burrill*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Currier*, *Dickson*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Flint*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, and *Watts*.—(31.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *LaTerrière*, *Lemieux*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Stevenson*, *Wetenhall*, and *Wilson*.—(27.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Honorable Mr. Boulton also moved in amendment to the said amendment, Schedule (C.) seconded by Mr. Johnson, That the word “*Walpole*” in the first paragraph be left out, and that it be inserted, in its alphabetical order, in the third paragraph thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Cayley*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *DeWitt*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *Lemieux*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Notman*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*, *Stevenson*, *Wetenhall*, and *Wilson*.—(21.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Burrill*, *Cartier*, *Chabot*, *Dickson*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Flint*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, and *Watts*.—(34.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The said amendment, as amended, was then agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to consider certain Resolutions for repealing the present Tariff of Duties, and for substituting another therefor, and other references, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Guillet took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Guillet reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*,

The House adjourned.

*Mercurii*, 11<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE following Petition was brought up, and laid on the table:—

By Mr. Hall,—The Petition of the Reverend *James J. Chisholm* and others, of the Township of *Verulam* and the northern sections of the Townships of *Emily* and *Ops*, in the District of *Colborne*.

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

Of Messieurs *Burton* and *Sadler*, Attornies for and on behalf of *Henry M'Sheny*, of the Township of *Glanford*, District of *Gore*; praying for a certain amount of compensation for damages sustained by the said *Henry M'Sheny* in consequence of the construction, by the Board of Works, of a Plank Road from *Hamilton* to *Port Dover*, or that he be enabled to recover the said damages at law.

Of *Duncan M'Farland*, Esquire, and others, of the Townships of *Burford* and *Brantford*; praying that certain Townships therein mentioned may be erected into a new County, to be called the County of *Brant*, with *Brantford* as the County Town.

Of *Michael Charlton* and others, of the south half of the Township of *Dumfries*; praying that the said

Customs Duties.

Orders deferred.

Petition brought up.

Petitions read.

part of that Township, including the Village of *Paris*, may form part of the proposed new District and County of *Brant*.

Of *W. D. Powell*, Esquire, Chairman, and *Thomas Saunders*, Esquire, Clerk of the Peace, on behalf of the Magistrates of the District of *Wellington* in Quarter Sessions assembled; praying that no division may be made of the said District, with the exception of the northern section thereof.

Of *A. M. Stephens*, Chairman, and others, on behalf of a public meeting of the Inhabitants of the Townships proposed to form the County of *Grey*; praying that the said proposed County may be placed in the same section in the County Division Bill as *Kent* and *Lambton*, and that provision be made for its speedy formation into a County.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kamouraska*,—and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Portneuf*; praying for certain amendments to the law regulating the Seigniorial tenure of land, and for the removal of certain abuses therein.

Of *Robert E. Burns*, Esquire, and others, Members of the Bar of *Upper Canada*; praying that the Bill for amending the Judicature of *Upper Canada* may be passed during the present Session.

Petition of *H. LeMesurier* and others, referred.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *H. Lemesurier*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Quebec*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

District Courts (U.C.) Bill.

*Mr. Smith*, of *Durham*, reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act, the several Laws now in force establishing and regulating the practice of the District Courts of the several Districts of that part of this Province, formerly *Upper Canada*," and to increase the jurisdiction of the said District Courts, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Twenty-third Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

The Honorable *Mr. Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Twenty-third Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Instruction of Your Honorable House "to enquire whether the Bill to enable the Sureties of the late Municipal Council of the Township of *Halley* to enforce their claims against the said Township, is one of those whereof previous notice is required," and are of opinion that the Bill in question is not one of that nature.

They have also examined the Petition of the Honorable *Louis Panet* and others, and find that it is not of such a nature as to require notice under the 66th Rule.

On motion of the Honorable *Mr. Boulton*, seconded by *Mr. Watts*,

Walpole and Woodhouse Townships Boundary Line.

*Ordered*, That the Field Notes sent to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *John Jones* and others, of the Township of *Walpole*, by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, with the descriptions of Lots on the boundary line between the Townships of *Walpole* and *Woodhouse*, from his Office, and received after the said Committee had made its Report to the House, be recorded.

*Ordered*, That the said Documents, together with the Evidence annexed to the Report, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Boulton*, of *Toronto*, be added to the Standing Committee on Expiring Laws, in the place of *Mr. Smith*, of *Frontenac*, absent on leave. Expiring Laws.

On motion of the Honorable *Mr. Attorney General Baldwin*, seconded by *Sir Allan N. MacNab*,

*Resolved*, That, for the remainder of the present Session, when the House is proceeding with the Orders of the day, if upon any given Order coming up to be disposed of in its turn, the Member in charge of the measure be not present, or request, by himself or through some other, that such Order may stand over, the same, if the House consent to such request, shall be placed at the foot of the List of Orders, unless by unanimous assent of the House the said Order be allowed to stand over in the same or some other place on such List. Orders of the day.

The Honorable *Mr. Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable *Mr. Attorney General Baldwin*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the subject of affording Legislative aid to Railway Undertakings in this Province; Aid to Railway Undertakings.

The Honorable *Mr. Hincks*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, acquainted the House that His Excellency having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved into the said Committee.

*Mr. Smith*, of *Durham*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein, *Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair;

And *Mr. Smith*, of *Durham*, reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received, to-morrow.

On motion of *Mr. Christie*, seconded by *Mr. DeWitt*,

*Ordered*, That the Order made upon Monday last, for engrossing the Bill to incorporate the *Huron Copper Bay Company*, be discharged. Huron Copper Bay Company Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

The Honorable *Mr. Attorney General Baldwin* laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Progress made in the Geological Survey of the Province, in the year 1847-8. Geological Survey.

For the said Report, see Appendix (G). Appendix (G.)

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to indemnify Members of the Legislative Assembly for their expenses in attending the Sessions of the Legislature, being read; Members Indemnification Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to consider certain Resolutions for repealing the present Tariff of Duties, and for substituting another therefor, and other references, being read; Customs Duties.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

*Mr. Guillet* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair;

And *Mr. Guillet* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Friday next.

Orders defer-  
red.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Friday next.

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

*Jovis, 12° die Aprilis ;*

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions  
brought up.

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

By Mr. *Wetenhall*,—The Petition of *Robert Lottridge*, on behalf of a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Township of *East Flamborough*, District of *Gore*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,—The Petition of *E. Cartwright Thomas*, Esquire, Sheriff, and others holding office in the District of *Gore*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,—The Petition of *George Stevenson* and others, of the Township of *Sarnia*, in the Western District; and the Petition of *George W. Carder* and others, of the County of *Oxford*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*,—The Petition of *George Alexander* and others, of the County of *Oxford*.

Petition read.

Pursuant to the Order of the day, the following Petition was read:—

Of *Alexander Shearer* and others, of the western portion of the Township of *Hinchinbrooke*; praying that that part of the said Township lying to the west of the eastern branch of the *Chateauguay* River, be formed into a separate Township or Parish, to be called the Township or Parish of *Elgin*.

Petition of W.  
Simpson and  
others;Of J. Easson  
and others;Of W. F.  
Whitcher and  
others;Of A. Russell  
and others, re-  
ferred.

Ordered, That the Petition of *William Simpson* and others, of *Smith's Falls*; the Petition of *James Easson* and others, of *Perth*; the Petition of *W. F. Whitcher* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*; and the Petition of *Archibald Russell* and others, of *Pakenham*, be referred to the Select Committee to which is referred the Petition of *Benjamin Workman*, Esquire, and others, of the City of *Montreal* and its vicinity.

Sixth Report  
of Committee  
on Road and  
Bridge Bills.

Mr. *Fortier*, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate the *Markham* and *Elgin* Plank Road Company, and have made an amendment thereto, which they respectfully submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

They have also examined the Bill to incorporate the *Queenston* Suspension Bridge Company, and have agreed to report the same without amendment.

Report on Pe-  
tition of A.  
Talbot.

The Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Antoine Talbot*, of the Parish of *Berthier*, County of *Bellechasse*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read.

For the said Report, see Appendix (L.L.L.L.)

Ordered, That the Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the evidence thereunto annexed, and the Petition of *Antoine Talbot*, of the Parish of *Berthier*, County of *Bellechasse*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Appendix  
(L.L.L.L.)

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the *Markham* and *Elgin* Plank Road Company, as reported from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Markham and  
Elgin Plank  
Road Bill.

Ordered, That five hundred Copies of the Report of the Progress made in the Geological Survey of the Province, in the year 1847-8, be printed in each of the English and French languages for the use of the Members of this House.

Geological  
Survey.

An engrossed Bill to indemnify Members of the Legislative Assembly for their expenses in attending the Sessions of the Legislature, was read the third time.

Members In-  
demnification  
Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Papers Nos. 25 and 33, forming part of the Return to an Address of this House to His Excellency the Governor General, of the eighth ultimo, for copies of various documents relative to *M<sup>c</sup>Gill* College, laid before the House on Tuesday last, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

M<sup>c</sup>Gill Col-  
lege.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fergusson* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the erection of certain Territory in *Upper Canada* into a new County, to be called the County of *Grey*, and for certain purposes relative to such new County.

County of  
Grey Bill.

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

Ordered, That Mr. *Polette* be added to the Select Committee to which is referred the Petition of *Joseph Bistodeau* and others, of the Village of *St. Hyacinthe*, and other references, in the room of Mr. *Duchesnay* absent on leave.

Petition of J.  
Bistodeau and  
others.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*,

Resolved, That during the rest of this present Session of Parliament, commencing with Monday next, this House, except on Wednesdays, do meet at ten o'clock in the forenoon, instead of three o'clock in the afternoon, as prescribed by the present Standing Order.

Meetings of  
the House.

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate *L'Association Saint Jean Baptiste de Montréal*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

L'Association  
St. Jean Bap-  
tiste de Mon-  
tréal Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Badgley* reported the Bill to limit the number of Petit Jurors to be summoned to attend the several Courts in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the payment of them; and the amendments were read.

Petit Jurors  
(U. C.) Bill.

Mr. *Wilson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, and the Question being proposed, That the amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Johnson* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the whole House" added instead thereof;

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



## YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier*, *Chabot*, *Christie*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Dickson*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Malloch*, *M<sup>c</sup>Connell*, *M<sup>c</sup>Farland*, *Merritt*, *Papineau*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Stevenson*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, and *Wetenhall*.—(39.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs Solicitor General *Blake*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Crysler*, *Flint*, *Gugy*, *Lemieux*, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Price*, *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Watts*, and *Wilson*.—(17.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put ;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Watts* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Watts* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Watts* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Aid to Railway  
Undertakings.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, from the Committee to consider the subject of affording Legislative aid to Railway Undertakings in this Province, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That at the present day, the means of rapid and easy communication by Railway, between the chief centres of population and trade in any country and the more remote parts thereof, are become not merely advantageous, but essential to its advancement and prosperity.
2. *Resolved*, That whatever be the case in long settled, populous, and wealthy countries, experience has shown that in those which are new and thinly peopled, and in which capital is scarce, the assistance of Government is necessary, and may be safely afforded to the construction of Lines of Railway of considerable extent; and that such assistance is best given by extending to Companies engaged in constructing Railways of a certain length, under Charter from and consequently with the approval of the Legislature, the benefit of the guarantee of the Government, under proper conditions and restrictions, for loans raised by such Companies to enable them to complete their work.
3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to afford the guarantee of this Province, for the interest on loans to be raised by any Company chartered for the construction of a Line of Railway not less than seventy-five miles in extent, on condition that the rate of interest guaranteed shall not exceed six per cent. per annum; that the sum on which interest shall be so guaranteed shall not be greater than that expended by the Company before the guarantee is given, and shall be sufficient to complete their Road in a fitting manner, and to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Public Works: provided always that no such guarantee be given to any Company, until one-half of the entire line of Road

shall have been completed; that the payment of the interest guaranteed by the Government shall be the first charge upon the tolls and profits of the Company, and that no dividend shall be declared so long as any part of the said interest remains unpaid; that so long as any part of the principal on which interest is guaranteed by the Government remains unpaid, no dividend exceeding six per cent. per annum shall be paid to the Stockholders; that any surplus profits, after paying such dividend, shall go to form a sinking fund for the redemption of the debt on which interest is guaranteed as aforesaid; and that the Province shall have the first mortgage and lien upon the Road, Tolls, and Property of the Company for any sum paid or guaranteed by the Government.

4. *Resolved*, That, provided the conditions mentioned in the foregoing Resolutions be observed, it is expedient that such guarantee be afforded under such further terms and conditions as may be deemed necessary by the Governor in Council, and agreed to by the Company applying for such guarantee; it being clearly understood, that no enactments which the Legislature may thereafter make, to ensure the observance of such terms and conditions, or to give effect to the privileged claim and lien of the Province upon the Road, Tolls, and Property of the Company, or to secure the Province from loss by such guarantee, shall be deemed an infringement of the rights of the Company.

5. *Resolved*, That if Her Majesty's Government shall undertake the construction of the Railway between *Halifax* and *Quebec*, as a great national work, linking together the several portions of the British Empire on the continent of *North America*, and facilitating the adoption of an extensive, wholesome, and effective system of Emigration and Colonization, either directly or through the instrumentality of a private Company, it is right that *Canada* should render such assistance as her means will admit of, and should undertake to pay yearly, in proportion as the work advances, a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand pounds sterling, towards making good the deficiency (if any), in the income from the Railway, to meet the interest of the sum expended upon it, and should place at the disposal of the Imperial Government all the ungranted lands within the Province lying on the line of the Railway, to the extent of ten miles on each side thereof; and should further undertake to obtain, pay for, and place at the disposal of the Imperial Government, all the land required within the Province for the line of the Railway, and for proper Stations and Termini.

The four first Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The fifth Resolution being read a second time,

The Honorable Mr. *Papineau* moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. *Gugy*, That the first word "undertake" be left out, and the word "complete" inserted instead thereof;

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Lyon*, *Malloch*, and *Papineau*.—(3.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Dickson*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*,

*Fourquin, Gugy, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Marquis, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, Wetenhall, and Wilson—(62.)*

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Beauhien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boulton of TORONTO, Boutillier, Burrill, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Cayley, Chabot, Chauveau, Christie, Crysler, Davignon, DeWitt, Dickson, Solicitor General Drummond, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Gugy, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Marquis, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott of TWO MOUNTAINS, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, Wetenhall, and Wilson—(62.)*

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Lyon, Malloch, Papineau, and Scott of BYTOWN—(4.)*

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for affording the guarantee of the Province to the Bonds of Railway Companies on certain conditions, and for rendering assistance in the construction of the *Halifax and Quebec* Railway.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to regulate the construction of, and protect from injury, *Electro-Magnetic Telegraphs* in this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on *Railroad and Telegraph Line* Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill, to authorize *Jean Clovis Bélanger, Esquire*, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Eichemin*, in the Parish of *St. Anselme*, near the Church of the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*, and to incorporate the said *Jean Clovis Bélanger* and others, under the name of the "*St. Anselme* Bridge Company," and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on *Road and Bridge* Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, and for the punishment of fraudulent debtors, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, Mr. *Notman*, Mr. *Cartier*, Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Polette*, and Mr. *Richards*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the First Report of the Standing Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Thompson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Thompson* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That a proper Catalogue of the Books belonging to the Library be kept by the Librarians, in whom the custody and responsibility thereof shall be vested; and who shall be required to report to the House, through Mr. Speaker, at the opening of each Session, the actual state of the Library.

2. *Resolved*, That no person whatsoever shall be entitled to resort to the Books during a Session of Parliament, except the Governor of the Province, the Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils and Legislative Assembly, and the Officers of the two Houses for the time being, and such other persons as may receive a written order of admission from a Member of the House.

3. *Resolved*, That during a Session of Parliament, no Books belonging to the Library be permitted to be taken out of the building, except upon receipts given by a Member of either House.

4. *Resolved*, That during the Recess of Parliament the Library shall be open every day in each week, Sundays and Holydays excepted, from the hour of ten in the morning until three in the afternoon; and that access thereto be permitted to persons introduced by a Member of the House, or admitted at the discretion of the Clerk or one of the Librarians, subject to such regulations as may be deemed necessary for the security and preservation of the collection; but that no one shall be allowed to take any Book out of the Library, except Members of the House, and such persons as may be authorized by the Speaker, or in his absence, by the Clerk of the House, or by one of the Librarians.

5. *Resolved*, That the Clerk of this House be authorized to import annually the continuation of Periodical Works in the Library.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to simplify the transfer of Real Property in *Upper Canada*, and to render certain rights and interests therein liable under execution, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Méthot* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Méthot* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Méthot* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend certain Acts of the Parliament of *Upper Canada*, for the relief of Religious Societies, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr.

Bill granting aid towards the construction of Railways.

Electro Magnetic Telegraphs Bill.

St. Anselme Bridge Company Bill.

Bill to abolish imprisonment for Debt.

Library.

Transfer of Real Property (U. C.) Bill.

Religious Societies Bill.

*Flint, Mr. Notman, Mr. Bell, Mr. Stevenson, and Mr. Malloch, to report thereon with all convenient speed.*

Les Clercs  
Paroissiaux  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Les Clercs Paroissiaux ou Catéchistes de Saint Viateur*," in the "Village of Industry, in the County of Berthier," being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Flint* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Flint* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Flint* reported the Bill accordingly; and the Amendments were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 29. After "persons" insert "being natural born subjects of Her Majesty, or naturalized according to Law."

Press 2, line 28. Leave out "this" and insert "the."

Press 2, line 29. After "Province" insert "of Lower Canada."

Press 3, line 33. After "bequeathed" insert "and which shall be in possession of the said Corporation at the time of its dissolution."

Press 4, line 24. After "acquired" insert "also of the number of Members of the said Corporation, the number of Teachers employed in the various branches of instruction, the number of Scholars under instruction, and the course of instruction pursued."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said Amendments be engrossed.

Neepigon Min-  
ing Company  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of *Neepigon Mining Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Les Sœurs de  
Miséricorde  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate "*Les Sœurs de Miséricorde pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité de Montreal*," being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Sœurs de Ste  
Croix Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate *La Communauté des Sœurs de Ste. Croix*, in the Parish of *St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*, for the purposes of education, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Hall* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Hall* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Hall* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate *La Communauté des Révérendes Sœurs de la Charité of Bytown*, being read; Sœurs de la  
Charité of By-  
town Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the College of *Bytown*, being read; Bytown Col-  
lege Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate *L'Académie Industrielle de St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*, being read; L'Académie  
Industrielle  
Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Lemieux* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Lemieux* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Lemieux* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Huron Mining Company*, being read; Huron Mining  
Company Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Ursuline Nuns of Quebec* to acquire and hold additional real and "personal property to a certain amount," being read; Ursuline Nuns  
of Quebec Pro-  
perty Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Fergusson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Fergusson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Fergusson* reported the Bill accordingly; and the Amendments were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 23. Strike out "*Ursuline*" and insert "*Ursulines*."

Press 1, line 24. Strike out "Nuns."

Press 1, line 26. Strike out "this Province" and insert "*Lower Canada*."

Press 1, line 32. After "whatsoever" insert "in "*Lower Canada*."

Press 1, line 40. After "thereof" insert "in "*Lower Canada*."

Title, line 2. Strike out "*Ursuline Nuns*" and insert "*Ursulines*."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Amendments be engrossed.

Quebec Forwarding Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Quebec Forwarding Company*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Johnson took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Johnson reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Johnson reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read.

Mr. Méthot moved, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, and the Question being proposed, That the amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. Méthot moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Richards, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "the said Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the whole House" added instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment:— It was unanimously resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Johnson took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Johnson reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Johnson reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Orders desired.

Mr. Sherwood, of *Brockville*, moved, seconded by Mr. Malloch, and the Question being put, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Monday next; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then, on motion of Mr. Richards, seconded by Mr. Gugsy,

The House adjourned.

### NOTE.

The Original Manuscript of the Journal of the House, from the 13th to the 25th April, both days inclusive, having been consumed by the fire, of the 25th April, that destroyed the Building in which the Sittings of the Legislature were held; the Journal for that period has been carefully made out from the daily printed Votes and Proceedings of the House, and in as ample a manner as they would admit of.

Veneris, 19<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE following Petition was brought up, and laid on the table:—

Petition brought up.

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,—The Petition of the City Council of the City of *Hamilton*.

Pursuant to the Order of the day, the following Petition was read:—

Petition read

Of the Reverend *James J. Chisholm* and others, of the Township of *Verulam* and the northern sections of the Townships of *Emily* and *Ops*, in the District of *Colborne*; praying for the erection of a Bridge across the *Pigeon River* in *Emily*.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "*Les Clercs Paroissiaux ou Catéchistes de Saint Viateur*" in the "Village of *Industry*, in the County of *Berthier*," was read the third time.

Les Clercs Paroissiaux Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Armstrong* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, with several Amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Ursuline Nuns* of *Quebec* to acquire and hold additional real and "personal property to a certain amount," was read the third time.

Ursuline Nuns of Quebec Property Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chabot* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, with several Amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate *La Communauté des Sœurs de Ste. Croix*, in the Parish of *St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*, for the purposes of education, was read the third time.

Sœurs de Ste. Croix Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jobin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate "*Les Sœurs de Miséricorde pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité de Montréal*," was read the third time.

Les Sœurs de Miséricorde Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jobin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate *L'Académie Industrielle de St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*, was read the third time.

L'Académie Industrielle Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jobin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to limit the number of Petit Jurors to be summoned to attend the several Courts in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the payment of them, was read the third time.

Petit Jurors (U. C.) Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to limit the number of Petty Jurors to be summoned to attend the several Courts in *Upper Canada*, and to provide for the payment of them."

Ordered, That Mr. *Wilson* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

S. P. Jarvis.

The Honorable Mr. Price, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 1st March, 1848, praying for communication of various Documents relative to the Accounts of S. P. Jarvis, Esquire, late Chief Superintendent of Indian Affairs. For the said Return, see Appendix (M.M.M.M.)

Appendix  
(M.M.M.M.)

Seventh Report of Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Mr. Fortier, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company, and have made several amendments thereto, which they beg leave to submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Private Bills.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports of Committees on Private Bills, be extended to the end of this present month.

Montreal Merchants' Reading Room Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the Merchants' Reading Room of Montreal, be engrossed.

Queenston Suspension Bridge Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate "The Queenston Suspension Bridge Company," be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Petition against division of Gore District.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, a Copy of the Petition of the inhabitants of the District of Gore, to His Excellency, against the division of the said District.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Notarial Profession Organization Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Lemieux be added to the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in Lower Canada, in the place of Mr. Duchesnay absent on leave.

Petition against division of Gore District.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, of this day,—Copy of a Petition of the inhabitants of the City of Hamilton and its vicinity:—

To His Excellency the Right Honorable James, Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Governor General of British North America, &c. &c. &c.

The Petition of the undersigned inhabitants of the City of Hamilton and its vicinity,

Respectfully sheweth,

That Your Petitioners have learned with surprise, that the attempt which has been made to set off certain Townships in this District into one or more new Districts, has a remote chance of success: That Your Petitioners are at a loss to conceive the grounds upon which an application to the Legislature for such partition of the District, would be entitled to consideration; since the arguments which have been heretofore brought forward, in reference to this question, have been either such as, in the opinion of Your Petitioners, may be easily shewn to be forced and incapable of proof, or of such a local nature as not to

render it expedient, at present, to inflict a serious injury upon this District, and upon the Province: That had Your Petitioners reason to apprehend, that the attempt to divide this District would have received the slightest encouragement from Your Excellency, they would have been ready to shew, by the strongest arguments, the evils resulting from such a course: That Your Petitioners pray that Your Excellency will grant such delay, in reference to the division of this District, as will enable Your Petitioners, in conjunction with the inhabitants of this District generally, to shew Your Excellency that such division of the District will be fraught with evil to the whole Province; and further, that such division is not desired by a majority, even of those inhabitants of the District who are designed to be transferred to the proposed new Districts.

And Your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

(Signed) W. L. DISTIN, Mayor.  
J. T. GILKISON.

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the expediency of amending the Common School Act, and making better provision for the management and maintenance of Common Schools in Upper Canada, and of repealing the present School Act.

Common School Act (U. C.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Common School Act, and to make better provision for the management and maintenance of Common Schools in Upper Canada, and for repealing the present School Act.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent, have leave to bring in a Bill for the better establishment and maintenance of Public Schools in Upper Canada, and for repealing the present School Act.

Public Schools (U. C.) Bill.

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

Mr. Lyon, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of Joseph Aumond and others, of the County of Ottawa, and other references, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read.

Report on Petition of J. Aumond and others.

For the said Report, see Appendix (N.N.N.N.)

Appendix (N.N.N.N.)

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

An engrossed Bill for abolishing the Territorial Division of Upper Canada into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolution of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require, was read the third time.

County Division (U. C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the following engrossed Clauses (A.) and (B.) be added to the Bill by way of Rider, and do follow the twenty-fourth Clause:

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, That for Judicial purposes only, the Townships of Oneida and Seneca shall remain attached to and form part of the County of Wentworth, so long as the County of Haldimand shall remain united to the County of Lincoln, and no longer."

Clause (B.) "And be it enacted, That for Judicial purposes only, the Townships of Rainham and



"Walpole shall remain attached to and form part of the County of Norfolk, so long as the County of Haldimand shall remain united to the County of Lincoln, and no longer."

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Niagara District Town Bill.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to remove the site of the District Town of the District of Niagara to Port Robinson, in the Township of Thorold, in the County of Welland, be discharged.

Ordered, That the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed till this day three months.

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by John Fennings Taylor, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Ste. Anne des Monts and Cape Chat Municipality Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to detach the settlements of Ste. Anne des Monts and Cape Chat from the Municipality of Gaspé, and to erect them into a separate Municipality:"

Commutation of Tenure Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act the better to facilitate optional commutation of the tenure of lands en roture, in the Seigniories and Fiefs in Lower Canada, into that of franc-aleu-roturier."

And then he withdrew.

Customs Duties.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to consider certain Resolutions for repealing the present Tariff of Duties, and for substituting another therefor, and other references, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Smith, of Durham, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Smith, of Durham, reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

Church Wardens Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to regulate the mode of calling and holding meetings for the election of Church Wardens, and the rendering of accounts by Church Wardens, and to establish the qualification of persons entitled to attend such meetings, and for other purposes, being read;

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

Orders deferred.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Tuesday next.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 16° die Aprilis;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions brought up.

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

The Petition of the Right Reverend Lord Bishop of Toronto.

The Petition of Thomas Shaw, Chairman; and Thomas Choate, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting held at Glanford, District of Gore.

The Petition of Richard Brown, Esquire, and others, of the Townships of Oneida and Seneca, County of Haldimand.

The Petition of Messrs. Robert Ferrie and Company, and others, distillers.

The Petition of M. Mackenzie and others, of Aldborough and other Townships in the District of London.

The Petition of Duncan Campbell, Esquire, Chairman, and W. M. Wilson, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Simcoe, and neighbourhood.

An engrossed Bill to simplify the transfer of Real Property in Upper Canada, and to render certain rights and interests therein liable under execution, was read the third time.

Transfer of Real Property (U.C.) Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Richards do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the Quebec Forwarding Company, was read the third time.

Quebec Forwarding Company Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Méthot do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Merchants' Reading Room of Montreal, was read the third time.

Montreal Merchants Reading Room Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to incorporate the Association of the Merchants' Exchange and Reading Room of Montreal."

Ordered, That Mr. Holmes do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

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

Of Robert Lottridge, on behalf of a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Township of East Flamborough, District of Gore,—and of E. Cartwright Thomas, Esquire, Sheriff, and others holding office in the District of Gore; praying that the Bill for erecting certain Townships in the said District into a new District, may not pass.

Of George Stevenson and others, of the Township of Sarnia, in the Western District; praying that the northern Townships of the County of Kent may be erected into a new County or District.

Of George W. Carder and others, of the County of Oxford; praying for an investigation into the dismissal of George H. Park, Esquire, from the office of Medical Superintendent of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum at Toronto.

Of George Alexander and others, of the County of Oxford; praying for the adoption of measures to promote the construction of the Great Western Railroad.

Of the City Council of the City of Hamilton; praying for aid similar to that granted to the Cities of Toronto and Kingston, to establish a General Hospital in the said City of Hamilton.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Right Reverend Lord Bishop of Toronto, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; setting forth certain objections to the Bill to amend the Charter of the University established at Toronto, and protesting against the provisions of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Petition of Thomas Shaw, Chairman, and Thomas Choate, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting held at Glanford, District of Gore, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; setting forth certain Resolutions passed by the said Meeting protesting against the division of the said District, and representing the evils which would result from such division.

Petition of the Lord Bishop of Toronto.

**Ordered,** That one thousand copies of the Petition of the Right Reverend Lord Bishop of *Toronto*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Petition of A. Shearer and others, referred.

**Ordered,** That the Petition of *Alexander Shearer* and others, of the western portion of the Township of *Hinchinbrooke*, be referred to a Select Committee, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

New County in Upper Canada.

Mr. *Thompson* moved, seconded by Mr. and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to form a new County in *Upper Canada*, out of parts of the Counties of *Waterloo*, *Halton*, and *Oxford*; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

Bill relating to Traders and their Creditors.

**Ordered,** That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate arrangements between Traders and their Creditors, and to make provision for the distribution of the estate and effects of Bankrupts.

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

St. Patrick's Society Bill.

**Ordered,** That the Bill to incorporate the *St. Patrick's Society of Quebec*, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Joint Stock Companies Bill.

The Order of the day for taking into further consideration the Question proposed on Monday last, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for manufacturing, mining, mechanical, or chemical purposes," do pass, being read;

**Ordered,** That the said Order of the day be postponed till Monday next.

Bill respecting Aprons to Mill Dams.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal the several Laws now in force in *Upper Canada*, regulating the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams, and to make provision for better defining the mode of constructing the same, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

**Ordered,** That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next.

**Ordered,** That the Bill, as amended by the Select Committee, be printed.

Registry Laws (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Registry Laws of *Upper Canada*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

**Ordered,** That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the appointment of Guardians to restrain the improvidence of persons incompetent to manage property in *Upper Canada*, being read;

Guardians Appointment (U. C.) Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Flint*, Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Hall*, Mr. *Bell*, and Mr. *Stevenson*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to regulate the mode of calling and holding meetings for the election of Church Wardens, and the rendering of accounts by Church Wardens, and to establish the qualification of persons entitled to attend such meetings, and for other purposes, being read;

Church Wardens Bill.

**Ordered,** That the said Order of the day be discharged.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned relating to Agriculture, and to provide for the remedy of abuses prejudicial to Agriculture, being read;

Bill for the remedy of abuses prejudicial to Agriculture.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Watts*, Mr. *Polette*, Mr. *Gugy*, Mr. *Boutillier*, and Mr. *Armstrong*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal and Troy Telegraph Company*, being read;

Montreal and Troy Telegraph Bill.

The House accordingly resolved into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

**Ordered,** That the Report be now received. The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

**Ordered,** That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to prevent Mill Owners and others from restraining the natural flow of Streams in certain cases in *Upper Canada*, being read;

Bill relating to Streams in Upper Canada.

Mr. *Flint* moved, seconded by ; and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time,

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by , That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "the Bill be read a second time this day three months" added instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment:—It was unanimously resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; **Ordered,** That the Bill be read a second time, this day three months.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate *George Carruthers, H. Hogg, and William Haele*, and their successors, to carry into effect the last Will and Testament of the late *Richard Noble Starr*, being read;

Bill relating to the Will of the late R. N. Starr.

**Ordered,** That the Rules of this House requiring the printing of Bills, and the payment of Twenty pounds on Private Bills, be dispensed with in the case of the said Bill.

**Ordered,** That the Bill be read a second time, on Thursday, the twenty-sixth instant.

Message from  
the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning's Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

Bill to facilitate  
Actions against  
unincorporated  
Bodies.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Societies and Companies," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Mutual and  
General Insu-  
rance Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Joint Stock  
Road Com-  
panies Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act for authorizing the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads and other Works in *Upper Canada*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Nuns of the  
Quebec Gene-  
ral Hospital  
Property Bill.

The Legislative Council have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Community of the Nuns of the General Hospital of *Quebec* to acquire and hold additional real and personal property to a certain amount," without any Amendment.

And then he withdrew.

Upton Town-  
ship Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to annex a certain part of the Township of *Upton* to the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Huron Copper  
Bay Company  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Huron Copper Bay Company*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Bathurst Dis-  
trict Lands  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to annex certain unsurveyed Lands to the *Bathurst District*, for Judicial purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Quebec Dis-  
trict Teachers  
Association  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Teachers' Association of the District of *Quebec*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate *L'Institut Canadien de Montréal*, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be recommitted to the same Select Committee to which it had previously been referred.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize the Religious Community of the "*Sœurs Hospitalières de St. Joseph de l'Hôtel Dieu de Montréal*," to acquire and hold real and personal property to a certain amount over and above that now held by them, as well for themselves as for the Poor of the *Hôtel Dieu* on whose behalf they administer certain property, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act relating to Masters and Servants in the country parts of *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to enable *Louis Comte* to recover a certain amount due to him by the Parish of *St. Edouard*, in the District of *Montreal*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *J. O. Alfred Turgeon*, Esquire, and others, the Mayor and Councillors of the County of *Terrebonne*, and other references, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Sauvageau* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Sauvageau* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate *Frederick C. Capreol*, *Robert Easton Burns*, and others, under the style of the *Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron Union Railroad Company*, to enable them to construct a Railroad from *Toronto* to *Lake Huron*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

Montreal In-  
stitut Canadien  
Bill.

Sœurs Hospi-  
talières (Mon-  
treal) Bill.

Masters and  
Servants  
(L. C.) Bill.

L. Comte's  
Relief Bill.

Petition of J.  
O. A. Turgeon  
and others.

Toronto, Sim-  
coe, and Lake  
Huron Union  
Railroad Com-  
pany Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Méhot* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Méhot* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

And the Question being put, That the Report be received to-morrow;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*, That the words "to-morrow" at the end of the Question be left out, and the words "this day three months" added instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, *DeWitt*, *Hall*, *Jobin*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Seymour*, *Viger*, and *Wilson*.—(12.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Boutillier*, *Cartier*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, *Laurin*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Morrison*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of Two MOUNTAINS, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Stevenson*, and *Taché*.—(27.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Peterborough  
Incorporation  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Town of *Peterborough*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Calvinistic  
Baptist Con-  
gregation  
(Perth) Land  
Title Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to confirm the Title of the Calvinistic Baptist Congregation of *Perth* to a certain piece of Land in that Town, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Weights and  
Measures  
(L. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law relative to the inspection of Weights and Measures in *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Missisquoi  
Railroad Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the incorporation of a Company to establish a line of Railroad between *Montreal* and *Missisquoi*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intitled, "An Act further to extend the time for paying up the new Stock of the Commercial Bank of the Midland District," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment thereto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the Amendment was read, as followeth:—

Press 1, Line 33. After "permit" insert Clause (A.) Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that for and notwithstanding any thing in the said Acts, or in any other Act or Law, the Corporation therein mentioned and heretofore known as the "President, Directors, and Company of the Commercial Bank of the Midland District," shall from and after the passing of this Act be called and known by the corporate name of "The Commercial Bank of the Midland District," but such change of name shall not be construed to make the said Corporation a new Corporation, or in any way whatever to affect any right or liability of the said Corporation, or any action, suit, or proceeding pending at the time of the passing of this Act."

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

*Ordered*, That the said Amendment be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to alter and amend the Charter of the Great Western Railroad Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Laws regulating Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and the protesting thereof, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to regulate and make uniform the rates of damages on Protested Bills of Exchange in this Province, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Commercial  
Bank New  
Stock Bill.

Great Western  
Railroad Bill.

Inland Bills of  
Exchange and  
Promissory  
Notes Bill.

Protested Bills  
of Exchange  
Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

Marriage Op-  
positions Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to abolish Oppositions to Marriages, founded on promises of Marriage, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Bill relating to  
the Enregistrati-  
on of certain  
Titles.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Ordinance providing for the enregistration of Titles to immoveable property and incumbrances thereon, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed

Lessors and  
Lessees Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act passed in the third year of the Reign of His late Majesty *William* the Fourth, chapter one, intituled, "An Act to regulate the exercise of certain rights of Lessors and Lessees," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Wesleyan Me-  
thodist Church  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to enable the Trustees of Churches and Parsonages, and other Trusts, belonging to the Wesleyan Methodist Church in *Canada*, more conveniently to manage and dispose of their Estates, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Rimouski Re-  
gistry Districts  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the County of *Rimouski* into two Districts for the Registration of Deeds, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. *Cauchon* moved, seconded by Mr. *Marquis*, and the Question being put, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Thursday next; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative. Orders of the day.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, Ameliasburgh Survey Bill.

"An Act to confirm a certain Survey of the Township of *Ameliasburgh*, in *Upper Canada*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Mr. *Cauchon* moved, seconded by Mr. *Lemieux*, and the Question being put, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Thursday next; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative. Orders of the day.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate "The Minister and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, Montreal*," being read; St. Andrew's Church Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to enable the Trustees of the *Ottawa District Grammar School* to sell the present School House, and apply the funds arising from the sale thereof towards purchasing a new site, and erecting a new School House in the Town of *L'Original*, being read; Ottawa District Grammar School House Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *City Bank*, and to provide for a reduction of its Capital Stock, being read; City Bank Act Amendment Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.



Report on Petitions of J. Clark.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Report of the Select Committee to which were referred the two Petitions of *John Clark*, Esquire, on behalf of the *Niagara District Agricultural Society*, and another reference, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Thompson and Jessup's Relief Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act for the relief of *Joseph Richard Thompson* and *Henry Jessup*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

Orders deferred.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Thursday next.

Then the House adjourned.

Martis, 17<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petition brought up.

THE following Petition was brought up, and laid on the table:—

The Petition of the Reverend *H. Moreau* and others, of the Parish and vicinity of *St. Eustache*, in the County of *Two Mountains*.

Commercial Bank New Stock Bill.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act further to extend the time for paying up the new Stock of the Commercial Bank of the Midland District," was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendment, do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, with an Amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

Huron Copper Bay Company Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the *Huron Copper Bay Company*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Christie* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Quebec District Teachers Association Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Teachers' Association of the District of *Quebec*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Laurin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Marriage Oppositions Bill.

An engrossed Bill to abolish Oppositions to Marriages, founded on promises of Marriage, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lemieux* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Montreal and Troy Telegraph Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the *Montreal and Troy Telegraph Company*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Gagy*, from the Select Committee to which were referred the Returns to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 23d January last, praying for Statements of the Income derived by the Sheriff of the District of *Montreal*, and by the Crier and Tipstaff of the Court of Queen's Bench for the said District, for the last five years, and, also, the Returns of the Clerks of the Circuit Courts in *Lower Canada*, with power to report from time to time, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee; which was read.

For the said Report, see Appendix (O.O.O.O.)

Ordered, That the said Report be committed to the Committee of the whole House to take into consideration the expediency of amending so much of the Ordinance 25 *Geo. 3*, as empowers the Sheriffs of that part of the Province formerly constituting *Lower Canada*, to retain two and a half per cent out of the public monies in their hands.

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act for authorizing the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads and other Works in *Upper Canada*," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 3, line 16. After "through" insert "or along the boundary of."

Press 4, line 23. After "elected" insert "by the Stockholders."

Press 6, line 4. After "in" insert "or along."

Press 6, line 40. After "in" insert "or along."

Press 8, line 22. After "through" insert "or along the boundary thereof."

Press 9, line 29. After "tolls" insert "not exceeding the rate aforesaid."

Press 12, line 15. After "through" insert "or along the boundary of."

Press 12, line 39. After "through" insert "or along the boundary of."

Press 13, line 6. After "through" insert "or along the boundary of."

Press 14, line 27. Leave out "the" and insert "or along the boundary of any."

Press 15, line 30. After "behalf" insert "and we do hereby nominate (the names to be here inserted) to be the first Directors of the said Company."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 9, line 39. Leave out "six months" and insert "sixty days."

Press 12, line 18. After "Company" insert "signed and sworn to by him as such before a Judge of any of Her Majesty's Courts of Law in this Province, or before a Commissioner duly authorized to take affidavits within the jurisdiction of the

Report on Sheriff, Crier and Tipstaff, of Montreal.

Appendix (O.O.O.O.)

Joint Stock Road Companies Bill.

Mutual and General Insurance Bill.

“ Court in which such action is brought, and bearing the seal of the said Company.”

Press 12, line 22. Leave out “ thereof ” and insert “ of the facts therein stated.”

Press 13, line 15. Leave out from “ be ” to “ at,” and insert “ paid.”

Press 13, line 16. Leave out from “ thereto ” to “ and ” in line 18.

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Morrison do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Dredging Machine.

The Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, —Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 29th March last, praying that he would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, a Statement of the cost of the Dredging Machine purchased for the deepening of Lake St. Peter, the present employment thereof, and the state of the same.

By Command.

J. LESLIE, Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Montreal, 16th April, 1849.

PUBLIC WORKS,  
10th April, 1849.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo, on the subject of the Dredging Machine constructed for Lake St. Peter's Works; and, in reply, am directed to inform you, that the cost thereof (two in number) was £11,257 12s. 9d. One of the Dredges is now under repair, and is to be employed in cleaning the upper entrance of the Beauharnois Canal; the other lies at Sorel, and would require some repairs previous to being fit for use.

I have, &c.

THOMAS A. BEGLY,  
Secretary.

The Honorable James Leslie,  
Provincial Secretary.

Foreign Insurances.

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the expediency of regulating Foreign Insurances.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to regulate Foreign Insurances in this Province, and to provide a remedy against them.

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

Foreign Insurances Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Morrison have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate Foreign Insurances.

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

Lunatic Asylum, Toronto.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, copies of all annual Reports made by the Commissioners of the Temporary Provincial Lunatic Asylum at Toronto, for the years 1845, 1846, 1847, and 1848, in-

clusive, in conformity with the Rules of the Commissioners, and approved of by the Government.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Ordered, That Mr. Lemieux have leave to bring in a Bill for the limitation of Actions of Clerks of Courts of Justice and Attornies *ad lites*. He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Bill relating to Actions of Clerks of Courts, &c.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General Drummond have leave to bring in a Bill declaratory of the Law concerning Contempt of Court in Lower Canada.

Contempt of Court Bill.

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

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, “ An Act for the relief of Joseph Richard Thompson and Henry Jessup,” was, according to Order, read the third time.

Thompson and Jessup's Relief Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Price do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any Amendment.

Mr. Méthot reported the Bill to incorporate Frederick C. Capreol, Robert Easton Burns, and others, under the style of the Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron Union Railroad Company, to enable them to construct a Railroad from Toronto to Lake Huron; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Toronto, Simcoe and Lake Huron Union Railroad Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to amend the Law relative to the inspection of Weights and Measures in Lower Canada, reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Weights and Measures (L.C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to amend the Act passed in the third year of the Reign of His late Majesty William the Fourth, chapter one, intituled, “ An Act to regulate the exercise of certain rights of Lessors and “ Lessees,” reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Lessors and Lessees Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to enable the Trustees of the Ottawa District Grammar School to sell the present School House, and apply the funds arising from the sale thereof towards purchasing a new site, and erecting a new School House in the Town of L'Orignal, reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ottawa District Grammar School House Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to incorporate the Town of Peterborough, reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Peterborough Incorporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Report on Petitions of J. Clark.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Report of the Select Committee to which were referred the two Petitions of *John Clark*, Esquire, on behalf of the *Niagara District Agricultural Society*, and another reference, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the said Report of the Select Committee.

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

Petition of J. O. A. Turgeon and others.

The Order of the day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole House on the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *J. O. Alfred Turgeon*, Esquire, and others, the Mayor and Councillors of the County of *Terrebonne*, and other references, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till Thursday next.

Public Works Tolls Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to make better provision with regard to the Tolls to be levied on the Public Provincial Works, and for other purposes relative to the said Works, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Polette* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Polette* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Public Lands Management Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to make other provisions for the management and disposal of the Public Lands, and to limit the period for making free grants, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

Land Surveyors' Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands in this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

Members Indemnification Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to indemnify Members of the Legislative Assembly for their expenses in attending the Sessions of the Legislature," without any Amendment: And also,

Pilots' Apprentices Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to compel Pilots' Apprentices to qualify themselves to pilot Vessels by the north channel of the River *St. Lawrence*, below the Island of *Orleans*, and to oblige the Trinity House of *Quebec* to lay down buoys to mark the shoals in the said channel, and to facilitate the traverse from

the south to the north, from *Isle aux Reaux* to *Cape Tourmente*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the inhabitant householders holding lands in the new Settlements on the borders of the *Saguenay*, forming the Second Municipal Division of that County, to establish a Municipal Council therein, and for other purposes," with an Amendment; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Saguenay Municipal Council Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the New City Gas Company of *Montreal*, and to extend the powers of the said Company," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Montreal New City Gas Company Bill.

And then he withdrew.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee to consider certain Resolutions for repealing the present Tariff of Duties, and for substituting another therefor, and other references, being read;

Customs' Duties.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof, being read;

Election Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Crysler* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Crysler* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Deeds and Instruments relating to Real Property in the Registry Office at *Montreal*, being read;

Montreal Registry Office Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the sale and better management of Timber upon the Public Lands, being read;

Timber Management Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to define the Division Line between *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, being read;

Upper and Lower Canada Division Line Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to make certain general provisions with regard to the services which the Government may require of Railroad Companies whose Acts of In-

Railroad Companies Bill.

"corporation make them subject to such general provisions," being read;  
The Bill was accordingly read a second time.  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

Official and  
Legal Notices  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the insertion of certain Official and Legal Notices in the *Canada Gazette* only," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Orders defer-  
red.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned.

*Mercurii, 18<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;*

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions  
brought up.

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

The Petition of the Board of Trustees of the University of Queen's College, *Kingston*.

The Petition of *Henry Hall* and *James Duff*, on behalf of the inhabitants of the Township of *Binbrook*.

The Petition of *Miles O'Reilly*, Esquire, Chairman, on behalf of the Magistrates of the District of *Gore*, in General Quarter Sessions assembled.

Calvinistic  
Baptist Con-  
gregation's  
(Perth) Land  
Title Bill.

An engrossed Bill to confirm the Title of the Calvinistic Baptist Congregation of *Perth* to a certain piece of Land in that Town, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Great Western  
Railroad Bill.

An engrossed Bill to alter and amend the Charter of the Great Western Railroad Company, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Allan N. MacNab* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Wesleyan Me-  
thodist Church  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to enable the Trustees of Churches and Parsonages, and other Trusts, belonging to the Wesleyan Methodist Church in *Canada*, more conveniently to manage and dispose of their Estates, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Flint* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

City Bank Act  
Amendment  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act incorporating the City Bank, and to provide for a reduction of its Capital Stock, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the City Bank, and to provide for the reduction of its Capital Stock."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Ottawa Dis-  
trict Grammar  
School House  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to enable the Trustees of the *Ottawa District Grammar School* to sell the present School House, and apply the funds arising from the

sale thereof towards purchasing a new site, and erecting a new School House in the Town of *L'Orignal*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Johnson* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to annex a certain part of the Township of *Upton* to the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to annex a certain part of the Township of *Upton* to the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, for Judicial and Municipal purposes."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Davignon* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

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

Of *Richard Brown*, Esquire, and others, of the Townships of *Oncida* and *Seneca*, County of *Haldimand*; praying for the passing of the Bill to erect the said County into a separate District.

Of Messieurs *Robert Ferrie* and Company, and others, distillers; praying for the imposition of sixpence per gallon, on Whiskey, in the proposed new Tariff of Customs Duties.

Of *M. Mackenzie* and others of *Aldborough*, and other Townships in the District of *London*; praying that a certain part of the said District be set apart as a new District and County, by the name of "*Elgin*," with *St. Thomas* as the District and County Town.

Of *Duncan Campbell*, Esquire, Chairman, and *W. M. Wilson*, Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of *Simcoe*, and neighbourhood; praying for the renewal of the Charter of the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*, according to the route originally laid down by Mr. *Johnson*, Civil Engineer, passing through the said Town.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Board of Trustees of the University of Queen's College, *Kingston*, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying that the University Bill be not passed into law, but that measures be adopted for the settlement, upon a right and equitable basis, of the question regarding the public University endowment.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Henry Hall* and *James Duff*, on behalf of the inhabitants of the Township of *Binbrook*, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying that the Bill for setting apart certain Townships of the District of *Gore* as a new District, may not pass.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Miles O'Reilly*, Esquire, Chairman, on behalf of the Magistrates of the District of *Gore*, in General Quarter Sessions assembled, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying that the Bill for separating certain Townships from the said District, may not pass into law.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Board of Trustees of the University of Queen's College, *Kingston*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Robert C. Wilkins* and others, of *Ameliasburgh*, and the Petition of *William Blahely* and others, of the third Con-

W. Blakely and others, referred.

cession of *Ameliasburgh*, District of *Prince Edward*, be referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to confirm a certain Survey of the Township of *Ameliasburgh*, in *Upper Canada*."

Masters and Servants (L. C.) Bill.

Mr. *Watts* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Act relating to Masters and Servants in the country parts of *Lower Canada*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for tomorrow.

Mutual Insurance Companies (U.C.) Bill.

Mr. *Stevenson* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Act relating to Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for tomorrow.

First Report on Lumber Trade.

Mr. *Scott*, of *Bytown*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the state of the Lumber Trade, the causes of its present depression, the protection of the Forests from unnecessary destruction, and upon all other matters affecting the Lumbering interests of this Province, with power to report from time to time, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee; which was read.

For the said Report, see Appendix (P.P.P.P.)

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Appendix (P.P.P.P.)

Bill to facilitate Actions against unincorporated Bodies.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Societies and Companies," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Agricultural Societies (U.C.) Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *M'Farland* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of the Province of *Upper Canada*, for granting Aids to Agricultural Societies.

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

Montreal New City Gas Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the New City Gas Company of *Montreal*, and to extend the powers of the said Company," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 2, line 32. Leave out "not" and insert "even."

Press 2, line 34. After "bond" insert "or," and leave out from "debenture" to "such."

Press 2, line 46. Leave out "notes" and insert "debentures."

Press 3, line 1. Leave out "notes."

Press 3, line 3. After "fit" insert "Provided always that no such bond, debenture, or other security shall be made or granted for a less sum than one hundred pounds currency."

Press 3, line 14. Leave out "bond" and insert "bonds."

Press 3, line 15. Leave out "debenture" and insert "debentures", and leave out "it" and insert "they."

Press 3, line 18. After "on" insert "all"; leave out "bond" and insert "bonds", and leave out "debenture" and insert "debentures."

Press 3, line 45. Leave out from "Company" to "Provided" in line 48.

Press 4, line 1. After "signed" insert "or signed and sealed."

Press 4, line 4. After "signed" insert "or signed."

Press 4, line 8. Leave out from "Directors" to "of" in line 11.

Press 4, line 16. Leave out from "presumed" to "unless" in line 17.

Press 4, line 17. After "Company" insert "And provided also, that in any action, suit, or proceeding on any such bond, bill, note, contract, or other instrument so signed, or signed and sealed as aforesaid, or in which the said Company may be engaged, copies of the minutes of proceedings and resolves of the Proprietors of Shares of the Capital Stock of the said Company, at any General or Special Meeting, or of the Directors at their Meetings, extracted from the Minute Book or Books kept by the Secretary of the Company, and by him duly certified on oath before a Judge of one of Her Majesty's Courts of Law in *Lower Canada*, or before a Commissioner duly authorized to take Affidavits to be used in the Court in which such action, suit, or proceeding is brought, to be true copies extracted from such Minute Book or Books, and bearing the seal of the said Company, shall be held as conclusive evidence of the facts therein stated, as well as of the election of any President, Vice-President, or Director therein named."

Press 6, line 10. Leave out from "Company" to "and" in line 13.

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Resolved, That the Grounds, Evidence, and Proofs upon which is founded the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize *Alexandre M. Delisle* and others to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," be communicated by Message to the Legislative Council.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dumas* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Bridge Bill of A. M. Delisle and others.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to compel Pilots' Apprentices to qualify themselves to pilot vessels by the north channel of the River *St. Lawrence*, below the Island of *Orleans*, and to oblige the Trinity House of *Quebec* to lay down buoys to mark the shoals in the said channel, and to facilitate the traverse from the south to the north, from *Isle aux Reaux* to *Cape Tourmente*," be now taken into consideration.

Pilots' Apprentices Bill.



The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Saguenay Municipal Council Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the inhabitant householders holding lands in the new Settlements on the borders of the *Saguenay*, forming the Second Municipal Division of that County, to establish a Municipal Council therein, and for other purposes," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

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

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

Leave of absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, have leave to absent himself from this House, for ten days, on urgent private business.

Petition of W. M. Wilson and M. H. Foley, referred.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *W. M. Wilson* and *M. H. Foley*, Chairman and Secretary, on behalf of a public meeting of the inhabitants of the District of *Talbot*, praying for the renewal of the Charter of the *Niagara* and *Detroit* Rivers Railroad Company, be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Mr. Ogle R. Gowan.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency will be graciously pleased to cause to be laid before this House, Copies of all Correspondence connected with the appointment to office and removal therefrom, of *Ogle R. Gowan*, Esquire, as Supervisor of Tolls west of *Lachine*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Religious, Educational or Charitable Institutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire and report what Acts, since the Union of the late Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, have been passed by the Parliament of this Province, incorporating Religious, Educational, or Charitable Institutions therein; their several and respective titles, styles, or denominations; the annual amount as Income or Revenue from real property which by their respective Acts of Incorporation they are authorized to acquire and hold; the collective or total annual amount thereof; and also, whether any and which of the Religious, Educational, or Charitable Institutions existing in *Lower Canada* previous to the Union, have since that period been authorized by Act of Parliament to in-

crease their respective Income or Revenue in Mortmain, and by what amount, be recommitted to the former Committee, to supply certain omissions which appear to have been made, and in particular of the Institutions under the Acts 6 *Vic. c. 82*, and 7 *Vic. c. 68*.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, a Return of all Licenses granted, and applications for Licenses made, to cut Timber on the waste lands of the Crown on the *Ottawa* and its tributary streams, west of *Grenville*, for the years 1847, 1848, and 1849; the names of the parties (alphabetically arranged) to whom any such Licenses have been granted, and of the applicants for any such Licenses during the years aforesaid; the locality of each of such Licenses, and the extent of each of such Licenses in square miles; the description and quantity of timber to have been and to be cut thereon respectively, and whether for square timber or saw logs; also, the amount of deposit in money paid on each of said Licenses when granted, and the quantity of timber returned annually by the holders thereof, as cut thereon respectively; also, a copy of the Instructions heretofore given to the Collector of Timber Duties at *Bytown* and other Crown Land Agents on the *Ottawa* for the granting of Timber Licenses, and a copy of the Instructions given for the future granting of such Licences.

Timber Licenses.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* and Mr. *Polette* be added to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Miscellaneous Private Bills.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to make certain general provisions with regard to the services which the Government may require of Railroad Companies whose Acts of Incorporation make them subject to such general provisions," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Railroad Companies Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Price* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill do pass,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the said Question be postponed till Friday next.

Mr. *Polette* reported the Bill to make better provision with regard to the Tolls to be levied on the Public Provincial Works, and for other purposes relative to the said Works; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Public Works Tolls Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,  
The Legislative Council have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Ursuline Nuns* of *Quebec* to acquire and hold additional real and personal property to a certain amount," without any Amendment; And also,

Ursuline Nuns of Quebec Property Bill.

The Legislative Council have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "*Les Clercs Paroissiaux ou Catéchistes de Saint Viateur*," in the Vil-

Les Clercs Paroissiaux Bill.

"lage of *Industry*, in the County of *Berthier*," without any Amendment: And also,

Commercial Bank New Stock Bill.

The Legislative Council have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, "An Act further to extend the time for paying up the new Stock of the Commercial Bank of the "Midland District," without any Amendment: And also,

Sault Ste. Marie Mining Company Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "The *Sault Saint Mary* Mining Company," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Roman Catholic Bishops (L.C.) Incorporation Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Archbishop and Bishops in each Diocese in *Lower Canada*;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Customs Duties.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, from the Committee to consider certain Resolutions for repealing the present Tariff of Duties, and for substituting another therefor, and other references, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*. That it is expedient to repeal the Duties of Customs imposed by the Acts 10 and 11 *Vic. c. 31* and 32, and to substitute a new Tariff of Duties for that now in force under the said Acts.
2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient, that upon the importation of the several Articles hereinafter mentioned into this Province, there be imposed and levied the Duties set opposite to the same respectively, that is to say;—upon

	£	s.	d.
1. SUGAR, Refined, or Candy the cwt.....	0	14	0
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
—, Other kinds, the cwt.....	0	9	0
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
2. MOLASSES, the cwt.....	0	3	0
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
3. TEA, the lb.....	0	0	1
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
4. COFFEE, Raw or Green, the cwt.....	0	4	8
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
—, Other kinds, the cwt.....	0	14	0
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
5. TOBACCO, Manufactured, the lb.....	0	0	1
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
—, Unmanufactured, the lb.....	0	0	0½
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
—, Cigars, the lb.....	0	1	6
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
—, Snuff, the lb.....	0	0	4
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
6. WINE, in wood, value, £15 the Pipe or under, the gallon.....	0	0	6
And further for every £100 value.....	25	0	0
—, In wood, value over £15 the Pipe, the gallon.....	0	1	6
And further for every £100 value.....	25	0	0
—, In bottles, the gallon.....	0	4	0
And further for every £100 value.....	25	0	0
7. SPIRITS AND STRONG WATERS, of all sorts, for every gallon of any strength not exceeding the strength of proof by Sykes' Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength than the strength of proof, and for any greater or less quantity than a gallon:—			
WHISKEY, the gallon.....	0	0	3
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
RUM, the gallon.....	0	1	3
And further for every £100 value.....	25	0	0
GENEVA, BRANDY and other Spirits or Strong Waters, except Rum and Whiskey, the gallon.....	0	2	0
And further for every £100 value.....	25	0	0
SPIRITS, CORDIALS AND LIQUEURS, sweetened or mixed with any article so that the strength cannot be ascertained by Sykes' Hydrometer, the gallon.....	0	3	0
And further for every £100 value.....	25	0	0
8. SALT, the bushel.....	0	0	1
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0

9. SPICES AND FRUITS, NUTS, VINEGAR, MACARONI, AND VERMICELLI, SWEETMEATS or FRUIT preserved in Sugar, Candy or Molasses, for every £100 value £30 0 0

10. ANIMALS of all kinds, Hams, Meats of all kinds, Butter, Cheese, Flour, Barley, Buckwheat, Bear and Bigg, Oats, Rye, Beans and Peas, Meal of the above grains, and of Wheat not bolted, Bran in shorts, and Hops, for every £100 in value 20 0 0

11. ANCHORS, Bark, Berries, Nuts, Vegetables, Woods and Drugs used solely in dying, and Indigo, Bristles, Burr Stones unwrought, Chain Cables, Coal and Coke, Grease and Scraps, Hemp, Flax, and Tow undressed, Hides, Junk or Oakum, Lard, Lead, pig and sheet, Marble in blocks unpolished, Oil, Cocoonut and Palm only, Ores of all kinds of Metals, Railroad Bars, Bar and Rod Iron, Charcoal, Boiler Plate, Nail, Sheet and Hoop Iron for manufacturing Cut Nails, Spike Rods, Pig, Scrap and Old Iron, Pipe Clay, Resin and Rosin, Saw Logs, Ships' Water Casks in use, Teasles, Steel, Broom Corn, Wood used in making Carpenters or Joiners Tools, Tallow, Tar and Pitch, Tanned Rope, Type-metal in blocks or pigs, Wool, for every £100 value..... 2 10 0

12. ALL GOODS, WARES, AND MERCHANTIZE, not otherwise charged with duty, and not hereinafter declared to be exempt from duty, for every £100 value..... 12 10 0

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the following Articles be exempt from Duty, that is to say:

Ashes, Pot and Pearl, and Soda, Cotton Wool, Anatomical Preparations, Philosophical Instruments and Apparatus, Printed Books, (not foreign reprints of British Copyright Works,) Maps, Busts and Casts of Marble, Bronze, Alabaster, or Plaster of Paris; Paintings, Drawings, Engravings, Etchings, and Lithographs; Cabinets of Coins, Medals, or Gems, and other collections of Antiquities; Specimens of Natural History, Mineralogy or Botany, Trees, Shrubs, Bulbs and Roots, Wheat and Indian Corn, Animals specially imported for the improvement of Stock.

Models of Machinery and other inventions and improvements in the Arts.

Coin and Bullion.

Manures of all kinds.

Arms, Clothing, Cattle, Provisions, and Stores of every description, which any Commissary or Commissaries, Contractor or Contractors shall import or bring, or which may be imported or brought by the Principal or other Officer or Officers of Her Majesty's Ordnance, into the Province, for the use of Her Majesty's Army or Navy, or for the use of the Indian Nations in this Province, provided the duty otherwise payable thereon would be defrayed or borne by the Treasury of the United Kingdom, or of this Province.

Horses and Carriages of travellers, and Horses, Cattle and Carriages and other vehicles when employed in carrying Merchandize, together with the necessary harness and tackle, so long as the same shall be *bona fide* in use for that purpose, except the Horses, Cattle, Carriages, Vehicles, and Harness of persons hawking Goods, Wares, and Merchandize through the Province for the purpose of retailing the same, and the Horses, Cattle, Carriages, and Harness of any Circus or Equestrian Troop for exhibition; the Horses, Cattle, Carriages, and Harness of any Menagerie, to be free.

Donations of Clothing specially imported for the use of, or to be distributed, gratuitously by any Charitable Society in this Province.

Seeds of all kinds, Farming Utensils and Implements of Husbandry, when specially imported in good faith by any Society incorporated or established for the encouragement of Agriculture.

The following Articles in the occupation or employment of persons coming into the Province for the purpose of actually settling therein, viz:

Wearing apparel in actual use, and other personal effects not merchandize; Horses and Cattle; Implements and Tools of Trade of handy-crafts-men.

The personal Household Effects, not Merchandize, of inhabitants of this Province, being subjects of Her Majesty and dying abroad.

And the following Articles when imported directly from the United Kingdom or from any of the British *North American* Provinces, and

being the growth, produce or manufacture of the said United Kingdom or of the said Provinces, viz:

Animals; Beef; Pork; Biscuit; Bread; Butter; Cocoa Paste; Corn or Grain of all kinds; Flour; Fish, fresh or salted, dried or pickled; Fish Oil; Furs or Skins the produce of fish or creatures living in the Seas; Gypsum; Horns; Meat; Poultry; Plants, Shrubs and Trees; Potatoes and Vegetables of all kinds; Seeds of all kinds; Skins, Pelts, Furs or Tails undressed; Wood, viz: Boards, Planks, Staves, Timber and Firewood.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the following Articles be prohibited to be imported into this Province; that is to say:

BOOKS AND DRAWINGS of an immoral or indecent character.

COIN, Base or Counterfeit.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient, for the protection of the fair Trader and of the Revenue, to provide against the fraudulent undervaluation of Goods subject to *ad valorem* Duty, by the appointment of competent Appraisers, by giving to such Appraisers and to the Collectors the power to examine Witnesses upon oath, by requiring the production of duly attested Invoices, by the forfeiture of Goods with regard to which such fraud may be committed, by the proper examination of the Goods, and by adopting such other precautions as may be requisite to prevent or punish such fraud: and to make such other amendments to the Customs' Act as experience hath shewn to be requisite for better attaining the objects thereof.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to empower the Governor in Council, from time to time, and whenever, in his opinion, it may be necessary in order to enable the Consolidated Revenue Fund to meet the charges placed thereon, to increase the said Duties of Customs, by adding one tenth part, or ten per centum thereon, to such Duties, by any Order in Council to be made and published in the *Canada Gazette*, not less than three months before it is to take effect, and in like manner and after like notice, to take off such additional Duty.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, and the Question being proposed, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time;

Mr. *DeWitt* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Davignon*, That all the words after "now" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "re-committed for the purpose of adding in the second Resolution, after the items charged with a specific Duty, the following as Articles upon which a Duty should also be levied as at present rates, viz:—Leather, Leather Manufactures, and Glass."

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Fournier*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *LaTerriere*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Méthot*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, *Seymour*, *Stevenson*, *Taché*, and *Watts*.—(25.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Scott* of BYTOWN, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Thompson*, and *Viger*.—(31.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time;

Mr. *Davignon* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Watts*, That all the words after "now" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "re-committed for the purpose of considering whether it would not be expedient to continue the present Duty on Live Stock."

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Cayley*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Fournier*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *LaTerriere*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Stevenson*, *Taché*, and *Watts*.—(24.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of BYTOWN, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Thompson*, *Viger*, and *Wilson*.—(35.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time;

Mr. *Seymour* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Johnson*, That all the words after "now" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "re-committed for the purpose of considering the expediency of inserting the words "Maize or Indian Corn" immediately after the word "Flour" in the second Resolution."

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *DeWitt*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *Lyon*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Stevenson*, *Thompson*, and *Watts*.—(19.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Scott* of BYTOWN, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Taché*, *Viger*, and *Wilson*.—(39.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time;

Mr. *Seymour* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Lyon*, That all the words after "now" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "re-committed for the purpose of considering the expediency of inserting the words "Wheat, except to be ground in bond for exportation" immediately after the word "Flour" in the second Resolution."

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *DeWitt*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *Lyon*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Robinson*,

*Seymour, Smith of WENTWORTH, Stevenson, Thompson, and Watts.*—(18.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Smith of DURHAM, Taché, Viger, and Wilson.*—(41.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time;

Mr. *Christie* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Taché*, That all the words after "now" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "re-committed, to consider the expediency of amending the third Resolution, by adding immediately after the word "Firewood," the following:—"Also, for the use and encouragement of the Fisheries, as heretofore, in the District of *Gaspé* and on the *Labrador Coast*,—Salt, Molasses, Cordage, Turpentine, Leather, Leather Ware, Fishermen's Clothing and Hosiery, Fishing Craft Utensils and Instruments, imported directly from the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, or from any of the British North American Provinces and being of the growth, produce, or manufacture thereof; subject always to such regulations as the Principal Officer of Her Majesty's Customs at the Port of *Quebec* shall make, and which he is hereby empowered to establish for the purpose of ascertaining that such articles are *bonâ fide* intended to be applied for the use of the Fisheries."

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Chauveau, Christie, Crysler, DeWitt, Egan, Fournier, Gogy, LaTerrière, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, Robinson, Stevenson, and Taché.*—(17.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Dumas, Fergusson, Fortier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, Laurin, Lemieux, Lyon, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Mongenais, Morrison, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Scott of BYTOWN, Seymour, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Thompson, and Viger.*—(40.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time;

Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cayley*, That all the words after "now" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "re-committed for the purpose of considering the expediency of imposing an *ad valorem* Duty on Wines not exceeding 40 per cent."

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Sir Allan N. MacNab, and Morrison.*—(5.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Christie, Crysler, De-*

*Witt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Gogy, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin, Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Lyon, Malloch, Marquis, M'Connell, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Robinson, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Seymour, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Watts.*—(55.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time;

Mr. *M'Connell* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *DeWitt*, That all the words after "now" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "re-committed, in order to leave out the word "Provisions" in the third Resolution;"

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Christie, DeWitt, Gogy, Hall, Johnson, LaTerrière, Lyon, Malloch, M'Connell, Seymour, Thompson, and Watts.*—(14.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Cayley, Chabot, Chauveau*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes, Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, Laurin, Lemieux, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Morrison, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Robinson, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, and Viger.*—(45.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time;

Mr. *Egan* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Lyon*, That all the words after "now" be left out, and the words "re-committed to consider the expediency of reducing the Duty on Mess Pork" added instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Christie, Crysler*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Flint Fortier, Hincks, Holmes, Johnson, Lyon, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Morrison, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Taché, and Thompson.*—(32.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Bell, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boulton of TORONTO, Boutillier, Cayley, DeWitt, Fournier, Fourquin, Gogy, Guillet, Hall, Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, Marquis, M'Connell, Mongenais, Robinson, Seymour, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Viger, and Watts.*—(30.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put: Resolved, That the said Resolutions be now re-committed to consider the expediency of reducing the Duty on Mess Pork.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Smith, of Durham, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; And Mr. Smith, of Durham, reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal the Duties of Customs imposed by the Acts 10 and 11 Vic. c. 31 and 32, and to substitute a new Tariff of Duties for that now in force under the said Acts.
2. Resolved, That it is expedient, that upon the importation of the several Articles hereinafter mentioned into this Province, there be imposed and levied the Duties set opposite to the same respectively, that is to say:—upon

	£	s.	d.
1. SUGAR, Refined, or Candy, the cwt.....	0	14	0
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
—, Other kinds, the cwt.....	0	9	0
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
2. MOLASSES, the cwt.....	0	3	0
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
3. TEA, the lb.....	0	0	1
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
4. COFFEE, Raw or Green, the cwt.....	0	4	8
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
—, Other kinds, the cwt.....	0	14	0
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
5. TOBACCO, Manufactured, the lb.....	0	0	1
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
—, Unmanufactured, the lb.....	0	0	0½
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
—, Cigars, the lb.....	0	1	6
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
—, Snuff, the lb.....	0	0	4
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
6. WINE, in wood, value, £15 the Pipe or under, the gallon.....	0	0	6
And further for every £100 value.....	25	0	0
—, In wood, value over £15 the Pipe, the gallon.....	0	1	6
And further for every £100 value.....	25	0	0
—, In bottles, the gallon.....	0	4	0
And further for every £100 value.....	25	0	0
7. SPIRITS AND STRONG WATERS, of all sorts, for every gallon of any strength not exceeding the strength of proof by Sykes' Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength than the strength of proof, and for any greater or less quantity than a gallon:—			
WHISKEY, the gallon.....	0	0	3
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
RUM, the gallon.....	0	1	3
And further for every £100 value.....	25	0	0
GENEVA, BRANDY and other Spirits or Strong Waters, except Rum and Whiskey, the gallon.....	0	2	0
And further for every £100 value.....	25	0	0
SPIRITS, CORDIALS AND LIQUEURS, sweetened or mixed with any article so that the strength cannot be ascertained by Sykes' Hydrometer, the gallon.....	0	3	0
And further for every £100 value.....	25	0	0
8. SALT, the bushel.....	0	0	1
And further for every £100 value.....	12	10	0
9. SPICES AND FRUITS, NUTS, VINEGAR, MACARONI, AND VERMICELLI, SWEETMEATS OR FRUIT preserved in Sugar, Candy or Molasses, for every £100 value,	30	0	0
10. ANIMALS of all kinds, Hams, Meats of all kinds except Mess Pork, Butter, Cheese, Flour, Barley, Buckwheat, Bear and Bigg, Oats, Rye, Beans and Peas, Meal of the above grains, and of Wheat not bolted, Bran in shorts, and Hops, for every £100 in value.....	20	0	0
11. ANCHORS, Bark, Berries, Nuts, Vegetables, Woods and Drugs used solely in dying, and Indigo, Bristles, Burr Stones unwrought, Chain Cables, Coal and Coke, Grease and Scraps, Hemp, Flax, and Tow undressed, Hides, Junk or Oakum, Lard, Lead, pig and sheet, Marble in blocks unpolished, Oil, Coconut and Palm only, Ores of all kinds of Metals, Railroad Bars, Bar and Rod Iron, Charcoal, Boiler Plate, Nail, Sheet and Hoop Iron for manufacturing Cut Nails, Spike			

Rods, Pig, Scrap and Old Iron, Pipe Clay, Resin and Rosin, Saw Logs, Ships' Water Casks in use, Teasles, Steel, Broom Corn, Wood used in making Carpenters or Joiners Tools, Tallow, Tar and Pitch, Tarred Rope, Type-metal in blocks or pigs, Wool, for every £100 value..... £2 10 0

12. ALL GOODS, WARES, AND MERCHANTIZE, not otherwise charged with duty, and not hereinafter declared to be exempt from duty, for every £100 value..... 12 10 0

3. Resolved, That it is expedient that the following Articles be exempt from Duty, that is to say:—

Ashes, Pot and Pearl, and Soda, Cotton Wool, Anatomical Preparations, Philosophical Instruments and Apparatus, Printed Books, (not foreign reprints of British Copyright Works,) Maps, Busts and Casts of Marble, Bronze, Alabaster, or Plaster of Paris; Paintings, Drawings, Engravings, Etchings, and Lithographs; Cabinets of Coins, Medals, or Gems, and other collections of Antiquities; Specimens of Natural History, Mineralogy or Botany, Trees, Shrubs, Bulbs and Roots, Wheat and Indian Corn, Animals specially imported for the improvement of Stock.

Models of Machinery and other inventions and improvements in the Arts.

Coin and Bullion.

Manures of all kinds.

Arms, Clothing, Cattle, Provisions, and Stores of every description, which any Commissary or Commissaries, Contractor or Contractors shall import or bring, or which may be imported or brought by the Principal or other Officer or Officers of Her Majesty's Ordnance, into the Province, for the use of Her Majesty's Army or Navy, or for the use of the Indian Nations in this Province, provided the duty otherwise payable thereon would be defrayed or borne by the Treasury of the United Kingdom, or of this Province.

Horses and Carriages of travellers, and Horses, Cattle and Carriages and other vehicles when employed in carrying Merchandize, together with the necessary harness and tackle, so long as the same shall be *bonâ fide* in use for that purpose, except the Horses, Cattle, Carriages, Vehicles, and Harness of persons hawking Goods, Wares, and Merchandize through the Province for the purpose of retailing the same, and the Horses, Cattle, Carriages, and Harness of any Circus or Equestrian Troop for exhibition; the Horses, Cattle, Carriages, and Harness of any Menagerie, to be free.

Donations of Clothing specially imported for the use of, or to be distributed gratuitously by any Charitable Society in this Province.

Seeds of all kinds, Farming Utensils and Implements of Husbandry, when specially imported in good faith by any Society incorporated or established for the encouragement of Agriculture.

The following Articles in the occupation or employment of persons coming into the Province for the purpose of actually settling therein, viz:

Wearing apparel in actual use, and other personal effects not merchandize; Horses and Cattle; Implements and Tools of Trade of handy-crafts-men.

The personal Household Effects, not Merchandize, of inhabitants of this Province, being subjects of Her Majesty and dying abroad.

And the following Articles when imported directly from the United Kingdom or from any of the British North American Provinces, and being the growth, produce or manufacture of the said United Kingdom or of the said Provinces, viz:

Animals; Beef; Pork; Biscuit; Bread; Butter; Cocoa Paste; Corn or Grain of all kinds; Flour; Fish, fresh or salted, dried or pickled; Fish Oil; Furs or Skins the produce of fish or creatures living in the Seas; Gypsum; Horns; Meat; Poultry; Plants, Shrubs and Trees; Potatoes and Vegetables of all kinds; Seeds of all kinds; Skins, Pelts, Furs or Tails undressed; Wood, viz: Boards, Planks, Staves, Timber and Firewood.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient that the following Articles be prohibited to be imported into this Province; that is to say:

BOOKS AND DRAWINGS of an immoral or indecent character.

COIN, Base or Counterfeit.



5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient, for the protection of the fair Trader and of the Revenue, to provide against the fraudulent undervaluation of Goods subject to *ad valorem* Duty, by the appointment of competent Appraisers, by giving to such Appraisers and to the Collectors the power to examine Witnesses upon oath, by requiring the production of duly attested Invoices, by the forfeiture of Goods with regard to which such fraud may be committed, by the proper examination of the Goods, and by adopting such other precautions as may be requisite to prevent or punish such fraud: and to make such other amendments to the Customs' Act as experience hath shewn to be requisite for better attaining the objects thereof.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to empower the Governor in Council, from time to time, and whenever, in his opinion, it may be necessary in order to enable the Consolidated Revenue Fund to meet the charges placed thereon, to increase the said Duties of Customs, by adding one tenth part, or ten per centum thereon, to such Duties, by any Order in Council to be made and published in the *Canada Gazette*, not less than three months before it is to take effect, and in like manner and after like notice, to take off such additional Duty.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Customs  
Duties Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relative to Duties of Customs.

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

Election Bill.

Mr. *M'Connell* reported the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof; and the amendments, as far as the amendment Clause (A.) were read, and agreed to.

Clause (A.) The next amendment, being read a second time, as followeth:—"And be it enacted, That no person shall vote more than once during any General Election, nor out of the County, City, or Town where he shall reside;"

And the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Davignon*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Gillet*, *Hincks*, *Laurin*, *Mélot*, *Mongenais*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of WESTWORTH, and *Taché*.—(25.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Boutillier*, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *DeWitt*, *Dichson*, *Fergusson*, *Gugy*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Lemieux*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Morrison*, *Papineau*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Stevenson*, *Viger*, *Wetenhall*, and *Wilson*.—(28.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The subsequent amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Richards* have leave to absent himself from this House, for ten days, on urgent private business. Leave of absence.

The Order of the day for taking into further consideration the Question proposed on Monday, the ninth instant, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for manufacturing, mining, mechanical, or chemical purposes," do pass, being read; Joint Stock Companies Bill.

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Friday next. Orders deferred.

Then the House adjourned.

*Jovis*, 19° die Aprilis;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE following Petition was brought up, and laid on the table:— Petition brought up.

The Petition of the Reverend *William Rintoul*, A.M., President of the *Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society*, and others, officers of various Religious and Benevolent Societies.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Law relative to the inspection of Weights and Measures in *Lower Canada*, was read the third time. Weights and Measures (L.C.) BILL.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to make better provision with regard to the Tolls to be levied on the Public Provincial Works, and for other purposes relative to the said Works, was read the third time. Public Works Tolls Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the day, the following Petition was read:— Petition read.

Of the Reverend *H. Moreau* and others, of the Parish and vicinity of *St. Eustache*, in the County of *Two Mountains*; praying for amendments to the Law regulating the mode of granting Tavern Licenses.

Mr. *Fortier*, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:— Eighth Report of Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Your Committee have examined the Bill to authorize *Marc Antoine Primeaux* and *Antoine A. Trotter* to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Chateauguay*, in the Parish of *Ste. Martine*, and to make a Plank Road from the River *St. Lawrence* to the River *Chateauguay*, in the said Parish, and to fix the Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, and to make further provision in that behalf, and have made several amendments thereto, which they beg leave to report for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Sault Ste.  
Marie Mining  
Company Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "The Sault Saint Mary Mining Company," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 27. Leave out "Saint Mary" and insert "Sainte Marie."

Press 1, line 34. Leave out "Association" and insert "Corporation."

Press 3, line 38. After "Corporation" insert "And provided also, that no such bond, debenture, or other security shall be made or granted for any less sum than one hundred pounds currency."

Press 8, line 7. Leave out "forty-eight" and insert "forty-nine."

Press 8, line penult. Leave out "forty-eight" and insert "forty-nine."

In the Schedules to the Bill.

In Schedule (A.)

Press 10, line 16. Leave out "Saint Mary" and insert "Sainte Marie."

In Schedule (B.)

Press 8, line 30. Leave out "Saint Mary" and insert "Sainte Marie."

In the Preamble to the Bill.

Press 1, line 8. Leave out "Saint Mary" and insert "Sainte Marie."

In the Title to the Bill.

Leave out "Saint Mary" and insert "Sainte Marie."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Wilson do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Third Report  
of Committee  
on Printing.

The Honorable Mr. Hincks, from the Standing Committee on Printing, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee; which was read.

Roman  
Catholic Bish-  
ops (L.C.) In-  
corporation  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Archbishop and Bishops in each Diocese in Lower Canada," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

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

Second Report  
on Lumber  
Trade.

Mr. Scott, of Bytown, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the state of the Lumber Trade, the causes of its present depression, the protection of the Forests from unnecessary destruction, and upon all other matters affecting the Lumbering interests of this Province, with power to report from time to time, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee; which was read.

For the said Report, see Appendix (P.P.P.P.)

*Ordered*, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Appendix  
(P.P.P.P.)

W. M. Kelly.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, Copies of all Petitions, Letters, and Correspondence that may have passed between William Moore Kelly, Esquire, late Collector of Customs at the Port of Toronto, and the Executive Government of this Province, since the 14th

March, 1845, relating to his claims upon it for disbursements made by him in the execution of the duties of his said office as Collector, and of the answers thereto, together with all Reports made by the Attorney General, the Inspector General, or the Deputy Inspector General, to this date, respecting the said claims of Mr. Kelly.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate the Horticultural Society of Montreal, be engrossed.

Montreal Hor-  
ticultural So-  
ciety Bill.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that the Clerk of this House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, a Certificate of the election of a Member for the County of Sherbrooke, in the room of Samuel Brooks, Esquire, deceased.

Certificate of  
the Return of  
Mr. Galt, for  
Sherbrooke  
County.

And the said Certificate was read; and is as followeth:—

Province of Canada.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
Montreal, 19th April, 1849.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the thirty-first day of March now last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and directed to the Returning Officer for the County of Sherbrooke, (William Locker Felton, Esquire,) for the election of one Member to represent the said County of Sherbrooke in the present Parliament, in the room of Samuel Brooks, Esquire, deceased, Alexander Tilloch Galt, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the return to the said Writ, dated the seventeenth day of April instant, which is lodged of record in my Office.

FELIX FORTIER,  
C. C. C.

To W. B. Lindsay, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Sauvageau, from the Committee of the whole House on the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of J. O. Alfred Turgeon, Esquire, and others, the Mayor and Councillors of the County of Terrebonne, and other references, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Petition of J.  
O. A. Turgeon  
and others.

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur with the Select Committee in the said Report.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Holmes have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Trustees of the Montreal Turnpike Roads to purchase the St. Michel Road, and to open a Road to the Village of Sault au Recollet.

St. Michel  
Road Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

An engrossed Bill to amend and make uniform the rates of damages on Protested Bills of Exchange in this Province, was read the third time.

Protested Bills  
of Exchange  
Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to regulate the rates of damages on Protested Bills of Exchange in Upper Canada."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Morrison do carry this Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 15th

Shipping of  
Seamen.

February last, for Correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the latter and any private individuals, with reference to the Act to regulate the shipping of Seamen at the Port of *Quebec*, be referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Thomas C. Lee* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, interested in the Shipping frequenting the Port of *Quebec*.

Seurs Hospitalières (Montreal) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize the Religious Community of the "*Sœurs Hospitalières de St. Joseph de l'Hôtel Dieu de Montréal*" to acquire and hold real and personal property to a certain amount over and above that now held by them, as well for themselves as for the Poor of the *Hôtel Dieu* on whose behalf they administer certain property, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

Quebec Forwarding Company Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intitled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of "The *Quebec Forwarding Company*," without any Amendment: And also,

River du Chêne Improvement Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intitled, "An Act to provide for the improvement of "the *River du Chêne* in the County of *Two Mountains*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

New Counties and Townships (U. C.) Erection Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the erection of certain new Counties and Townships in *Upper Canada*, and for certain purposes relative to such new Counties, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, moved, seconded by Mr. *Burritt*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Wetenhall* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Wilson*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day three months" added at the end thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *De Witt*, *Dickson*, *Ferguson*, *Flint*, *Fournier*, *Gugy*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *Marquis*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*, *Stevenson*, *Thompson*, *Wetenhall*, and *Wilson*.—(29.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Fortier*, *Gillet*, *M<sup>c</sup>Connell*, *M<sup>c</sup>Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Viger*, and *Watts*.—(26.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative. Then the main Question, so amended, being put; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day three months.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Registry Laws of *Upper Canada*, being read;

Registry Laws (U.C.) Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the alteration of the times and places for holding the Division Courts in Division number six, in the District of *Bathurst*, being read;

Bathurst Division Courts Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws of Patents for Inventions in this Province, being read;

Laws of Patents Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the Townships of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*, in the District of *Johnstown*, and to attach *South Burgess* to *Bastard*, in the same District, being read;

Leeds and Lansdowne Townships Division Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize Attachments against personal property for sums of Ten pounds and under, in certain cases in *Upper Canada*, being read;

Personal Property Attachment Bill (U.C.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to exempt Firemen, after a certain number of years service as such, from Militia and other duties, being read;

Bill to exempt Firemen from certain duties.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Association called "*La Congrégation des hommes de la Paroisse de Saint Roch de Québec*," being read;

St. Roch de Québec Congregation Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Lower Canada*, for the construction of Macadamized Roads, and of Bridges and other works of like nature, being read;

Joint Stock Road and Bridge, &c. Companies (L.C.) Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

District Courts (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act, the several Laws now in force establishing and regulating the practice of the District Courts of the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*," and to increase the jurisdiction of the said District Courts, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

Markham and Elgin Plank Road Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Markham and Elgin Plank Road Company*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

L'Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate *L'Association Saint Jean Baptiste de Montréal*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

Report on Petition of A. Talbot.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Antoine Talbot*, of the Parish of *Berthier*, County of *Bellechasse*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next.

Queenston Suspension Bridge Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Queenston Suspension Bridge Company*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Orders of the day.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by Mr. *Crysler*, and the Question being put, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Monday next; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

Adjournment.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the County of *Saguenay* into two Districts for the Registration of Deeds, being read; The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman of the Committee reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to increase the Capital Stock of the *Grand River Navigation Company*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *St. Patrick's Society of Quebec*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Act relating to Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Monday next.

Then the House adjourned.

Veneris, 20<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE following Petition was brought up, and laid on the table:—  
The Petition of *Donald Munro* and others, of the Township of *Georgina*.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the Religious Community of the "*Sœurs Hospitalières de St. Joseph de l'Hôtel Dieu de Montréal*" to acquire and hold real and personal property to a certain amount over and above that now held by them, as well for themselves as for the Poor of the *Hôtel Dieu*, on whose behalf

Petition brought up.

Sœurs Hospitalières (Montreal) Bill.

Orders deferred.

Grand River Navigation Company Bill.

St. Patrick's Society Bill.

Mutual Insurance Companies (U.C.) Bill.

Saguenay Registry Districts Bill.

they administer certain property, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dumas* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Eighth Report of Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. *Chauveau*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "The President, Directors, and Company of *Port Burwell Harbour*;" the Bill to enable the British American Land Company to promote and establish Manufactories in the Eastern Townships of *Canada*; and the Bill to incorporate "*Les Révérends Pères Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de Marie*," in the Province of *Canada*,—and have made certain amendments to each of them, which they beg leave to submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Report on Petition of P. Cartier and others.

Mr. *Fourquin*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Pierre Cartier* and others, of *St. François du Lac St. Pierre*, and another reference, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fourquin* have leave to bring in a Bill to make valid the election of the Trustees for building a Church in the Parish of *St. François du Lac St. Pierre*, and to enable them to complete the same.

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

St. François du Lac Church Trustees Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the improvement of the *Rivier du Chêne* in the County of *Two Mountains*," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:

Press 2, line 34. After "Commissioners" insert "and all questions which shall arise at any meeting of the said Commissioners shall be decided by a majority of the voices of such Commissioners as shall be present, other than the President; and when the voices shall be equal, the President shall have the casting vote."

Press 3, line 3. Leave out from "in" to "languages" in line 4, and insert "both."

Press 3, line 4. After "weeks" insert "in the *Canada Gazette* and also."

Press 3, line 5. After "published" insert "the one in English and the other in French," and leave out "District" and insert "City."

Press 4, line 28. After "Copies" insert "or extracts, and shall be bound at all reasonable hours to give communication."

Press 4, line 30. After "County" insert "And the said Commissioners shall immediately give notice by an advertizement in both languages, to be posted up and published at the Church doors of the said Parishes after morning service, during two consecutive Sundays, of the said assessment or repartition and *procès-verbal* having been deposited in the hands of such Notary."

Press 4, line 46. After "aforesaid" insert Clause (A.)

River du Chêne Improvement Bill.

Clause (A.) "Provided always and be it enacted, that any such person who may feel aggrieved by the final decision of the said Commissioners as aforesaid, may appeal therefrom by Petition to any one Circuit Judge in and for the District of *Montreal*, setting forth the grounds of his objection to the said decision, and praying that the same may be reversed; which Petition must be presented within fifteen days at most from the last publication of the notice of deposit of the said assessment or repartition and *procès-verbal*; and upon proof of a copy of the said Petition, together with notice of the time and place when and where the same would be so presented, having been served upon the Secretary-Treasurer of the said Commissioners three clear days at least before the presentation thereof, it shall be lawful for the said Circuit Judge to fix a time and place, either in term or in vacation, in Court or out of Court, in the City of *Montreal*, or at some convenient place within the said County, or at the sitting of any Circuit Court that may be held within the limits thereof, when and where he will proceed, and then and there to proceed in a summary manner, to hear the said Appellant and the said Commissioners and adjudicate upon the said appeal; and the decision of such Circuit Judge shall be final and conclusive; and in case any alteration shall be thereby made in the said assessment or repartition and *procès-verbal*, it shall be the duty of the Registrar of the said County, on a copy of such decision, certified by the said Circuit Judge under his hand and seal, being brought to him, forthwith to register the same at full length, or to enter and file the same, as the case may require."

Press 6, line 23. Leave out "publication" and insert "passing."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "The President, Directors, and Company of *Port Burwell Harbour*," as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Port Burwell Harbour Bill.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, by the proper officer, Copies of the Accounts rendered and transmitted by the Trustees of the *Quebec Turnpike Roads*, for the years 1847 and 1848, under the Ordinance establishing the said Trustees, together with Copies of all Correspondence relative to the management of the affairs of the said Trustees, and the improvement of the Roads and Bridges in the neighbourhood of *Quebec*.

Quebec Turnpike Roads.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Gugy* have leave to bring in a Bill to declare the true intent, meaning, and effect of the Act passed in the tenth and eleventh years of Her Majesty's Reign, to make better provision for the limitation of Actions in *Lower Canada*.

Limitation of Actions (L.C.) Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the



first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Infants Real Estate Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the sale and disposition of the real estate of Infants in certain cases therein mentioned.

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

Distillers and Spirits Duties Act.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the expediency of amending the Act imposing Duties on Distillers and Spirits distilled in this Province.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Burrill* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Burrill* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Third Report on Printing.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Third Report of the Standing Committee on Printing.

Registry Laws (U.C.) Bill.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to amend the Registry Laws of *Upper Canada*, reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Personal Property Attachment Bill (U.C.)

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to authorize Attachments against personal property for sums of Ten pounds and under, in certain cases in *Upper Canada*, reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Markham and Elgin Plank Road Bill.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to incorporate the *Markham and Elgin Plank Road Company*, reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Queenston Suspension Bridge Company Bill.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to incorporate the *Queenston Suspension Bridge Company*, reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

St. Patrick's Society Bill.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to incorporate the *St. Patrick's Society of Quebec*, reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Railroad Companies Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Question proposed on Wednesday last, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to make certain general provisions with regard to the services which the Government may require of Railroad Companies whose Acts of Incorporation make them subject to such general provisions," do pass.

And the Question being put; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 17th instant, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, copies of all annual Reports made by the Commissioners of the Temporary Provincial Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*, for the years 1845, 1846, 1847 and 1848, inclusive, in conformity with the Rules of the Commissioners, and approved of by the Government.

For the said Return, see Appendix (Q.Q.Q.Q.)

Toronto Lunatic Asylum.

Appendix (Q.Q.Q.Q.)

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Deeds and Instruments relating to Real Property in the Registry Office at *Montreal*, being read;

Montreal Registry Office Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received, on Monday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws relative to Duties of Customs, being read;

Customs' Duties Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to establish a more equal and just system of Assessment in the several Townships, Villages, Towns, and Cities in *Upper Canada*, being read;

Assessment Bill (U.C.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Tuesday next.

Orders deferred.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 23° die Aprilis;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

Petitions brought up.

The Petition of the Reverend *Benjamin Davies*, A. M. Ph. D. of the University of *Leipsic*, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the *Canada Baptist Union*, on behalf of the said Committee.

The Petition of the Reverend *J. Gravel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Athanase*, and others, Merchants, of the Village of the said Parish.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate *Frederick C. Capreol*, *Robert Easton Burns* and others, under the style of the *Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron Union Railroad Company*, to enable them to construct a

Toronto, Simcoe and Lake Huron Union Railroad Company Bill.

Railroad from *Toronto* to *Lake Huron*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron Union Railroad Company*."

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Grand River Navigation Company Bill.

An engrossed Bill to increase the Capital Stock of the *Grand River Navigation Company*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

L'Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate *L'Association Saint Jean Baptiste de Montréal*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cartier* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Saguenay Registry Districts Bill.

An engrossed Bill to divide the County of *Saguenay* into two Districts for the Registration of Deeds, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to divide the County of *Saguenay* into two divisions for the Registration of "Deeds."

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Montreal Horticultural Society Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Horticultural Society of *Montreal*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Rimouski Registry Districts Bill.

An engrossed Bill to divide the County of *Rimouski* into two Districts for the Registration of Deeds, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Taché* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Laws of Patents Bill.

An engrossed Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws of Patents for Inventions in this Province, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Lessors and Lessees Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act passed in the third year of the Reign of His late Majesty *William the Fourth*, chapter one, intituled; "An Act to regulate the exercise of certain rights of Lessors and "Lessees," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lemieux* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Laws regulating Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and the protesting thereof, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to amend the Laws regulating Inland "Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and "the protesting thereof, and Foreign Bills in "certain cases."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate "The Minister and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, Montreal*," was read the third time.

St. Andrew's Church Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the alteration of the times and places for holding the Division Courts in Division number six, in the District of *Bathurst*, was read the third time.

Bathurst Division Courts Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bell* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Town of *Peterborough*, was read the third time.

Peterborough Incorporation Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hall* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

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

Petitions read.

Of the Reverend *William Rintoul*, A.M., President of the *Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society*, and others, officers of various Religious and Benevolent Societies; praying for the passing of a Law to exempt the Agents or *Colporteurs* of all Religious and Benevolent Societies from being compelled to take out a License for the disposal of the books, tracts, or publications belonging to or being the property of such Societies.

Of *Donald Munro* and others, of the Township of *Georgina*; praying that no division be made of the Home District.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Reverend *Benjamin Davies*, A.M., Ph.D. of the University of *Leipsic*, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the *Canada Baptist Union*, on behalf of the said Committee, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying for the passing of the Bill to amend the Charter of the University at *Toronto*.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Reverend *J. Gravel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Athanase*, and others, Merchants, of the Village of the said Parish, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying for certain amendments to the Bill for the incorporation of a Company to establish a line of Railroad between *Montreal* and *Missisquoi*.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Reverend *Benjamin Davies*, A.M., Ph.D. of the University of *Leipsic*, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the *Canada Baptist Union*, on behalf of the said Committee, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Petition of the Rev. B. Davies.

*Alexander Tilloch Galt*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Sherbrooke*, having previously taken the Oath, according to law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

Mr. Galt takes his Seat.

Mr. *Scott*, of *Bytown*, moved, seconded by Mr. , and the Question being put, That the Petition of *Thomas Corcoran* be referred to a Committee of five Members, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers, and

Petition of T. Corcoran.

records; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

Report on Petition of Mrs. S. B. Rousseau and others.

The Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of Mrs. *Sophie B. Rousseau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre and St. Paul*, County of *Saguenay*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Bill relating to Actes passed before deceased Notaries.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide a remedy for the injustice which might otherwise arise from omissions and irregularities in *Actes* passed before Notaries now deceased.

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

Ship-building Encouragement Bill.

Mr. *Méthot* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to encourage Ship-building in *Lower Canada*, by affording better security to persons advancing money, or furnishing work or materials for the construction of Ships, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Ninth Report of Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. *Chauveau*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate *La Communauté des Révérendes Sœurs de la Charité* of *Bytown*; the Bill to incorporate the *Huron Mining Company*; and the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of *Neepigon Mining Company*,—and have made certain amendments to each of them, which they beg leave to submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Second Report of Committee on Library.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, from the Standing Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

*Ordered*, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Petition of the Rev. J. Gravel and others, referred.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Reverend *J. Gravel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Athanase*, and others, Merchants, of the Village of the said Parish, be referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Pères Oblats Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate "*Les Révérends Pères Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de Marie*," in the Province of *Canada*, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Duty upon Timber.

Mr. *Egan* moved, seconded by Mr. *Johnson*, and the Question being put, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the propriety of addressing Her Most Gracious Majesty,

praying that She will be pleased not to sanction the additional imposition, by the Imperial Parliament, of any Duty upon Timber, the produce of *Canada*, entering the Ports of *Great Britain*;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *DeWitt*, *Egan*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *M'Connell*, *Papineau*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Stevenson*, and *Watts*.—(18.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Galt*, *Guillet*, *Hincks*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Taché*, *Viger*, and *Wetenhall*.—(37.)

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Notman* have leave to bring in a Bill to confirm certain By-Laws passed by the Municipal Council of the *London District*, imposing rates to be levied on Lands and other property therein.

London Municipal Council By-Laws Bill.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the District of *Huron*, in the Province of *Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Huron District Division Bill.

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

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to prohibit the use of Strychnine and other Poisons for the destruction of certain kinds of wild animals:—"

Bill respecting Strychnine and other Poisons.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to alter and amend the Charter of the Great Western Railroad Company:—"

Great Western Railroad Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to confirm the Title of the Calvinistic Baptist Congregation of *Perth* to a certain piece of Land in that Town:—"

Calvinistic Baptist Congregation (Perth) Land Title Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton and Gore Mechanics Institute*:—"

Hamilton and Gore Mechanics Institute Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to secure Titles to Real Estate to certain persons naturalized under the Statute of *Lower Canada*, first *William the Fourth*, chapter fifty-three:—"

Bill to secure Real Estate Titles to certain persons.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal the Act defining the Boundary Line between the fourth Concessions of the Townships of *Montague* and *North Elmsley*:—"

Montague Boundary Line Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec Warehousing Company*:—"

Quebec Warehousing Company Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to annex a certain part of the Township of *Upton* to the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, for Judicial and Municipal purposes:—"

Upton Township Bill.

County Division (U.C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act for abolishing the Territorial Division of *Upper Canada* into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolutions of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require." And also,

Les Sœurs de Miséricorde Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Les Sœurs de Miséricorde pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité de Montréal*," with an Amendment; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Sœurs de Ste Croix Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate *La Communauté des Sœurs de Ste. Croix*, in the Parish of *St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*, for the purposes of education," with an Amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

L'Académie Industrielle Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate *L'Académie Industrielle de St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*," with an Amendment; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,

Tolls on Vessels.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the expediency of imposing Tolls on Vessels passing down the *St. Lawrence*, and also to empower the Governor in Council to make regulations respecting the detention of Vessels causing damage to the Canals.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Sauvageau* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Sauvageau* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Montreal Trinity House Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cauchon* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal a certain Act and Ordinance therein mentioned, relative to the Trinity House of *Montreal*, and to consolidate and amend the provisions of the said Act and Ordinance.

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

Joint Stock Road Companies (U. C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That one thousand copies of the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads and other Works in *Upper Canada*, as passed by both Houses of the Legislature, be printed.

Toronto Lunatic Asylum.

*Ordered*, That the Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 17th instant, for copies of certain annual Reports made by the Commissioners of the Temporary Provincial Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Les Sœurs de Miséricorde Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Les Sœurs de Miséricorde pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité de Montréal*," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Press 1, line 44. Leave out "this Province" and insert "*Lower Canada*."

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jobin* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate *La Communauté des Sœurs de Ste. Croix*, in the Parish of *St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*, for the purposes of education," be now taken into consideration.

Sœurs de Ste. Croix Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Press 2, line 5. Leave out "this Province" and insert "*Lower Canada*."

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jobin* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate *L'Académie Industrielle de St. Laurent*, in the District of *Montreal*," be now taken into consideration.

L'Académie Industrielle Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Press 1, line 44. Leave out "this Province" and insert "*Lower Canada*."

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jobin* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of *Neepigon Mining Company*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Neepigon Mining Company Bill.

Mr. *Burrill*, from the Committee to consider the expediency of amending the Act imposing Duties on Distillers and Spirits distilled in this Province, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

Distillers and Spirits Duties Act.

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act 9 Vic. c. 2, imposing Duties on Spirits distilled in this Province, by providing that the Duty on such Spirits shall be one penny per gallon, instead of two pence per gallon, as it now is under the said Act.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide for the Warehousing of Spirits distilled in this Province without the payment of Duties thereon, such Duties being payable when the said Spirits are taken out of Warehouse for consumption in this Province.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* have leave to bring in a Bill to continue and amend the Act imposing Duties on Spirits distilled in this Province, and to provide for the Warehousing of such Spirits.

Spirits Duties Bill.

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

Montreal Registry Office Bill

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Deeds and Instruments relating to Real Property in the Registry Office at *Montreal*, reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Bill respecting Aprons to Mill Dams.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal the several Laws now in force in *Upper Canada* regulating the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams, and to make provision for better defining the mode of constructing the same, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Winter Roads (No. 2 L.C.) Bill

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill 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 the District of *Three Rivers*, with the exception of that part of the County of *Drummond* within the District of *Three Rivers*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. *Guy* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee to consider, firstly, whether it be expedient that the Winter Roads throughout *Lower Canada* should be of a uniform breadth, and that they should be of the breadth and form which obtains in *Upper Canada*, in the Townships of *Lower Canada*, in *Nova Scotia*, in *New Brunswick*, and in the *United States*: secondly, whether it be expedient and necessary that the size and form of the runners of winter vehicles, and the manner of harnessing and attaching the horses which obtains in *Upper Canada* and in the Townships of *Lower Canada*, should be adopted and adhered to throughout *Lower Canada*: thirdly, whether any and what Legislative enactment can be adopted to attain the end aforesaid;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Guy*, *Robinson*, and *Stevenson*.—(4.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Guillet*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Viger*, and *Wetenhall*.—(37.)

So it passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal part of and to amend the Act regulating the Militia of this Province, in so far as regards the enrolment of and fines imposed upon Quakers, Menonists, and Tunkers, being read;

Militia Act Amendment Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Law of *Lower Canada* as regards the District in which real or mixed Actions may be commenced, being read;

Bill relative to Real or Mixed Actions.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

The Chairman reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to compel persons claiming Lands under Patent in the Townships of *Lower Canada* to register their claims to the same, and to provide for the settlement of such of the said Lands as shall remain unclaimed after a certain time, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

Township Land Claimants (L.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Friday, the eighteenth day of May next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Ordinances therein mentioned relating to Winter Roads in *Lower Canada*, in so far as regards the District of *Quebec*, the District of *Gaspé*, and part of the District of *Three Rivers*, being read;

Winter Roads (No. 3 L.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the District of *London*, in the Province of *Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

London District Division Bill.

Mr. *Notman* moved, seconded by Mr. *McFarland*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Wilson* enquired whether a notice was required to have been published prior to the introduction of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker stated, as his opinion, that no notice was required, the measure being of a public nature, and several like Bills having been introduced in the same manner during the present Session.

And an Appeal being made to the House from Mr. Speaker's decision; the House divided:—And the decision of Mr. Speaker was confirmed.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Wilson* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day" "three months" added at the end thereof.

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



YEAS.

Messieurs *Beaubien, Cameron of Kent, Cartier, Chabot, Chauveau, Crysler, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Dumas, Flint, Fournier, Gagy, Johnson, Laurin, Lemieux, Sir Allan N. MacNab, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, Morrison, Robinson, Sauvageau, Smith of DURHAM, Stevenson, Thompson, Viger, Wetenhall, and Wilson.*—(26.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Solicitor General Blake, Davignon, Fergusson, Guillet, Hincks, Jobin, M<sup>c</sup>Farland, Merritt, Mongenais, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Smith of WENTWORTH, and Taché.*—(17.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative. Then the main Question, so amended, being put; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, this day three months.

Small Causes (L.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act for the summary decision of Small Causes in *Lower Canada*, being read; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, on Friday, the eighteenth day of May next.

Bridge Bill of A. Archambeault and others.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize *Antoine Amable Archambeault*, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Haldimand County Division Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the County of *Haldimand*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

Bill relating to Hatley Municipal Council.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to enable the Sureties of the late Municipal Council of the Township of *Hatley* to enforce their claims against the said Township, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Walpole and Woodhouse Boundary Line Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to define the boundary line between the Township of *Walpole*, in the *Niagara* District, and the Township of *Woodhouse*, in the *Talbot* District, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

County of Grey Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the erection of certain Territory in *Upper Canada* into a new County, to be called the County of *Grey*, and for certain purposes relative to such new County, being read;

Mr. *Fergusson* moved, seconded by Mr. , and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Gagy* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by , That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day three months" added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, this day three months.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Thursday next. Orders deferred.

Then the House adjourned.

Martis, 24<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE following Petition was brought up, and laid on the table:— Petition brought up.

By Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*,—The Petition of *Thomas Walsh*, of the Village of *Rawdon*, County of *Leinster*.

Mr. *Jobin* moved, seconded by , and the Question being put, That the Petition of *William Evans*, and of his sons *John E. Evans* and *William Evans*, junior, of *Côte St. Paul*, be referred to a Select Committee, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative. Petition of W. Evans and Sons.

Mr. *Chabot*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of Messieurs *LeMesurier, Tiltstone* and Company, and others, Merchants and others, of the City of *Quebec*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:— Report on Petition of Messieurs LeMesurier, Tiltstone and Company.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chabot* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend and continue the Ordinance for the inspection of Fish and Oil. Fish and Oil Bill.

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

Mr. *Chabot* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto. Lower Canada Bar Incorporation Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Mr. *Davignon* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to incorporate *L'Institut Canadien de Montréal*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto. Montreal Institut Canadien Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Mr. *Méthot*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Thomas C. Lee*, and others interested in the Shipping frequenting the Report on Petition of T. C. Lee and others.

Port of *Quebec*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read.

Appendix  
(R.R.R.R.)

For the said Report, see Appendix (R.R.R.R.)

*Ordered*, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Shipping of  
Seamen Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Méthot* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Act of the 10 and 11 *Vic.* c. 25, intituled, "An Act for regulating the "shipping of Seamen," and for other purposes therein mentioned.

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

Supplementary  
Report on Re-  
ligious, &c.  
Institutions.

Mr. *Christie*, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire and report what Acts, since the Union of the late Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, have been passed by the Parliament of this Province, incorporating Religious, Educational, or Charitable Institutions therein; their several and respective titles, styles, or denominations; the annual amount as Income or Revenue from real property which by their respective Acts of Incorporation they are authorized to acquire and hold; the collective or total annual amount thereof; and also, whether any and which of the Religious, Educational, or Charitable Institutions existing in *Lower Canada* previous to the Union, have since that period been authorized by Act of Parliament to increase their respective Income or Revenue in Mortmain, and by what amount,—and to which was re-committed their former Report to supply certain omissions which appear to have been made, and in particular of the Institutions under the Acts 6 *Vic.* c. 82, and 7 *Vic.* c. 68, presented to the House a Supplementary Report of the said Committee; which was read.

Appendix  
(Y.Y.Y.)

For the said Report, see Appendix (Y.Y.Y.)

*Ordered*, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Huron Mining  
Company Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate the *Huron* Mining Company, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Salaries of  
additional  
Judges.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider of making provision out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province for the payment of the Salaries of such and so many additional Judges as may be required for the purpose of remodelling and improving the Judicial Institutions of *Lower Canada*, and for such other incidental expences as may be necessary for carrying the same into effect;

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, acquainted the House that His Excellency having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Morrison* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Morrison* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* have leave to bring in a Bill to supply certain Legislative provisions not included in certain Acts therein mentioned.

Bill to supply  
certain Legis-  
lative provi-  
sions in Acts.

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

The Order of the day for receiving the Report of the Committee to consider the expediency of imposing Tolls on Vessels passing down the *St. Lawrence*, and also to empower the Governor in Council to make regulations respecting the detention of Vessels causing damage to the Canals, being read;

Tolls on  
Vessels.

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to repeal the several Laws now in force in *Upper Canada* regulating the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams, and to make provision for better defining the mode of constructing the same, reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Bill respecting  
Aprons to  
Mill Dams.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to authorize *Antoine Amable Archambeault*, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Bridge Bill of  
A. Archam-  
beault and  
others.

Mr. *Jobin* moved, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, and the Question being put, That the Bill be re-committed, to consider the expediency of further amending the same;—It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to enable the Sureties of the late Municipal Council of the Township of *Hatley* to enforce their claims against the said Township, reported the same; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Bill relating to  
Hatley Muni-  
cipal Council.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the *St. Patrick's* Society of *Quebec*, was read the third time.

St. Patrick's  
Society Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Registry Laws of *Upper Canada*, was read the third time.

Registry Laws  
(U.C.) Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from  
the Council.

Mr. Speaker,  
The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz.:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Ottawa* District Grammar School to sell the present School House, and apply the funds arising from the sale thereof towards purchasing a new site and erecting a new School House in the Town of *L'Orignal*:"

Ottawa Dis-  
trict Grammar  
School House  
Bill.

Public Works Tolls Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to make better provision with regard to the Tolls to be levied on the Public Provincial Works, and for other purposes relative to said Works."

City Bank Act Amendment Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the City Bank, and to provide for a reduction of its Capital Stock."

Wesleyan Methodist Church Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of Churches and Parsonages, and other Trusts belonging to the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada, more conveniently to manage and dispose of their Estates, and for other purposes therein mentioned." And also,

Marriage Op-positions Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to abolish Oppositions to Marriages founded on promises of Marriage," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.  
And then he withdrew.

Customs Duties Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Laws relative to Duties of Customs, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Smith, of Durham, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Smith, of Durham, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Municipal Corporations (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to provide, by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in Upper Canada, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Egan took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Egan reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Contempt of Court Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill declaratory of the Law concerning Contempt of Court in Lower Canada, being read;

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

Orders deterred.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Thursday next.

Then the House adjourned.

"the Fourth, intituled, "An Act to provide for the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams over certain Streams in this Province," and to make further provision in respect thereof."

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Boulton do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Law of Lower Canada as regards the District in which real or mixed Actions may be commenced, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Chauveau do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill relating to Real or Mixed Actions.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Markham and Elgin Plank Road Company, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to incorporate the Markham and Elgin Mills Plank Road Company."

Ordered, That Mr. Morrison do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Markham and Elgin Plank Road Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act, the several Laws now in force establishing and regulating the practice of the District Courts of the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly Upper Canada," and to increase the jurisdiction of the said District Courts, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in force establishing or regulating the practice of the District Courts in the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly Upper Canada."

Ordered, That Mr. Smith, of Durham, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

District Courts (U.C.) Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Ordinance providing for the enregistration of Titles to immoveable property and incumbrances thereon, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Laurin do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill relating to the Enregistration of certain Titles.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate "The Queenston Suspension Bridge Company," was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Merritt do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Queenston Suspension Bridge Company Bill.

An engrossed Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof, was read the third time.

Ordered, That the following engrossed Clause (A.) be added to the Bill by way of Rider, and do follow the penultimate Clause:—

Clause (A.) "And whereas it is requisite to make a special provision for extending the time for polling under certain circumstances in the County of Waterloo, which it is not considered necessary to

Election Bill.

Mercurii, 25<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis ;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Bill respecting Aprons to Mill Dams.

AN engrossed Bill to repeal the several Laws now in force in Upper Canada regulating the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams, and to make provision for better defining the mode of constructing the same, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to amend an Act passed in the Parliament of Upper Canada in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George

" extend to other constituencies: Be it therefore enacted, that if at any Election for the said County of *Waterloo*, a written requisition shall be presented to any Deputy Returning Officer to be appointed under the authority of this Act for either of the Townships of *Waterloo* or *Wilmot*, in the said County of *Waterloo*, at any time before the hour of five o'clock in the afternoon of the second day fixed for taking the Poll, signed by twelve Electors of such Township resident within the same, setting forth, that in their belief the number of Electors of such Township remaining unpolled within the same is so great that their votes cannot conveniently be recorded without an extension of the time for taking the Poll, and requiring him to extend the same accordingly, it shall be the duty of such Deputy Returning Officer, when the hour of five o'clock in the afternoon of the said second day shall arrive, instead of closing the Poll, to adjourn the same to the hour of nine o'clock in the forenoon of the day following, except the same shall be Sunday, Christmas day, or Good Friday, in which case it shall be his duty to adjourn the same to the hour of nine o'clock in the forenoon of the day following such Sunday or Holiday, and that he shall keep such adjourned Poll open till the hour of five o'clock in the afternoon of the day to which it shall have been so adjourned: And provided also, and be it enacted, that if at any time before the hour of five o'clock in the afternoon of the day to which such Poll shall have been adjourned as aforesaid, a similar requisition to that aforesaid shall be presented to such Deputy Returning Officer requiring for the like cause a further extension of the time for taking the Poll, it shall be his duty, when the hour of five o'clock in the afternoon of the said day shall arrive, to adjourn the Poll to the hour of nine o'clock in the forenoon of the day next following, except the same shall be Sunday, or one of the Holidays last aforesaid, in which case it shall be his duty to adjourn the same to the hour of nine o'clock in the forenoon of the day following such Sunday or Holiday, and that he shall keep such adjourned Poll open till the hour of five o'clock in the afternoon of the said day to which it shall have been so adjourned, and then finally close the same for that Election: And provided also, and be it enacted, that if on either of such two additional Polling days to be held as aforesaid, the space of half-an-hour shall elapse without any person entitled to vote at such Poll tendering his vote thereat, then at the expiration of such half hour such Poll shall be finally closed for that Election."

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass;

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Burrill*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *McFarland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Viger*, and *Wetenhall*.—(47.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Cayley*, *Crusler*, *Galt*, *Guy*, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*,

*McConnell*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Stevenson*, and *Wilson*.—(14.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Sauvageau*, from the Committee to consider the expediency of imposing Tolls on Vessels passing down the *St. Lawrence*, and also to empower the Governor in Council to make regulations respecting the detention of Vessels causing damage to the Canals, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

Tolls on Vessels.

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the same Tolls shall be payable on Steamboats and other Vessels and Passengers brought down the River *St. Lawrence* past any section or sections of the Canals between *Montreal* and *Kingston*, as if they had been brought through such section or sections of the said Canals.
2. Resolved, That it is expedient that the Governor in Council should have power to make regulations providing for the detention of any Vessel by or in respect of which, or of the persons navigating it, any damage shall be done to any of the Public Works, or on which any Tolls shall be due, or any forfeiture for the breach of any law or regulation shall be due, until the amount of such damage or such toll or forfeiture shall be paid.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* have leave to bring in a Bill to impose Tolls on Vessels and Passengers brought down the *St. Lawrence* past any of the Canals thereon.

Tolls on Vessels and Passengers Bill.

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

Mr. *Morrison*, from the Committee to consider of making provision out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province for the payment of the Salaries of such and so many additional Judges as may be required for the purpose of remodelling and improving the Judicial Institutions of *Lower Canada*, and for such other incidental expenses as may be necessary for carrying the same into effect, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Salaries of additional Judges.

Resolved, That provision be made out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, for the Salaries of such and so many additional Judges as may be required for the purpose of remodelling and improving the Judicial Institutions of *Lower Canada*, and for such other incidental expenses as may be necessary for carrying the same into effect.

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

Ordered, That the said Resolution be committed to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to establish a Court having jurisdiction in Appeals and Criminal matters for *Lower Canada*, with an Instruction to make provision in the Bill accordingly.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, reported the Bill to amend the Laws relative to Duties of Customs; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Customs' Duties Bill.

Mr. *DeWitt* moved, seconded by and the Question being put, That the Bill be re-committed forthwith, with the view of reducing the proposed Duty on Sugar, for every One hundred pounds

value, from twelve and one half per cent, to ten per cent; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Laws relative to Duties of Customs, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to amend the Law relative to Duties of Customs."

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Hincks* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Court of Appeals and Criminal Jurisdiction (L. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to establish a Court having jurisdiction in Appeals and Criminal matters for *Lower Canada*, and on the Resolution, That provision be made out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province for the Salaries of such and so many additional Judges as may be required for the purpose of remodelling and improving the Judicial Institutions of *Lower Canada*, and for such other incidental expenses as may be necessary for carrying the same into effect,—with an Instruction to the Committee to make provision in the Bill accordingly, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Crysler* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;—

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intitled, "An Act to amend the Law relative to "Duties of Customs," without any Amendment.

And then he withdrew.

Customs Duties Bill.

Royal Assent to Bills.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor General, by *Frederick Starr Jarvis*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:—

Mr. Speaker,

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

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

And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That agreeable to the commands of His Excellency the Governor General, the House had attended upon His Excellency in the Legislative Council Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's Name, the Royal Assent to the following Public and Private Bills:—

Customs Duties Bill.

An Act to amend the Law relative to the Duties of Customs.

Customs Management Bill.

An Act to amend, and to render permanent as amended, the Act for the management of the Customs.

Reciprocity Bill.

An Act to provide for the free admission into *Canada* of certain Articles of the growth or production of the *United States of America*, on certain conditions therein mentioned.

Public Works Tolls Bill.

An Act to make better provision with regard to the Tolls to be levied on the Public Provincial Works, and for other purposes relative to the said Works.

Public Debt, &c. Bill.

An Act for the better management of the Public Debt, Accounts, Revenue, and Property.

Emigration Bill.

An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make further provision respecting Emigrants.

Quarantine Bill.

An Act to amend the Quarantine Act.

Public Health Bill.

An Act to make provision for the preservation of the Public Health, in certain emergencies.

An Act to explain and amend an Act of the Parliament of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, passed in the second year of Her Majesty's Reign, intitled, "An Act for the protection of the Lands of "the Crown in this Province from trespass and injury," and to make further provision for that purpose.

Crown Lands Protection Bill.

An Act for putting a Legislative Interpretation upon certain Terms used in Acts of Parliament, and for rendering it unnecessary to repeat certain provisions and expressions therein, and for ascertaining the date and commencement thereof, and for other purposes.

Interpretation of Terms Bill.

An Act to confirm the Erection of certain Townships, and for other purposes relative to the Erection of Townships.

Townships Erection Bill.

An Act for the punishment of Warehousemen and others giving false receipts for Merchandize, and of persons receiving advances upon Goods and afterwards fraudulently disposing of the same.

Warehousemen's Punishment Bill.

An Act to provide for the Indemnification of parties in *Lower Canada*, whose property was destroyed during the Rebellion in the years one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, and one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

Indemnification Bill, (L. C.)

An Act to encourage the establishment of Building Societies in *Lower Canada*.

Building Societies Bill.

An Act to alter the day on which the Militia shall annually assemble for muster and discipline in *Upper Canada*.

Militia Muster (U. C.) Bill.

An Act to substitute Yearly Returns for the Quarterly Returns required of Clergymen and others by the sixteenth section of the Census Act.

Clergymen's Returns Bill.

An Act to amend the several Laws therein mentioned relative to the appointment and duties of Inspectors of Weights and Measures in *Upper Canada*.

Weights and Measures (U. C.) Bill.

An Act to divide the Municipality of *Drummond* into two Municipalities.

Drummond Municipality Bill.

An Act to divide the County of *Berthier* into two Municipalities, and for other purposes relative to the said County.

Berthier Municipality Bill.

An Act to remove the seat of the Municipality Number One, of the County of *Rimouski*, from *St. Patrice de la Rivière du Loup* to *St. Jean Baptiste de L'Isle Verte*.

Rimouski Municipality No. 1. Bill.

An Act to divide the County of *Lotbinière* into two Municipalities.

Lotbinière Municipalities Bill.

An Act to provide for the removal of the Registry Office of the County of *L'Islet* from the place where it is now kept to the Parish of *L'Islet*.

L'Islet Registry Office Bill.

An Act to detach the Parish of *St. Antoine de l'Isle aux Grues* from the Municipality of *L'Islet*, and to erect the same into a separate Municipality.

St. Antoine de l'Isle aux Grues Municipality Bill.

An Act to erect a new Township to be formed out of part of the Township of *Hatley* and part of the Township of *Bolton*, in the County of *Stanstead*.

Magog Township Bill.

An Act to amend the Acts passed to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Titles in the County of *Hastings*.

Hastings Registration of Titles Bill.

An Act to define the boundary between the Districts of *Bathurst* and *Johnstown*.

Bathurst Boundary Line Bill.

An Act to divide the Township of *Cayuga*, in the District of *Niagara*, into two Townships.

Cayuga Township Division Bill.

An Act to alter the boundary line between the Townships of *Hallowell* and *Sophiasburgh*, in the District of *Prince Edward*.

Hallowell and Sophiasburgh Boundary Line Bill.

An Act to extend the time limited for an increase of the Capital Stock of the Bank of *Montreal*.

Montreal Bank Bill.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Gore* Bank, and to increase the Capital Stock of the said Bank.

Gore Bank Bill.

An Act further to extend the time for paying up the new Stock of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District.

Commercial Bank New Stock Bill.



Montreal and  
Province Line  
Junction Rail-  
way Bill.

An Act to amend and extend the Act to incor-  
porate the *Montreal and Province Line Rail-  
way Company*.

Canada Life  
Assurance  
Company Bill.

An Act to incorporate the *Canada Life Assurance  
Company*.

Quebec  
Friendly So-  
ciety Bill.

An Act to continue for a limited time the Act of  
the Legislature of *Lower Canada* incorporating the  
*Quebec Friendly Society*.

Quebec Lite-  
rary and His-  
torical Society  
Bill.

An Act to amend the Charter of the Literary and  
Historical Society of *Quebec*.

Nuns of the  
Quebec Gen-  
eral Hospital  
Property Bill.

An Act to authorize the Community of the Nuns  
of the General Hospital of *Quebec* to acquire and  
hold additional real and personal property to a cer-  
tain amount.

Ursuline Nuns  
of Quebec  
Property Bill.

An Act to authorize the *Ursulines of Quebec* to  
acquire and hold additional real and personal property  
to a certain amount.

Les Clercs  
Paroissiaux  
Bill.

An Act to incorporate "*Les Clercs Paroissiaux ou  
"Catéchistes de Saint Viateur,"* in the Village of *In-  
dustry*, in the County of *Berthier*.

Stuart's Relief  
Bill.

An Act to enable *Charles James Stuart*, Esquire,  
to practise the Law in *Lower Canada*.

Bradley's Road  
Allowance  
Bill.

An Act to enable *William Bradley* to hold a cer-  
tain Road allowance in *Caldonia*, in the *Ottawa  
District*.

McCollom's  
Road Allow-  
ance Bill.

An Act to vest a certain Road allowance in the  
Township of *Nelson* in *John S. M'Collom*.

Thompson and  
Jessup's Relief  
Bill.

An Act for the relief of *Joseph Richard Thompson*  
and *Henry Jessup*.

Court of Ap-  
peals and  
Criminal Ju-  
risdiction  
(L.C.) Bill.

The House then again resolved itself into Com-  
mittee on the Bill to establish a Court having juris-  
diction in Appeals and Criminal matters for *Lower  
Canada*, and on the Resolution, That provision be  
made out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this  
Province for the Salaries of such and so many addi-  
tional Judges as may be required for the purpose of  
remodelling and improving the Judicial Institutions  
of *Lower Canada*, and for such other incidental ex-  
penses as may be necessary for carrying the same  
into effect,—with an Instruction to make provision  
in the Bill accordingly.

Mr. *Crysler* took the Chair of the Committee;  
and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Crysler* reported, That the Committee  
had made some progress, and directed him to move  
for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit  
again, on Friday next.

Courts of  
Civil Jurisdic-  
tion (L.C.)  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee  
on the Bill to amend the Laws relative to the Courts  
of Original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*,  
being read;

Ordered, That the Resolution, That provision be  
made out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of  
this Province for the Salaries of such and so  
many additional Judges as may be required for  
the purpose of remodelling and improving the  
Judicial Institutions of *Lower Canada*, and for  
such other incidental expenses as may be neces-  
sary for carrying the same into effect, be com-  
mitted to the said Committee, with an Instruc-  
tion to make provision in the Bill accordingly.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said  
Committee.

Mr. *Johnson* took the Chair of the Committee;  
and after some time spent therein, the proceedings of  
the Committee were interrupted by continued vol-  
leys of stones and other missiles thrown from the  
streets, through the windows, into the Legislative  
Assembly Hall, which caused the Committee to rise,  
and the Members to withdraw into the adjoining  
passages for safety,—from whence Mr. Speaker and

the other Members were almost immediately com-  
pelled to retire and leave the Building, which had  
been set fire to on the outside.

Jovis, 26<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis ;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE Building in which the Sittings of the Legis-  
lature were held having been destroyed by Fire,  
yesterday evening, the House met in the *Bonsecours  
Market Hall*.

House meets in  
Bonsecours  
Market Hall

And the names of the Members present were  
taken down, as follow :—

Mr. Speaker,

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General  
*Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*,  
*Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of  
*KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*,  
*Christie*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Duchesnay*,  
*Dumas*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*,  
*Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Gugy*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *John-  
son*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, Sir *Allan N.  
MacNab*, *Malloch*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*,  
*Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Not-  
man*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*,  
*Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*,  
*Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Smith* of  
*WESTWORTH*, *Stevenson*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*,  
*Watts*, *Wetenhall*, and *Wilson*.

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of  
the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,  
Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, the Honorable Mr. *Pap-  
ineau*, the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, Mr. *Wilson*,  
the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, Mr. *Nelson*, Mr.  
*Notman*, the Honorable Mr. *Price*, and Mr.  
*Smith*, of *Durham*, be appointed to ascertain  
what original Bills, pending in this House, have  
been destroyed by the late Fire, and consider  
and report the course that it may be proper to  
take with respect to such Bills, to enable the  
House to proceed with them from the different  
stages at which they had arrived.

Committee to  
ascertain what  
Bills have been  
destroyed by  
the late Fire

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney Gene-  
ral *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*,  
Ordered, That the Orders of the day lost by the  
sudden interruption of the proceedings of the  
House, yesterday, be revived, and that they be  
Orders of the day for to-morrow.

Orders revived  
and deferred.

Ordered, That the Orders of this day be postponed  
till to-morrow.

Orders defer-  
red.

Ordered, That when this House doth adjourn, it  
will adjourn until to-morrow at ten o'clock, A.M.

Adjournment.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, se-  
conded by Mr. *Holmes*,  
The House adjourned.

Veneris, 27<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis ;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

ON motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney Gene-  
ral *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr.  
*Price*,

Ordered, That when this House doth adjourn, it  
will adjourn until to-morrow at ten o'clock, A.M.

Adjournment.

Orders deferred.

Ordered, That the Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Price,  
The House adjourned.

Sabbati, 28<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis ;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Outrages in the City of Montreal.

THE Honorable Mr. Boulton moved, seconded by Mr. Cauchon, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to assure His Excellency that this House has witnessed with feelings of deep sorrow and indignation the proceedings of a mob of rioters and disorderly inhabitants of this City, who, in a time of profound peace and tranquillity, have committed several most wanton and disgraceful Outrages, as well upon persons as property, the most prominent of which is the destruction of the Building occupied by the two Houses of Parliament: That at such a moment of excitement they feel it to be due to themselves and to their Constituents, to assure His Excellency of the devoted loyalty and attachment of the People of Canada to the Person and Government of their beloved Sovereign, and of their earnest desire to preserve the connection with the Parent State; and further to express to His Excellency their deep sense of the justice and impartiality which has uniformly characterized the Constitutional Government of His Excellency while assisted by the counsels of his former as well as his present Advisers, without reference to the policy of either:

That while they sincerely hope that the tranquillity of the City is now substantially restored, they feel it their duty to assure His Excellency of their cordial support of any measures His Excellency may find it necessary to take for the preservation of the public peace; and they pledge themselves to make good any expense that His Excellency may have found it necessary, or may yet find it necessary, to incur for the accomplishment of that object.

Mr. Wilson moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Gogy, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "an humble Address be presented to His Excellency of the Governor General to assure His Excellency of the undiminished devotion and attachment of this House to their Most Gracious Sovereign and the Crown of Great Britain, and of the respect due to Her Majesty's Representative in this portion of Her Majesty's dominions:

"That this City has been the scene of violence and outrage of a most deplorable and frightful character, the Public Records of the Province and the Parliament Buildings have been burned by lawless men, private property destroyed, and serious injuries inflicted on several peaceable and loyal citizens:

"That this House desires to express unanimously its abhorrence and indignation at such outrageous and lawless acts, destructive to the peace of society, order, and good government:

"That this House is prepared by every constitutional means to aid the Government in the suppression of violence and the restoration of order, and to assist the supremacy of the Law."

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Gall, Gogy, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, Papineau, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of FRONTENAC, Stevenson, and Wilson—(17.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Duchesnay, Dumas, Fergusson, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Holmes, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Smith of DURHAM, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wetenhall.—(42.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The Honorable Mr. Sherwood moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Badgley, and the Question being put, That the further consideration of the main Question be postponed till Monday next;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Christie, Gall, Gogy, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.—(14.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hinch, LaTerrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Wetenhall.—(38.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to assure His Excellency that this House has witnessed with feelings of deep sorrow and indignation the proceedings of a mob of riotous and disorderly inhabitants of this City, who, in a time of profound peace and tranquillity, have committed several most wanton and disgraceful Outrages, as well upon persons as property, the most prominent of which is the destruction of the Building occupied by the two Houses of Parliament: That at such a moment of excitement, they feel it to be due to themselves and to their Constituents, to assure His Excellency of the devoted loyalty and attachment of the People of Canada to the Person and Government of their beloved Sovereign, and of their earnest desire to preserve the connection with the Parent State; and further to express to His Excellency their deep sense of the justice and impartiality which has uniformly characterized the Constitutional Government of His Excellency while assisted by the counsels of his former as well as his present Advisers, without reference to the policy of either:

That while they sincerely hope that the tranquillity of the City is now substantially restored, they feel it their duty to assure His Excellency of their cordial support of any measures His Excellency may find it necessary to take for the preservation of the public peace; and they pledge themselves to make good any expense that His Excellency may have found it necessary, or may yet find it necessary, to incur for the accomplishment of that object.

Mr. Galt moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Sir Allan N. MacNab, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to assure His Excellency that this House has viewed with the most profound regret the disturbance of the public peace in the City of Montreal during the last three days, which has resulted in the destruction of the Parliament Buildings, with the Provincial Archives and Library,—the destruction of much private property, and injury to the persons of Her Majesty's Subjects:

"That this House consider it their first duty to tender to the Government their assurance that nothing shall be wanting on their part to restore public tranquillity; and that they are ready to make provision for any measures judged necessary to protect the lives and property of Her Majesty's Subjects:

"That while this House are of opinion that the restoration of peace is the first object to be achieved, they consider that they should be wanting in their duty to the country, if they did not express their opinion that to the advice of the present Executive Government, in recommending His Excellency to assent to the Rebellion Losses Bill, and to the manner in which that assent was given, is to be attributed the disturbances which have resulted so disastrously for the honor and prosperity of this Province; and that this House fully recognizing the constitutional principle that the Administration are to be held responsible for all acts of the Government, desire to express to His Excellency their sincere regret that his Advisers should have taken that course which has caused insults to be offered to the Representative of Her Most Gracious Majesty in this Province, as well as to this House, which are calculated to diminish the respect of the people for the Constitution under which they live."

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Christie, Galt, Gagy, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.—(14.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Fergusson, Fournier, Fourquin, Hincks, Holmes, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Marquis, M<sup>c</sup>Farland, Merritt, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wetenhall.—(37.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Fergusson, Fournier, Fourquin, Hincks, Holmes, LaTerrière, Lemieux, Marquis, M<sup>c</sup>Farland, Merritt, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wetenhall.—(36.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Cayley, Christie, Galt, Gagy, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, Papineau, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Stevenson.—(16.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. Boulton, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, Mr. Solicitor General Drummond, the Honorable Mr. Merritt, and Mr. Cauchon, be appointed to prepare and report the draught of an humble Address to His Excellency the Governor General, in conformity with the foregoing Resolution.

Committee to draw up Address.

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

Address reported.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable James, Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. May it please Your Excellency,

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Canada in Parliament assembled, have witnessed with feelings of deep sorrow and indignation the proceedings of a mob of riotous and disorderly inhabitants of this City, who, in a time of profound peace and tranquillity, have committed several wanton and disgraceful Outrages, as well upon persons as property, the most prominent of which is the destruction of the Building occupied by the two Houses of Parliament. At such a moment of excitement, we feel it to be due to ourselves and to our Constituents, to assure Your Excellency of the devoted loyalty and attachment of the People of Canada to the Person and Government of our beloved Sovereign, and of their earnest desire to preserve the connection with the Parent State.

We further beg leave to express to Your Excellency our deep sense of the justice and impartiality which has uniformly characterized the constitutional Government of Your Excellency, while assisted by the counsels of your former as well as your present Advisers, without reference to the policy of either.

While we sincerely hope that the tranquillity of the City is now substantially restored, we feel it our duty to assure Your Excellency of our cordial support of any measure which Your Excellency may find it necessary to take for the preservation of the public peace, and we pledge ourselves to make good any expense that Your Excellency may have found it necessary, or may yet find it necessary, to incur for the accomplishment of that object.

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

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

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

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

Ordered, That Sir Allan N. MacNab have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Hamilton Mercantile Library Association.

Hamilton Mercantile Library Association Bill.

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

Bill to exempt Officers and others from Toll on Turnpike.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* have leave to bring in a Bill to exempt Naval and Military Officers, and others on duty on Her Majesty's service, from the payment of Toll upon any Turnpike Road in this Province.

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

Orders deferred.

*Ordered*, That the Orders of the day be postponed till Monday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

The House adjourned till Monday next.

*Lunæ*, 30° die Aprilis;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

His Excellency appoints to be attended.

THE Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, acquainted Mr. Speaker and the House, that His Excellency the Governor General will receive the House with its Address on the subject of the late Outrages committed in this City, this day, at three o'clock, P.M. at the Government-House.

The House attend His Excellency with their Address.

At the hour appointed, Mr. Speaker and the House attended upon His Excellency the Governor General, with their Address.

And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had attended upon His Excellency with their Address, to which His Excellency was pleased to make the following Answer:—

His Excellency's Answer.

Gentlemen,

I receive with gratitude your loyal and dutiful Address. I lament the Outrages of which this City has been the theatre during the few past days, and more especially the destruction of the Building occupied by the Houses of Parliament, with the valuable Libraries of which the Province had so good reason to be proud. My confidence in the good sense, moderation and loyalty of the great body of the people is however in no degree shaken by what has occurred.

It is satisfactory to me to receive the assurance that the course of justice and impartiality which I have followed in the discharge of the functions of my high office meets your approval. That course is prescribed to me by my duty to my Sovereign and to the inhabitants of the Province. A free people can hardly fail to discover in the faithful observance of all constitutional guarantees the best security for the preservation of their rights and liberties.

No efforts will be wanting on my part to secure the preservation of the Peace of the City; and I sincerely trust that by the exertions of the Legislative and Executive Authorities, and the co-operation of all the friends of order, this object may be accomplished.

*Ordered*, That one thousand copies of the Answer of His Excellency the Governor General, be printed in each of the English and French Languages, for the use of the Members of this House.

*Ordered*, That the Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow. Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*,

The House adjourned.

*Martis*, 1° die Maii;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

MR. Speaker informed the House, that the Serjeant at Arms, in consequence of severe indisposition, had (with his consent) appointed *William C. Burrage*, Esquire, to act as his Deputy during his illness. Deputy Serjeant at Arms.

*Ordered*, That the Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow. Orders deferred.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Egan* have leave to absent himself from this House, for ten days, on important business. Leave of absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wilson* have leave to absent himself from this House, for three weeks, on urgent business.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, seconded by Mr. *Wetenhall*,  
The House adjourned.

*Mercurii*, 2° die Maii;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, from the Select Committee appointed to ascertain what original Bills, pending in this House, have been destroyed by the late Fire, and consider and report the course that it may be proper to take with respect to such Bills, to enable the House to proceed with them from the different stages at which they had arrived, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read. Report on Bills destroyed by the late Fire.

For the said Report, see Appendix (S.S.S.S.)

*Ordered*, That the Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House, omitting the Bills appended to the said Report. Appendix (S.S.S.S.)

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the table:— Petition brought up.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,—The Petition of the College Council of the University of King's College established at *York*, now *Toronto*.

*Ordered*, That the Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow. Orders deferred.

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

*Jovis*, 3° die Maii;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

ON motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière*,

Public Re-  
cords.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully representing to His Excellency that this House having cause to believe that a great variety of public documents, records, and papers relating to the Civil and Military Government of *Canada*, as well anterior as posterior to the division of the Province of *Quebec* into the Provinces of *Lower* and *Upper Canada*, as also archives and papers, interesting as historic memorials of the early Colonization and Government of the country, belonging to the late Order of Jesuits, as kept by them from the first establishment of that Order in *Canada* to the suppression thereof, all highly valuable to the history of the country and its literature, are scattered throughout various of the public departments, (including those of the Provincial Secretary and Commissioner of Crown Lands,) in a neglected, perishable, and decaying state, it is the humble opinion of this House that the same ought to be, without loss of time, rescued from the ruin and annihilation which would thus appear to await them; and assuring His Excellency that any expense which may be incurred in the employment of a person duly competent to examine and appreciate, and to collect for safe keeping and preservation, the documents aforesaid, will cheerfully be made good by this House, when thereunto required.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Jobin*, seconded by Mr. *Sauvageau*,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of this House do refund to *Louis Comte*, the sum of Twenty pounds, currency, deposited by him previous to the second reading of the Bill to enable *Louis Comte* to recover a certain amount due to him by the Parish of *St. Edouard*, in the District of *Montreal*.

L. Comte's  
Relief Bill.Bill to amend  
the Law of  
Libel.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law of Libel, being read;  
*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

General Ses-  
sions of the  
Peace and Dis-  
trict Courts  
Bill (U.C.)

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal so much of the several Laws of the late Province of *Upper Canada* as relate to the period for holding the District Courts and Quarter Sessions therein, and to make provision for holding General Sessions of the Peace in each District thereof, and to alter the Terms of the said District Courts, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

Presbyterian  
Church Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Members of the Presbyterian Church in *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

Dower Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law and facilitate the proceedings in Actions of Dower in *Upper Canada*, being read;  
*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

Surveys (U.C.)  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act of the Parliament of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act to amend the Law relating to "Surveys in that part of this Province formerly "*Upper Canada*," being read;  
*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the Corporation of Rechabites of *Montreal*, being read;  
*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

Montreal  
Rechabites-  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize liens in certain cases on Vessels navigating the Lakes of *Upper Canada*, being read;  
*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

Bill to autho-  
rize liens on  
certain Vessels.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*, being read;  
The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Niagara Falls  
Suspension  
Bridge Bill.

Mr. *Boutillier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Boutillier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act of the Province of *Upper Canada*, for granting aid to Agricultural Societies, being read;

Agricultural  
Societies  
(U.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize *Marc Antoine Primeaux* and *Antoine A. Trottier* to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Chateauguay*, in the Parish of *Ste. Martine*, and to make a Plank Road from the River *St. Lawrence* to the River *Chateauguay*, in the said Parish, and to fix the Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, and to make further provision in that behalf, being read;

Primeaux and  
Trottier's  
Bridge Bill.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be re-committed to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Act relating to Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*, being read;  
The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mutual Insur-  
ance Com-  
panies (U.C.)  
Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the Trustees of the *Montreal Turnpike Roads* to purchase the *St. Michel Road*, and to open a Road to the Village of *Sault au Recollet*, being read;

St. Michel  
Road Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to ensure the validity of Biddings at Sales of Land made by order of any Court of Justice; and to fix the days on which the adjudication thereof may be made, being read;

Bill relating  
to Biddings at  
Sales of Land.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.



Dundas and  
Waterloo  
Road Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the *Dundas and Waterloo Macadamized Road Act*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

Testatum  
Writs (U. C.)  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to allow the issuing of *Testatum Writs of Capias ad res-pondendum* in the several Districts of *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, and Mr. *Notman*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Port Burwell  
Harbour Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "The President, Directors, and Company of *Port Burwell Harbour*," being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Notman*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, Mr. *Bell*, Mr. *Thompson*, and Mr. *Richards*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Limitation of  
Actions (L. C.)  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to declare the true intent, meaning, and effect of the Act passed in the tenth and eleventh years of Her Majesty's Reign, to make better provision for the limitation of Actions in *Lower Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

Pères Oblats  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate "*Les Réverends Pères Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de Marie*," in the Province of *Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Laurin*, Mr. *Armstrong*, Mr. *Boutillier*, and Mr. *Davignon*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Neepigon  
Mining Com-  
pany Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of *Neepigon Mining Company*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be re-committed to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Montreal  
Trinity House  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal a certain Act and Ordinance therein mentioned, relative to the Trinity House of *Montreal*, and to consolidate and amend the provisions of the said Act and Ordinance, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Cauchon*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Armstrong*, Mr. *Cartier*, and the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Interest of  
Money Laws  
Amendment  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend and simplify the Laws relating to the Interest of Money," being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to extend, alter, and amend an Act, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Cobourg and Grafton Road Company*," being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

Cobourg and  
Grafton Road  
Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to define the boundary line between the Township of *Walpole*, in the *Niagara* District, and the Township of *Woodhouse*, in the *Talbot* District, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Méthot* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Méthot* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next.

Walpole and  
Woodhouse  
Boundary Line  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend and continue the Ordinance for the inspection of Fish and Oil, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Fish and Oil  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Huron Mining Company*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be re-committed to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Huron Mining  
Company Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton Mercantile Library Association*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

*Ordered*, That the Rule of this House requiring that Private Bills be posted up one week in the lobby of the House be suspended as regards the said Bill.

Hamilton Mer-  
cantile Library  
Association  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to exempt Naval and Military Officers, and others on duty on Her Majesty's service, from the payment of Toll upon any Turnpike Road in this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Bill to exempt  
Officers and  
others from  
Toll on Turn-  
pikes.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Orders defer-  
red.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Laurin*, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*,

The House adjourned.

Veneris, 4<sup>o</sup> die Maii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

Petitions  
brought up.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of *George Caruthers* and others, of the County of *Middlesex*, Executors of the last Will of the late *Richard N. Starr*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cayley*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Walter Stennett*, A. M. and others,

Students in the Faculty of Divinity in the University of King's College.

Petition read.

Pursuant to the Order of the day, the following Petition was read:—

Of the College Council of the University of King's College established at York, now Toronto; praying for the passing of the Bill to amend the Charter of the University at Toronto, with certain alterations.

Mutual Insurance Companies (U.C.) Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act relating to Mutual Insurance Companies in Upper Canada, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. M'Farland do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Winter Roads (No. 2, L.C.) Bill.

An engrossed Bill 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 the District of Three Rivers, with the exception of that part of the County of Drummond within the District of Three Rivers, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to repeal the Ordinances relative to Winter Roads in Lower Canada, in so far as regards the Districts of Quebec and Gaspé, and part of the District of Three Rivers."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Laurin do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

St. Roch de Quebec Congregation Bill.

Mr. Laurin reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Association called "La Congrégation des hommes de la Paroisse de Saint Roch de Québec," That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Fifth Report of Committee on Contingencies.

Mr. DeWitt, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have taken into consideration the reference of Your Honorable House of the 1st March last, relating to the Offices thereof, and other matters hereinafter alluded to.

The permanent establishment of officers in the employ of Your Honorable House, on fixed salaries of from £750 to £70 a year, consists of thirty-one individuals, receiving in all £6900 annually, £1600 of which are paid directly from the Treasury, pursuant to warrants, and the remainder (£5300) from the contingencies of Your Honorable House. There are, besides the above permanent officers, twenty-three extra writers at 15s. per diem, of whom no less than fourteen, in addition to those previously employed, have been taken on from the commencement of the Session, and eighteen messengers at 7s. 6d. per diem, making a daily total of £24 for extra writers and messengers. The increase in the number of extra writers or writing clerks was made, it appears, in the expectation that the increase of business, owing to the use of the two languages in the proceedings of the Legislature, would require it. But Your Committee would observe that ordinarily it is not until some weeks after the opening of the Session that there is occasion for supernumerary writers, or extra aid; and such, according to the report of the Clerk to Your Committee, has been the case at the present Session.

A list of the clerks, translators, junior clerks, extra writers, and messengers of Your Honorable House, amounting in all to seventy-two individuals, with a specification of their several salaries and allowances, is annexed for the information of Honorable Members thereof.

Your Committee recommend that in future the Clerk shall not engage nor put on pay, at the outset of a Session, any more writers than may be necessary for the time being, taking on others as the increase of business may require the assistance of the supernumeraries. Your Committee have cause to believe, from the multitude of applicants at the beginning of the present Session for employment as writers, many of them well qualified for the purpose, and who would have thought themselves well paid at 10s. per day, that an abundance of such can always be had at that rate, on the shortest notice, by the Clerk, when there is occasion for them; and the Committee accordingly recommend that no extra writers whatever, after the present Session, be employed at any greater rate than 10s. per day; and, also, that no person hereafter taken into the service of Your Honorable House as a messenger, be paid at a higher rate than five shillings per day.

Your Committee have ascertained that there are in the offices three of those whose names appear on the list of extra writers, who, although not regularly attending during office hours, nevertheless make up for it, by attending as well previous as subsequent to the same, pursuant to an arrangement with them by the Clerk: Your Committee are unwilling to disturb the arrangements he may have made with them, particularly as he reports favorably of their diligence and ability, and that without their aid the despatch of business might be retarded; but they are of opinion that the precedent is an inconvenient one, and that the agreement ought not, if it can be avoided, to be renewed at the ensuing Session.

Your Committee have had occasion to observe, in several instances, the negligent and slovenly manner in which the proceedings and evidence given before Committees are taken and recorded by some of the clerks or writers attending them, and recommend that the Clerk of Your Honorable House be careful that such as he shall hereafter employ as extra writers or writing clerks, not only write correctly their language, English or French as the case may be, but legibly, and in all respects properly.

Your Committee have ascertained, by report of the Clerk, and by personal visitation, the state of the several offices of Your Honorable House, and have to report favorably of them. Your Committee are of opinion that, owing to the use of the two languages in the proceedings of Your Honorable House, it is inexpedient, at least for the present, to make any reductions in the fixed salaries upon the establishment; on the contrary, looking to the unavoidable increase of business in the offices, resulting from the use of the two languages, Your Committee had agreed upon, and were on the point of recommending an augmentation to certain of the smaller salaries upon the establishment, but adverting to your instructions to them, which look rather to retrenchment in the contingencies of Your Honorable House, than to an augmentation thereof, they have felt themselves foreclosed from advising any permanent increase to the charges upon the establishment; and the recent catastrophe is, Your Committee regret to add, another motive for abstaining from it.

Your Committee, however, think it due to recommend that a gratuity of £25 be given to King Barton, a junior clerk, at £150 per annum, of Your Honorable House, in consideration of the ingenuity and order he has evinced in a set of Registers or Books kept by him, (as shewn to Your Committee,) by means of which the progress and stage of every

measure and proceeding before Your Honorable House can, at a minute's notice, be traced and ascertained; and of £20 to *Robert Defries*, keeper of the Post Office department of Your Honorable House, in like manner by way of gratuity to him, and as an acknowledgment of the diligence and attention with which he has superintended the responsible business entrusted to him, and in particular of the saving in the expense of postages which it is believed he has thereby effected during the present Session, by the arrangements in his department.

Your Committee are of opinion that a classification, according to salaries, of the several officers of the establishment, and a system of promotion from class to class, by merit and seniority, may be established. The Clerk, Clerk Assistant, and Serjeant at Arms, (the last mentioned officer being in rank, though not in salary, next to them,) constituting the first class:

The officers receiving £350 a-year, the second class,

Those at £250 a-year, the third class,

Those at £200 a-year, the fourth class,

Those at £150 a-year, the fifth class,

And those at £125 a-year, the sixth class.

With the understanding that, in future, no increase of salary to any one of a class shall take place so long as he remains in it, nor until he is promoted to the next superior class. Merit, it is believed, would lead to promotion, which ought to be the principal means of obtaining an increase of salary from Your Honorable House, rather than that, too frequently resorted to, of intrigue and importunity of candidates and their friends, the inconvenience whereof few members of Your Honorable House have not at one time or other experienced, and which frequently gives success to the intriguer, while the more laborious servant of modest merit remains altogether neglected and forgotten.

Your Committee having ascertained from the Clerk, that *J. B. Moraud*, one of the junior clerks at £150 per annum, has, through an afflicting visitation of Providence, been absent from his duty ever since the beginning of July, 1847, (down to which period his salary has been paid him in full,) and that he still continues unable to resume it, recommend that he be paid thence to the 31st March last, inclusively, half only of his salary, and that his duties in the offices of Your Honorable House be thenceforward deemed to have terminated; with the understanding always, that if he recover his health so as to be capable of resuming his duties, he be again employed in the

service of Your Honorable House. The unavoidable removal of *Mr. Moraud* will cause two vacancies, which it will be for *Mr. Speaker*, on the recommendation of the Clerk, to fill, by promoting a junior clerk from the sixth class, (£125,) to the fifth, (£150,) with the salary of the latter from January last, and by promoting and placing on the permanent establishment, at the expiration of the present Session, or when he shall see fit, an extra writer to the vacancy occasioned by the step aforesaid from class six to five.

Your Committee have taken into consideration the Petition of *J. Vallor*, one of the Messengers of Your Honorable House, praying for a retired pension, but cannot recommend it. Your Committee, wholly opposed to the granting of pensions chargeable upon the contingencies of Your Honorable House, would, rather than increase them, recommend the discontinuance of those with which it is already encumbered, and by which a most inconvenient precedent has been afforded, if, consistently with the faith and honor of Your Honorable House, it could be done. They have also considered the Petition of Messrs. *Wylie* and others, Reporters of the Debates in Your Honorable House, praying for some remuneration in addition to that allowed them by their employers, the Editors of the papers for which they report, in consideration of the value of their labour to the public, and which Your Committee fully acknowledge. But Your Committee regret that there are objections, as they believe of an insuperable nature, to the appropriation of any portion of the monies advanced to defray the contingent expenses of Your Honorable House to such a purpose. There is no precedent to be found for it, in so far as Your Committee are advised, in the Journals of the House of Commons, and the introduction of it here would prove, they apprehend, exceedingly inconvenient.

Your Committee, in conclusion, beg leave to submit their conviction, that the Clerk of Your Honorable House has, in procuring the necessary stationery and other supplies, as well as works or services for it, occasionally been imposed upon; and therefore recommend that in future, with a view to prevent similar abuses, he should in all such cases consult and be aided by the advice of *Mr. Speaker*, and any other Member of the House besides who may at the time be in the City and disposed to assist him with advice on any matter, as aforesaid, on which he may consult them.

LIST OF OFFICERS, Extra Writers, and Messengers of the Legislative Assembly—2nd Session, 3rd Parliament, 1849.

No.	Name.	Designation of Office.	Salaries per Annum, Paid by	
			Warrant.	Contingencies.
1	<i>W. B. Lindsay</i> .....	Clerk.....	£500	£250
2	<i>G. B. Faribault</i> .....	Assistant Clerk.....	400	150
3	<i>G. W. Wicksteed</i> .....	Law Clerk and English Translator.....	350	.....
4	<i>W. P. Patrick</i> .....	Chief Office Clerk.....	.....	350
5	<i>Wm. Ross</i> .....	Chief Clerk of Committees.....	.....	350
6	<i>H. Voyer</i> .....	French Translator.....	250	.....
7	<i>P. E. Gagnon</i> .....	French Journal Clerk.....	.....	250
8	<i>G. M. Muir</i> .....	English Journal Clerk.....	.....	250
9	<i>Alfred Patrick</i> .....	Clerk of Committees.....	.....	250
10	<i>Thomas Vaux</i> .....	Second Office Clerk and Accountant.....	.....	250
11	<i>Alfred Todd</i> .....	Clerk of Committees.....	.....	250
12	<i>W. B. Lindsay, Junr</i> .....	Assistant Law Clerk and English Translator.....	.....	200
13	<i>G. Lévesque</i> .....	Assistant French Translator.....	.....	200
14	<i>D. P. Myrand</i> .....	Assistant French Translator.....	.....	200
15	<i>J. Huston</i> .....	Assistant French Translator.....	.....	200
16	<i>W. Winder</i> .....	Librarian.....	.....	200
17	<i>Alphens Todd</i> .....	Assistant Librarian.....	.....	200
18	<i>G. K. Chisholm</i> .....	Serjeant at Arms.....	100	100
19	<i>H. Hartney</i> .....	Engrossing Clerk.....	.....	150

On the Establishment.

LIST OF OFFICERS, &c.—(Continued.)

No.	Name.	Designation of Office.	Salaries per annum, Paid by	
			Warrant.	Contingencies.
20	J. B. Moraud.....	Junior Clerk.....		150
21	Thads. Patrick.....	Junior Clerk.....		150
22	King Barton.....	Junior Clerk.....		150
23	W. H. LeMoine.....	Junior Clerk.....		150
24	W. Spink.....	Junior Clerk.....		150
25	L. F. Berthelot.....	Junior Clerk.....		125
26	H. B. Stuart.....	Junior Clerk.....		125
27	E. Dénéchaud.....	Junior Clerk.....		125
28	A. L. Cardinal.....	Chief Messenger.....		150
29	Robt. Defries.....	Post Master.....		80
30	Jno. Cameron.....	Assistant Messenger.....		75
31	J. O'Connor.....	Door Keeper.....		70
32	W. C. Burrage.....			
33	J. P. Leprohon.....			
34	Thos. Burn.....			
35	W. Fanning.....			
36	L. D. LeMoine.....			
37	Jno. Popham.....			
38	A. L. Leprohon.....			
39	O. De la Chevrotière.....			
40	F. X. Blanchette.....			
41	C. E. Belle.....			
42	J. M'Coy.....			
43	Robt. Lindsay.....			
44	W. B. Ross.....			
45	J. M'Callum.....			
46	L. J. Chagnon.....			
47	P. Smith.....			
48	C. Dery.....			
49	Louis Giard.....			
50	H. Tanguay.....			
51	Ch. Langevin.....			
52	E. T. Fletcher, occasionally employed in English Translator's office.....			
53	P. Plamondon.....			
54	Robt. Lovelace.....			
55	A. Laperrière.....			
56	J. Vollar.....			
57	J. Kay.....			
58	R. Bailie.....			
59	M. M'Carthy.....			
60	E. M'Crae.....			
61	J. Curran.....			
62	O. Vincent.....			
63	J. Blais.....			
64	Chas. Olivier.....			
65	P. Rivet.....			
66	J. M'Lennan.....			
67	G. Webster.....			
68	C. J. Montigny.....			
69	J. LeMonde.....			
70	R. Belton.....			
71	E. Pelletier.....			
72	L. Labonté.....			

On the Establishment.

Extra Writers employed during the Session, at 15s. per diem.

Messengers, employed during the Session, at 7s. 6d. per diem.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Sixth Report of Committee on Contingencies.

Mr. DeWitt, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

From the representations made by the Clerk of Your Honorable House, that the Funds placed at his disposal for the usual Contingent Expenses are very nearly exhausted, and that applications are made to him by Printers and others, for services and articles furnished, Your Committee would recommend that an Address to His Excellency the Governor General be presented for a further advance of Three thousand pounds.

Contingencies of the House.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to issue his

Warrant in favor of *William Burns Lindsay*, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of Three thousand pounds, currency, towards defraying the Contingencies of this House; and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

An engrossed Bill to exempt Naval and Military Officers, and others on duty on Her Majesty's service, from the payment of Toll upon any Turnpike Road in this Province, was read the third time.

Bill to exempt Officers and others from Toll on Turnpikes.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.  
*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Boulton do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to encourage Ship-building in *Lower Canada*, by affording better security to persons ad-

Ship-building Encouragement Bill.

vancing money, or furnishing work or materials for the construction of Ships, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be re-committed to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Cauchon*, Mr. *Cartier*, and Mr. *Laurin*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Lower Canada Bar Incorporation Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be re-committed to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Chabot*, the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, Mr. *Cartier*, Mr. *Polette*, and Mr. *Lemieux*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Bathurst District Lands Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Select Committee to which was referred the Bill to annex certain unsurveyed Lands to the *Bathurst* District, for Judicial purposes, be discharged from the further consideration thereof.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Bell*, Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Flint*, and Mr. *Burritt*, to report thereon, with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Events of 25th April last.

The Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière* moved, seconded by Mr. *Lemieux*, and the Question being proposed, That this House taking into consideration the deplorable events which occurred in the City of *Montreal*, on Wednesday the twenty-fifth day of April last, when a numerous and riotous assemblage of evil minded persons attacked, about nine o'clock at night, the Building in which this House was then sitting, in consequence of which the Archives as well as its Library were totally destroyed, and all the important business of this country violently interrupted; that this House further considering the character of the riots, the burnings which have since taken place, and the tumultuous meetings which are daily held in several portions of this City, with the avowed object of threatening and controlling the acts of the Legislature, is fully convinced that its deliberations are no longer free, and that it is most urgent that the present Session should be closed.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by Mr. *Davignon*,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the said Question be postponed till Monday next.

Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Bill.

Mr. *Boutillier* reported the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Niagara Falls* Suspension Bridge Company; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Offenders' Treaty Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the *United States of America*, for the apprehension and surrender of certain Offenders, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Fortier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Fortier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Saint Patrick's Society of Quebec*:"

St. Patrick's Society Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to divide the County of *Saguenay* into two divisions for the Registration of Deeds:"

Saguenay Registry Districts Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to divide the County of *Rimouski* into two Districts for the Registration of Deeds:"

Rimouski Registry Districts Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron Union Railroad Company*:"

Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron Union Railroad Company Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Hor-ticultural Society of Montreal*:" And also,

Montreal Horticultural Society Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Religious Community of the *Seurs Hospitalières de St. Joseph de l'Hôtel Dieu de Montreal* to acquire and hold real and personal property to a certain amount over and above that now held by them, as well for themselves as for the Poor of the *Hôtel Dieu* on whose behalf they administer certain property, and for other purposes therein mentioned," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Seurs Hospitalières (Montreal) Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Teachers' Association of the District of *Quebec*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Quebec District Teachers Association Bill.

And then he withdrew.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Statement of the Accounts of the Provincial Penitentiary for the year 1848.

Penitentiary.

For the said Statement, see Appendix (T.T.T.T.)

Appendix (T.T.T.T.)

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to provide, by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, and other references, being read;

Municipal Corporations (U.C.) Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Cartier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Cartier* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till Monday next.

Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Price*, seconded by Mr. *Fortier*, The House adjourned till Monday next.



Lunæ, 7<sup>o</sup> die Maii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Leave of  
absence.

**ORDERED**, That the Honorable Mr. *LaTerrière* have leave to absent himself from this House, during ten days, on most urgent private business.

Petition  
brought up.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the table:—

By the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*,—The Petition of the Reverend *James Beaven*, Doctor in Divinity, and Senior Member of the Council of King's College next after the President.

Niagara Falls  
Suspension  
Bridge Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Niagara Falls* Suspension Bridge Company, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Offenders  
Treaty Bill.

An engrossed Bill for better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the *United States of America*, for the apprehension and surrender of certain Offenders, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions read.

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

Of *George Carruthers* and others, of the County of *Middlesex*, Executors of the last Will of the late *Richard N. Starr*; praying for the passing of an Act of incorporation to enable the inhabitants of the Townships of *Carradoc* and *Ekfrid* to avail themselves of the bequest of the late *R. N. Starr*, for the establishment of public libraries therein.

Of the Reverend *Walter Stennett*, A.M., and others, Students in the Faculty of Divinity in the University of King's College; praying that power be continued to the said University of conferring Degrees in Divinity.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Reverend *James Beaven*, Doctor in Divinity, and Senior Member of the Council of King's College next after the President, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying for the amendment of the University Bill, so as to recognize elementary Christian instruction as a necessary part of education.

*Ordered*, That the Petition be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Religious So-  
cieties Bill.

Mr. *Flint* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend certain Acts of the Parliament of *Upper Canada* for the relief of Religious Societies, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Tenth Report  
of Committee  
on Miscel-  
laneous Private  
Bills.

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Tenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of *Neepigon Mining Company*, and, also, the Bill to incorporate the *Huron Mining Company*, and made

certain amendments to each of them, which they recommend for the adoption of Your Honorable House.

Your Committee have also examined the Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton Mercantile Library Association*, and have agreed to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate the *Huron Mining Company*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Mr. *Méthot* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to encourage Ship-building in *Lower Canada*, by affording better security to persons advancing money or furnishing work or materials for the construction of Ships, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of *Neepigon Mining Company*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Malloch* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Malloch* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Malloch* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Mr. *Notman* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "The President, Directors, and Company of *Port Burwell Harbour*;" That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Mr. *Chabot* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Testatum  
Writs (U.C.)  
Bill.

Mr. Smith, of Durham, reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to allow the issuing of *Testatum Writs* of *Capias ad respondendum* in the several Districts of *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Shipping of  
Seamen Bill.

On motion of Mr. Méthot, seconded by Mr. Chabot, Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Act of the 10 and 11 Vic. c. 25, intituled, "An Act for regulating the shipping of Seamen," and for other purposes therein mentioned, be discharged.

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

Seurs Hospi-  
talières (Mon-  
tréal) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Religious Community of the *Sœurs Hospitalières de St. Joseph de l'Hôtel Dieu de Montréal* to acquire and hold real and personal property to a certain amount over and above that now held by them, as well for themselves as for the Poor of the *Hôtel Dieu* on whose behalf they administer certain property, and for other purposes therein mentioned," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 2, line 27. Leave out from "contracts" to "thereof" in line 35 inclusive.

Press 2. In the marginal note. Leave out from "Province" to "when."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Cartier do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

L. Comte's  
Relief Bill.

On motion of Mr. Cartier, seconded by Mr. Chabot, Ordered, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to enable *Louis Comte* to recover a certain amount due to him by the Parish of *St. Edouard*, in the District of *Montréal*, be discharged.

Ordered, That the said Bill be re-committed to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Montreal  
Trinity House  
Bill.

Mr. Cauchon reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to repeal a certain Act and Ordinance therein mentioned, relative to the Trinity House of *Montreal*, and to consolidate and amend the provisions of the said Act and Ordinance, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Beaubien took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Beaubien reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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Ordered, That Mr. Cartier have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "*L'Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal*," in the City, Parish, and District of *Montréal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Holmes, seconded by Mr. De Witt, Ordered, That the Rule of this House requiring that Private Bills be posted up one week in the Lobby of the House, be suspended as regards the Bill to authorize the Trustees of the *Montréal Turnpike Roads* to purchase the *St. Michel Road*, and to open a Road to the Village of *Sault au Recollet*.

Ordered, That Mr. Watts have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to consolidate and amend the Road Laws of *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday, the thirty-first instant.

Ordered, That Mr. Smith, of *Wentworth*, and Mr. Thompson, be added to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, in the room of Mr. Hall and Mr. *Mongenais*.

Ordered, That Mr. Holmes have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of *Lake Champlain* and the River *St. Lawrence*.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the nineteenth April last, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, Copies of all Petitions, Letters, and Correspondence that may have passed between *William Moore Kelly*, Esquire, late Collector of Customs at the Port of *Toronto*, and the Executive Government of this Province, since the 14th March, 1845, relating to his claims upon it for disbursements made by him in the execution of the duties of his said office as Collector, and of the answers thereto, together with all Reports made by the Attorney General, the Inspector General, or the Deputy Inspector General, to this date, respecting the said claims of Mr. *Kelly*.

For the said Return, see Appendix (V.V.V.V.)

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, reported, That His Excellency the Governor General had been attended upon with the Address of this House, of the 4th May instant, (that His Excellency would be pleased to issue his Warrant in favor of *William Burns Lindsay*, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of Three thousand pounds currency, towards defraying the Contingencies of this House,) and that His Excellency had been pleased to say, that he will give directions that the desires of the House be complied with.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, reported, That His Excellency the Governor General had been attended upon with the Address of this House, of the

L'Association  
St. Jean Bap-  
tiste de Mon-  
tréal Bill.

St. Michel  
Road Bill.

Road Laws  
(L.C.) Bill.

Committee on  
Railroad and  
Telegraph  
Line Bills.

Ship Canal  
Bill.

W. M. Kelly.

Appendix  
(V.V.V.V.)

Contingencies  
of the House.

Public Re-  
cords.

3d May instant, (on the subject of certain public documents, records, and papers relating to the Civil and Military Government of *Canada*, belonging to the late Order of Jesuits,) and that His Excellency had been pleased to say, that he will give directions that the desires of the House be complied with.

Small Debts  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to consolidate and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in force regulating the system and practice of certain Courts in *Upper Canada* established for the recovery of Small Debts, and to make other provisions therefor, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

St. François  
du Lac Church  
Trustees Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to make valid the election of the Trustees for building a Church in the Parish of *St. François du Lac St. Pierre*, and to enable them to complete the same, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Fourquin*, Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Lemieux*, Mr. *Fortier*, and Mr. *Guillet*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Foreign In-  
surances Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to regulate Foreign Insurances, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Masters and  
Servants (L.C.)  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Act relating to Masters and Servants in the country parts of *Lower Canada*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

Huron District  
Division Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the District of *Huron*, in the Province of *Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Municipal  
Corporations  
(U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to provide, by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, and other references, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Cartier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Cartier* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

Orders de-  
ferred.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*.  
The House adjourned.

Martis, 8<sup>o</sup> die Maii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE HOUSE commenced its Sittings at "Freemasons' Hall."

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

By Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*,—The Petition of *H. B. Bull* and others, of a certain part of the Township of *Barton* between the third and fourth Concessions thereof, District of *Gore*.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of *Donald Cameron*, of the Township of *Thora*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*,—The Petition of *O. Rémond* and others, Pilots navigating the River *St. Lawrence* between the Ports of *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

Ordered, That the Petition of *H. B. Bull* and others, of a certain part of the Township of *Barton* between the third and fourth Concessions thereof, District of *Gore*, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying that that part of the said Township be not included within the limits of the City of *Hamilton*.

An engrossed Bill to enable the Sureties of the late Municipal Council of the Township of *Hatley* to enforce their claims against the said Township, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Guy* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Deeds and Instruments relating to Real Property in the Registry Office at *Montreal*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the present limits and internal divisions of the different Cities, Towns, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, and already having by Law a Corporate Municipal organization, and also into the limits and internal divisions of such other Towns and Villages therein, upon which, from their position, wealth, or population, it is expedient to confer such organization, and into the expediency of amending the same, or any of them, with power to report thereon from time to time, as to the limits and internal divisions which it may be expedient to establish for such Cities, Towns, and Villages respectively, or for any of them, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

As regards the limits of such Villages as are already named in Schedule (A.) of the Bill to provide, by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, now pending before Your Honorable House, or as

may be hereafter inserted in that Schedule, Your Committee are of opinion that it will be better to leave them to be settled by Proclamation, as provided for by the 181st Clause of the said Bill.

As respects the limits and divisions of the Towns already mentioned in Schedule (B.) of the said Bill, or which Your Committee are of opinion had better be inserted in that Schedule, Your Committee have prepared a Schedule of the Towns, which they have appended to this Report marked (B.); and as respects the limits and divisions of the Cities named in Schedule (C.) of the said Bill, Your Committee have also adopted certain amendments, which they have inserted in the Schedule to this Report, marked (C.)

With respect to those Towns mentioned in Schedule (D.) of the said Bill, Your Committee are of opinion that it will be better to leave those limits to be settled in the manner prescribed by the Bill for the Villages mentioned in Schedule (A.)

#### Schedule (B.)

1. *Belleville*.—To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Hastings*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Commencing at the limits between Lots numbers six and seven in the first concession of the Township of *Thurlow*, at low-water mark of the Bay of *Quinté*; thence northerly along the side line between Lots numbers six and seven, to the second concession road; thence westerly along the said second concession line to the westerly boundary of Lot number one in the said first concession of *Thurlow*; thence southerly on the Town line between the Townships of *Thurlow* and *Sidney* to the Bay of *Quinté*; thence easterly along the shore of the said Bay to the place of beginning, together with the Harbour, Islands and Marshes in front of the said Town.

The said Town to be divided into four Wards, to be called, respectively, *Samson Ward*, *Ketcheson Ward*, *Baldwin Ward*, and *Coleman Ward*, and to comprise the following portions of the said Town respectively, that is to say:—

The said *Samson Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies to the south east of Bridge Street, on the north side of the River *Moira*.

The said *Ketcheson Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies north west of Bridge and south east of Pinnacle Street, on the north side of said River.

The said *Baldwin Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies north west of Pinnacle Street, on the north side of the said River, to the limit of the Town.

And the said *Coleman Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies on the west side of the said River *Moira*.

2. *Brantford*.—To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Wentworth*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Commencing on the north side of *Colborne Street*, in the eastern limit of the said Town, as originally laid out by the authority of the Government of the late Province of *Upper Canada*; then north, eighteen degrees thirty minutes east, seventy-nine chains forty-five links, more or less, to the north-east angle of the said Town as laid out by the Government as aforesaid; then south, eighty-four degrees thirty minutes west, eighty-two chains twenty-eight links, more or less, to the north-west angle of the said Town as laid out by the Government as aforesaid, and to the eastern limit of a certain tract of twelve hundred acres of land originally granted by the Crown to *Abraham Kennedy Smith* and *Margaret Kerby*; then south, twenty-seven degrees thirty minutes west, eight chains, more or less, to the south-east angle of a parcel of land belonging to

*Peter O'Banyon*; then north, sixty-two degrees thirty minutes west, sixty chains, more or less, to the western limit of the said lands granted by the Crown to the said *Abraham Kennedy Smith* and *Margaret Kerby*; then south, twenty-seven degrees thirty minutes west, one hundred and eight chains, more or less, along the western limit of the said lands to the Grand River, then across the Grand River obliquely with the stream in an easterly direction, and passing south of the large Island, about thirty chains, to the limit between the farm lands of *Thomas Mair* and the north part of the *Brant Farm* granted by the Crown to *William Johnson Kerr*; then south, twenty-seven degrees twenty-five minutes west, forty-two chains, more or less, to the rear of the Lots on the south side of *Burford Street* on the plank road; then south, sixty-eight degrees east, thirty-nine chains, more or less, to the east side of the *Mount Pleasant Road* and south side of *Walnut Street* on the lands of *Daniel Mercer Gilkison*; then north, forty-three degrees thirty minutes east, thirty-six chains, more or less, along the south side of *Walnut Street* to the Grand River; then easterly, along the south side of the Grand River with the stream about thirty chains to opposite the mouth of the Cove; then east, across the Grand River to the south side of the mouth of the said Cove; then north-easterly, along the easterly side of the said Cove about twenty chains to the southern limit of the lands of the Grand River Navigation Company; then easterly, along the south boundary of the said Grand River Navigation Company's lands, about fifty-five chains, to the western limit of the *Mohawk Parsonage Glebe*; then north, five degrees thirty minutes west, forty-five chains, more or less, to the place of beginning.

The said Town to be divided into five Wards, to be called, respectively, *King's Ward*, *Queen's Ward*, *Brant Ward*, *East Ward*, and *North Ward*, and to comprise the following portions of the said Town, respectively, that is to say:—

The said *King's Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies between *Cedar Street* and *King Street*, and north of the Canal, together with all that part of the said Town lying south of the Grand River.

The said *Queen's Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies north of the Canal and between *King Street* and *Market Street*, to their intersection with *West Street*.

The said *Brant Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies north of the Grand River and south of the Canal, as far eastward as *Alfred Street* and north of the Canal and between *Market* and *Alfred Streets*.

The said *East Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies east of *Alfred Street*.

And the said *North Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies north of the Grand River, (including the two large Islands in the River,) and west of *Cedar Street* and *West Street* from its intersection with *Cedar Street*.

3. *Brockville*.—To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Leeds*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Comprising that part of the Township of *Elizabethtown* known as the front halves of Township Lots numbers ten, eleven, twelve, and thirteen, and of the west half of Township Lot number nine, and of the east half of Township Lot number fourteen in the first concession of the said Township, extending the same respectively to the water's edge of the River *St. Lawrence*, together with such parts of the water of the said River, and of the land under the said water as lies in front of the said Lots, within three hundred yards of the said water's edge, and also including the small Island, in front of the said

Town, on which a block house is now built, and all public roads and highways running through or by any of the said half Lots within the exterior limits thereof.

The said Town to be divided into three Wards, to be called, respectively, East Ward, West Ward, and Centre Ward, and to comprise the following portions of the said Town respectively, that is to say:—

The said Centre Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town known as the front half of the west half of the said Township Lot number eleven, and of the front half of the east half of the said Township Lot number twelve, in the first Concession of *Elizabethtown* aforesaid, extending the same respectively to the water's edge of the said River *St. Lawrence*, together with such parts of the water of the said River, and of the land under the said water as lies in front of the said last mentioned half Lots, and within three hundred yards of the said water's edge, and including the said small Island.

The said West Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies to the west of the said Centre Ward.

And the said East Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies east of the said Centre Ward.

4. *Bytown*.—To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Carleton*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Commencing at the waters of the River *Rideau* on the line which divides Lots E and F in concessions D and C, and thence, in a continuous direct line, across Lot number forty, to the side line dividing Lots numbers thirty-nine and forty; thence, following the said line northerly in the first concession to the line dividing concession A and the first concession, and in concession A embracing the whole of the broken Lot number thirty-nine to the River *Ottawa*, including all the Islands down to the southerly end of the chain bridge; thence, following the waters of the *Ottawa* in the centre of the channel to the western branch of the waters of the River *Rideau*; thence, against the stream up the River *Rideau* to the place of beginning.

The said Town to be divided into three Wards, to be called, respectively, East Ward, Centre Ward, and West Ward, and to comprise the following portions of the said Town respectively, that is to say:—

*Lower Bytown* shall comprise that portion of the said Town which lies easterly from the *Rideau* Canal, and shall constitute two Wards, by the names of East Ward and Centre Ward.

The said East Ward to comprise all that portion of the said Lower Town which lies east of the centre of *Dalhousie* Street, so far as the said Street is now opened, and thence in a direct line produced from the centre of the said Street until it intersects the limits of the Town on the south.

The said Centre Ward to comprise all that portion of the said Lower Town not included in the East Ward.

The said West Ward shall comprise all that portion of the said Town which lies westerly from the *Rideau* Canal, and which shall constitute *Upper Bytown*.

5. *Cobourg*.—To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Northumberland*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Commencing on the Lake shore, at the south-east angle of Lot number fourteen, in concession B; thence north, sixteen degrees west to the centre of the first concession; thence south, seventy-four degrees west, to the centre of Lot number twenty-one, in the said concession; thence south sixteen

degrees east, to the Lake shore; thence along the water's edge, to the place of beginning.

The said Town to be divided into three Wards, to be called, respectively, South Ward, East Ward, and West Ward.

The said South Ward to comprise all that portion of the said Town which lies south of King Street.

The said East Ward to comprise all that portion of the said Town which lies east of the centre of the street between Lots number sixteen and seventeen, and north of King Street.

And the said West Ward to comprise all that portion of the said Town which lies west of the centre of the street between Lots number sixteen and seventeen, and north of King Street.

6. *Cornwall*.—To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Stormont*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Comprised within the limits or boundaries heretofore reserved and set apart by Government as a Town plot, together with the parcel or tract of ungranted land in front thereof, and the Harbour.

The said Town to be divided into three Wards, to be called, respectively, East Ward, West Ward, and Centre Ward, and to comprise the following portions of the said Town respectively, that is to say:

The said East Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies between *Amelia* Street and the eastern limits of the said Town.

The said West Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies between *Augustus* Street and the western boundary of the said Town.

And the said Centre Ward to comprise all that remaining part of the said Town which lies between *Amelia* Street and *Augustus* Street, and not included in either of the before mentioned Wards.

7. *Dundas*.—To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Halton*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Commencing on the division line between the property of *George Rolph*, Esquire, and the property of the late *Harher Lyons*, on the *York* Road; thence, following the said road westerly to the road leading up the mountain to *John Keagy's*, the younger; thence, in a straight line by compass to a monument within a few feet of the site of the old oatmeal mill; thence, across the creek or stream to a stone monument placed at the distance of five hundred feet from the west bank thereof; thence, following the said creek or stream at a distance throughout of five hundred feet from the west and south bank thereof, to where a stone monument is placed south of Mr. *Ewart's* mill-dam; thence, running in a straight line to a stone monument placed on the boundary line between the property owned by *John O. Hatt*, Esquire, and the estate of the late *Manuel Overfield*; thence, to a stone monument placed on the boundary line between the property owned by *Thomas Hatt* and the said *John O. Hatt*; thence, along the said boundary line to a stone monument placed in South Street; thence, following South Street till it intersects East Street; thence, descending the hill in a northerly direction till it intersects the Governor's Road; thence, following the said road easterly to a stone monument placed in a line at right angles with the place of beginning; thence, along the said line to the place of beginning.

The said Town to be divided into four Wards to be called, respectively, Mountain Ward, Canal Ward, Foundry Ward, and Valley Ward; and to comprise the following portions of the said Town respectively, that is to say:—

The said Mountain Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town, commencing on the *Sydenham* Road at the northern boundary of the said Town; thence, running along the said *Sydenham* Road until it inter-



sects King Street; thence, along the said King Street in an easterly direction until it intersects Main Street; thence, along the said Main Street until it intersects *Baldwin* or *Flamborough* Street; thence, along the same to the Basin of the *Desjardins* Canal; thence, along the said canal until the eastern boundary or limit of the said Town is intersected; thence, following the said eastern boundary to the northern boundary line of the said Town; thence, following the same to the place of beginning.

The said Canal Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town commencing on King Street at a post planted between the lands owned by *Orlando Morley* and *John Walker*; thence, running south to the southern boundary of the said Town; thence, along the said boundary to the eastern boundary until the *Desjardins* Canal is intersected; thence, along the said canal in a westerly direction until East Street is intersected (*Cooté's Paradise*); thence, along *Baldwin* or *Flamborough* Street to Main Street; thence, along the said Main Street in a northerly direction till it intersects King Street; thence, along the said King Street to the place of beginning.

The said Foundry Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town commencing on King Street at a post planted between the lands owned by *Orlando Morley* and *John Walker*; thence, along the said King Street west until it intersects *Peel* Street; thence south, until *James* Street is intersected; thence westerly, along the said *James* Street until it intersects the western boundary of the said Town; thence along the western and southern boundary of the said Town until the boundary between Canal and Foundry Wards is intersected; thence, northerly, to the place of beginning.

And the said Valley Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town commencing at the northern boundary of the said Town on the *Sydenham* Road; thence, following the north-western limits of the said Town to a stone monument within a few feet of the site of the old oatmeal mill; thence, across the stream or creek to a stone monument placed at the distance of five hundred feet from the west bank thereof; thence, along the western boundary of the said Town to a stone monument placed on a line at right angles with *James* Street; thence, along *James* Street easterly until *Peel* Street is intersected; thence, along *Peel* Street to King Street; thence, along King Street to *Sydenham* Road; thence, along *Sydenham* Road to the place of beginning.

8. *Goderich*. To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Huron*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Commencing at a point where the south limit of *Britannia* Road produced, intersects the water's edge of *Lake Huron*; thence northerly, along the said water's edge to the south pier of the Harbour; thence easterly, along the said pier and south side of the River *Maitland* to a point where the west limit of *Wellington* Street produced, intersects the said south side of the River *Maitland*; thence due south, along the said produced limit of *Wellington* Street, to the crown of the hill; thence easterly, along the crown of the said hill, following the several windings thereof, to the east end of *Gloucester* Terrace; thence southerly, along the eastern limit of the River *Maitland*, until it intersects the south-easterly limit of *Britannia* Road; thence south-westerly, along the south-east limit of *Britannia* Road, to an angle thereof; thence due west, along the south limit of the said *Britannia* Road to the place of beginning.

The said Town to be divided into four Wards, to be called, respectively, *Saint George's* Ward, *Saint Patrick's* Ward, *Saint Andrew's* Ward, and *Saint*

*David's* Ward, and to comprise the following portions of the said Town respectively, that is to say:—

The said *Saint George's* Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies northward of the centre of West Street, and westward of the centre of North Street.

The said *Saint Patrick's* Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies northward of the centre of East Street, and eastward of the centre of North Street.

The said *Saint Andrew's* Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies southward of the centre of West Street, and westward of the centre of South Street.

And the said *Saint David's* Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies southward of the centre of East Street, and eastward of the centre of South Street.

9. *London*. To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Middlesex*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

All the lands comprised within the old and new surveys of the said Town, together with the lands adjoining thereto, lying between the said surveys and the River *Thames*, producing the northern boundary line of the new survey, until it intersects the north branch of the River *Thames*, and producing the eastern boundary line of the same new survey, until it intersects the east branch of the River *Thames*.

The said Town to be divided into four Wards, to be called, respectively, *Saint George's* Ward, *Saint Patrick's* Ward, *Saint Andrew's* Ward, and *Saint David's* Ward, and to comprise the following portions of the said Town respectively, that is to say:—

The said *Saint George's* Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies north of the northern line and continuation of *Hitchcock* and *Duke* Streets.

The *Saint Patrick's* Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies between King Street and *Saint George's* Ward aforesaid.

The said *Saint Andrew's* Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies between *Horton* Street and *Saint Patrick's* Ward aforesaid.

And the said *Saint David's* Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies South of *Horton* Street.

10. *Niagara*. To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Lincoln*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Commencing at *Missisagua* Point, thence westerly along *Lake Ontario* to *Crookston*; thence, along the rear or Town line of *Niagara* to the Black Swamp Road; thence, along the eastern limit of the lands of the late *Thomas Butler*, Esquire, deceased, and the lands of *Garret Slingerland*, to the north-west angle of the lands of *John Eccleston*; thence, easterly, to where the lands formerly owned by the Honorable *William Dickson* and the late *Martin M'Lennon*, deceased, come in contact; thence, easterly, along the northern boundary of the lands of the said *Martin M'Lennon*, deceased, to the River *Niagara*; thence, northerly, down the said *Niagara* River to the place of beginning.

The said Town to be divided into five Wards, to be called, respectively, *Saint Lawrence* Ward, *Saint George's* Ward, *Saint Patrick's* Ward, *Saint David's* Ward, and *Saint Andrew's* Ward, and to comprise the following portions of the said Town respectively, that is to say:—

The said *Saint Lawrence* Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies south of the centre of the street called King Street, which runs directly from the River *Niagara*, and commencing

at the house now occupied by Mr. *Walter Elliot*, on the lower ferry, and terminating at the western limit of the Town.

The said *Saint George's Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies north of the centre of the street forming the northern boundary of *Saint Lawrence Ward*, and south of the centre of the next parallel street.

The said *Saint David's Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies north of the street forming the northern boundary of *Saint George's Ward*, and south of the centre of the next parallel street.

The said *Saint Patrick's Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies north of the street forming the northern boundary of *Saint David's Ward*, and south of the centre of the next parallel street.

And the said *Saint Andrew's Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies north of the street forming the northern boundary of *Saint Patrick's Ward*.

11. *Peterborough*. To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Peterborough*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say :

Comprising all the lands in the Government surveys of the present Town of *Peterborough*, and lying north of *Townsend Street*, and east of *Park Street*, to the centre of the River *Otanabee*, as the eastern limit of the said Town, and to the centre of the allowance for road forming the boundary line between the Townships of *Monahan* and *Smith*, as the northern boundary of the said Town.

And divided into four Wards, to be called East Ward, North Ward, Centre Ward, and South Ward, and to comprise the following portions of the said Town respectively, that is to say :—

The said East Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies east of *George Street*.

The said North Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies west of *George Street* and north of *Brock Street*.

The said Centre Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies west of *George Street*, south of *Brock Street*, and north of *Simcoe Street*.

And the said South Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies west of *George Street* and south of *Simcoe Street*, including the Government Reserve south of the said Town.

12. *Picton*. To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Prince Edward*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say :

Commencing on the south side line of Lot letter A. at a distance of fifty chains from the front of the Lot; thence across said Lot, and across Lot number one, north sixty-four degrees forty-five minutes east, to a post planted on the limit between Lots numbers one and two in the first concession north of the *Carrying Place*; thence at a right angle across Lots number two, three, and four in the said concession; thence along the north-east side of Lot number four to the Bay; thence directly across the Bay to the line between Lots numbers seventeen and eighteen in the first concession east of the *Carrying Place*; thence along the water's edge to the limit between Lots numbers nineteen and twenty in the said concession; thence along the limit between the said Lots in a south-easterly direction, twelve chains; thence at right angles across the easterly half of Lot number twenty; thence in a south-easterly direction along the centre of said Lot number twenty, nine chains, more or less, to the east side of *John Street* thirty chains; thence north, eighty degrees twenty

minutes west, fourteen chains forty links, more or less, to the east side of *Church Street*; thence south, twelve degrees forty-five minutes east, one chain sixty-five links; thence south, forty-nine degrees fifteen minutes west, fifteen chains fifty links; thence south, thirty-two degrees west, to the north-eastern limit of Lot number one in the concession south-east of the *Carrying Place*; thence north, eighty degrees twenty minutes west, along the north-east side line of said Lot number one, to the front of the Lot; thence north, eighty-seven degrees forty-five minutes west, sixty chains, more or less, to a post on the limit between Lots numbers twenty-one and twenty-two in the third concession, *Military Tract*; thence along the westerly side line of said Lot number twenty-two, twenty four chains seventy-four links, more or less, to Lot letter A. aforesaid; thence in a direct line to the place of beginning, including the Harbour in the above-mentioned boundaries.

The said Town to be divided into three Wards, to be called, respectively, *Hallowell Ward*, *Brock Ward*, and *Tecumseth Ward*, and to comprise the following portions of the said Town respectively, that is to say :

The said *Hallowell Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies west of *Bowery Street*.

The said *Brock Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies east of the said *Bowery Street*, and north of the Bay.

And the said *Tecumseth Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies on the south side of the Bay.

13. *Port Hope*. To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Durham*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say :

Composed of Lots numbers four, five, six, seven, and eight, and the east half of Lot number nine in the first concession of the Township of *Hope*, and the broken fronts of the said Lots and half Lot, together with all those parts of Lots numbers four and five in the second concession of the said Township of *Hope*, with the road allowance between the said first and second concessions, and butted and bounded as follows, that is to say :—Commencing in rear of the first concession at the north-east angle of Lot number four in the first concession; thence in a northerly direction across the said allowance for road, to the south-east corner of Lot number four in the second concession; thence northerly, along the easterly side of said Lot number four in the second concession, fifteen chains; thence westerly, in a course parallel with the front of the said second concession, twenty-five chains; thence southerly, in a course parallel with the said line of Lot number four in the second concession aforesaid, sixteen chains, more or less, to the rear line of the first concession; thence easterly, along the rear of the first concession, to the place of beginning, and also the water in front thereof, to the distance one-fourth of a mile into *Lake Ontario*.

The said Town to be divided into three Wards, to be called, respectively, *First Ward*, *Second Ward*, and *Third Ward*, and to comprise the following portions of the said Town respectively, that is to say :—

The said *First Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies east of the River.

The said *Second Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies west of the River and south of *Walter Street*, continued westerly by *Ridout Street*, and the front on *Lake Shore Road*, to the western limit of the said Town.

And the said *Third Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies west of the River and north of *Walter Street*, continued westerly by *Ridout Street*, and the said front or *Lake Shore Road*, to the western limit of the said Town.

14. *Prescott*. To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Grenville*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Commencing at the south-eastern angle of the Township of *Augusta*; thence north, twenty-four degrees west, to the rear of the first concession of the said Township; thence south-westerly, along the said concession line to the limit between the east and west half of Lot number five in the first concession of *Augusta* aforesaid; thence south, twenty-four degrees east to the River *St. Lawrence*; thence north-easterly, along the water's edge to the south-eastern angle of the said Township to the place of beginning, and shall take in so much of the waters of the River *St. Lawrence* and the land under the wharves and buildings built in such waters, as lie within three hundred yards in every direction of the waters' edge in front of the present limits of the said Town.

And divided into two Wards, in the following manner, that is to say:—

All that part of the Town on the east side of the street called Centre Street, leading from the River *St. Lawrence* to the rear line of the said Town, shall compose the East Ward; and all that part of the Town on the west side of the aforesaid street called Centre Street, shall compose the West Ward.

15. *Saint Catherines*. To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Lincoln*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Commencing at the north-east angle of Lot number sixteen, in the sixth concession of the Township of *Grantham*, on *Charles Roll's* farm; thence south-westerly, along the road as now laid out, one hundred and thirty-five chains, more or less, crossing the *Welland* at *Ranney's Mills*, to the western limit of the *Welland Canal* lands; thence southerly and easterly, along the *Welland Canal* boundary until it intersects the allowance for road between the sixth and seventh concessions; thence south, sixty-five degrees west along the rear of the sixth concession, to the limit between Lots numbers nineteen and twenty; thence south, crossing the main road to *Hamilton*, five chains; thence north, sixty degrees east, more or less, until it intersects the allowance for road between Lots numbers sixteen and fifteen; and thence north, along the said allowance, more or less, to the place of beginning.

The said Town to be divided into three Wards, to be called, respectively, *Saint Thomas' Ward*, *Saint George's Ward*, and *Saint Paul's Ward*, and to comprise the following portions of the said Town respectively, that is to say:—

The said *Saint Thomas' Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies within the following limits:—Commencing at the south-westerly angle of the said Town; thence north, until it intersects the allowance for road between the sixth and seventh concessions of *Grantham*; thence north, sixty-five degrees east along the said allowance to the *Welland Canal*; thence down the said canal to the northern and western limits of the *Welland Canal* lands; thence easterly, across the said canal until it intersects the main road at the north-western boundary of the said Town; thence north-easterly along the said boundary, until it intersects *Ontario Street*; thence up the said street until it intersects *Saint Paul Street*; thence southerly on the said street, until it intersects the concession line between the sixth and seventh concessions; thence north-easterly on the said line, until it crosses the *Welland Canal*; thence up the said canal, until it intersects the eastern boundary of the said Town; thence south on the said boundary, until it intersects the south-easterly angle of said Town; thence north-easterly, to the place of beginning.

The said *Saint George's Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies within the following limits:—Commencing at the corner of *Saint Paul's* and *Ontario Streets*, thence down the boundary of *Ontario Street*, to the north-westerly boundary line of said Town; thence north-easterly on the said boundary, to the north-east angle of the said Town; thence south, until it intersects *Saint Paul Street*; thence up the said street to the place of beginning.

And the said *Saint Paul's Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies within the following limits:—Commencing at the intersection of *Saint Paul Street*, with the eastern boundary of the said Town; thence south, until it intersects the boundary of *Saint Thomas' Ward* on the *Welland Canal*; thence down the said canal until it intersects the line between the sixth and seventh concessions; thence north, up the said concession line until it intersects *Saint Paul Street*; thence westerly up the said Street to the place of beginning.

#### Schedule (C.)

##### Cities.

1. *Hamilton*. The City and Liberties thereof:—To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Wentworth*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Commencing at the north-east corner of Lot number eleven, in the Township of *Barton*, on the waters of *Burlington Bay*; thence, following the line between the said Lots numbers ten and eleven, in a southerly direction to the rear of the fourth concession of the said Township of *Barton*; thence, along the said concession, westerly, to the intersection of the line between Lots numbers twenty and twenty-one of the said Township; thence, in a northerly direction following the said line between the said Lots numbers twenty and twenty-one until it reaches the Marsh at the head of *Burlington Bay*; thence, along the southerly and easterly margin of the said Marsh to the waters of *Burlington Bay*; thence, along the southerly margin of *Burlington Bay*, to the place of beginning, including the several road allowances along the said boundary, and the Harbour in front of the said City.

The said City to consist of all that part of the tract of land above described lying within the following limits, that is to say:—

Commencing at the north-east corner of Lot number twelve, in the Township of *Barton*, on the waters of *Burlington Bay*; thence, following the line between the Lots numbers eleven and twelve, in a southerly direction to the rear of the third concession of the said Township of *Barton*; thence, along the said concession, westerly, to the intersection of the line between Lots numbers twenty and twenty-one of the said Township; thence, in a northerly direction following the said line between the said Lots numbers twenty and twenty-one until it reaches the Marsh at the head of *Burlington Bay*; thence, along the southerly and easterly margin of the said Marsh to the waters of *Burlington Bay*; thence, along the southerly margin of *Burlington Bay*, to the place of beginning, including the several road allowances along the said boundary, and the Harbour in front of the said Town.

The said City to be divided into five Wards, to be called, respectively, *Saint George's Ward*, *Saint Patrick's Ward*, *Saint Lawrence Ward*, *Saint Andrew's Ward*, and *Saint Mary's Ward*, and to comprise the following portions of the said City respectively, that is to say:—

The said *Saint George's Ward* to comprise all that part of the said City which lies south of King Street and west of *John Street*.

The said *Saint Patrick's Ward* to comprise all that

part of the said City which lies south of King Street and east of *John Street*.

The said *Saint Lawrence Ward* to comprise all that part of the said City which lies north of King Street and east of *John Street*.

The said *Saint Andrew's Ward* to comprise all that part of the said City which lies north of King Street and between *John* and *Macnab Streets*.

And the said *Saint Mary's Ward* to comprise all that portion of the said City which lies north of King Street and west of *Macnab Street*.

And so much of the Liberties of the said City as are adjacent to the respective Wards shall be attached to the same respectively; and the limits between the respective portions of the said Liberties hereby attached to the different Wards of the said City, be ascertained by the extension of the boundary lines between the said Wards, respectively, through the said Liberties.

2. *Kingston*. The City and Liberties thereof:— To consist of all that part of this Province situate within the County of *Frontenac*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:

Commencing at the water's edge on *Lake Ontario*, in the direction of the line between Lots numbers twenty and twenty-one, in the first concession of the Township of *Kingston*, thence in a direct line to the second concession of the said Township of *Kingston* and across the road between the said first and second concessions to the south-easterly angle of Lot number twenty-four in the said second concession; thence north on the side line of the said Lot number twenty-four to a point in line with the limit between Lots numbers four and five on the west side of the Great River *Cataragui*, produced from the said river; thence along the said limit to the water's edge at low-water mark; thence along the said edge of the Great River *Cataragui*, and along the water's edge at low water mark of *Lake Ontario*, with the windings and turnings to the place of beginning, together with all the water lying between the front of the City and the opposite shore of the Township of *Pittsburgh*, as far as *Point Frederick*, and beyond *Point Frederick* all the water lying in front of the said City and Liberties which may be distant five hundred yards from the main shores of *Wolfe Island*, *Garden Island*, and *Simcoe Island*.

The said City to consist of all that part of the tract of land above described, lying within the following limits, that is to say:—

Commencing at a point on a line produced five hundred feet from the shore in the direction of the line between Lots numbers twenty-three and twenty-four in the first concession of the Township of *Kingston*; thence north along the said line to the front of the second concession of the said Township; thence on the northerly side of the concession road to the south-easterly angle of Lot number twenty-four in the said second concession; thence, north, on the westerly side of the road, to a point directly opposite the boundary line dividing Lots numbers one and two, on the west side of the Great River *Cataragui*; thence along the said division line, to the waters' edge of the said Great River *Cataragui*; thence in prolongation of the said division line across the said river to the waters' edge on the easterly side thereof, and along the water's edge at low water mark, to the extreme south-westerly point of *Point Frederick*, in the Township of *Pittsburgh*; thence, southerly, parallel to the westerly boundary line of the said City, as hereinbefore set forth, to the distance of five hundred feet from the said south-westerly point of *Point Frederick*; thence westerly, in a right line to the place of beginning.

The said City to be divided into seven Wards, to be called, respectively, *Sydenham Ward*, *Ontario*

*Ward*, *Saint Lawrence Ward*, *Frontenac Ward*, *Cataragui Ward*, *Rideau Ward*, and *Victoria Ward*, and to comprise the following portions of the said City respectively, that is to say:—

The said *Sydenham Ward* to comprise all that part of the said City which lies westward and southward of a line drawn from the foot of *William Street* through the centre of the said street to the limits of the said City.

The said *Ontario Ward* to comprise all that part of the said City which lies between the last mentioned line of *Sydenham Ward* and a line drawn from the foot of *Brock Street*, through the centre of the said street to the limits of the said City.

The said *Saint Lawrence Ward* to comprise all that part of the said City which lies between the last mentioned line of *Ontario Ward* and a line drawn from the foot of *Princess Street*, through the centre of the said street to the limits of the said City.

The said *Cataragui Ward* to comprise all that part of the said City which lies eastward and northward of a line drawn from the foot of *Princess Street* through the centre of said street to *Montreal Street*; thence through the centre of *Montreal Street* aforesaid, and across the Artillery Reserve, to the present travelled road known as the "*Montreal Road*;" thence through the centre of the said road to the limits of the said City.

The said *Frontenac Ward* to comprise all that part of the said City which lies northward of the last mentioned line, running through the centre of *Montreal Street* and the *Montreal Road* to the City limits, and northward and eastward of a line extending from *Montreal Street* (where it intersects *Princess Street*) through the centre of *Princess Street*, to the limits of the said City.

The said *Rideau Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Lot number twenty-four lying on the north side of the continuation of *Arthur Street*, through the said Lot in a direct line to the concession road between the first and second concessions of the said Township of *Kingston*.

And the said *Victoria Ward* to comprise all that part of the said Lot number twenty-four lying on the south side of the said continuation of *Arthur Street* aforesaid.

And so much of the Liberties of the said City as are adjacent to the respective Wards, shall be attached to the same respectively; and the limits between the respective portions of the said Liberties hereby attached to the different Wards of the said City, be ascertained by the extension of the boundary lines between the said Wards, respectively, and through the said Liberties.

3. *Toronto*. The City and Liberties thereof:— To consist of all that part of the Province situate within the County of *York*, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:—

Commencing at the distance of one chain, on a course south, sixteen degrees east from the south-westerly corner of Lot number two, in the first concession, from the Bay in the Township of *York*, in the County of *York*; thence southerly, in the direction of the side line between Lots numbers two and three in that concession, to the distance of five hundred feet from the point at which the said line intersects the margin of the water on the shore of *Lake Ontario*; thence westerly, through the waters of *Lake Ontario*, following the direction of the curvatures of the shore, and keeping always at the distance of five hundred feet from the margin of the water till the point is attained, which is five hundred feet from the north-westernmost point of the Island or Peninsula forming the Harbour; thence across the Bay or Harbour of *York*, to a point where a line, drawn southerly from the north-easterly corner of

Park Lot number twenty-nine, in the said Township of York, in the direction of the easterly boundary line of the said Park Lot, intersects the margin of the water on the shore of *Lake Ontario*; thence northerly, in the direction of the said line so drawn from the said corner of the said Park Lot through the said corner, to the point at which the said line so drawn through the said corner intersects the northerly boundary line of the allowance for road between the Park Lots and the second concession from the Bay in the said Township of York; thence easterly, along the said northerly boundary line of the said allowance for road, to the easterly shore or water's edge of the River *Don*; thence southerly, along the water's edge, on the eastern side of the said river, to the point where the said water's edge intersects the southerly boundary line of the allowance for road in front of the said first concession; thence easterly, along the southerly boundary line of the allowance for road in front of the said first concession, to the place of beginning.

The said City to consist of all that part of the tract of land above described lying within the following limits, that is to say:—

Commencing at the distance of one chain, on a course north, seventy-four degrees east, from the south-east angle of Park Lot number three, in the said Township of York; thence south, sixteen degrees east, upon a continuation of the allowance for road between Park Lots numbers two and three to the water's edge of the Bay in front of the said City; thence westerly, along the water's edge of the said Bay to the point at which the westerly limit of the allowance for road between Park Lots numbers eighteen and nineteen, in the said Township of York, being produced southerly, intersects the said water's edge; thence northerly, in the direction of the said westerly limit of the said allowance for road to the distance of four hundred yards north of the northerly boundary line of Queen Street; thence easterly, parallel to Queen street to the easterly boundary line of the allowance for road between Park Lots numbers two and three; thence south, sixteen degrees east, along the easterly boundary line of the said allowance for road, four hundred yards, more or less, to the place of beginning. And the remainder of the said tract, to constitute the Liberties of the said City.

The said City to be divided into six Wards, to be called, respectively, the Wards of *Saint James, Saint David, Saint Lawrence, Saint George, Saint Andrew, and Saint Patrick*, and to comprise the following portions of the said City respectively, that is to say:—

The said Ward of *Saint James* to comprise all that part of the said City lying between the northerly boundary line of King Street east, the westerly boundary line of *Yonge Street*, the easterly boundary line of *Nelson Street*, and the northerly boundary line of Queen Street east.

The said Ward of *Saint David* to comprise all that part of the said City lying to the eastward of the westerly boundary line of *Nelson Street*, and to the north of the northerly boundary line of King Street east.

The said Ward of *Saint Lawrence* to comprise all that part of the said City lying to the southward of the northerly boundary line of King Street east, and to the eastward of the westerly boundary line of *Yonge Street*.

The said Ward of *Saint George* to comprise all that part of the said City lying to the southward of the northerly boundary line of King Street, and to the westward of the westerly boundary line of *Yonge Street*.

The said Ward of *Saint Andrew* to comprise all that part of the said City lying between the northerly boundary line of King Street east, and the northerly boundary line of Queen Street east, and west of the westerly boundary line of *Yonge Street*.

And the said Ward of *Saint Patrick* to comprise all that part of the said City lying to the north of the northerly boundary line of Queen Street west, and west of the westerly boundary line of *Yonge Street*.

And so much of the Liberties of the said City as lies to the southward and eastward of the *Saint Lawrence Ward*, shall be and is hereby attached to the *Saint Lawrence Ward*; so much thereof as lies to the northward and eastward of the *Saint David's Ward*, shall be and is hereby attached to the said *Saint David's Ward*; so much thereof as lies to the northward of the *Saint James's Ward*, shall be and is hereby attached to the said *Saint James's Ward*; so much thereof as lies to the southward and westward of the *Saint George's Ward*, shall be and is hereby attached to the said *Saint George's Ward*; so much thereof as lies to the westward of the *Saint Andrew's Ward*, shall be and is hereby attached to the said *Saint Andrew's Ward*; and so much thereof as lies to the northward and westward of the *Saint Patrick's Ward*, shall be and is hereby attached to the said *Saint Patrick's Ward*; the limits between the respective portions of the said Liberties hereby attached to the different Wards of the said City, being ascertained by the extension of the boundary lines between the said Wards, respectively, through the said Liberties, except the boundary line between the portions hereby attached to the *Saint Lawrence Ward*, and that hereby attached to the *Saint David's Ward*, which shall consist of the northerly boundary line of King Street east, to the River *Don*.

Ordered, That the said Report be committed to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to provide, by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships and Villages in *Upper Canada*, and other references.

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Eleventh Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Eleventh Report of Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Your Committee have again examined the Bill to enable *Louis Comte* to recover a certain amount due to him by the Parish of *St. Edouard*, in the District of *Montreal*, and have agreed to certain amendments thereto, which they beg leave to report for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

On motion of Mr. *Jobin*, seconded by Mr. *Cartier*, Ordered, That the Bill to enable *Louis Comte* to recover a certain amount due to him by the Parish of *St. Edouard*, in the District of *Montreal*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

L. Comte's Relief Bill.

Mr. *Fortier*, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Ninth Report of Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Your Committee have again examined the Bill to authorize *Marc Antoine Primeaux* and *Antoine A. Trottier* to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Chateauguay*, in the Parish of *St. Martine*, and to make a Plank Road from the River *St. Lawrence* to the River *Chateauguay*, in the said Parish, and to fix the Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, and to make further provision in that behalf, and have agreed to certain amendments thereto, which they beg leave to report for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

On motion of Mr. *DeWitt*, seconded by Mr. *Christie*,

Ordered, That the Bill to authorize *Marc Antoine Primeaux* and *Antoine A. Trottier* to erect a Toll

Primeaux and Trottier's Bridge Bill.



Bridge over the River *Chateauguay*, in the Parish of *Ste. Martine*, and to make a Plank Road from the River *St. Lawrence* to the River *Chateauguay*, in the said Parish, and to fix the Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, and to make further provision in that behalf, as reported from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. *Thompson*, seconded by Mr. *Morrison*,

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to define the boundary line between the Township of *Walpole*, in the *Niagara* District, and the Township of *Woodhouse*, in the *Talbot* District, be discharged.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Morrison*, the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, Mr. *M'Farland*, and Mr. *Wetenhall*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

*Ordered*, That the Return to the Address of this House to His Excellency the Governor General, relating to *William Moore Kelly*, Esquire, late Collector of Customs at the Port of *Toronto*, laid before the House yesterday, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Cartier*, Mr. *Chabot*, Mr. *Taché*, and Mr. *Méthot*, be appointed to inquire into the contents of the Bill to amend the Law of *Lower Canada* as regards the District in which real or mixed Actions may be commenced, including any amendments that may have been made to the same either by the House or in the Committee to which the same was referred at the time when the proceedings of the House were interrupted by the outrage of the twenty-fifth day of April last, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Deputy Serjeant at Arms reported to the House, That *John Miller*, Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Holland* at the last General Election for the County of *Waterloo*, was now in his custody, pursuant to the Resolution of this House of the twelfth day of March last, and Mr. Speaker's Warrant issued in conformity thereto, and awaits the order of the House.

On motion of Mr. *Notman*, seconded by Mr. *Thompson*,

*Ordered*, That *John Miller*, Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Holland* at the last General Election for the County of *Waterloo*, be now brought to the Bar of this House, to answer for his conduct as such Deputy Returning Officer at that Election, and for evading the service of the Summons and Warrant for his apprehension issued by Mr. Speaker in reference thereto.

The Deputy Serjeant at Arms was then directed by Mr. Speaker to place Mr. *Miller* at the Bar of the House.

Mr. *Miller* was brought to the Bar accordingly.

Mr. Speaker then read to him the Resolutions that were adopted and reported by the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Contested Election for the County of *Waterloo*, on the eighth day of February last.

Mr. *Notman* moved, seconded by Mr. *Thompson*, and the Question being proposed, That the further consideration of the case of *John Miller*, late Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Holland* at

the last General Election for the County of *Waterloo*, be postponed until to-morrow;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, That the word "to-morrow" be left out, and the words "Thursday next" added instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; — It was unanimously resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; *Ordered*, That the further consideration of the case of *John Miller*, late Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Holland* at the last General Election for the County of *Waterloo*, be postponed until Thursday next.

Mr. *Miller* was then directed to withdraw.

An engrossed Bill to authorize Attachments against personal property for sums of Ten pounds and under, in certain cases in *Upper Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning's Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof:"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal the Ordinances relative to Winter Roads in *Lower Canada*, in so far as regards the Districts of *Quebec* and *Gaspé*, and part of the District of *Three Rivers*:"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to exempt Naval and Military Officers, and others on duty on Her Majesty's service, from the payment of Toll upon any Turnpike Road in this Province:" And also,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "The *Queenston Suspension Bridge Company*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* brought up, and laid on the table, a Petition of *William Pitt* and others, of the Parish of *St. François du Lac*.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying the House not to interfere in the matter of the Trustees for building a Church in the Parish of *St. François du Lac*.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill to make valid the election of the Trustees for building a Church in the Parish of *St. François du Lac St. Pierre*, and to enable them to complete the same.

*Ordered*, That when this House doth adjourn, it will adjourn until to-morrow, at ten o'clock, A.M.

Mr. *Beaubien* reported the Bill to repeal a certain Act and Ordinance therein mentioned, relative to the Trinity House of *Montreal*, and to consolidate and

Walpole and Woodhouse Boundary Line Bill.

W. M. Kelly.

Bill relating to Real or Mixed Actions.

Waterloo Election.

Personal Property Attachment Bill (U. C.)

Message from the Council.

Election Bill.

Winter Roads (No. 2. L. C.) Bill.

Bill to exempt Officers and others from Toll on Turnpikes.

Queenston Suspension Bridge Company Bill.

Petition of W. Pitt and others, brought up, read, and referred.

Adjournment.

Montreal Trinity House Bill.

amend the provisions of the said Act and Ordinance; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Municipal Corporations (U. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to provide, by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, and other references, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Cartier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Cartier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Orders deferred.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

The House adjourned.

*Mercurii, 9° die Maii;*

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Report on Petition of A. Shearer and others.

MR. *DEWITT*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Alexander Shearer* and others, of the Township of *Hinchinbrooke*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Alexander Shearer* and others, praying that that portion of the Township of *Hinchinbrooke* lying between the forks of the River *Chateauguay* may be separated from the said Township; and having duly considered the said Petition, are of opinion that great inconvenience is suffered by the inhabitants of the locality in question, in consequence of their remoteness from the place where all the Township business is transacted; would, therefore, respectfully recommend that the said portion of the Township of *Hinchinbrooke* lying between the forks of the *Chateauguay* River, and forming the westerly division of the said Township, be erected into a separate Township.

Township of Elgin Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *DeWitt* have leave to bring in a Bill to constitute a new Township, to be called the Township of *Elgin*, out of part of the Township of *Hinchinbrooke*.

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

Huron Copper Bay Company Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Christie* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style of "The *Huron Copper Bay Company*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Queenston Suspension Bridge Company Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Queenston Suspension Bridge Company*," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 2, line 11. Leave out "July" and insert "September."

Press 2, line 26. Leave out "August" and insert "October."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Teachers' Association of the District of *Quebec*," be now taken into consideration.

Quebec District Teachers Association Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 39. Leave out "Teachers'" and insert "Library," and after "Association" insert "of the Teachers."

Press 2, line 1. Leave out from "shall" to "and" in line 4, and insert "and may by the same name be able and capable in Law to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in all Courts and places whatsoever, in as large, ample, and beneficial a manner and form as any other body politic or corporate, or any person able and capable in Law, may or can sue, implead, or answer, or be sued, impleaded, or answered in any manner whatsoever."

Press 2, line 35. Leave out "this Province" and insert "*Lower Canada*."

Press 2, line 40. Leave out from "*Canada*" to "and" in line 43.

In the Preamble.

Press 1, line 16. Leave out from "have" to "set" in line 18.

In the Title.

Leave out "Teachers,'" and insert "Library," and after "Association" insert "of the Teachers."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laurin* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Armstrong* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize *Alexandre M. Delisle, B. H. LeMoine, and Jean Bte. Debien*, the younger, to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Bridge Bill of A. M. Delisle and others.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rule of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

*Ordered*, That the Rule of this House requiring that Private Bills be posted up one week in the Lobby of the House, be suspended as regards the said Bill.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Price*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*,

*Resolved*, That the following humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General:—

Common School Education Bill.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable *James Earl of Elgin and Kincardine*, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada, Nova-Scotia, New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency,

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada* in Provincial Parliament assembled, beg leave to inform Your Excellency, that we have, during the present Session, passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to raise an income of One hundred thousand pounds out of the Public Lands of *Canada* for Common School Education," which Bill contains clauses relating to and affecting Her Majesty's prerogative, touching the granting of Waste Lands of the Crown within the said Province; and we therefore pray that in order to give effect to the said Bill, Your Excellency will be pleased to cause it to be transmitted to *England* without delay, for the purpose of being laid before Parliament, previously to the signification of Her Majesty's assent thereto.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be communicated, by Message, to the Honorable the Legislative Council, requesting the concurrence of their Honors thereto.

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

Municipal Corporations (U.C.) Bill.

Mr. *Cartier* reported the Bill to provide, by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*; and the Amendments, as far as Clause (Q.) were read, and agreed to.

Clause (Q.) The 116th Amendment being read a second time, as followeth:—

"And be it enacted, that with respect to any debt *bonâ fide* due by any District Municipal Council, City, Town or Village Council, or Board of Police, in *Upper Canada*, prior to the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, it shall and may be lawful for the Municipal Corporation by this Act substituted for such District Municipal Council, City, Town or Village Council, or Board of Police, at any time within one year after the time appointed for this Act to commence, to pass a By-Law for providing for the liquidation of such debt, and upon such By-Law being approved by the Governor of this Province in Council, none of the provisions of this Act by which increased facilities are provided for the recovery of debts due by such Municipal Corporation shall be applicable to such debts, or any of them, until after default shall be made by such Municipal Corporation in raising the necessary funds for the discharge of such debts, or in applying such funds when so raised to the discharge of the same according to the provisions of such By-Law: Provided always nevertheless, first, that nothing herein contained shall extend or construe to extend, to prevent any such Corporation in any such By-Law, where such Corporation may have heretofore issued Promissory Notes or Debentures to pass as money, and which are still in circulation, to provide some mode for their gradual extinction, by redeeming a certain portion thereof annually, and by substituting other Promissory Notes or Debentures in the place of such as remain unredeemed, from time to time as they fall due, when the holders thereof are willing to

"receive the same in exchange till the whole of such Notes or Debentures are fully and completely redeemed and satisfied according to the provisions of such By-law: And provided also, secondly, that nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed to extend to deprive any of the creditors of such Municipal Corporation of all such remedies as they now by law possess for the recovery of such debts against the District Municipal Council, City, Town or Village Council, or Board of Police, which they may be owed, all which remedies they shall continue to have against the Municipal Corporations substituted for such District Municipal Council, City, Town or Village Corporation."

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. *Seymour*, That the following Proviso be added at the end of the said Clause, and do make part thereof: "And provided also, thirdly, that no part of any County or Union of Counties which by this Act is added to any City as part thereof, or of the Liberties thereof, shall be assessed for the payment of any debt or the interest thereon, and for which such City may be liable, until the expiration of ten years from the time this Act shall take effect;"

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Christie, Malloch, M'Connell, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, and *Taché*.—(11.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier, Cauchon, Chabot, DeWitt, Duchesnay, Guillet, Hall, Hincks, Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, Laurin, Marquis, M'Farland, Méthot, Mongenais, Nelson, Polette, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Smith* of *DURIAM*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Thompson*, and *Watts*.—(28.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The 116th Amendment was then agreed to.

The 117th and 118th Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 119th Amendment being read a second time, as followeth:—

Clause 170, line ult. After "price" insert "And in case the person or persons now in possession of any concession road or side line may have laid out streets in any City, Town, or Village, without any compensation therefor, he shall be entitled to retain the Land originally set apart for such concession road or side line, in lieu of the street set apart by him in place of the said concession road or side line."

On motion of Mr. *Richards*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

*Ordered*, That the words "within such City, Town, or Village" be inserted after the word "Land" in the said Amendment.

The 119th Amendment, so amended, was then agreed to.

The subsequent Amendments, as far as Schedule (B.) being read a second time, were agreed to.

Schedule (B.) the next Amendment, being read a second time;

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*, That that portion of the said Schedule which relates to the Town of *Brockville*, be left out, and the provisions originally contained in the said Schedule in relation to that Town substituted;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Badgley, Boulton* of TORONTO, *Christie, Gugy, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, and *Smith* of FRONTENAC.—(13.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin, Bell, Boutillier, Cartier, Chabot, Chauveau, Flint, Fourquin, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, Marquis, Méthot, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Richards, Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Thompson, and Wetenhall*.—(23.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Malloch* then moved in amendment to the said Schedule (B.) seconded by Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, That that portion of the said Schedule which relates to the Town of *Bytown* be left out, and the provisions originally contained in the said Schedule with respect to that Town substituted;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Christie, Crysler, Gugy, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, and *Smith* of FRONTENAC.—(12.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin, Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boutillier, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Cauchon, Chauveau, DeWitt, Fourquin, Guillet, Hincks, Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, Laurin, Marquis, Méthot, Mongenais, Notman, Polette, Price, Richards, Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché, Thompson, Viger, and Watts*.—(27.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Schedule (B.) was then agreed to.

The residue of the said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Savings Banks Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law relating to Savings Banks, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Connell*, Mr. *Beaubien*, and the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Court of Appeals and Criminal Jurisdiction (L.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to establish a Court having jurisdiction in Appeals and Criminal matters for *Lower Canada*, and on the Resolution, That provision be made out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province for the Salaries of such and so many additional Judges as may be required for the purpose of remodelling and improving the Judicial Institutions of *Lower Canada*, and for such other incidental expenses as may be necessary for carrying the same into effect, with an Instruction to the Committee to make provision in the Bill accordingly, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Crysler* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Crysler* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Crysler* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*, and on the Resolution, That provision be made out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province for the Salaries of such and so many additional Judges as may be required for the purpose of remodelling and improving the Judicial Institutions of *Lower Canada*, and for such other incidental expenses as may be necessary for carrying the same into effect, with an Instruction to the Committee to make provision in the Bill accordingly, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Johnson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Johnson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Courts of Civil Jurisdiction (L.C.) Bill.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Niagara Falls* Suspension Bridge Company:"

Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Markham* and *Elgin Mills* Plank Road Company." And also,

Markham and Elgin Plank Road Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act passed in the Parliament of *Upper Canada* in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled, "An Act to provide for the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams over certain Streams in this Province," and to make further provision in respect thereof," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Bill respecting Aprons to Mill Dams.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "*La Société Saint Jean Baptiste de la Cité de Québec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

La Société St. Jean Baptiste de Québec Bill.

The Legislative Council acquaint this House, That the French Versions of the two following Bills, viz:—

"An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* and *Troy* Telegraph Company:"

Montreal and Troy Telegraph Bill.

"An Act to incorporate the *Mount Hermon* Cemetery:"

Mount Hermon Cemetery Bill.

And both Versions of each of the twelve following Bills, which had been sent by this House to the Legislative Council for its concurrence, and were still under consideration on the twenty-fifth ultimo, were consumed by the fire which, on that day, destroyed the Buildings occupied by both Houses of the Provincial Parliament, viz:—

"An Act to amend the Registry Laws of *Upper* Canada:"

Registry Laws (U.C.) Bill.

"An Act to incorporate the *Huron* Copper Bay Company:"

Huron Copper Bay Company Bill.

"An Act to simplify the transfer of Real Property in *Upper Canada*, and to render certain rights and interests therein liable under execution:"

Transfer of Real Property (U.C.) Bill.

"An Act to authorize *Alexandre M. Delisle* and others to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, and for other purposes therein mentioned:"

Bridge Bill of A. M. Delisle and others.

"An Act to incorporate "The Minister and Trustees of *St. Andrew's* Church, *Montreal*:"

St. Andrew's Church Bill.

"An Act to incorporate the Town of *Peterborough*:"

Peterborough Incorporation Bill.

Bill relating to Causes in formâ pauperis.

" An Act to remove doubts as to the right of suing and defending Causes in formâ pauperis before the Courts of Law in Lower Canada : "

Weights and Measures (L.C.) Bill.

" An Act to amend the Law relative to the inspection of Weights and Measures in Lower Canada : "

Lessors and Lessees Bill.

" An Act to amend the Act to regulate the exercise of certain rights of Lessors and Lessees : "

L'Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal Bill.

" An Act to incorporate L'Association Saint Jean Baptiste de Montréal : "

Grand River Navigation Company Bill.

" An Act to amend the Grand River Navigation Company's Charter : "

Montreal Merchant's Reading Room Bill.

" An Act to incorporate the Merchants' Exchange, Montreal. "

And then he withdrew.

Orders deferred.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General LaFontaine, seconded by Mr. Boutillier, The House adjourned.

Jovis, 10<sup>o</sup> die Maii ;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petition brought up.

THE following Petition was brought up, and laid on the table :—

By Mr. Galt,—The Petition of F. C. Cleve and others, of the northern part of the District of St. Francis.

Neepigon Mining Company Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of Neepigon Mining Company, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be,

" An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the Neepigon Mining Company. "

Ordered, That Mr. M'Farland do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Huron Mining Company Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Huron Mining Company, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Robinson do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions read.

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

Of Donald Cameron, of the Township of Thora ; praying for the adoption of certain measures to obtain the issue of Deeds of the Lands for which he and his followers have received Location Tickets.

Of O. Rémond and others, Pilots navigating the River St. Lawrence between the Ports of Quebec and Montreal ; praying for certain amendments to the Bill relating to the Trinity House at Montreal.

Notarial Profession Organization Bill.

Mr. Jobin reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in Lower Canada, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the Hamilton Mercantile Library Association be engrossed.

Hamilton Mercantile Library Association Bill.

Mr. Armstrong, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the Tenth Report of the said Committee ; which was read, as followeth :—

Tenth Report of Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Your Committee have examined the provisions of the Bill to authorize Alexandre M. Delisle, B. H. LeMoine and Jean Bte. Debien, the younger, to build a Toll Bridge over the River Jésus, and for other purposes therein mentioned, and have agreed to several amendments thereto, which they herewith submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Bridge Bill of A. M. Delisle and others.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Hall took the Chair of the Committee ; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ;

And Mr. Hall reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. De Witt, seconded by Mr. Christie, Ordered, That the Order for engrossing the Bill to authorize Antoine Amable Archambeault, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River L'Assomption, and for other purposes therein mentioned, be discharged.

Bridge Bill of A. Archambeault and others.

Ordered, That the said Bill be re-committed to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Boulton be added to the Standing Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library.

Library.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, " An Act to amend an Act passed in the Parliament of Upper Canada in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled, " An Act to provide for the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams over certain Streams in this Province," and to " make further provision in respect thereof," be now taken into consideration.

Bill respecting Aprons to Mill Dams.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration ; and the same were read, as follow :—

Press 1, line 32. Leave out " Stream " and insert " Channel," leave out " River " and insert " Stream. "

Press 1, line 35. After " aforesaid " insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) " And be it enacted, that no Apron to any Mill Dam on the River Ottonabee shall be less than thirty-two feet wide, by an inclined plane of five feet to a perpendicular of one foot, and so in proportion to the height of the Dam ; and that side pieces of at least one foot in height shall be fixed on the outsides of every such Apron, to confine the water, and to prevent the timber from falling off the sides. "

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Boulton do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.



Commutation  
of Tenure  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Christie* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act the better to facilitate optional commutation of tenure of Land *en roture*, in the "Seigniorics and Fiefs in *Lower Canada*, into "that of *franc-aleu-roturier*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rule of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Cauchon* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Cauchon* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Weights and  
Measures  
(L.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relative to the inspection of Weights and Measures in *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rule of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Christie* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Christie* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Bill relating to  
Real or Mixed  
Actions.

Mr. *Chauveau*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the contents of the Bill to amend the Law of *Lower Canada* as regards the District in which real or mixed Actions may be commenced, including any amendments that may have been made to the same either by the House or in the Committee to which the same was referred at the time when the proceedings of the House were interrupted by the outrage of the twenty-fifth day of April last, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have ascertained that the engrossed copy of the said Bill (which was read the third time and passed on the 25th April last,) was destroyed by the fire which consumed the Building in which the sittings of the Legislature were held.

Your Committee have accordingly prepared another copy of the Bill as amended in Committee of the whole House, and agreed to, on the 23rd April last, which they beg leave to report to Your Honorable House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as reported, be engrossed.

Pères Oblats  
Bill.

Mr. *Beaubien* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to incorporate "Les Révérends Pères Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de Marie," in the Pro-

vince of *Canada*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by Mr. *Chabot*,

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "La Société Saint Jean Baptiste de la Cité "de Québec," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

La Société St. Jean Baptiste de Québec Bill.

Mr. *Watts* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned relating to Agriculture, and to provide for the remedy of abuses prejudicial to Agriculture, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Bill for the remedy of abuses prejudicial to Agriculture.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council, to acquaint their Honors, that the eight following Bills which had been sent by their Honors to this House for its concurrence, and were still under consideration on the twenty-fifth ultimo, were consumed by the fire which, on that day, destroyed the Buildings occupied by both Houses of the Provincial Parliament, viz:—

Bills from the Council destroyed by Fire.

Bill to make better provision for the protection of the property of persons dying Intestate in that part of this Province formerly called *Upper Canada*:

Bill relating to persons dying Intestate.

Bill to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for manufacturing, mining, mechanical, or chemical purposes:

Joint Stock Companies Bill.

Bill to provide for the insertion of certain Official and Legal Notices in the *Canada Gazette* only:

Official and Legal Notices Bill.

Bill for the protection of Mill Owners in *Upper Canada*:

Mill Owners Protection (U.C.) Bill.

Bill to amend and simplify the Laws relating to the Interest of Money:

Interest of Money Laws Amendment Bill.

Bill for the removal of defects in the Administration of Criminal Justice:

Criminal Justice Bill.

Bill to incorporate the Roman Catholic Archbishop and Bishops in each Diocese in *Lower Canada*:

Roman Catholic Bishops (L.C.) Incorporation Bill.

Bill to confirm a certain Survey of the Township of *Ameliasburgh*, in *Upper Canada*.

Ameliasburgh Survey Bill.

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

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council, to acquaint their Honors, that the Bill to abolish Oppositions to Marriages founded

Marriage Oppositions Bill destroyed by Fire.

on promises of Marriage, which had been sent to their Honors and returned to this House with several Amendments for its concurrence, and which Amendments were still under consideration on the twenty-fifth ultimo, was consumed by the fire which, on that day, destroyed the Buildings occupied by both Houses of the Provincial Parliament.

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

Trade by the  
St. Lawrence.

Mr. *DeWitt* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now resolve into a Committee to take into consideration the following Resolutions:—

1. That the great extent of this Province of *Canada*, the fertility of its soil, the salubrity of its climate, the magnificence of its Lakes and Rivers, the length of its inland navigation, altogether make it a very important portion of the World; and that when we consider that its Rivers drain not only *Canada*, but a considerable portion of the North and Western States of the *American Union*, and afford the natural and cheapest means of communication between the Ocean and the centre of the Continent of *North America*, we are imperiously called on, at the present instant of time, to use every effort, and strain every nerve, to secure and improve the great advantages with which it has pleased Divine Providence to favor us.
2. That as *England* has almost withdrawn all preference in favor of Colonial produce, and by admitting bread stuffs into the British Markets from the *United States* and the Continent of *Europe*, on the same terms as from her Colonies, we are, for all practical purposes, considering the greater length and greater difficulties of the navigation between *Canada* and the British Isles, placed in a much worse position than strangers in the markets of the Mother Country.
3. That the *United States* have, by adopting the bonding system for the double object of employing their Canals and Shipping and benefiting their Manufactures and Commerce, afforded facilities to our trade with *Europe* through their territory, which, if not counteracted by much greater facilities to our trade by the *St. Lawrence* than we have hitherto enjoyed, make us entertain great fears that our Commerce by the River will be, if not annihilated, so much reduced as to be of little importance.
4. That during the last two years, seven-eighths of the Vessels visiting the Port of *Montreal*, have made only one voyage in the season, and that while this is the case, it is apparent that the owners of Vessels must require a rate of freight so high as to leave no reward to the cultivators of our soil, little or no profit to our exporting merchant, and in some cases loss; and that if there is no profit in raising produce on the land, the land itself must become of little value, and thus not only the value of landed estate generally, but the public domain must be seriously affected.
5. That the high rate of Insurance between the *St. Lawrence* and the British Ports, is another source of increased expense in the export of produce by the *St. Lawrence*, injurious to the agricultural and commercial interests; that it is estimated that such Insurance might, by the adoption of proper measures, be reduced one-fourth from the opening of the navigation to the first day of September, and one-half from that date to the close of the season; and that as it is desirable to export our produce as early as possible after it is gathered in, it is of the high-

est importance that Insurance and Freight should be reduced, more particularly in the fall, to the lowest possible rate.

6. That as our great public works are nearly completed, it is of the highest importance that every obstacle should be removed that prevents their use, so that increased revenue may be derived from them, not by raising the Tolls, but rather by reducing them, so as to induce the Western Trade with the nations of the world to pass by the *St. Lawrence* route, thereby giving us a great,—an immense trade, which will be exceeded by that of no River on this Continent, except those which discharge themselves into the Ocean at *New York*, or perhaps at *New Orleans*.
7. That the immediate action of the Legislature of this Province is now necessary in facilitating the navigation of the lower portion of the River *St. Lawrence*, in order that the trade of the West may be drawn to and established on this route, before it is fixed and determined in its course through the neighbouring States, by reason of the improvements on their Canals now in progress, and other means of conveyance.
8. That in order to improve our natural advantages, we ought, as soon as practicable, build two strong Steam Vessels, provided with very powerful engines, to ply constantly between *Quebec* and *Father Point*, for the purpose of towing any Vessels which may require their aid, giving a preference in the first place to Vessels having emigrants on board, and next to Vessels with cargoes; such Steam Vessels to be used in exploring the North Channel and the Harbours, or other portions of the River and Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, which may require exploration, and in aiding ships in distress, preventing shipwreck, and otherwise facilitating the navigation, and extending the correct knowledge of the River *St. Lawrence*.
9. That for the purpose of accomplishing the above objects, it is expedient to appropriate a sum of money for the construction of two strong Steam Vessels, to be provided with powerful engines, and to be employed in the River and Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, for the purposes mentioned in the last preceding Resolution.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by Mr. *Flint*,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the Question be postponed, until Monday, the twenty-first instant.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cauchon* have leave to bring in a Bill to detach the Townships of *Tring*, *Shenley*, *Brompton*, *Dorset*, *Forsyth*, *Lambton*, *Price*, and *Aylmer*, in the County of *Megantic*, from the said County, and to unite them into a District for Registration purposes.

Megantic Registry District Bill.

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

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be graciously pleased to cause the proper Officer to lay before this House, Copies of all Correspondence between Her Majesty's Government and the Government of this Province, on the subject of the Bill to provide for the indemnification of parties in *Lower Canada* whose property was destroyed during the Rebellion in 1837 and 1838;

Rebellion Losses.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton* of TORONTO, *Christie, Crysler, Galt, Gagy, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, Papineau, Robinson*, and *Sherwood* of TORONTO.—(12.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier, Burritt, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Duchesnay, Fourquin, Guillet, Holmes, Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, M'Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Taché, Thompson, Viger*, and *Watts*.—(32.)  
So it passed in the Negative.

Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Mr. *Armstrong* moved, seconded by Mr. *Duchesnay*, and the Question being put, That one Member be added to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, in place of Mr. *Boutillier*; The House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien, Boutillier, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Chabot, Davignon, DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Jobin, Laurin, Lemieux, M'Farland, Méthot, Nelson, Notman, Polette, Price, Sauvageau, Taché*, and *Viger*.—(22.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Christie, Crysler, Galt, Gagy, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, Sir *Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, Papineau*, and *Robinson*.—(11.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. *Polette* be added to the said Committee.

Municipal Councils (L. C.) Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Galt* have leave to bring in a Bill to remove doubts as to the first meetings of Municipal Councils under the Act for making better provision for the establishment of Municipal Authorities in *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt.

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

Supply.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on Supply, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Debates of the House.

The Order of the day for taking into further consideration the Question proposed on Monday, the fifth day of March last, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, [for the House in Committee to consider the propriety of adopting a Standing Rule fixing the time during which each Member may speak on any Question in the Debates of the House,] being read;

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

Municipal Corporations, &c. (U. C.) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal the Acts in force in *Upper Canada*, relative to the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities, the regulation of Highways, the Assessment and collection of local Taxes, and other matters of a like nature, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to establish a more equal and just system of Assessment in the several Townships, Villages, Towns, and Cities in *Upper Canada*, being read;

Assessment Bill (U. C.)

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Law relative to the Administration of Justice in *Gaspé*, being read;

Gaspé Judicature Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*, being read;

School Law (L. C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, and for other purposes, being read;

Quebec Trinity House Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for the sale and better management of Timber upon the Public Lands, being read;

Timber Management Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to make other provisions for the management and disposal of the Public Lands, and to limit the period for making free grants, being read;

Public Lands Management Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands in this Province, being read;

Land Surveyors' Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to define the Division Line between *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, being read;

Upper and Lower Canada Division Line Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed till to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for removing doubts as to the legal effect of the Act of the Legislature of *Lower Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, and intituled, "An Act for rendering valid Conveyances of Lands and other immovable property held in free and common socage within the Province of *Lower Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for the greater uniformity of the Law relative to Real Property in *Lower Canada*, being read;

Real Property Conveyances Bill.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to enable persons to obtain Lands necessary for the construction of Slides, in certain cases, being read;

Bill respecting Lands for Slides.

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

Court of Chancery (U. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Superior Criminal Court and Court of Error and Appeal (U. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Law of Evidence (U. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

University Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Charter of the University established at *Toronto* by His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, to provide for the more satisfactory government of the said University, and for other purposes connected with the same, and with the College and Royal Grammar School forming an appendage thereof, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Bill granting aid towards the construction of Railways.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for affording the guarantee of the Province to the Bonds of Railway Companies on certain conditions, and for rendering assistance in the construction of the *Halifax* and *Quebec* Railway, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Public Schools (U. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the better establishment and maintenance of Public Schools in *Upper Canada*, and for repealing the present School Act, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Spirits Duties Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to continue and amend the Act imposing Duties on Spirits distilled in this Province, and to provide for the Warehousing of such Spirits, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Bill to supply certain Legislative provisions in Acts.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to supply certain Legislative provisions not included in certain Acts therein mentioned, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Tolls on Vessels and Passengers Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to impose Tolls on Vessels and Passengers brought down the *St. Lawrence* past any of the Canals thereon, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Courts of Civil Jurisdiction (L. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*, being read;

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

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Fifth Report of the Standing Committee on Contingencies, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; And Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the Fifth Report of the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate *George Carruthers*, *H. Hogg*, and *William Hatellie*, and their successors, to carry into effect the last Will and Testament of the late *Richard Noble Starr*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Town of *Kingston* as a City, and to enlarge the limits of the said City, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's reign, chapter forty-nine, 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,” being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the *Toronto* and *Lake Huron* Railroad Act, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

*Ordered*, That the Rule of this House requiring that Private Bills be posted up one week in the Lobby of the House, be suspended as regards the said Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the limitation of Actions of Clerks of Courts of Justice and Attornies *ad lites*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Notman* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; And Mr. *Notman* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Notman* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Act relating to Masters and Servants in the country parts of *Lower Canada*, being read;

Fifth Report of Committee on Contingencies.

Bill relating to the Will of the late R. N. Starr.

City of Kingston Incorporation Bill.

Cullers Act Amendment Bill.

Toronto and Lake Huron Railroad Act Amendment Bill.

Bill relating to Actions of Clerks of Courts, &c.

Masters and Servants (L. C.) Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Seymour* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Seymour* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

St. Roch de Québec Congrégation Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Association called "*La Congrégation des hommes de la Paroisse de Saint Roch de Québec*," being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Connell* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Connell* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *M<sup>c</sup>Connell* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

L. Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "*L'Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal*," in the City, Parish, and District of *Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Lemieux* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Lemieux* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

Religious Societies Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend certain Acts of the Parliament of *Upper Canada* for the relief of Religious Societies, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Laurin* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Laurin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Laurin* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Ship-building Encouragement Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to encourage Ship-building in *Lower Canada*, by affording better security to persons advancing money or furnishing work or materials for the construction of Ships, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Polette* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Polette* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Polette* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "*The President, Directors, and Company of Port Burwell Harbour*," being read;

Port Burwell Harbour Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Nelson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Nelson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "*An Act for better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America, for the apprehension and surrender of certain Offenders:*"

Offenders Treaty Bill.

Bill, intituled, "*An Act to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Deeds and Instruments relating to Real Property in the Registry Office at Montreal:*" and also,

Montreal Registry Office Bill.

The Legislative Council acquaint this House, that their Honors have agreed to the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, on the subject of the Bill passed during the present Session, intituled, "*An Act to raise an Income of One hundred thousand pounds out of the Public Lands of Canada, for Common School Education,*" by filling up the blank with "*Legislative Council and the,*"

Common School Education Bill.

And then he withdrew.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*, being read;

Lower Canada Bar Incorporation Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Guillet* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Guillet* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "*An Act to allow the issuing of Testatum Writs of Capias ad respondendum in the several Districts of Upper Canada, and for other purposes therein mentioned,*" being read;

Testatum Writs (U. C.) Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Galt* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Galt* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Galt* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.



L. Comte's  
Relief Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to enable *Louis Comte* to recover a certain amount due to him by the Parish of *St. Edouard*, in the District of *Montreal*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Primeaux and  
Trottier's  
Bridge Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize *Marc Antoine Primeaux* and *Antoine A. Trottier* to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Chateauguay*, in the Parish of *Ste. Martine*, and to make a Plank Road from the River *St. Lawrence* to the River *Chateauguay*, in the said Parish, and to fix the Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, and to make further provision in that behalf, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Richards* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Richards* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Waterloo  
Election.

The House proceeded, according to Order, to take into further consideration the case of *John Miller*, late Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Holland*, at the last General Election for the County of *Waterloo*.

And Mr. *Miller* was again brought to the Bar.

Mr. *Notman* moved, seconded by Mr. *Burritt*, and the Question being proposed, That at the last General Election for the County of *Waterloo*, *John Miller*, Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Holland*, received the votes of ninety-seven persons, of whom ninety-six voted for *James Webster*, Esquire, and one for *A. J. Fergusson*, Esquire; that seven of the votes for Mr. *Webster*, and the vote for Mr. *Fergusson*, were good, while the remaining eighty-nine were invalid, being given on Lands for which no Patents from the Crown had ever issued; that Mr. *Fergusson's* Agent demanded that these persons should be sworn and questioned before voting, as to whether they possessed the requisite freehold qualification, but that the said *John Miller* refused to allow any of them to be so sworn or questioned; that the said *John Miller*, on the first day of voting, closed the Poll at the said Township of *Holland*, at or about the hour of four o'clock in the afternoon, and proceeded to the Township of *Derby*, where he recorded his own vote in favour of Mr. *Webster*; that the above mentioned proceedings of the said *John Miller* were inconsistent with his duty as such Deputy Returning Officer, prejudicial to the just rights of the said *A. J. Fergusson* as a Candidate, and of the Electors of the County of *Waterloo* generally, and a breach of the privileges of this House; that a Summons having been issued by this House, during the present Session, requiring the attendance of the said *John Miller* at the Bar of this House, to answer for his conduct as such Deputy Returning Officer, the said *John Miller* wilfully evaded the service thereof, in contempt of this House;

Mr. *Richards* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "the papers" and evidence upon which the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Waterloo*, proceeded in reporting that "the conduct of the Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Holland* required the serious consideration of this House, having been destroyed in the late outrage, the said Mr. *Miller* be heard at the Bar, if he desire it, on the subject of such conduct, and also on his alleged contempt in evading the service of the Summons of this House for his attendance at the Bar," added instead thereof; And the Question being put on the Amendment;—It was unanimously resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; Resolved, That the papers and evidence upon which the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Waterloo*, proceeded in reporting that the conduct of the Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Holland* required the serious consideration of this House, having been destroyed in the late outrage, the said Mr. *Miller* be heard at the Bar, if he desire it, on the subject of such conduct, and also on his alleged contempt in evading the service of the Summons of this House for his attendance at the Bar.

Mr. *Miller* accordingly addressed the House.

On motion of Mr. *Wetenhall*, seconded by Mr. *Christie*,

Ordered, That *John Miller* be discharged from further attendance at the Bar of this House.

Mr. *Miller* was then directed to withdraw.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style of "The *Huron Copper Bay Company*," being read; Huron Copper  
Bay Company  
Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Méhot* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Méhot* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Méhot* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders be postponed until Monday next. Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Christie*, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*,

The House adjourned.

*Veneris, 11<sup>o</sup> die Maii;*

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

ON motion of Mr. *Chabot*, seconded by Mr. *Méhot*,

Ordered, That the Select Committee to which were referred the Bill to amend and consolidate Quebec Incorporation, and  
Quebec Health  
Bills.

the provisions contained in the Ordinances to incorporate the City and Town of *Quebec*, and to vest more ample powers in the Corporation of the said City and Town, and also, the Bill to provide for the Health of the City of *Quebec*, have leave to report from time to time.

Quebec Health Bill.

Mr. *Chabot* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to provide for the Health of the City of *Quebec*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Petition of College Council of King's College.

Ordered, That the Petition of the College Council of the University of King's College established at *York*, now *Toronto*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Adjournment.

Ordered, That when this House doth adjourn, it will adjourn until to-morrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Commutation of Tenure Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act the better to facilitate optional commutation of tenure of Land *en roture*, in the Seigniories and Fiefs in *Lower Canada*, into that of *franc-aleu-roturier*," be engrossed.

Bill to supply certain Legislative provisions in Acts.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide certain Legislative provisions not included in certain Acts therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

Montreal and Troy Telegraph Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* and "*Troy* Telegraph Company," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Message from the Council.

Another Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Mutual Insurance Companies (U. C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act relating to Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*:"

Laws of Patents Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws of Patents for Inventions in this Province:" And also,

District Courts (U. C.) Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in force establishing or regulating the practice of the District Courts in the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*," with an Amendment; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

University Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Charter of the University established at *Toronto* by His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, to provide for the more satisfac-

tory government of the said University, and for other purposes connected with the same, and with the College and Royal Grammar School forming an appendage thereof, being read;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* moved, seconded by Mr. *Wetenhall*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "the second reading of the said Bill be postponed till after the Report of the Commissioners appointed to investigate and report upon the state of the University of King's College, is made and laid before this House," added instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Crysler*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Papineau*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, and *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*.—(11.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Malloch*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenaïs*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, and *Wetenhall*.—(50.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "inasmuch as the said Bill is the first attempt that has been made in this Province to adopt the principle of separating Religion from literary and scientific Education, and as all Charters to Literary Institutions in this Province recognize an opposite principle, and have provided in each of the Universities of *Regiopolis*, *Queen's*, and *Victoria* Colleges, that Religion shall be combined with scientific and literary Education, the said Bill be read a second time, this day six months, with the view of enabling the People of *Canada* to consider the introduction of such a principle in Legislation, fraught with consequences so important to themselves and to future generations," added instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, and *Robinson*.—(2.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Price*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, and *Wetenhall*.—(42.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *De-Witt*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Price*, *Scott* of BYTOWN, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché*, *Thompson*, and *Wetenhall*.—(42.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of TORONTO, and *Robinson*.—(2.)  
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, to amend the said Bill by inserting therein such provisions as may be necessary to secure in the said University the permanent establishment therein of a Professor of Divinity of the Church of *England*, in conformity with Lord *Goderich's* Despatch, on that subject, bearing date 2nd November, 1831;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of TORONTO, and *Robinson*.—(2.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *De-Witt*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Price*, *Scott* of BYTOWN, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché*, *Thompson*, and *Wetenhall*.—(42.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and the Question being put, That inasmuch as the said Bill does not propose to deprive the Roman Catholics, Presbyterians, and Methodists, or any of them, of their Chartered Institutions wherein Religion is recognized and provision made for educating their respective youth in the Faculty of Divinity, and as the said Bill thus professing to amend the Charter of King's College, is a mere pretext for depriving it of its endowment, it be an Instruction to the said Committee to amend the said Bill by restoring the original Charter of King's College, and thus placing it upon an equal, though not superior, footing with the above Denominations, and giving to King's College the site and grounds at *Toronto* already partially built on, or such other endowment as may be deemed expedient, or placing it upon an equal footing with the Denominations above mentioned;

The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as in the last preceding division.

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, and the Question being put, That inasmuch as the appropriation of Crown Lands made by His late Most Gracious Majesty *George* the Third, and granted to King's College, was "for the promotion of religious and moral learning, and the promotion of the arts and sciences," and as its appropriation for such objects was fully recognized by the Parliament of *Upper Canada*, in the amended Charter of King's College,

it be an Instruction to the said Committee, to amend the said Bill, so as to provide as well for the religious and moral learning of the youth of this Province, as for the study of the arts and sciences, as it is only by the education of a people in the sound principles of the Christian Religion, that happiness and good government can be secured to a country;

The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as in the last preceding division.

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Chauveau* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Chauveau* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

Mr. *Richards* reported the Bill to authorize *Marc Antoine Primeaux* and *Antoine A. Trottier* to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Chateauguay*, in the Parish of *Ste. Martine*, and to make a Plank Road from the River *St. Lawrence* to the River *Chateauguay*, in the said Parish, and to fix the Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, and to make further provision in that behalf; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Primeaux and Trottier's Bridge Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. *Hall* reported the Bill to authorize *Alexandre M. Delisle*, *B. H. LeMoine*, and *Jean Bte. Debien*, the younger, to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, and for other purposes therein mentioned; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Bridge Bill of A. M. Delisle and others.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day, be postponed until to-morrow.

Orders deferred.

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

Sabbati, 12<sup>o</sup> die Maii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

Petitions brought up.

By Mr. *Chabot*,—The Petition of *Edward Burroughs* and *Louis Fiset*, Esquires, Prothonotaries of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*,—The Petition of *Louis Fiset*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire, Joint Prothonotary with another, of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*,—The Petition of *Edward Burroughs*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire, Joint Prothonotary with another, of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*, and keeper of the Archives of the same Court,—and the Petition of *Joseph F. X. Perrault*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire, on behalf of himself and the other heirs and legal representatives of the late *Joseph F. Perrault*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*,—The Petition of *John Munn*, Esquire, and others, Ship-builders, Ship-

owners, and Merchants, of *Quebec*,—and the Petition of *John Munn*, Esquire, and others, Ship-builders and Ship-owners, of *Quebec*, and others interested in Shipping.

By Mr. *Burritt*,—The Petition of the Reverend *James Cooper* and others, on behalf of the Baptist Church of *Kemptville* and *South Gower*.

Court of Appeals and Criminal Jurisdiction (L. C.) Bill.

An engrossed Bill to establish a Court having jurisdiction in Appeals and Criminal matters for *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

L'Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate "*L'Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal*," in the City, Parish, and District of *Montreal*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cartier* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill relating to Actions of Clerks of Courts, &c.

An engrossed Bill for the limitation of Actions of Clerks of Courts of Justice and Attornies *ad lites*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act for the limitation of Actions of Clerks of Courts of Justice and Attornies *ad lites*, and of all other Officers of Justice entitled to receive fees and costs."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lemieux* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petition read.

Pursuant to the Order of the day, the following Petition was read:—

Of *F. C. Cleeve* and others, of the northern part of the District of *St. Francis*; praying for aid in support of the *Richmond Academy*, as petitioned for by that Academy.

Savings Banks Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Badgley* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Laws relating to Savings Banks, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Eleventh Report of Committee on Road and Bridge Bills. St. Anselme Bridge Company Bill.

Mr. *Fortier*, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the Eleventh Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the provisions of the Bill to authorize *Jean Clovis Bélanger*, Esquire, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemin*, in the Parish of *St. Anselme*, near the Church of the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*, and to incorporate the said *Jean Clovis Bélanger* and others, under the name of the "*St. Anselme Bridge Company*," and for other purposes therein mentioned, and have agreed to several amendments thereto, which they herewith submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Seventh Report of Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, read in his place the Seventh Report of the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Johnson*, and the Question being proposed, That so much of the Report as relates to the Bill to in-

corporate the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*, be referred back to the said Committee to amend the Bill, so as to establish the line of Road between the *Niagara* and *Detroit Rivers* according to the Line surveyed and established by Mr. *Johnstone*, the Engineer employed by the Company to survey the route, and in accordance with the prayer of the Petitioners for the renewal of the old Charter upon which the Bill purports to have been brought in;

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "so much of the said Report as relates to the Bill to incorporate the *Niagara* and *Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*, be received this day three months," added instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, *Boulton* of *Toronto*, *Boutillier*, *Christie*, *DeWitt*, *Galt*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, *Laurin*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *Kingston*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Morrison*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *Toronto*, *Smith* of *Durham*, *Smith* of *Frontenac*, *Smith* of *Wentworth*, and *Wetenhall*.—(25.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of *Norfolk*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méhot*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Scott* of *Two Mountains*, and *Thompson*.—(17.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put;

*Ordered*, That so much of the said Report as relates to the Bill to incorporate the *Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company*, be received this day three months.

*Ordered*, That the remaining part of the said Report be now received.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* accordingly presented the same to the House; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bill for the incorporation of a Company to establish a Line of Railroad between *Montreal* and *Missisquoi*, and have made several amendments thereunto, which they beg leave to submit for the adoption of Your Honorable House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, from the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have taken into their consideration the Bill to amend an Act incorporating the *Saint Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Company*, and have made several amendments to the same, which they respectively submit for the adoption of Your Honorable House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to amend an Act incorporating the *Saint Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Company*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Mr. *Boutillier*, from the Special Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Joseph Bistodeau* and others, of the Village of *St. Hyacinthe*, and other references, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Bill.

Missisquoi Railroad Bill.

Eighth Report of Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Bill.

Report on Petition of J. Bistodeau and others.

Your Committee after having given their most serious consideration to the Petitions referred, and to the evidence and documents which have been produced in their support, had terminated their inquiry, formed their conclusions, and instructed their Chairman, on the 23rd ultimo, to report to Your Honorable House; but the lamentable destruction of the Legislative Buildings by fire, on the 25th, by destroying the Petitions, Evidence, and all other Documents relating to the subject submitted to them, has rendered it impossible for Your Committee to report until this day.

In the absence of the Petitions and Evidence, &c., which were submitted to Your Committee, it becomes necessary, in order that Your Honorable House may be better enabled to judge of the correctness of the opinion formed by Your Committee, to give an analysis of these Petitions, Evidence, and other Documents, and to cite what, in the course of their investigation, has appeared to them most worthy of attention.

1. The Petitioners, *Joseph Bistodeau* and others, pray for the incorporation of the Village of *St. Hyacinthe*, and claim as an integral part of the Village, not only all that extent of vacant land situate to the north and north-east of the Village, but also a tract of more than 500 arpents in superficies, situate to the west of the *St. Denis* Road. These Petitioners pretend that the tract last mentioned has always formed part of the Village, and state, in proof of this fact, that Mr. *Eusèbe Cartier*, in 1828, and the late Mr. *Isaac Marchesseault*, in 1842, proprietors of a part of these tracts of land, were appointed Trustees of the Village, and that to exclude this land now, from the limits of the said Village, would be an act of injustice towards them.

2. The Petitioners, *Eusèbe Cartier* and 240 others, proprietors of the Parish, oppose the dismemberment of this tract situate to the west of the Road of *St. Denis*, and pretend that, if it should take place, the revenues of the Parish would be considerably diminished, and that they would, in various ways, sustain considerable damage; they affirm, moreover, that this land has never formed part of the Village, that from its rural nature it should necessarily remain attached to the Parish, and they establish by evidence, that when Mr. *Cartier* was appointed Trustee of the Village, he possessed no property to the west of *St. Denis* Road, but that he was then proprietor of several emplacements in the Village of *St. Hyacinthe*. They also assert, that the late Mr. *Isaac Marchesseault's* appointment was made by two Justices of the Peace, contrary to the terms of the Act 4 Geo. 4, chap. 2, which at that time regulated the erection of Villages and their internal government, which law provides that "thirty houses not more than half an arpent apart from each other, may be erected into a Village," and they have established by plans and evidence, that there existed at that time, and still exists, between the Road of *St. Denis* and the residence of the late Mr. *Marchesseault*, a space of land having four arpents of frontage, on which there are only the Church, the Presbytery, and Mr. *Cartier's* house, from which they conclude that the legal limits of the Village could not extend to the residence of Mr. *Marchesseault*, and that in consequence this appointment was illegal; they say that it was even then regarded as such; and one of the two Justices of the Peace who made this appointment, and have given evidence before Your Committee, has declared, after having investigated the law, that he now believes that this appointment was illegal. To prove that this land is not, and never has been considered to form part of the Village, they have produced the certificates of Mr. *Louis Chicoine*, one of the Trustees appointed for the building of the present Church, which declares that this land forms part of his divi-

sion, and is annexed to another part of the Parish, and not to the Village; and also, what appears still more important, a certificate of Mr. *J. Bte. Richer*, Bailiff, whose duty it is to carry into execution the police regulations in the said Village, in which certificate the said *Richer* declares that he has received orders from Mr. *Labatte*, Chairman of the Trustees of the Village of *St. Hyacinthe*, not to go further than the *St. Denis* Road, to the west, in the exercise of his duties, inasmuch as their jurisdiction does not extend on that side beyond the said Road, and that the said *Richer* has acted solely in conformity with this order.

The Petitioners, *Eusèbe Cartier* and others, maintain that, for reasons of general interest and of grave importance to the Parish, and which appear to Your Committee to merit the attention of Your Honorable House, this tract should not be dismembered from the Parish and annexed to the Village. Among the heads of opposition which they set forth, Your Committee would call attention to the following:—

1st. The considerable diminution in the revenue of the Parish which would result from the dismemberment of this tract, the value of which is more than a quarter of the total value of the whole Village. 2nd. The inability they would lie under, were this tract dismembered, of properly maintaining their Schools, thirteen of which, out of nineteen that the Parish and Village together possess, would remain at the charge of the Parish. 3rd. The almost utterly ruined condition of the Parish Church, although lately built, which must, before long, necessitate the erection of other buildings; the general opinion that when this time arrives, the Parish and the Village will each have to build its Church separately, in consequence of the increasing population of the Village, and the almost stationary condition of the Parish in this respect, and the heavier amount of the personal assessments which would fall upon the inhabitants of the Parish if this dismemberment should take place. 4th. The fact that in case the limits prayed for by the Petitioners, *Bistodeau* and others, should be granted, the principal outlets of the Parish and of a large part of the country leading to the Parish Church, to the Seigniorial Mill, to the Court House, to the Market, to the Railroad Dépôt, &c. &c., would fall under the control of a municipality foreign to the proprietors who have made and kept up these Roads for their daily necessities.

The Petitioners, *Eusèbe Cartier* and others, think that before long, in consequence of the increase of land carriage to be caused by the Railroad Dépôt, built in the Village of *St. Hyacinthe*, the principal Roads leading to the said Village must be planked or macadamized, and made Turnpike Roads; and they entertain the hope that the Legislature will not deprive them of the benefits which these Roads might obtain for them, and above all, that it will not allow a neighbouring municipality to turn to its own advantage their position and their necessities, by means of the Roads which they have made for their own use.

But the Petitioners who protest with the greatest energy against the limits prayed for by *Joseph Bistodeau* and others, and who, in the opinion of Your Committee, are well entitled to the special attention of Your Honorable House, are *P. B. De la Bruère* and others, and *J. F. Têtu* and *L. R. Després*, who, with the exception of one only, form the whole number of the proprietors of the entire tract situate to the west of the Road of *St. Denis*, which *Joseph Bistodeau* and others wish to annex to the Village. They establish by evidence, that their lands, of above 500 arpents in superficies, are, with the exception of sixteen or eighteen emplacements, entirely agricultural; that they have never formed part of the Village: and cite, in support of these facts, the certificates of Messrs. *L. Chicoine* and *J. Bte. Richer*, men-



tioned above. They have proved, by the exhibition of certain titles, that the whole of their land has been conceded in farm lots of from 60 to 90 arpents in superficies, and that it is only on the east of the *St. Denis* Road that the Seigniors have conceded Lands in *emplacements*.

They have established by proof, that the Village does not in any way extend to the west of the *St. Denis* Road; that for the last fifteen years, no *emplacement* has been detached from their rural properties; while on the east of this Road, the Village has, in the same time, made a very great progress, and they think that for the future, this progress will advance steadily in the same direction, at a still more rapid rate than heretofore; inasmuch as on this side are the College, the Convent, the Market—one of the best attended in the country after those of *Montreal* and *Quebec*, the Hospital, the Carding Mill, two large Foundries, all the Commercial Establishments, with the exception of one, the Court House, the Railroad Depôt, and, in fine, all the establishments which can attract a population not engaged in farming pursuits; and, moreover, in the neighbourhood of these establishments, an extent of vacant land nearly 600 arpents in superficies, in the possession of the *Fabrique* of *St. Hyacinthe*, the heirs of the late Mr. *Louis Plamondon*, the heirs of the Honorables *Jean Desaulles* and *P. D. Debartzch*, Mr. *François Cadoret*, and the Corporation of the College, the greater part of which land, possessed by the Seigniors and surrounding the Railroad Depôt, is now offered for sale in building lots, by the Seigniors themselves, and will be sufficient, they say, for many years to come, for the growth of the Village, however rapid it may be. These last mentioned Petitioners also pretend that farm properties cannot be under the rule of a Village municipality, whose Council, composed of men who are strangers to agriculture, may impose regulations not adapted to the nature of these properties; that besides it is unjust that rural property should be assessed in common with that of the Villages, and cite the Act of the 9<sup>Vic.</sup> chap. 78, passed on the Petition of certain inhabitants of the banlieue of *Three Rivers*, and establishing the separation of the said banlieue from the Town of *Three Rivers*, as an acknowledgment of the principle which they now invoke.

These Petitioners set forth that their property, comprising a superficies of more than 500 arpents, is represented only by 26 or 28 proprietors; that the property in the Village, adding thereto the 500 arpents of vacant land to the east of the *St. Denis* Road, is represented by more than 150 proprietors, and that in consequence, they would not have in the election of the Members of the Council, if the said property were annexed to the Village, that influence which, if alone, the number of voters would secure to them, nor the protection to which the value of their property might entitle them; and moreover, that thenceforward, to a very distant period, they would not have, in improvements on their property, any equivalent return to the taxes they would have to pay.

Your Committee would observe to Your Honorable House, that besides the facts set forth in the Petitions of the several Petitioners, and the evidence adduced on either side, extracts have been presented to them of the proceedings of the Municipal Council of the Parish of *St. Hyacinthe*, also of the Municipal Council of the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, and a letter from Mr. *Etienne Parent*, Assistant Provincial Secretary.

It appears by these documents, that in the year 1845, certain proprietors of the Village applied to the Municipal Council of the Parish, for the separation of the Village; that this Council acceded to their desire, and gave to the Village as limits, on the

south, the River *Yamaska*, on the north-east, a stream on the land of Mr. *Cadoret*, on the north, *Girouard* Street, and on the south-west, the *St. Denis* Road; that, not content with these limits, these proprietors prayed the Executive not to sanction the Resolution of the Council; that after a correspondence of a certain length, Mr. *Parent* wrote to them, under date of the 10th August, 1847, that he was commanded to inform them that His Excellency had been advised to recommend them to apply to the Council of the County, who were appointed under the Law passed during the last Session.

Some time after the receipt of this letter, a certain number of Village proprietors petitioned the Council of the County, for the erection of the Village into a Municipality; this Council acceded to their prayer, extended the limits of the Village far beyond what had been done by the Parish Council; but still gave as a limit to the west, the *St. Denis* Road.

Your Committee, after mature deliberation, having considered the facts set forth by the several Petitioners, the evidence and documents which have been submitted to them, are of opinion that the Village of *St. Hyacinthe* should be incorporated, with authority to make all necessary By-laws for the maintenance of good order, the improvement of the Streets, the health of the said Village, to guard against accidents by fire, and to do generally all that the prosperity and safety of its inhabitants may require; but Your Committee, considering that it has been clearly established that the Village is not extending to the west of the *St. Denis* Road, that on the contrary, it is extending to the east and north-east of the said Road; that by reason of the numerous and important public buildings erected thereon, the Village population must necessarily continue to increase there, as long as it will find lands sufficient for its wants, and that it is more than probable that it will find these lands sufficient for many years to come, believe it their duty to recommend to Your Honorable House to fix the limits of the said Village, as follows: on the north, the *cordons* of the lands on the River *Yamaska*, on the north-east, the line of division between the Land of *Antoine Cabana* and that of the College of *St. Hyacinthe*, on the south, the middle of the River *Yamaska*, and on the south-west, the Road of *St. Denis*.

The principal reasons which have determined Your Committee to come to this conclusion, are:—1st. The evident injustice there would be towards the cultivators of the Parish, to submit their principal Roads to the power of a Municipality independent of their control. 2nd. The too great and too sudden diminution of the revenues of the Parish, which, beside the loss sustained by the separation of the Village, would also have to bear that which would result from the dismemberment of a part of its territory equal in value to nearly one third of that of the Village. 3rd. The including of rural property within the limits of the Village, against the will and pleasure of its proprietors, without any apparent necessity. 4th. The decision of the Parish and County Councils, which appear to Your Committee, especially the County Council, the natural, legal, and competent authorities in this case. 5th. Finally, the decision of Your Honorable House in case of the banlieue of *Three Rivers*, which banlieue is to the Town of *Three Rivers* what the land claimed by *Joseph Bistodeau* and others is to the Village of *St. Hyacinthe*; and by which decision, Your Honorable House has, in its wisdom, recognized and submitted the inconveniences and injustice in annexing the rural property to the Village property, and of subjecting the former to a Municipal Government, in which agriculture cannot find either the protection or the legislation which it is reasonably entitled to expect.

Ordered, That two hundred copies of the said Report in the French Language, and fifty copies in the English Language, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Pères Oblats Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate "*Les Révérends Pères Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de Marie,*" in the Province of *Canada*, be engrossed.

Bill relating to Causes in forma pauperis.

Ordered, That Mr. *Laurin* have leave to bring in a Bill to remove all doubts as to the right of suing and defending Causes in *forma pauperis*, before the Courts of Law in *Lower Canada*. He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Montreal and Troy Telegraph Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal and Troy Telegraph Company,*" be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 3, line 5. After "Officers" insert "And provided also, that nothing herein contained shall authorize, or be construed so as to authorize, the said Company to cross or continue the said line on the Bridge built by the Honorable *Robert Jones* over the River *Richelieu*, in the Parish of *Saint Luke*, at *Saint John's*, near the Rapids, without the consent in writing of the said Honorable *Robert Jones*, his heirs, executors, curators, administrators or assigns, nor on any terms and conditions except such as may be or may have been expressed in any such written consent."

Press 6, line 30. Leave out "this Province" and insert "*Lower Canada.*"

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Marriage Oppositions Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Laurin* have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish Oppositions to Marriages founded on promises of Marriage, and to repeal the Act therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Laurin*, Mr. *Lemieux*, Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Chabot*, and Mr. *Chauveau*, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Grand River Navigation Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* have leave to bring in a Bill to increase the Stock of the *Grand River Navigation Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in force establishing or regulating the practice of the District Courts in the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada,*" be now taken into consideration. District Courts (U. C.) Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Press 4, line ult. After "Section" insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that from and after the passing of this Act, each and every Clerk of any such District Court, and the Deputy Clerk of the Crown in each District, shall hold his office in the Court House, or in some other convenient place within the District Town of his respective District, and shall keep such office open for the transaction of business pertaining to such office on every day, (Sundays and the legal Holidays excepted,) from the hour of ten in the forenoon, to the hour of three in the afternoon, and in Term time from the hour of nine of the clock in the morning, to the hour of four of the clock in the afternoon; and that no British subject, whatever his profession, calling, or employment, shall in future be deemed disqualified to hold the office of Clerk of the District Court, or Deputy Clerk of the Crown in *Upper Canada*, any law or enactment heretofore made to the contrary thereof notwithstanding."

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

Ordered, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, seconded by Mr. *Notman*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any Memorial to the Government of this Province from the inhabitants of *Port Hope* on the subject of a Survey of the Harbour at that place, with the reply thereto; the Instructions given to *Peter Fleming*, Civil Engineer, for such survey, together with his survey, report, plans, and estimates for such Harbour; the Instructions given to *Samuel Keefer*, Esquire, Civil Engineer, and his report upon that of Mr. *Fleming*, and any further report thereon, by any Officer of the Board of Works; also, all and every Memorial or Petition from the inhabitants of *Port Hope*, or of *Upper Canada*, to the Provincial Government, to assume the said Harbour as a Public Work, the number of signatures, and the reply thereto; also, of any correspondence between

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the Provincial Government, or any Department thereof, with the Imperial Government or any Department of the same, on the subject of that Harbour, or of the proposed erection of any works for the public defence at that place; and of all and every Instructions given for the survey of any location thereat, by any Departments of the Imperial Government, for such purpose, as well as the plans, surveys, estimates and reports thereon; together with a Statement of the Loan by the Provincial Government to the Harbour Company there, shewing the original amount loaned, the different payments made, and the balance with interest still due thereon, and a copy of the bond or other security given for the payment thereof.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Bill relating to the Will of the late R. N. Starr.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate *George Carruthers, H. Hogg, and William Hatelie*, and their successors, to carry into effect the last Will and Testament of the late *Richard Noble Starr*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to enable *George Carruthers* and "others, to carry into effect the Will of the late "Doctor *Richard Noble Starr*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Notman* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

St. Roch de Québec Congrégation Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Association called "*La Congrégation des hommes de la Paroisse de Saint Roch de Québec*," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laurin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

L. Comte's Relief Bill.

An engrossed Bill to enable *Louis Comte* to recover a certain amount due to him by the Parish of *St. Edouard*, in the District of *Montreal*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to enable *Louis Comte* to recover a "certain amount due to him by the Parish of "*Saint Edouard*, in the District of *Montreal*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cartier* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Courts of Civil Jurisdiction (L. C.) Bill.

Mr. *Johnson* reported the Bill to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*; and the first amendment was read, and agreed to.

The second amendment being read a second time, as followeth:—

Clause 3, line 6. Leave out "eight" and insert "nine".

Mr. *Chauveau* moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. *Méthot*, That the word "nine" be left out, and the word "ten" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment;—It was unanimously resolved in the Affirmative.

The second amendment, as amended, was then agreed to.

The third amendment being read a second time, as followeth:—

Clause 3, line 7. Leave out "seven" and insert "eight".

Mr. *Chauveau* moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. *Méthot*, That the word "eight" be left out, and the word "nine" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment;—It was unanimously resolved in the Affirmative.

The third amendment, as amended, was then agreed to.

The fourth amendment being read a second time, as followeth:—

Clause 3, line 12. Leave out "and four" and insert "three".

Mr. *Chauveau* moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. *Méthot*, That the word "three" be left out, and the word "four" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment:—It was unanimously resolved in the Affirmative.

The fourth amendment, as amended, was then agreed to.

The subsequent amendments as far as the twenty-fourth amendment, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The twenty-fourth amendment being read a second time, as followeth:—

Clause 16. Leave out the words "And provided also, that it shall be the duty of the Judges of the "Superior Court residing at *Quebec*, ordinarily to "assist in holding the Terms of the said Court in the "District of *Gaspé*, but this shall not prevent any "other Judges from so doing, if circumstances shall "require it," at the end of the said Clause.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said amendment:—It passed unanimously in the Negative.

Then the residue of the said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Law relative to the Administration of Justice in *Gaspé*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. *Christie* reported the Bill to amend the Law relative to the inspection of Weights and Measures in *Lower Canada*; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. *Seymour* reported the Bill to amend the Act relating to Masters and Servants in the country parts of *Lower Canada*; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. *Nelson* reported the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "The President, "Directors, and Company of *Port Burwell Harbour*;" and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Gaspé Judicature Bill.

Weights and Measures (L. C.) Bill.

Masters and Servants (L. C.) Bill.

Port Burwell Harbour Bill.

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz :—

Neepigon Mining Company Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the *Neepigon Mining Company*."

Bill relating to Hatley Municipal Council.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable the Sureties of the late Municipal Council of the Township of *Hatley* to enforce their claims against the said Township." And also,

Protested Bills of Exchange Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the rates of damages on Protested Bills of Exchange in *Upper Canada*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

University Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Charter of the University established at *Toronto* by His late Majesty King *George the Fourth*, to provide for the more satisfactory government of the said University, and for other purposes connected with the same, and with the College and Royal Grammar School forming an appendage thereof, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Chauveau* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Chauveau* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Chauveau* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Orders deferred.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Monday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by Mr. *Chabot*,

The House adjourned until Monday next.

*Luna*, 14<sup>o</sup> die *Maii*;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petition brought up.

THE following Petition was brought up, and laid on the table:—

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*,—The Petition of the City Council of the City of *Hamilton*.

Commutation of Tenure Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act the better to facilitate optional commutation of tenure of Land *en roture*, in the Seigniories and Fiefs in *Lower Canada*, into that of *franc-aleu-roturier*," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Christie* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Hamilton Mercantile Library Association Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the *Hamilton Mercantile Library Association*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Allan N. MacNab* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to amend certain Acts of the Parliament of *Upper Canada* for the relief of Religious Societies, was read the third time.

Religious Societies Bill

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to amend certain Acts for the relief of Religious Societies."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Flint* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to encourage Ship-building in *Lower Canada*, by affording better security to persons advancing money or furnishing work or materials for the construction of Ships, was read the third time.

Ship-building Encouragement Bill.

Mr. *Méthot* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to encourage the construction and repairing of sailing and steam vessels, whether employed as coasters or for inland navigation, or as sea-going vessels, in *Lower Canada*, by affording better security to persons advancing money, or furnishing work or materials for the construction and repair of such sailing and steam vessels;"

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "the further consideration of the Bill be postponed," added instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *DeWitt*, *Flint*, *Galt*, *Gugy*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Merritt*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Thompson*, and *Wetenhall*.—(36.)

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Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Guillet*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Méthot*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, *Sauvageau*, *Taché*, and *Viger*.—(21.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; *Ordered*, That the further consideration of the Bill be postponed.

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

Petitions read.

Of *Edward Burroughs* and *Louis Fiset*, Esquire, Prothonotaries of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*; of *Louis Fiset*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire, Joint Prothonotary with another, of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*; of *Edward Burroughs*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire, Joint Prothonotary with another, of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*, and keeper of the Archives of the same Court; and of *Joseph F. X. Perrault*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire, on behalf of himself and the other heirs and legal representatives of the late *Joseph F. Perrault*; praying that no further proceedings may be had upon the Bill for the limitation of Actions of Clerks of the Courts and Attorneys *ad lites* against their clients.

Of the Reverend *James Cooper* and others, on behalf the Baptist Church of *Kemptville* and *South Gower*; praying for the passing of the Bill relative to the University of *King's College*, without further delay.

Of *John Munn*, Esquire, and others, Ship-builders, Ship-owners, and Merchants, of *Quebec*; praying that no alterations or amendments be made, during the present Session, to the Merchant Seamen's Act now in force.

Of *John Munn*, Esquire, and others, Ship-builders and Ship-owners, of *Quebec*, and others interested in Shipping; setting forth the incorrectness of the evidence of *Edward Glachemeyer*, Esquire, as given before a Committee of the Legislative Assembly on a proposed amendment to the Merchant Seamen's Act.

Twelfth Report of Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. *Chauveau*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Twelfth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate the College of *Bytown*, and beg leave to report the same without amendment.

Bytown College Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate the College of *Bytown* be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Sauvageau* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Sauvageau* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Sauvageau* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Marriage Oppositions Bill.

Mr. *Laurin* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to abolish Oppositions to Marriages founded on promises of Marriage, and to repeal the Act therein mentioned, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Fournier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Fournier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Fournier* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Protested Bills of Exchange Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the rates of damages on Protested Bills of Exchange in *Upper Canada*," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 39. After "thereon" insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that damages at the rate of four per cent, upon the principal sum specified therein shall be allowed and paid upon the protest of every promissory note made or ne-

gotiated within *Upper Canada*, and payable only at some place in the *United States of America*, or in any of the *British North American Colonies* except *Canada*, and not otherwise or elsewhere, and that such principal sum, together with interest thereon at the rate of six per centum per annum, to be reckoned from the day of the date of the protest, shall be reimbursed to the holder at the current rate of exchange of the day when the protest shall be produced, and repayment demanded, that is to say; the holder of any such note returned under protest shall be entitled to demand and recover from the maker or endorsers thereof, so much current money of this Province as shall then be equal to the purchase of a bill of exchange of the like amount, drawn on the same place at the same date on sight, together with the damages and interest above mentioned, and also the expense of protesting the note, and all charges and postages incurred thereon."

Press 1, line 40. After "bill" insert "or note."

Press 1, line 42. After "drawer" insert "maker."

Press 1, line 46. After "drawer" insert "maker."

Press 2, line 2. After "bill" insert "or note."

Press 2, line 11. Leave out "given" and insert "made or negotiated."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Morrison* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Merchants' Exchange and Reading Room of *Montreal*. Montreal Merchants' Reading Room Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rule of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Morrison* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Morrison* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to remove all doubts as to the right of suing and defending Causes in *forma pauperis* before the Courts of Law in *Lower Canada*, be engrossed. Bill relating to Causes in forma pauperis.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Companies. Bill to facilitate Actions against unincorporated Companies.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rule of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.



The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *St. George's Society of Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rule of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Laurin* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Laurin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by Mr. *Cartier*,

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate *La Communauté des Révérendes Sœurs de la Charité of Bytown*, as reported from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Duchesnay* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Duchesnay* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Duchesnay* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *M'Connell*, seconded by Mr. *Crysler*,

Ordered, That the Bill to enable the British American Land Company to promote and establish Manufactories in the Eastern Townships of *Canada*, be re-committed to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. *Gugy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Christie*, and the Question being put, That a Select Committee composed of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, Mr. *Morrison*, the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, and the mover, be appointed to enquire and report whether the printing and advertizing in the *Gazette*, of divers Addresses and Petitions to His Excellency the Governor General, as well as divers proceedings of meetings, have been or are to be paid out of the Public Funds of the Province;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Christie*, *Galt*, *Gugy*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, and *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*.—(10.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, and *Wetenhall*.—(44.)

So it passed in the Negative.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council acquaint this House, that His Excellency the Governor General has appointed to-morrow, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to be attended with the Address of both Houses, on the subject of the Bill passed during the present Session, intituled, "An Act to raise an income of One hundred thousand pounds out of the Public Lands of *Canada*, for Common School Education;" and that their Honors have ordered that such Members of the Executive Council who are Members of their House, do wait upon His Excellency at that time, on the part of their House.

Common School Education Bill.

And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province, do attend His Excellency the Governor General, on the part of this House, to-morrow, at two o'clock, P. M. with the Address of both Houses on the subject of the Bill, intituled, "An Act to raise an income of One hundred thousand pounds out of the Public Lands of *Canada*, for Common School Education."

Mr. *Gugy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Christie*, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of the Commission of the Solicitor General for *Lower Canada*;—It passed unanimously in the Negative.

Commission of Solicitor General for Lower Canada.

Mr. *Gugy* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, and the Question being put, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire and report whether, within the last fortnight, any Arms were delivered to any part, and what part, of the population of this City; what quantity of Arms was delivered; under what authority; under whose command the persons so armed were placed; from what stores, and for what end or purpose, and what use was made of such Arms, and how long they were retained, and how many, if any, were returned to store, and to what store; whether any and what sums of money were distributed among or paid to the persons who had so taken Arms, from what funds, and under what authority; whether any Justices of the Peace, or other Peace Officers, were selected or directed to assume the charge of preserving the Peace in this City, who was or were so selected or directed, and for what cause; and also to enquire and report whether any special direction was given to the Justices or persons so selected to cause Her Majesty's Troops to fire upon any and what part of Her Majesty's subjects, or whether any stipulation or pro-

Enquiry respecting an Armed Force, &c.

Quebec St. George's Society Bill.

Sœurs de la Charité of Bytown Bill.

Manufactories Bill.

Printing and Advertising in the Gazette.

mise to that effect was made or exacted, or attempted to be made or exacted; and further to enquire and report whether any and which of the Officers in the service of the Provincial Government interfered unduly with any Justice of the Peace while engaged in the administration of Criminal Justice; and lastly, to enquire and report whether any and what person or persons holding office under the Crown, advisedly urged and incited any and what part of the population to engage in any tumultuous or riotous proceedings;—It passed unanimously in the Negative.

Transfer of Real Property (U. C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Richards* have leave to bring in a Bill to simplify the transfer of Real Property in *Upper Canada*, and to render certain rights and interests therein liable under execution.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rule of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Orders deferred.

*Ordered*, That the Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Fortier*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,  
The House adjourned.

*Martis, 15° die Maii;*

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. *Wetenhall*,—The Petition of the Reverend *James Beaven*, D.D., Professor of Theology and of Metaphysics and Moral Philosophy in the University of King's College at *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Reverend *George Romanes*, Moderator, and the Reverend *Andrew Ball*, Synod Clerk, on behalf of the Commission of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*.

By Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*,—The Petition of *Francis Kennedy* and others, of the Township of *Barton*, County of *Wentworth*.

Testatum Writs (U. C.) Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to allow the issuing of *Testatum Writs of Capias ad respondendum* in the several Districts of *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Richards* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill relating to Real or Mixed Actions.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Law of *Lower Canada* as regards the District in which real or mixed Actions may be commenced, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate "*Les Révérends Pères Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de Marie*," in the Province of *Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Beaubien* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to supply certain Legislative provisions not included in certain Acts therein mentioned, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to supply certain necessary Legislative provisions not included in certain Acts therein mentioned."

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to provide, by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, was read the third time.

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Seymour*, and the Question being put, That the following engrossed Clause (A.) be added to the Bill, by way of Rider, and do follow the 209th Clause thereof:—

Clause A. "And be it enacted, That notwithstanding anything in this Act contained, such of its provisions as relate to or in any manner affect the Municipal Councils of the several Districts in *Upper Canada* as constituted immediately before the passing of this Act, shall come into effect and have operation in each of the said Districts whenever the Municipal Council of such Districts shall in and by a By-law, lawfully passed by a majority of the votes of the said Council at their second meeting after the passing hereof, declare their desire to adopt the provisions of this Act; and that the said provisions shall not, nor shall any of them, come into operation or effect until the passing and adoption of such By-law as aforesaid;"

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of *Toronto*, *Crysler*, *Macdonald* of *Kingston*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Robinson*, and *Seymour*.—(8.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *De Witt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *Glengary*, *M'Farland*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *Two Mountains*, *Sherwood* of *Brockville*, *Sherwood* of *Toronto*, *Smith* of *Frontenac*, *Smith* of *Wentworth*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, and *Wetenhall*.—(41.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to provide, by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations, and the establishment of Regulations of Police in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*;"

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*,

Pères Oblats Bill.

Bill to supply certain Legislative provisions in Acts.

Municipal Corporations (U. C.) Bill.

*Burritt, Cameron of KENT, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Dumas, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Jobin, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, Lemieux, Lyon, Macdonald of GLENGARY, M'Farland, Méthot, Morrison, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Richards, Scott of Two MOUNTAINS, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, and Wetenhall.*—(36.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton of TORONTO, Christie, Crysler, Gagy, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M'Connell, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Sherwood of TORONTO, and Smith of FRONTENAC.*—(14.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions read.

Pursuant to the Order of the day, the following Petition was read:—

The Petition of *Thomas Walsh*, of the Village of *Rawdon*, County of *Leinster*; representing that he has been deprived of his right of pre-emption in the sale of certain lots of land in the said Village by the local Agent of Crown Lands, and praying for an investigation, and relief in the premises.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend *James Beaven*, D. D., Professor of Theology and of Metaphysics and Moral Philosophy in the University of King's College at *Toronto*, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying that the Bill to amend the Charter of the said University may be so amended as to preserve, with all necessary powers, the Faculty of Theology therein.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend *George Romanes*, Moderator, and the Reverend *Andrew Ball*, Synod Clerk, on behalf of the Commission of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying that the Bill to amend the Charter of the University of King's College at *Toronto*, may not pass into Law.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Francis Kennedy* and others, of the Township of *Barton*, County of *Wentworth*, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying that the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the City of *Hamilton*, and which proposes to extend the limits of the said City, may not pass into Law.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend *James Beaven*, D. D., Professor of Theology and of Metaphysics and Moral Philosophy in the University of King's College at *Toronto*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Petition of the Rev. J. Beaven to be printed.

Twelfth Report of Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Mr. *Fortier*, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the Twelfth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Lower Canada*, for the construction of Macadamized Roads, and of Bridges and other works of a like nature, and have agreed to certain amendments thereto, which they respectfully submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Joint Stock Road and Bridge, &c., Companies (L. C.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Lower Canada*, for the construction of Macadamized Roads, and of Bridges and other works of a like nature, as

reported from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Saturday next.

Mr. *Fortier*, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the Thirteenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the provisions of the Bill to authorize *Antoine Amable Archambeault*, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, and have agreed to several amendments thereto, which they beg leave to submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Thirteenth Report of Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Ordered, That the Bill to authorize *Antoine Amable Archambeault*, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, as reported from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Saturday next.

Bridge Bill of A. Archambeault and others.

Mr. *Fourquin* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to make valid the election of the Trustees for building a Church in the Parish of *St. François du Lac St. Pierre*, and to enable them to complete the same, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

St. François du Lac Church Trustees Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Saturday next.

Mr. *Bell*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Bill to annex certain unsurveyed Lands to the *Bathurst* District, for Judicial purposes, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Bathurst District Lands Bill.

Your Committee have duly considered the Bill referred to them, and have had before them the Honorable Mr. *Price*, Commissioner of Crown Lands, who states that from the position of the tract of unsurveyed Lands in question, he is of opinion that it ought to be attached to the *Bathurst* District for judicial purposes,—Your Committee therefore beg leave to recommend the said Bill for the adoption of Your Honorable House, without amendment.

Ordered, That when this House doth adjourn, it will adjourn until to-morrow at ten o'clock, A.M.

Adjournment.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Law relative to the inspection of Weights and Measures in *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

Weights and Measures (L. C.) Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Bill to increase the Stock of the *Grand River* Navigation Company, be engrossed.

Grand River Navigation Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill to simplify the transfer of Real Property in *Upper Canada*, and to render certain rights and interests therein liable under execution, be engrossed.

Transfer of Real Property (U. C.) Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, reported the Bill to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Companies; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Bill to facilitate Actions against unincorporated Companies.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Quebec St. George's Society Bill.

Mr. Laurin reported the Bill to incorporate the St. George's Society of Quebec; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

School Law (L.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the School Law of Lower Canada, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Scott, of Two Mountains, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Scott, of Two Mountains, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Real Property Conveyances Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for removing doubts as to the legal effect of the Act of the Legislature of Lower Canada, passed in ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, and intituled, "An Act for rendering valid Conveyances of Lands and other immoveable property held in free and common socage within the Province of Lower Canada, and for other purposes therein mentioned;" and for the greater uniformity of the Law relative to Real Property in Lower Canada, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Solicitor General Drummond, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General LaFontaine, the Honorable Mr. Badgley, Mr. Chabot, and Mr. Galt, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Quebec Trinity House Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec, and for other purposes, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Lyon took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Lyon reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Court of Chancery (U. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of Upper Canada, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Superior Criminal Court and Court of Error and Appeal (U. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in Upper Canada, and for other purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Law of Evidence (U. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to improve the Law of Evidence in Upper Canada, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Tolls on Vessels and Passengers Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to impose Tolls on Vessels and Passengers

brought down the St. Lawrence past any of the Canals thereon, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to continue and amend the Act imposing Duties on Spirits distilled in this Province, and to provide for the Warehousing of such Spirits, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the sale and disposition of the real estate of Infants in certain cases therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to provide for the Health of the City of Quebec, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Crysler took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Crysler reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to constitute a new Township, to be called the Township of Elgin, out of part of the Township of Hinchinbrooke, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Rule of this House, requiring that Private Bills be posted up one week in the Lobby of the House, be suspended as regards the said Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for affording the guarantee of the Province to the Bonds of Railway Companies on certain conditions, and for rendering assistance in the construction of the Halifax and Quebec Railway, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Laws relative to Savings Banks, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jobin took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Jobin reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Jobin reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to remove doubts as to the first meetings of Municipal Councils under the Act for making better provision for the establishment of Municipal Authorities in Lower Canada, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Spirits Duties Bill.

Infants Real Estate Bill.

Quebec Health Bill.

Township of Elgin Bill.

Bill granting aid towards the construction of Railways.

Savings Banks Bill.

Municipal Councils (L. C.) Bill.

St. Anselme  
Bridge Com-  
pany Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize *Jean Clovis Bélanger*, Esquire, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemin*, in the Parish of *St. Anselme*, near the Church of the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*, and to incorporate the said *Jean Clovis Bélanger*, and others, under the name of the "*St. Anselme Bridge Company*," and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Laurin* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Laurin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Message from  
the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Personal Prop-  
erty Attach-  
ment Bill.  
(U. C.)

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize Attachments against personal property for sums of Ten pounds and under, in certain cases in *Upper Canada*:"

Huron Mining  
Company Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Huron Mining Company*:" And also,

Mount Her-  
mon Cemetery  
Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Mount Hermon Cemetery*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Joint Stock  
Companies  
Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for manufacturing, mining, mechanical, or chemical purposes;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Ameliasburgh  
Survey Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to confirm a certain Survey of the Township of *Ameliasburgh*, in *Upper Canada*;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Orders defer-  
red.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of Mr. *DeWitt*, seconded by Mr. *Laurin*,  
The House adjourned.

*Mercurii, 16° die Maii;*

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Bridge Bill of  
A. M. Delisle  
and others.

AN engrossed Bill to authorize *Alexandre M. Delisle*, *B. H. LeMoine*, and *Jean Bte. Debien*, the younger, to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to authorize *Alexandre Maurice Delisle*, *Benjamin Henri LeMoine*, and *Jean Baptiste Debien*, the younger, to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Ordered, That Mr. *Armstrong* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to authorize *Marc Antoine Primeaux* and *Antoine A. Trottier* to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Chateauguay*, in the Parish of *Ste. Martine*, and to make a Plank Road from the River *St. Lawrence* to the River *Chateauguay*, in the said Parish, and to fix the Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, and to make further provision in that behalf, was read the third time.

Primeaux and  
Trottier's  
Bridge Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to authorize *Marc Antoine Primeau* and *Antoine A. Trottier* to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Chateauguay* in the Parish of *Sainte Martine*, and to make a Plank Road from the River *St. Lawrence* to the River *Chateauguay* in the said Parish, and to fix the Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, and to make further provisions in that behalf."

Ordered, That Mr. *DeWitt* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

Lower Canada  
Bar Incorpora-  
tion Bill.

Mr. *Chabot* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chabot* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act relating to Masters and Servants in the country parts of *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

Masters and  
Servants  
(L. C.) Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Armstrong* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 18th April last, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, copies of all correspondence connected with the appointment to Office, and removal therefrom, of *Ogle R. Gowan*, Esquire, as Supervisor of Tolls, west of *Lachine*.

Mr. Ogle R.  
Gowan.

For the said Return, see Appendix (W.W.W.W.)  
Ordered, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Appendix  
(W.W.W.W.)

Pursuant to the Order of the day, the following Petition was read:—

Of the City Council of the City of *Hamilton*; praying for certain amendments of the Municipal Corporations Bill.

Petition read.

Mr. *Thompson* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to define the boundary line between the Township of *Walpole*, in the *Niagara District*, and the Township of *Woodhouse*, in the *Talbot District*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Walpole and  
Woodhouse  
Boundary  
Line Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Saturday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Thirteenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—  
Your Committee have examined the Bill to constitute a new Township, to be called the Township of *Elgin*, out of part of the Township of *Hinchin-*

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brooke, and have agreed to report the same without amendment.

Ninth Report of Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Sir Allan N. MacNab, from the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have taken into their consideration the Bill to amend the *Toronto and Lake Huron Railroad Act*, referred to them, and beg leave to report the same for the consideration of Your Honorable House, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill to amend the *Toronto and Lake Huron Railroad Act* be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Toronto and Lake Huron Railroad Act Amendment Bill.

Final Report of Committee on Library.

Sir Allan N. MacNab, from the Standing Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library, presented to the House the final Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

It is with feelings of profound regret that Your Committee have to record the total destruction of the Library, at the burning of the Houses of Parliament, on the 25th of April last; the entire collection having been consumed, with the exception of about 200 volumes, which were with difficulty rescued from the flames. The minutes of the proceedings of Your Committee at its several meetings during the present Session, together with the original Reports, three in number, which had been presented to the House, having also perished, the following Memorandum has been prepared of the contents of the Reports and Proceedings aforesaid, as well for the information of Your Honorable House, as for the purpose of preserving a succinct record of the past deliberations of Your Committee.

The First Report was on the subject of Rules. It proposed the rescinding of the old Rules of the House respecting the Library, and the adoption of others more suited to its actual condition. This Report was printed, and the new Rules, as agreed to by the House, recorded upon the Journals.

The Second Report recommended the sanctioning of various small purchases of Books made from time to time, for the Library, up to the date of the Report, and submitted lists of French and English works which the Committee suggested should be purchased during the ensuing recess, to be added to the Library. It further recommended that a Messenger, who had been nominally styled Library Messenger ever since his appointment to the service of the House some years ago, but who had not been exclusively employed in that capacity, should thenceforth be set apart for attendance upon the Library, daily, throughout the year, except at such times as he might not be required for that purpose, when he should continue, as formerly, to act as a general House Messenger.

The Third Report was relative to copies of *Bouchette's Map of British North America*, and of *Doucet's Work on the Laws of Lower Canada*, which had been purchased by the House in the Session of 1847, in aid of those undertakings, and which still remained undisposed of, with the exception of ten copies of the Map loaned, by order of the Speaker, to Mr. Bouchette, (to be replaced this summer,) and a few copies of the Map which had been presented, by a similar authority, to public bodies in the Province, or sent to France. The Report recommended that such of the remaining copies of the Map and Book as could be spared by the House, should be distributed among various educational and other institutions in either Province. It further stated that, in view of the liberality hitherto extended by the House to literary enterprize in Canada, it had determined upon recommending that pecuniary assis-

tance should be afforded to the following literary undertakings, which they deemed, upon due deliberation, to be deserving of encouragement:—

1st. That 150 copies of Mr. Christie's "History of Canada" should be purchased by the House.

2nd. That 50 copies, when published, of a manuscript work, by Mr. Gorrie, on the "Civil Laws of Lower Canada," should be taken. (The original of this work, which had appeared to Your Committee to be very commendable, was unfortunately destroyed at the fire.)

3rd. That a collection of papers upon various questions of "Parliamentary and Election Law," by Mr. Alpheus Todd, should be published at the expense of the House, and £100 granted to Mr. Todd for the preparation thereof. (This work was also destroyed at the fire.)

4th. That 200 copies of a small work on "Agricultural Chemistry," by Mr. Aubin, should be subscribed for.

5th. That 50 copies of a compilation, entitled, "Petit Guide du Jeune Notaire," by M. Eugène L'Ecuyer, should also be purchased by the House.

6th. That a grant of £150 should be made to enable the House to procure copies of some valuable manuscript papers relative to the early History of Canada, in the possession of the State of Massachusetts, and at present deposited in Harvard University, near Boston, the authorities of that State having kindly intimated that they would give every facility to a person to be sent by any public body in Canada for that purpose.

The Third Report concluded with recommending that the surplus copies of the above-mentioned works should be hereafter distributed, under Mr. Speaker's direction, to various learned bodies and institutions in either Province. This Report was presented to the House on the very day of the conflagration, and it embodied the sole remaining proceedings of the Committee up to that date.

Your Committee, in adverting to the melancholy catastrophe which has deprived Your Honorable House, and the Province at large, of its valuable Library, a loss which it must be the labour of years to replace, feel the necessity of re-considering their former recommendations, and of making such modifications therein as may suit the altered circumstances which have since arisen. While they sincerely trust that efforts will be hereafter made to replace, as far as possible, the collection which has been destroyed, they are not prepared, at this late period of the Session, to recommend any large appropriation for this purpose; but would confine themselves for the present, to the suggestion, that in lieu of the purchases recommended in their Second Report, Mr. Speaker be authorized during the ensuing recess, to procure such Books of Reference merely, as may be deemed indispensably necessary for the use of Members in the business of legislation. And as they doubt not, much sympathy will be felt abroad for the heavy loss which the Legislature and the People of this Province have sustained by the destruction of the only Libraries therein, of any magnitude, to which the public at large could obtain access; and as they think it highly probable that wealthy individuals and Literary Institutions in England might be found, who would come forward with donations of books in aid of the re-construction of the Library, were the circumstances of the case properly brought under their notice, they would recommend that Mr. Speaker be instructed to write or to cause to be written, official letters to the Speakers and Librarians of both Houses of the Imperial Parliament, the Speakers of the several Colonial Legislatures in North America and the West Indies, &c., and to the Custodians of Public Libraries in England, or otherwise to bring under the notice of parties in the Mother Country, and in our

Sister Colonies, the efforts which are being made to replace the valuable Library of which this House has been deprived, with the view of affording opportunity to those who might be disposed to assist in a work of so much interest and importance to the people of this Colony.

The recommendation of Your Committee, in their Second Report, for the permanent employment of a Messenger in connection with the Library, they do not desire to repeat, feeling that there is no longer any necessity for the same.

With regard to the recommendations in the Third Report, the total loss of the Maps and Books therein proposed to be distributed, disposes, of course, of Your Committee's suggestions on this head. Upon the question of pecuniary aid recommended in this Report to certain literary undertakings, Your Committee, notwithstanding the increased necessity which now exists for economy in the public expenditure, are not disposed to alter their former opinions as to the propriety and expediency of affording to the parties before mentioned, some encouragement in their useful and meritorious labours; and they trust that Your Honorable House will sanction their recommendations on behalf of those gentlemen. The procuring copies of the papers on *Canadian* affairs in the *Harvard* University, they also consider to be highly advisable, more particularly now that so many of the Historical Records of the Province have been wholly destroyed; but as there is a probability that these documents may be printed by the State Government, they defer for the present their recommendations concerning them.

As respects the manuscript work of Mr. *Gorrie*, which, as already stated, was consumed at the fire, Your Committee, in expressing their deep concern for the loss incurred by Mr. *Gorrie*, would suggest that a gratuity of £50 should be granted him, as an encouragement to re-commence his commendable labours. The proposed publication by Mr. *Todd* having also been destroyed, together with all his valuable papers, in which were embodied the fruit of his researches into the law and practice of Parliament for several years past, Your Committee recommend that a gratuity of £100 be awarded him, in token of the sympathy felt by Your Honorable House for the losses he has sustained.

The attention of Your Committee has also been directed to a work entitled, "Digest of Precedents or Decisions by Select Committees appointed to try the merits of *Upper Canada* Contested Elections," from 1824 to 1849, which has been skilfully compiled by Mr. *Alfred Patrick*, an officer of Your Honorable House, from original documents and other sources, for the guidance and information of parties who may be hereafter concerned in Controverted Elections before Committees under the "*Grenville Act*" of *Upper Canada*. The usefulness of this volume as a work of reference, which, under any circumstances must have been considerable, has been much enhanced by the total loss of the original papers from which it was compiled, and though it does not pretend to the character of an official publication, yet its pages now present the only record in existence of the past proceedings and decisions of Committees on *Upper Canada* Elections; it is, therefore, in the opinion of Your Committee, deserving of the encouragement of Your Honorable House. They accordingly recommend that the sum of £100 be granted to Mr. *Patrick* in aid of his meritorious publication, on condition of his depositing fifty bound copies of the same in the Library, for future reference, and presenting a bound copy to each of the Members of Your Honorable House.

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill to annex certain unsurveyed Lands in the *Bathurst* District, for Judicial purposes, be engrossed. Bathurst District Lands Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Flint*, seconded by Mr. *Bell*, Ordered, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to confirm a certain Survey of the Township of *Ameliasburgh*, in *Upper Canada*," be now read the first time. Ameliasburgh Survey Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That when this House doth adjourn, it will adjourn until Friday next. Adjournment.

Ordered, That the Orders of the day, for to-morrow, be postponed until Friday next. Orders deferred.

Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the expediency of making provision out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province, and by the funding of certain Fees of Office receivable or to be receivable under any Law for that purpose by different Officers of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*, for such additional Judges and Officers of those Courts as an amended system of Judicature for that section of the Province may require; Salaries of additional Judges, &c. (U. C.)

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, acquainted the House that His Excellency having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Lemieux* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Lemieux* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the continuance and completion of proceedings in Bankruptcy now pending in *Lower Canada*. Bankruptcy Bill. (L. C.)

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

Ordered, That Mr. *Morrison* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Minister and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, Montreal*. St. Andrew's Church Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Writs of Prerogative, and for other purposes therein mentioned. Writs of Prerogative Bill.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General LaFontaine, seconded by Mr. Jobin, Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the expediency of providing means for the building of certain Court Houses and Gaols in Lower Canada.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. M'Farland took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. M'Farland reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the Merchants' Exchange and Reading Room of Montreal, be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Richards, seconded by Mr. Holmes,

Ordered, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for manufacturing, mining, mechanical, or chemical purposes," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

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

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Holmes, the Honorable Mr. Merritt, the Honorable Mr. Robinson, Mr. Beaubien, Mr. Egan, Mr. Cauchon, and Mr. Methot, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That the Rule of this House requiring that Private Bills be posted up one week in the Lobby of the House, be suspended as regards the said Bill.

Mr. Scott, of Two Mountains, reported the Bill to amend the School Law of Lower Canada; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. Lyon reported the Bill to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec, and for other purposes; and the amendments, as far as the eleventh amendment, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The eleventh amendment being read a second time, as followeth:—

Clause 3, line 20. After "be" insert "Three hundred and fifty pounds."

Mr. Christie moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. DeWitt, and the Question being put, That the words "and fifty" be left out;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Boulton, of NORFOLK, Boulton of TORONTO, Christie, DeWitt, Galt, Macdonald of KING-

STON, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of TORONTO, and Taché.—(10.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Solicitor General Blake, Duchesnay, Egan, Fortier, Fournier, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, Laurin, Lemieux, Méthot, Morrison, Papineau, and Polette.—(16.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The eleventh amendment was then agreed to.

The twelfth amendment being read a second time, as followeth:—

Clause 3, line 22. After "be" insert "Three hundred pounds."

Mr. Christie moved in amendment thereunto, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Boulton, and the Question being put, That the words "Three hundred" be left out, and the words "Two hundred and fifty" inserted instead thereof;

The House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

The twelfth amendment was then agreed to.

Then the residue of the said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. Crysler reported the Bill to provide for the Health of the City of Quebec; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of Upper Canada, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Galt took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Galt reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Friday next.

A Message from the Legislative Council by John Fennings Taylor, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker, The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Association called "La Congrégation des hommes de la Paroisse de Saint Roch de Québec:"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act the better to facilitate optional

commutation of tenure of Land en roture, in the Seigniories and Fiefs in Lower Canada, into that of franc-aleu-roturier:" And also,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Laws regulating In-

land Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and the protesting thereof, and Foreign Bills in certain

cases," with several Amendments;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic

Archbishop and Bishops in each Diocese in Lower Canada;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the insertion of cer-

tain Official and Legal Notices in the Canada

Bill.

Quebec Health Bill

Court of Chancery (U. C.) Bill

Message from the Council.

St. Roch de Québec Congregation Bill.

Commutation of Tenure Bill.

Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes Bill.

Roman Catholic Bishops (L. C.) Incorporation Bill.

Official and Legal Notices Bill.

Court Houses and Gaols, (L. C.)

Montreal Merchants Reading Room Bill.

Joint Stock Companies Bill.

Ship Canal Bill.

School Law (L. C.) Bill.

Quebec Trinity House Bill.

"Gazette only;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Superior Criminal Court and Court of Error and Appeal (U. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Holmes* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Holmes* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Friday next.

Notarial Profession Organization Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Burritt* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Burritt* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

London Municipal Council By-Laws Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to confirm certain By-Laws passed by the Municipal Council of the *London* District, imposing rates to be levied on Lands and other property therein, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and and ordered to be engrossed.

Orders deferred.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Friday next.

Then, on motion of Mr. *DeWitt*, seconded by Mr. *Richards*,

The House adjourned.

Veneris, 18<sup>o</sup> die *Maii*;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

University Bill.

THE Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*, and the Question being proposed, That the engrossed Bill to amend the Charter of the University established at *Toronto* by His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, to provide for the more satisfactory government of the said University, and for other purposes connected with the same, and with the College and Royal Grammar School forming an appendage thereof, be now read the third time.

The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, That the words, "now read the third time" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next, with an Instruction to the Committee to consider the propriety: 1st. Of restoring to the University of King's College its Royal Charter, by repealing the Statute

of *Upper Canada* which amended the same. 2nd. Of vesting the Endowment of the said University in a General Board to be incorporated by the Legislature, and of adding to such Endowment an appropriation of Public Lands, so as to make it sufficient for the purpose, first, of granting to the four Colleges now established in *Upper Canada*, as well as to any Colleges which may be hereafter established by any Christian Denomination in that section of the Province, an annual sum, not to exceed for each College, the sum of £ ; secondly, of establishing in each District or Union of Counties, Grammar Schools affording a higher order of education than that now attainable in the Common Schools of *Upper Canada*, each Grammar School to be endowed with an annual sum not to exceed £ , nor to be less than £ ; thirdly, of establishing and properly endowing an Agricultural School and Farm in each District or Union of Counties in *Upper Canada*;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Guy*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, and *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*.—(14.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Hall*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(43.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Hall*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(44.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Guy*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, and *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*.—(14.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to amend the Charter of the University established at *Toronto* by His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, to provide for the more satisfactory government of the said University, and for other purposes connected with the same, and with the College and Royal Grammar School forming an appendage thereof;"

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Hall*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méhot*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(43.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Christie*, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, and *Smith* of FRONTENAC.—(10.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Quebec Trinity House Bill.

An engrossed Bill to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec, and for other purposes, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Montreal Trinity House Bill.

An engrossed Bill to repeal a certain Act and Ordinance therein mentioned relative to the Trinity House of Montreal, and to consolidate and amend the provisions of the said Act and Ordinance, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to repeal a certain Act and an Ordinance therein mentioned relating to the Trinity House at Montreal, and to amend and consolidate the provisions thereof."

Ordered, That Mr. *Cauchon* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Courts of Civil Jurisdiction (L. C.) Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in Lower Canada, was read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Duchesnay*, seconded by Mr. *Taché*,

Ordered, That the twenty-first and twenty-second Paragraphs of the seventy-seventh Clause, which are in the words following, be cut out of the said Bill:—

"At the Village of *St. Hyacinthe*, in and for the Circuit called and to be called the *St. Hyacinthe* Circuit, from the tenth to the nineteenth day inclusively, of each of the months of February, June, and October; which said Circuit doth and shall include and consist of the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, the Township of *Milton* in the County of *Shefford*, the Parish of *St. Barnabé* in the County of *Richelieu*, and the Parishes of *St. Hilaire* and *St. Jean Baptiste de Rouville* in the County of *Rouville*.

"In the Parish of *St. Denis*, in and for the Circuit called and to be called the *Richelieu* Circuit, from the twenty-first to the thirtieth day inclusively, of each of the months of February, June, and October; which said Circuit doth and shall include and consist of the County of *Richelieu*, (except the Parish of *St. Barnabé*, and the Islands of the said County which lie in the River *St. Lawrence* on the north side of the main or ship channel) and the Parishes of *Contrecoeur*, *St. Antoine*, and *St. Marc*, in the County of *Verchères*."

And the said Paragraphs of the said Clause were accordingly cut out of the Bill, at the table.

Ordered, That the following engrossed Paragraphs be added to the seventy-seventh Clause of the said Bill, by way of Rider, and do follow the twentieth Paragraph thereof, after the words "*St. Armand West*:"—

"At the Village of *St. Hyacinthe*, in and for the Circuit called and to be called the *St. Hyacinthe* Circuit, from the tenth to the nineteenth day inclusively, of each of the months of February, June, and October; which said Circuit doth and shall include and consist of the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, the Township of *Milton* in the County of *Shefford*, the Parishes of *St. Charles* and *St. Barnabé* in the County of *Richelieu*, and the Parishes of *St. Hilaire* and *St. Jean Baptiste de Rouville* in the County of *Rouville*.

"In the Parish of *St. Ours*, in and for the Circuit called and to be called the *Richelieu* Circuit, from the twenty-first to the thirtieth day inclusively, of each of the months of February, June, and October; which said Circuit doth and shall include and consist of the County of *Richelieu*, (except the Parishes of *St. Charles* and *St. Barnabé*, and the Islands of the said County which lie in the River *St. Lawrence* on the north side of the main or ship channel) and the Parishes of *Contrecoeur* and *St. Antoine*, in the County of *Verchères*."

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Law relative to the Administration of Justice in *Gaspé*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate *La Communauté des Révérendes Sœurs de la Charité* of *Bytown*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to incorporate *La Communauté des Révérendes Sœurs de la Charité* at *Bytown*."

Ordered, That Mr. *Egan* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to impose Tolls on Vessels and Passengers brought down the *St. Lawrence* past any of the Canals thereon, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to impose Tolls on Vessels and Passengers brought down the *Saint Lawrence*, past any of the Canals thereon."

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the sale and disposition of the real estate of Infants in certain cases therein mentioned, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to continue and amend the Act imposing Duties on Spirits distilled in this Province, and to provide for the Warehousing of such Spirits, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.



Huron Copper Bay Company Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style of "The *Huron Copper Bay Company*," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Christie* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Grand River Navigation Company Bill.

An engrossed Bill to increase the Stock of the *Grand River Navigation Company*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Marriage Oppositions Bill.

An engrossed Bill to abolish Oppositions to Marriages founded on promises of Marriage, and to repeal the Act therein mentioned, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laurin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill relating to Causes in forma pauperis.

An engrossed Bill to remove all doubts as to the right of suing and defending Causes in *forma pauperis* before the Courts of Law in *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laurin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

London Municipal Council By-Laws Bill.

An engrossed Bill to confirm certain By-Laws passed by the Municipal Council of the *London District*, imposing rates to be levied on Lands and other property therein, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Notman* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Municipal Councils (L. C.) Bill.

An engrossed Bill to remove doubts as to the first meetings of Municipal Councils under the Act for making better provision for the establishment of Municipal Authorities in *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Galt* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Report of Committee on Expiring Laws.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, from the Standing Committee on Expiring Laws, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have carefully examined the List of Expiring Laws drawn up by the Law Clerk to Your Honorable House, and think it expedient to continue the following Acts and Ordinances until the end of the next Session of the Provincial Parliament:—

The Act 4 and 5 *Vic.* c. 88, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection of Beef and Pork."

The Act 8 *Vic.* c. 6, 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."

The Act 8 *Vic.* c. 27, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act or Ordinance therein mentioned, relative to the Registration of Titles to and incumbrances upon real property in *Lower Canada*."

The Act 8 *Vic.* c. 43, intituled, "An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

The Act 9 *Vic.* c. 38, intituled, "An Act to em-

power Commissioners for inquiring into matters connected with the public business to take evidence on Oath:—

The Act 2 *Geo.* 4, c. 8, intituled, "An Act for the better regulating the Common of the Seigniority of *Laprairie de la Madeleine*:"

The Act 2 *Geo.* 4, c. 10, intituled, "An Act to enable the inhabitants of the Seigniority of *La Baie Saint Antoine*, commonly called *La Baie du Fèvevre*, to provide for the better regulation of the Common in the said Seigniority," as amended and extended by the Act 4, *Geo.* c. 26; and also, the said Act 4 *Geo.* 4, c. 26, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Chairman and Trustees of the Common of the Seigniority of the *Baie St. Antoine*, commonly called the *Baie du Fèvevre*, to terminate certain disputes relating to the limits of the said Common, and for other purposes appertaining to the same:"

The Act 3 *Will.* 4, c. 14, intituled, "An Act further to suspend certain parts of an Act or Ordinance therein mentioned, and to consolidate and further to continue for a limited time the provisions of two other Acts therein mentioned, for more effectually ascertaining the damages on Protested Bills of Exchange, and for determining disputes relating thereto, and for other purposes:"

The Ordinance 2 *Vic.* (3rd Session) c. 7, intituled, "An Ordinance to amend the Act passed in the thirty-sixth year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, chapter nine, commonly called the Road Act:"

The Ordinance 2 *Vic.* (3rd Session) c. 29, intituled, "An Ordinance concerning the erection of Parishes and the building of Churches, Parsonage Houses and Church Yards," as amended and extended by the Ordinance 4 *Vic.* c. 23; and also, the said Ordinance 4 *Vic.* c. 23, intituled, "An Ordinance to extend the provisions of a certain Ordinance concerning the erection of Parishes for civil purposes, to Parishes canonically erected before the passing of the said Ordinance:"

And the Ordinance 2 *Vic.* (3rd Session) c. 65, intituled, "An Ordinance to provide for the inspection of Fish and Oil"

And beg leave to recommend that a Bill be passed for continuing the said Acts and Ordinances.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, have leave to bring in a Bill to continue for a limited time the several Acts and Ordinances therein mentioned. Expiring Laws Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Mr. *Holmes* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of *Lake Champlain* and the River *St. Lawrence*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto. Ship Canal Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Laws regulating Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and the protesting thereof, and Foreign Bills in certain cases," be now taken into consideration. Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 17. Leave out from "notes" to "shall" in line 33.

Press 1, line 33. Leave out "are" and insert "is."  
Press 9, line 44. Leave out from "thereof" to "Schedule" in Press 10, line 1.

In the Schedules to the Bill:  
Schedule No. 2.

Press 11, line 22. Leave out from "signature" to "protested" in line 24.

Press 11, line 26. Leave out "(L. S.)"  
Schedule No. 3.

Press 12, line 1. Leave out from "signature" to "protested" in line 3.

Press 12, line 5. Leave out "(L. S.)"  
Schedule No. 5.

Press 13, line 3. Leave out from "signature" to "protested" in line 5.

Press 13, line 7. Leave out "(L. S.)"  
Schedule No. 6.

Press 13, line 29. Leave out from "signature" to "protested" in line 31.

Press 13, line 33. Leave out "(L. S.)"

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Militia Law of this Province in so far as regards the enrolment of and fines imposed upon Quakers, Menonists, and Tunkers.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "The Mount *Hermon* Cemetery," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 2, line 5. After "street" insert "(saving "always the right of indemnity of the Seigneur)."

Press 4, line 22. Leave out "aforesaid" and insert "hereinafter mentioned."

Press 9, line 5. Leave out from "of" to "the" where it occurs the second time in line 6.

Press 8, line ult. Leave out from "exceeding" to "two" in Press 9, line 1.

Press 9, line penult. Leave out from "prescribe" to "two," and insert "not exceeding."

Press 10, line 12. Leave out from "prescribe" to "two" in line 13, and insert "not exceeding."

Press 10, line 13. After "pence" insert Clauses (A.) (B.) (C.) (D.) (E.) (F.) and (G.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that every part of the Cemetery shall be inclosed by walls or other sufficient fences or railings of the height of eight feet at least."

Clause (B.) "And be it enacted, that the said Corporation shall keep the Cemetery and the buildings and fences thereof in complete repair, and in good order and condition, out of the monies to be received by them in virtue of this Act."

Clause (C.) "And be it enacted, that the Corporation shall make all necessary and proper sewers and drains in and about the Cemetery for draining it and keeping it dry; and they may, from time to time, as occasion requires, cause any such sewer or drain to open into any existing sewer, with the consent in writing of the persons having the man-

agement of the street or road, and of the owners and occupiers of the lands through which such opening is made, doing as little damage as possible to the road or ground wherein such sewer or drain may be made, and restoring it to the same or as good condition as it was in before being disturbed."

Clause (D.) "And be it enacted, that if the said Corporation at any time cause or suffer to be brought or to flow into the River *Saint Lawrence*, above low water-mark, or into any spring, well, stream, canal, reservoir, aqueduct, pond, or watering place, any offensive matter from the Cemetery, whereby the water therein shall be fouled, they shall forfeit for every such offence the sum of twelve pounds ten shillings, currency."

Clause (E.) "And be it enacted, that the said penalty, with full costs of suit, may be recovered by any person having right to use the water fouled by such offensive matter, by a civil action in any Court of competent jurisdiction; provided always, that the said penalty shall not be recoverable, unless the same be sued for during the continuance of the offence, or within six months after it has ceased."

Clause (F.) "And be it enacted, that in addition to the said penalty of twelve pounds ten shillings, (and whether the same be recovered or not,) any person having right to use the water fouled by such offensive matter, may sue the said Corporation in a civil action in any Court of competent jurisdiction, for any damage specially sustained by him by reason of the water being so fouled, or if no special damage be alleged, for the sum of two pounds ten shillings for each day during which such offensive matter is brought or flows as aforesaid, after the expiration of twenty-four hours from the time when notice of the offence is served on the said Corporation by such person."

Clause (G.) "And be it enacted, that the said Corporation shall make regulations for ensuring that all burials within the Cemetery are conducted in a decent and solemn manner."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to constitute a new Township, to be called the Township of *Elgin*, out of part of the Township of *Hinchinbrooke*, be engrossed. Township of Elgin Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Chabot*, seconded by Mr. *Laurin*, *Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Archbishop and Bishops in each Diocese in *Lower Canada*," be now read the first time. Roman Catholic Bishops (L. C.) Incorporation Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill for the removal of Criminal Justice Bill.

Militia Act Amendment Bill.

Mount Hermon Cemetery Bill.

defects in the Administration of Criminal Justice.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Adjournment.

*Ordered*, That when this House doth adjourn, it will adjourn until to-morrow, at ten o'clock, A. M.

Salaries of additional Judges, &c. (U. C.)

Mr. Lemieux, from the Committee to consider the expediency of making provision out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province, and by the funding of certain Fees of Office receivable or to be receivable under any Law for that purpose by different Officers of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*, for such additional Judges and Officers of those Courts as an amended system of Judicature for that section of the Province may require, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to make provision out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, and by the funding of certain Fees of Office receivable or to be receivable under any Law for that purpose by different Officers of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*, for such additional Judges and Officers of those Courts as an amended system of Judicature for that section of the Province may require.

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

*Ordered*, That so much of the said Resolution as refers to Courts of Equity be committed to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of *Upper Canada*.

*Ordered*, That so much of the said Resolution as refers to Courts of Law be committed to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes.

Court Houses and Gaols (U. C.)

Mr. M'Farland, from the Committee to consider the expediency of providing means for the building of certain Court Houses and Gaols in *Lower Canada*, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that provision be made for erecting a proper Court House in the City of *Montreal*, containing sufficient accommodation for all the Courts held in the said City, and for the Registry Office for the County of *Montreal*.
2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that such Court House be erected on the ground belonging to the Civil Government, and lying between *Notre Dame Street* and the *Champ de Mars*, in the said City; that it be constructed under the superintendance of the Commissioners of Public Works, according to a Plan to be approved by the Governor in Council, and that the said Commissioners be authorized to offer Premiums for the best Plans.
3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that provision be also made for the construction of a proper Court House and Gaol at *Kamouraska, Aylmer* and *Chicoutimi*, and for the repairs or re-build-

ing of the Court House and Gaol in each of the Counties of *Gaspé* and *Bonaventure*, respectively, under the superintendance of the Commissioners of Public Works, and upon Plans to be approved by the Governor in Council.

4. *Resolved*, That for defraying the expense of constructing the said Court Houses and Gaols, and the cost of the ground for those last mentioned, it is expedient to empower the Governor in Council to raise by way of Loan, upon Debentures to be issued for that purpose charged upon and payable out of the Special Fund hereinafter mentioned, a sum not exceeding Forty thousand pounds for the Court House at *Montreal*, and a sum not exceeding Three thousand pounds for each of the Court Houses and Gaols, and the sites thereof, at *Kamouraska, Aylmer*, and *Chicoutimi*, and the Counties of *Gaspé* and *Bonaventure*, respectively; and to make the interest on such Debentures, not exceeding in any case eight per cent, payable half-yearly, and the principal at such periods as he shall think most for the public advantage.

5. *Resolved*, That for the purpose of providing for the payment of the principal and interest of the said Debentures, it is expedient to levy a tax of one per cent upon all monies paid into any Civil Court sitting at the places where the said Court Houses are respectively to be erected,—upon all monies levied under any writ of execution issuing out of any such Court, or arising from any sale made under any Commission of Bankruptcy, issued at such places,—to appropriate the monies arising at such places respectively from all fines and penalties paid into the hands of the Clerks of the Peace or the Clerks of the Crown, or from the forfeiture of recognizances, not forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province; and also to empower the Governor in Council to impose such tax upon all Proceedings in the Courts of Civil Jurisdiction sitting at the said places respectively, or in appeal from judgments of such Courts, upon the closing of Inventories, assemblies of relations and friends, insinuations or registrations in the offices of such Courts, appointments of Tutors or Curators, and other like matters, or the registration of Deeds or Instruments in the Registry Offices at such places respectively, as shall, in his opinion, be sufficient to produce sums sufficient to pay the said interest and principal at the periods appointed for the payment thereof; the sums raised at each of the said places respectively to be appropriated to the payment of the principal and interest of the monies expended at the places where such sums shall be respectively raised, and to be paid to such Officers and accounted for in such manner as the Governor in Council shall appoint.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Seymour*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "the said Resolutions be now re-committed to a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of amending the same, by leaving out the words "Governor in Council" in the 4th Resolution, and inserting the words "Municipal Council, or other District or Local Body which may be duly constituted for that purpose;" by inserting the words "and if the amount so to be levied should not be sufficient to make the payments as before mentioned, the deficiency shall be made good by levying a tax on

"the inhabitants of any or all of the Districts or localities respectively where the said Court Houses and Gaols are to be erected, so that in no case shall any portion of the cost of such Court Houses and Gaols, or the land on which they are to be built, be paid from the Consolidated Revenue of this Province" after the words "payment thereof" in the 5th Resolution; and leaving out the words "Governor in Council shall appoint" at the end of the said 5th Resolution, and adding the words "Municipal Council, or other District or Local Body which may be duly constituted for that purpose shall appoint" instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Christie*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Galt*, *Johnson*, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, and *Thompson*.—(11.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Fortier*, *Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Lemieux*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Price*, *Richards*, and *Watts*.—(16.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

*Ordered*, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the erection or repair of Court Houses and Gaols at certain places in Lower Canada.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Court Houses and Gaols (L. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of Upper Canada, and another reference, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

*M<sup>r</sup>. Galt* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair;

And *Mr. Galt* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Court of Chancery (U. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in Upper Canada, and for other purposes, and another reference, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

*Mr. Armstrong* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair;

And *Mr. Armstrong* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Superior Criminal Court and Court of Error and Appeal (U. C.) Bill.

Supply.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee of Supply, being read;

*Mr. Christie* moved, seconded by *Mr. Smith*, of *Frontenac*, and the Question being proposed, That considering the amount of the Public Debt and Interest thereof, exceeding One hundred and fifty thousand pounds per annum, and the other fixed and permanent charges to which the Province is pledged, together with the state of its Revenue and Resources, it is, in the opinion of this House, expedient to suspend all Public Works, those of indispensable necessity excepted, until such times as the circumstances of the country will admit of their being resumed with a prospect of their completion, without a recurrence to further loans for the purpose:

2. That it is expedient also to reduce the expenses of the Legislature, of the Civil List, and the ordinary annual charges of the Civil Government of the Province, as far as may be consistent with the due efficiency of the Public Service:

3. That in conformity with the above, it is expedient to reduce all salaries exceeding Five hundred pounds currency, by at least one half the excess over that amount:

4. That it is expedient to fund all Fees of Office, and to allow fixed Salaries in lieu thereof, to the incumbents:

5. That the salary paid from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province to Her Majesty's Governor General thereof, is excessive, disproportionate to the means of the Province, and burthensome to it, and that, in the opinion of this House, the Salary to Her Majesty's Representative in this Province ought to be defrayed from the Imperial Treasury:

6. That the Attornies and Solicitors General, as the principal Law Officers of the Crown in this Province, are in matters of law, and legal questions of public interest, the responsible Advisers of the Executive Government thereof, and as such are referred to frequently by it, as well in cases where private rights are concerned, as in those of a public nature: That, in the opinion of this House, they therefore ought not to take the lead, conduct, nor participate in the political business of the Government, nor *ex officio* to occupy seats in the Executive Council, nor to deliberate therein as Members thereof; but to be exempt therefrom, and restricted to the official duties appertaining to their station in Her Majesty's Courts of Law, which are now, by reason of the attention of those Officials to the political business of the Government, performed by substitutes, and at great additional expense to the country, and that they should be professionally consulted only in legal matters by the Executive, when for its information and guidance it may be necessary to refer to them for their opinion and report thereupon, and which, in the opinion of this House, should be as free of all suspicion of political bias, as are and ought to be the decisions of the Judges in Her Majesty's Law Courts:

7. That, in like manner, the Commissioners of Public Works, whose functions are immediately connected with and subordinate to the Executive Council, and who being directly accountable to it for all contracts they may enter into, and public monies expended by them pursuant thereto, ought also, in the opinion of this House, to be relieved from serving in the said Council, and from deliberating therein as Members thereof, their position as Members of the said Executive Council being incongruous, if not incompatible, with their just and necessary responsibilities towards it:

8. That Her Majesty's Executive Council in this Province, besides uniting in itself functions that in England are divided between Her Majesty's Privy Council and the Ministerial Cabinet, constituted as it is, solely of salaried Officials—Heads of Departments, is subject to the suspicion of mercenary, as well as of undue party influences, in the conduct of public affairs, and is in fact a Bureaucracy of political parti-

zans, not only ill-adapted to promote the peace, welfare and good government of the Province, but absolutely of a character to agitate and unsettle it:

9. That in the opinion of this House, the introduction into the said Executive Council, of at least a number equal to that of the officials therein, of unpaid and non-stipendiary Members independent of the Executive, selected from among the most eminent in the agricultural, commercial and industrial interests in the Province, would prove a salutary reform in the constitution and character of the said Executive Council, and entitle it to a greater portion of the public confidence and support than, under its present organization, it can be expected ever to acquire:

10. That in the opinion of this House, the examples set by previous Administrations in making the Ministerial post, or office, of Executive Councillor a stepping stone to non-political offices of the highest grade and emolument, and of permanent tenure, and in particular those of the present Administration immediately upon their attainment to power, in conferring Judgeships upon two of their colleagues, are instances not only elusive of the responsibilities sought for and assumed, and a conversion to sordid and selfish purposes, of the important trust confided to them, by turning their position, as Constitutional Advisers of the Queen's Representative, to private account, in helping themselves to profitable retirements from their political pursuits; but they are also of a nature to bring into disrepute the Judgment Seat, by throwing it open rather to the competition of political agitation and intrigue, than to professional worth and eminence, and are, moreover, evidences of a policy derogatory to Her Majesty's Government, making it that of a party, and avowedly protective of party interests, with equal if not greater zeal than those of the public, holding out, with a view to perpetuate their own power, as a principle, and the policy by which they are to be guided in the administration of the Government, a preference for partisans over all others, in their appointments to office under the Crown; against all which this House deem it to be its bounden duty to record the expression of its disapprobation, and to protest, as unfitting to be drawn into precedent hereafter, or practically followed, and in fact of a nature to bring into contempt the existing system of so-called "Responsible Government," and truly to characterize it as "a mockery, a delusion, and a snare," to entrap the unsuspecting, and of a tendency to enslave the country, reduce the Representative of the Sovereign to the level of an agent to the political party for the time being prevailing, convert the Royal patronage into "spoil," to stimulate and reward the agitation of political partisans and adventurers, and this House into an arena for agitators, speculators in politics, and place-hunters, contending for office and emolument at the public expense:

11. That in the opinion of this House, the Law expenses or costs of Justice generally in all Her Majesty's Law Courts throughout this Province are an exorbitant tax and grievance upon the people thereof, requiring the immediate attention of Her Majesty's Executive Government, and measures of redress; and that an humble Address, on the subject, be presented to His Excellency the Governor General accordingly:

12. That it is expedient to erect a Tribunal or Jurisdiction in this Province for the Trial of Impeachments:

13. That this House renews its votes with respect to the abolition of the Feudal Tenure, of the 28th July, 1841, as follow:—

"1. *Resolved*, That from the increasing improvement of the Country, and from the abuses which have grown out of the operation of the Tenure of Lands now existing in that part of the Province

"hitherto called *Lower Canada*, commonly known as the "Seigniorial Tenure," the said Tenure has become less adapted to the wants, prosperity and advancement of the Province, and in many instances burthensome and oppressive to the people.

"2. *Resolved*, That the different Legislative enactments passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom touching and concerning the said Tenure, have not attained the end sought for by their framers; and that it is expedient to adopt other efficient and equitable means for relieving the people from the above difficulties, and of gradually substituting for the Seigniorial system, a free Tenure more consonant to their condition, interests and wishes.

"3. *Resolved*, That in the changes to be made in the Laws of Tenure, due regard should be had to the vested rights of all parties concerned, and provision made for ascertaining the same with a view to an equitable adjustment."

On motion of Mr. *Galt*, seconded by Mr. *McConnell*,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the said Question be postponed.

The House then resolved itself into a Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Lyon* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Lyon* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow. Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. *DeWitt*, seconded by Mr. *Christie*,

The House adjourned.

### *Sabbati, 19° die Maii;*

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

AN engrossed Bill to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*, was read the the third time. School Law (L. C.) Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "The President, Directors, and Company of *Port Burwell Harbour*," was read the third time. Port Burwell Harbour Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Notman* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the College of *Bytown*, was read the third time. Bytown College Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Egan* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*, was read the third time. Law of Evidence (U. C.) Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.



Roman Catholic Bishops (L. C.) Incorporation Bill.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Archbishop and Bishops in each Diocese in Lower Canada," was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Chabot do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without Amendment.

Fourteenth Report of Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Mr. Fortier, from the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills, presented to the House the Fourteenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the contents of the Bill to authorize the Trustees of the Montreal Turnpike Roads to purchase the St. Michel Road, and to open a Road to the Village of Sault au Recollet, and have agreed to the same without any amendment.

St. Michel Road Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill to authorize the Trustees of the Montreal Turnpike Roads to purchase the St. Michel Road, and to open a Road to the Village of Sault au Recollet, be engrossed.

Bill relating to Mortgages and Mortgagees (U. C.)

Mr. Richards reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to provide for the Sale under Execution of the interest of Mortgagees and Mortgagees in real estate in Upper Canada, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Laurin took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Laurin reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Laurin reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Calvinistic Baptist Church (Perth) Land Title Bill.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent, have leave to bring in a Bill to confirm the Title of the Calvinistic Baptist Church in Perth, to a certain piece of Land in the said Town.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Egan, seconded by Mr. Johnson,

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the expediency of repealing part of certain Acts authorizing certain persons to erect Bridges over the River des Prairies.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Sauvageau took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Sauvageau reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal the fourth Section of the Act 10 & 11 Vic. chap. 97, intituled, "An Act to authorize Pierre Vieux and others to build a Toll Bridge over the River des Prairies," and also the fourth Section of the Act 10 & 11 Vic. chap. 98, intituled, "An Act to authorize Paschal Persillier dit La-chapelle to erect a Toll Bridge over the River des Prairies," with the exception of that part of the said Sections, respectively, which provides for the distance to be left between the Pillars of the Bridges erected under the authority of the said Acts.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Egan have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain provisions of the Acts therein mentioned, authorizing the construction of Bridges over the River des Prairies.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Egan, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Malloch, Mr. Lyon, and Mr. Chauveau, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Ordered, That the Bill to amend the Militia Law of this Province in so far as regards the enrolment of and fines imposed upon Quakers, Menonists, and Tunkers, be engrossed.

The Honorable Mr. Sherwood moved, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, representing to His Excellency, That, in the opinion of this House, the time has arrived when a different and much more satisfactory arrangement may be made as regards the place of convening Parliament, than at present exists:

That it was the cause of complaints on the part of many of the Inhabitants of Upper Canada, that the Parliament was, in 1843, removed altogether from within the limits of their Province:

That it was suggested at that time, as each Province had enjoyed the advantages of having a separate Legislature within its limits from the first establishment of its Representative form of Government, down to the time of the Union, that after the Union it would be an act of common justice only for the Representative of the Sovereign to convene Parliament alternately at Toronto in Upper Canada, and at Quebec in Lower Canada, but the Legislature, to whom the subject was submitted, thought otherwise, and advised Montreal as the place to be selected, which advice was received and acted on. That within a very short period of time, however, this House has seen the Building in Montreal occupied by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, rented and fitted up as it was at a great expense to the country, wilfully burnt before their eyes, and the Libraries, belonging to the respective Houses, and their records and proceedings, consumed with it:

That such then being the state of the case, and with the view of removing every obstacle that may have a tendency to hinder, or in any way interfere with the well-working of the Union, this House most respectfully begs leave to recommend to His Excellency to adopt the suggestion referred to,—

Bill relating to Bridges over the River des Prairies.

Militia Act Amendment Bill.

Seat of Government.

that after the present Session, His Excellency will be pleased to convene the Parliament alternately at *Toronto* and *Quebec*, during periods not exceeding four years at each place; the first sitting, under this arrangement, to be held at such of the two places mentioned as His Excellency, in his discretion, may deem most advisable for the general good: That the plan here submitted is not without precedents in other countries, and that it can now more easily than at any antecedent period be carried out, inasmuch as all former records and proceedings in Parliament have been destroyed:

That each branch of the Legislature will now have to commence anew; and with a view to alternate sittings as herein recommended, their records and proceedings ought henceforward to be made out in duplicate, so that one copy may be deposited in the vaults of the Parliament House at *Toronto*, and the other within the walls of the Citadel of *Quebec*, where they will be secure from the ravages of fire, and from the attacks of external and internal foes:

That the Parliament Buildings at each of the Cities of *Toronto* and *Quebec*, are the property of the Province; that they are commodious and comfortable, and can be made ready for the reception of the Legislature at a comparatively small expense: That under this arrangement, the Members of the Legislature will have a better opportunity of ascertaining and understanding, by personal observation, the condition, the wants, and the wishes of the whole people, instead of being confined, as they now necessarily are, in their knowledge of public affairs, to the narrow limits of their respective sections of the Province;

Mr. *Galt* moved, seconded by Mr. *Davignon*, and the Question being put, That the further consideration of the said Question, be postponed;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Beaubien*, *Cartier*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Galt*, *Gugy*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Nelson*, *Papineau*, *Prince*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, and *Viger*.—(27.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Duchessnay*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Marquis*, *Merritt*, *Méhot*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(36.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, representing to His Excellency, That, in the opinion of this House, the time has arrived when a different and much more satisfactory arrangement may be made as regards the place of convening Parliament, than at present exists:

That it was the cause of complaints on the part of many of the Inhabitants of *Upper Canada*, that the Parliament was, in 1843, removed altogether from within the limits of their Province:

That it was suggested at that time, as each Province had enjoyed the advantages of having a separate Legislature within its limits from the first establishment of its Representative form of Government, down to the time of the Union, that after the Union it would be an act of common justice only for the Representative of the Sovereign to convene Parlia-

ment alternately at *Toronto* in *Upper Canada*, and at *Quebec* in *Lower Canada*; but the Legislature, to whom the subject was submitted, thought otherwise, and advised *Montreal* as the place to be selected, which advice was received and acted on: That within a very short period of the time, however, this House had seen the Building in *Montreal* occupied by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, rented and fitted up as it was at a great expense to the country, wilfully burnt before their eyes, and the Libraries belonging to the respective Houses, and their records and proceedings, consumed with it:

That such then being the state of the case, and with the view of removing every obstacle that may have a tendency to hinder, or in any way interfere with the well-working of the Union, this House most respectfully begs leave to recommend to His Excellency to adopt the suggestion referred to,—that after the present Session, His Excellency will be pleased to convene the Parliament alternately at *Toronto* and *Quebec*, during periods not exceeding four years at each place; the first sitting, under this arrangement, to be held at such of the two places mentioned as His Excellency, in his discretion, may deem most advisable for the general good: That the plan here submitted is not without precedents in other countries, and that it can now more easily than at any antecedent period be carried out, inasmuch as all former records and proceedings in Parliament have been destroyed:

That each branch of the Legislature will now have to commence anew; and with a view to alternate sittings as herein recommended, their records and proceedings ought henceforward to be made out in duplicate, so that one copy may be deposited in the vaults of the Parliament House at *Toronto*, and the other within the walls of the Citadel of *Quebec*, where they will be secure from the ravages of fire, and from the attacks of external and internal foes:

That the Parliament Buildings at each of the Cities of *Toronto* and *Quebec*, are the property of the Province; that they are commodious and comfortable, and can be made ready for the reception of the Legislature at comparatively small expense: That under this arrangement, the Members of the Legislature will have a better opportunity of ascertaining and understanding, by personal observation, the condition, the wants, and the wishes of the whole people, instead of being confined, as they now necessarily are, in their knowledge of public affairs, to the narrow limits of their respective sections of the Province;

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words, "in the opinion of this House public convenience requires that some one central City or Town should be selected as the permanent Seat of the Provincial Government, and the place for convening the Legislature" added instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Bell*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *DeWitt*, *Flint*, *Galt*, *Gugy*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Prince*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, and *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*.—(23.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Boutillier*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchessnay*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Holmes*, Attorney Ge-

neral *LaFontaine, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, Merritt, Méthot, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Sherwood* of *Toronto, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wetenhall.*—(38.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, representing to His Excellency, That, in the opinion of this House, the time has arrived when a different and much more satisfactory arrangement may be made as regards the place of convening Parliament, than at present exists:

That it was the cause of complaints on the part of many of the Inhabitants of *Upper Canada*, that the Parliament was, in 1843, removed altogether from within the limits of their Province:

That it was suggested at that time, as each Province had enjoyed the advantages of having a separate Legislature within its limits from the first establishment of its Representative form of Government, down to the time of the Union, that after the Union it would be an act of common justice only for the Representative of the Sovereign to convene Parliament alternately at *Toronto* in *Upper Canada*, and at *Quebec* in *Lower Canada*; but the Legislature, to whom the subject was submitted, thought otherwise, and advised *Montreal* as the place to be selected, which advice was received and acted on: That within a very short period of time, however, this House has seen the Building in *Montreal* occupied by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, rented and fitted up as it was at a great expense to the country, willfully burnt before their eyes, and the Libraries belonging to the respective Houses, and their records and proceedings, consumed with it:

That such then being the state of the case, and with the view of removing every obstacle that may have a tendency to hinder, or in any way interfere with the well-working of the Union, this House most respectfully begs leave to recommend to His Excellency to adopt the suggestion referred to,—that after the present Session, His Excellency will be pleased to convene the Parliament alternately at *Toronto* and *Quebec*, during periods not exceeding four years at each place; the first sitting, under this arrangement, to be held at such of the two places mentioned as His Excellency, in his discretion, may deem most advisable for the general good: That the plan here submitted is not without precedents in other countries, and that it can now more easily than at any antecedent period be carried out, inasmuch as all former records and proceedings in Parliament have been destroyed:

That each branch of the Legislature will now have to commence anew; and with a view to alternate sittings as herein recommended, their records and proceedings ought henceforward to be made out in duplicate, so that one copy may be deposited in the vaults of the Parliament House at *Toronto*, and the other within the walls of the Citadel of *Quebec*, where they will be secure from the ravages of fire, and from the attacks of external and internal foes:

That the Parliament Buildings at each of the Cities of *Toronto* and *Quebec*, are the property of the Province; that they are commodious and comfortable, and can be made ready for the reception of the Legislature at comparatively small expense: That under this arrangement, the Members of the Legislature will have a better opportunity of ascertaining and understanding, by personal observation, the condition, the wants, and the wishes of the whole people, instead of being confined, as they now necessarily are, in their knowledge of public affairs, to the narrow limits of their respective sections of the Province;

The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Flint*, That

all the words after "representing to His Excellency" be left out, and the words, "That at the time of the Union the Seat of the Provincial Government was, after due consideration, fixed at *Kingston*, and the first Parliament of United *Canada*, held at that place:

"That the Government purchased a large and valuable tract of land in *Kingston*, for the purpose of erecting thereon the Public Buildings required for the accommodation of the Government and Legislature, and that this tract still remains public property, and available for such purpose:

"That the inhabitants of *Kingston* expended large sums of money in providing for the increase of population consequent on its being made the Capital of the Province, in the expectation, and on the assurance, of its remaining permanently the Metropolitan:

"That the subsequent removal of the Seat of Government to *Montreal* was deeply injurious to the prosperity of *Kingston*, and ruinous to very many of its inhabitants who had embarked their capital in providing accommodation for the influx of population:

"That, in the opinion of this House, *Kingston*, from its central situation at the foot of the great chain of Lakes, and at the head of the River *St. Lawrence*, from its accessibility at all seasons of the year, and from the strength of its position and fortifications, is peculiarly well adapted for the Seat of the Government of this Province:

"That these considerations, as well as the recollection of the uninterrupted peace kept, and respect for the law shewn, by the people of *Kingston*, while it remained the Capital of the Province, induce this House to recommend His Excellency to appoint *Kingston* again as the Seat of Government and the place for convening the Provincial Legislature, should he, in the exercise of the Royal Prerogative, be pleased to remove it from its present location," added instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Burritt, Cameron* of *KENT, Crysler, Flint, Hall, Macdonald* of *KINGSTON, Richards, Seymour, Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, and *Smith* of *FRONTENAC.*—(10.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boulton* of *NORFOLK, Boulton* of *TORONTO, Boutillier, Cartier, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Christie, Davignon, DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Egan, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Galt, Gagy, Guillet, Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald* of *GLENGARY, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, Marquis, M. Connell, Merritt, Méthot, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Polette, Price, Prince, Robinson, Sauva-geau, Sherwood* of *TORONTO, Smith* of *WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Viger, Watts, and Wetenhall.*—(51.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, representing to His Excellency, That, in the opinion of this House, the time has arrived when a different and much more satisfactory arrangement may be made as regards the place of convening Parliament, than at present exists:

That it was the cause of complaints on the part of many of the Inhabitants of *Upper Canada*, that the Parliament was, in 1843, removed altogether from within the limits of their Province:

That it was suggested at that time, as each Pro-

vince had enjoyed the advantages of having a separate Legislature within its limits from the first establishment of its Representative form of Government, down to the time of the Union, that after the Union it would be an act of common justice only for the Representative of the Sovereign to convene Parliament alternately at *Toronto* in *Upper Canada*, and at *Quebec* in *Lower Canada*; but the Legislature, to whom the subject was submitted, thought otherwise, and advised *Montreal* as the place to be selected, which advice was received and acted on: That within a very short period of time, however, this House has seen the Building in *Montreal* occupied by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, rented and fitted up as it was at a great expense to the country, wilfully burnt before their eyes, and the Libraries belonging to the respective Houses, and their records and proceedings, consumed with it:

That such then being the state of the case, and with the view of removing every obstacle that may have a tendency to hinder, or in any way interfere with the well-working of the Union, this House most respectfully begs leave to recommend to His Excellency to adopt the suggestion referred to,—that after the present Session, His Excellency will be pleased to convene the Parliament alternately at *Toronto* and *Quebec*, during periods not exceeding four years at each place; the first sitting, under this arrangement, to be held at such of the two places mentioned as His Excellency, in his discretion, may deem most advisable for the general good: That the plan here submitted is not without precedents in other countries, and that it can now more easily than at any antecedent period be carried out, inasmuch as all former records and proceedings in Parliament have been destroyed:

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Mr. *Lyon* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*. That all the words after "representing to His Excellency" be left out, and the words "That the recent destruction of the Parliament Buildings in *Montreal*, on the night of the 25th April last, by a lawless mob, and the total loss of the valuable Libraries of both Houses of Parliament, and of the Records of the Province therewith, will impose upon the Provincial Government the necessity of constructing new Houses of Parliament, and providing new accommodation for the Provincial Legislature:"

"That in order to avoid a recurrence of so great a public calamity, and to preserve from destruction, by similar outrages, the Records of public proceedings and of the various interests of the inhabitants of this Province, as well as the Public Libraries which may hereafter be provided, it is advisable to establish the Seat of Government at some place less liable than *Montreal* to sudden bursts of po-

pular violence, and more likely to be subject to the influence and control of the civil authorities:"

"That with the experience of so recent an example of disregard for public interests evinced by the populace of *Montreal*, it would be impolitic to expend more of the money of the people of *Canada* in either the erection or fitting up of Buildings in *Montreal* suitable for the purposes of Legislation or of the Government:

"That the Seat of Government should be placed at some point removed from the frontier, whereby it would be secure from the casualties consequent upon an invasion by a foreign foe, and whereby the settlement of large tracts of the valuable waste lands of the Crown would be induced, without detriment to the interests of the rest of the Province, thereby expanding and strengthening the country:

"That a large portion of the people of *Canada* deem it unjust to the western section of the Province that the Seat of Government should be located so far within *Lower Canada* as it now is; and that the people of *Lower Canada* would likewise consider it unreasonable to place the Seat of Government at a like distance from them within *Upper Canada*:

"That with a view of removing all such grounds of complaint, and of uniting the people of *Canada*, the Capital thereof ought to be located at some place more central for both sections of the Province, having due regard to population and territory, and situate, if possible, on or near the confines of both:

"That the situation of the Town of *Bytown* presents all those advantages already enumerated; situate at a reasonable distance from the frontier, fortified by nature as a strong military position, and capable of being rendered impregnable to a foreign enemy, and that it is located so literally upon the Boundary Line of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, as to be the point where the two Provinces are in fact connected by means of a substantial Wire Bridge, called the "Union Suspension Bridge," and thus it is evident that there is no other point where the jealousies of the two Provinces respecting the site of the Seat of Government are so likely to be absorbed:

"That the said Town of *Bytown* is, moreover, accessible from all parts of *Canada* by means of the River *Ottawa* and the *Rideau* Canal, the entrance to which it commands; and by a comparatively small outlay, the said River might be made to communicate with *Lake Huron*, through *Lake Nipissing* and the *Georgian Bay*, thus opening up at once a vast territory of rich and fertile lands which at present lie comparatively unknown and altogether unimproved, and tending to develop the internal resources of the country, and to open new channels of commerce and industry, in the general benefits of which the whole United Province would participate:

"And, that in addition to the foregoing considerations, the Provincial Government is possessed of a large tract of land in the said Town, on which the Public Buildings could be erected; the Town itself is surrounded by scenery at once beautiful and grand, and the atmosphere is remarkable for its purity and healthy properties, all which induce this House to recommend His Excellency to establish the Seat of the Provincial Government at *Bytown*," added instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Bell*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Crysler*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Hall*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *KING-*



STON, Malloch, Richards, Seymour, and Sherwood of BROCKVILLE.—(13.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boutillier*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Gugy*, *Guillet*, *Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Marquis*, *McConnell*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(47.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Boulton* of TORONTO, *Boutillier*, *Burrill*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *Duchesnay*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(34.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Beaubien*, *Bell*, *Cartier*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Galt*, *Gugy*, *Holmes*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *McConnell*, *Nelson*, *Papineau*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Viger*.—(29.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, and Mr. *Armstrong*, be appointed to prepare and report the draught of an humble Address to His Excellency the Governor General in conformity with the foregoing Resolution.

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

To His Excellency The Right Honorable *James*, Earl of *Elgin* and *Kincardine*, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, 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 Assembly of the Province of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly beg leave to approach Your Excellency with feelings of respect, and to represent:—

That the time has arrived when a different and much more satisfactory arrangement may be made as regards the place of convening Parliament than at present exists.

That it was the cause of complaints on the part of many of the Inhabitants of *Upper Canada*, that the Parliament was, in 1843, removed altogether from within the limits of their Province.

That it was suggested at that time, as each Province had enjoyed the advantages of having a separate Legislature within its limits from the first establish-

ment of its Representative form of Government down to the time of the Union, that after the Union it would be an act of common justice only for the Representative of the Sovereign to convene Parliament alternately at *Toronto* in *Upper Canada*, and at *Quebec* in *Lower Canada*; but the Legislature, to whom the subject was submitted, thought otherwise, and advised *Montreal* as the place to be selected, which advice was received and acted on. Within a very short period of time, however, we have seen the Building in *Montreal* occupied by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, rented and fitted up as it was at a great expense to the country, wilfully burnt before our eyes, and the Libraries belonging to the respective Houses, and their records and proceedings, consumed with it.

That such then being the state of the case, and with the view of removing every obstacle that may have a tendency to hinder or in any way interfere with the well working of the Union, we most respectfully beg leave to recommend to Your Excellency to adopt the suggestion referred to, that after the present Session, Your Excellency will be pleased to convene the Parliament alternately at *Toronto* and *Quebec*, during periods not exceeding four years at each place. The first sitting under this arrangement to be held at such of the two places mentioned as Your Excellency, in your discretion, may deem most advisable for the general good. That the plan now submitted to Your Excellency is not without precedents in other countries, and that it can now more easily than at any antecedent period be carried out, inasmuch as all former records and proceedings in Parliament have been destroyed.

That each branch of the Legislature will now have to commence anew; and with a view to alternate sittings as herein recommended, their records and proceedings ought henceforward to be made out in duplicate, so that one copy may be deposited in the vaults of the Parliament House at *Toronto*, and the other within the walls of the Citadel of *Quebec*, where they will be secure from the ravages of fire, and from the attacks of external and internal foes.

That the Parliament Buildings at each of the Cities of *Toronto* and *Quebec* are the property of the Province; that they are commodious and comfortable, and can be made ready for the reception of the Legislature at comparatively small expense. That under this arrangement, the Members of the Legislature will have a better opportunity of ascertaining and understanding, by personal observation, the condition, the wants, and the wishes of the whole people, instead of being confined, as they now necessarily are, in their knowledge of public affairs, to the narrow limits of their respective sections of the Province.

The said Address being read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* moved, seconded by Mr. *Armstrong*, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Address;

Mr. *Gugy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, and the Question being put, That the House do now adjourn; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Address;

Mr. *Gugy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, and the Question being put, That the further consideration of the said Question be postponed until Monday next;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Beaubien*, *Cartier*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Galt*, *Gugy*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *La-*

Committee to draw up Address.

Address reported.



Fontaine, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, Nelson, Papineau, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Viger.—(26.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boulton of TORONTO, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, M<sup>c</sup>Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Notman, Polette, Price, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Watts, and Wetenhall.—(32.)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boulton of TORONTO, Boutillier, Cameron of KENT, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Christie, Duchesnay, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Laurin, Lemieux, Marquis, M<sup>c</sup>Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Notman, Polette, Price, Sherwood of TORONTO, Smith of WENTWORTH, Taché, Thompson, Watts, and Wetenhall.—(33.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Beaubien, Cartier, Crysler, Davignon, DeWitt, Solicitor General Drummond, Dumas, Galt, Guy, Holmes, Johnson, Attorney General LaFontaine, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, Nelson, Papineau, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Smith of FRONTENAC, and Viger.—(25.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by John Fennings Taylor, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

L'Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "L'Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal," in the "City, Parish, and District of Montreal:"

Testatum Writs (U. C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to allow the issuing of Testatum Writs "of Capias ad respondendum in the several Districts "of Upper Canada, and for other purposes therein mentioned:"

Bill to supply certain Legislative provisions in Acts.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to supply certain necessary Legislative provisions not included in certain "Acts therein mentioned:"

Primeaux and Trotter's Bridge Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize Marc Antoine Primeau and Antoine A. Trotter to erect a "Toll Bridge over the River Chateauguay in the "Parish of Sainte Martine, and to make a Plank "Road from the River St. Lawrence to the River "Chateauguay in the said Parish, and to fix the "Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, "and to make further provisions in that behalf:"

Bridge Bill of A. M. Delisle and others.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize Alexandre Maurice Delisle, Benjamin Henri LeMoine and Jean Baptiste Debien, the younger, to build a Toll "Bridge over the River Jésus, and for other purposes "therein mentioned:"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide, by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations, "and the establishment of Regulations of Police in "and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in Upper Canada:"

Municipal Corporations (U. C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act relating to Masters and Servants in the country parts "of Lower Canada."

Masters and Servants (L. C.) Bill.

And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That Mr. Lyon have leave to bring in a Bill to detach the County of Russell from the County of Prescott as regards the Registration of Deeds, and to establish a Registry Office in the said County of Russell.

Russell County Registry Office Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the twenty-eighth instant.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal the Acts in force in Upper Canada, relative to the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities, the regulation of Highways, the Assessment and collection of local Taxes, and other matters of a like nature, being read;

Municipal Corporations, &c. (U. C.) Repeal Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Beaubien took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Beaubien reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Beaubien reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Monday next.

Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. DeWitt, seconded by Mr. Chabot,

The House adjourned until Monday next.

Lunæ, 21<sup>o</sup> die Maii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

Petitions brought up.

By Mr. Thompson,—The Petition of William Waddell and others, of the County of Kent.

By Mr. Richards,—The Petition of E. Webster and others, of the Townships of Leeds and Landsdowne, District of Johnstown.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the Health of the City of Quebec, was read the third time.

Quebec Health Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Chabot do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to simplify the transfer of Real Property in Upper Canada, and to render certain rights and interests therein liable under execution, was read the third time.

Transfer of Real Property (U. C.) Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Richards do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Notarial Pro-  
fession Organ-  
ization Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laurin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bathurst Dis-  
trict Lands  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to annex certain unsurveyed Lands to the *Bathurst* District, for Judicial purposes, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to detach a certain Tract of Land from the *Midland* District, and to annex it to "the District of *Bathurst*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bell* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Savings Banks  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Laws relative to Savings' Banks, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to amend the Act relative to Savings' "Banks."

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Official and  
Legal Notices  
Bill.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, seconded by Mr. *Morrison*,

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the insertion of certain Official and Legal "Notices in the *Canada Gazette* only," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ste. Anne and  
Cape Chat  
Municipality  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Christie* have leave to bring in a Bill to detach the Settlements of *Ste. Anne des Monts* and *Cape Chat* from the Municipality of *Gaspé*, and to erect the same into a separate Municipality.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Egan* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Egan* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Egan* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Public Works.

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, and the Question being put, That the Report of the Commissioners of Public Works, for the year 1848, be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, Mr. *Davignon*, Mr. *Seymour*, Mr. *Wetenhall*, and Mr. *M'Connell*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Christie*, *DeWitt*, *Flint*, *Galt*, *Gugy*, *M'Connell*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, and *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*.—(10.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Gillet*, *Holmes*, *Laurin*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Thompson*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(28.)

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bell* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to encourage the establishment of certain Societies, commonly called Building Societies, in that part of the Province of *Canada* formerly constituting *Upper Canada*.

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

Building Soci-  
eties (U. C.)  
Bill.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the Sale under Execution of the interest of Mortgagors and Mortgagees in real estate in *Upper Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to provide for the sale, under Execu- "tions, of the interest of Mortgagors in real "Estate in *Upper Canada*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Richards* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill relating to  
Mortgagors  
and Mortgagees  
(U. C.)

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the *St. George's* Society of *Quebec*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Quebec St.  
George's So-  
ciety Bill.

An engrossed Bill to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Companies, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill to facilitate  
Actions against  
unincorporated  
Companies.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Merchants' Exchange and Reading Room of *Montreal*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Montreal Mer-  
chants Reading  
Room Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to make more effectual provision for the distribution of the Estate and Effects of Bankrupts in *Upper Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Bankrupts Es-  
tates (U. C.)  
Bill.

Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to take into consideration the Message of His Excel-

General Post  
Office.

lency the Governor General relative to the establishment of a General Post Office in the Provinces of British North America;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, acquainted the House that His Excellency having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Morrison* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Morrison* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Petition of D. Cameron.

Mr. *Notman* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*, and the Question being put, That the Petition of *Donald Cameron*, of the Township of *Thora*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Glengary*, Mr. *Fergusson*, Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Johnson*, and the mover, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. *Lyon*, seconded by Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*,

Accommodation of Courts of Justice (U. C.)

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to lay before this House, a Return of all monies collected by the Government under the 3<sup>rd</sup> Vic. c. 33, intituled, "An Act to provide for the accommodation of the Courts of Superior Jurisdiction in *Upper Canada*;" also, a Return of the sale and proceeds of that lot of Land in the City of *Toronto*, called *Simcoe Place*, authorized to be sold under and by the said Act; also, a detailed Account of all monies received and paid, and of the Debentures issued, with interest thereon, and of the redemption of the same in whole or in part, under and by virtue of the said Act.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Marriage Oppositions Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to abolish Oppositions to Marriages founded on promises of Marriage, and to repeal the Act therein mentioned:"

Sœurs de la Charité of Bytown Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate *La Communauté des Révérendes Sœurs de la Charité* at *Bytown*:"

Infants Real Estate Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the sale and disposition of the real estate of Infants in certain cases therein mentioned:"

Grand River Navigation Company Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to increase the Stock of the *Grand River* Navigation Company:"

Bill relating to Causes in forma pauperis.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to remove all doubts as to the right of suing and defending Causes in *forma pauperis* before the Courts of Law in *Lower Canada*:"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to remove doubts as to the first meetings of Municipal Councils under the Act for making better provision for the establishment of Municipal Authorities in *Lower Canada*:"

Municipal Councils (L. C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*:"

Courts of Civil Jurisdiction (L. C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Charter of the University established at *Toronto* by His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, to provide for the more satisfactory government of the said University, and for other purposes connected with the same, and with the College and Royal Grammar School forming an appendage thereof:"

University Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to establish a Court having jurisdiction in Appeals and Criminal matters for *Lower Canada*:"

Court of Appeals and Criminal Jurisdiction (L. C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to continue and amend the Act imposing Duties on Spirits distilled in this Province, and to provide for the Warehousing of such Spirits:"

Spirits Duties Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to impose Tolls on Vessels and Passengers brought down the *Saint Lawrence*, past any of the Canals thereon:"

Tolls on Vessels and Passengers' Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Law relative to the Administration of Justice in *Gaspé*:"

Gaspé Judicature Bill.

And also,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "*Les Révérends Pères Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de Marie*," in the Province of *Canada*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Pères Oblats Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act for the limitation of Actions of Clerks of Courts of Justice and Attorneys *ad lites*, and of all other Officers of Justice entitled to receive fees and costs," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Bill relating to Actions of Clerks of Courts, &c.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Ordinance providing for the enregistration of Titles to immoveable property and incumbrances thereon," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Bill relating to the Enregistration of certain Titles.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the seizure and sale of Shares in the Capital Stock of Incorporated Companies;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Bill relating to Incorporated Companies.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of *Dorchester Bridge* and the Roads in the vicinity of *Quebec*. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Dorchester Bridge and Quebec Roads.

Mr. *Polette* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Polette* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Notman* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Criminal Law of this Province relating to the offences of Arson and Counterfeit Coin.

Bill relating to Arson and Counterfeit Coin.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Bill to abolish  
Imprisonment  
for Debt in  
Lower Canada.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, and for the punishment of Fraudulent Debtors in *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Fourteenth Re-  
port of Com-  
mittee on  
Miscellaneous  
Private Bills.

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Fourteenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill to authorize *John Yule*, the younger, Esquire, and others, to erect a Mill Dam upon the River *Richelieu*, in the District of *Montreal*, and have agreed to report the same without amendment.

J. Yule's Mill  
Dam Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to authorize *John Yule*, the younger, Esquire, and others, to erect a Mill Dam upon the River *Richelieu*, in the District of *Montreal*, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

Bill relating to  
Actions of  
Clerks of  
Courts, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act for the limitation of Actions of Clerks of Courts of Justice and Attorneys *ad lites*, and of all other Officers of Justice entitled to receive fees and costs," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:

Press 1, line 41. After "brought" insert "or to be brought."

Press 1, line 42. Leave out from "Canada" to "shall" in Press 2, line 2, and insert "for the recovery of fees or emoluments of office, it has always been and."

Press 2, line 15. Leave out from "Clerk" to "and" in line 16, and insert "as provided by the said Ordinance."

Press 2, line 29. After "disbursements" insert "accrued before the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Defendant to plead five years' prescription, dating from the passing of this Act; and and that in all Actions brought by Attorneys *ad lites* against their clients, for the recovery of fees and disbursements which may accrue and grow due after the passing of this Act."

Press 2, line 31. Leave out from "when" to "and" in line 32, and insert "final judgment shall have been rendered in the cause or proceedings in which the Plaintiff shall have been entitled as Attorneys *ad lites*, to the fees, and shall have made the disbursements for which any such Action shall be brought."

In the Preamble.

Press 1, line 5. Leave out from "time" to "from" in line 8.

Press 1, line 15. Leave out from "be" to "three" and insert "subject to a prescription of," and leave out from "years" to "and" where it occurs for the second time in line 17.

Press 1, line 18. Leave out from "whereas" to "the" where it occurs the second time in line 26.

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lemieux* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Pères Oblats  
Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act

"to incorporate "*Les Révérends Pères Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de Marie*," in the Province of *Canada*," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 21. Leave out from "*Molloy*" to "and" where it occurs the second time in line 22.

Press 1, line 22. After "persons" insert "being natural born or naturalized subjects of Her Majesty."

Press 2, line 35. After "aforesaid" insert Clauses (A.) (B.) (C.) and (D.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that if the said Corporation shall from any cause whatsoever be dissolved, the moveable property which shall then be *en nature*, and the immoveable property and *rentes constituées* which shall have been given, devised, or bequeathed to the said Corporation, or the immoveable property received in exchange for or purchased by means of the sale of the property so given, devised or bequeathed, and which shall be in possession of the said Corporation at the time of its dissolution, shall return to and belong to the legal heirs of the person or persons respectively who shall have given, devised, or bequeathed such property to the said Corporation."

Clause (B.) "And be it enacted, that in case of such dissolution of the said Corporation the real property by them purchased and acquired, and paid for out of their own revenues, and not by the sale or exchange of any property given, devised, or bequeathed to them, as well as all other property then belonging to the said Corporation and not liable to be claimed by and revert to the heirs of any donor or testator under the provisions of the next preceding section of this Act, shall be at the disposal of the Provincial Parliament, for the purpose of being applied to the maintenance of some charitable institution, or to the education of the poor, in the Parish or Township in which such property shall be situate."

Clause (C.) "And be it enacted, that no deed of sale or conveyance by which the said Corporation shall purchase or acquire any real or immoveable property or annual rents (*rentes constituées*) shall be valid or effectual to any intent or purpose whatsoever, unless in such deed it be stated and set forth that such purchase or acquisition is made with the funds of the said Corporation itself, or with funds arising from the sale or alienation of such and such property, describing the same, given, devised, or bequeathed to the said Corporation by such and such person or persons, designating the same by name, or otherwise, as the case may be."

Clause (D.) "And be it enacted, that it shall be the duty of the said Corporation at all times when they may be called upon so to do by the Governor of this Province, to render an account in writing of their property and affairs, in which shall be set forth in particular the Income by them derived from property held under this Act, and the means by which the same has been acquired."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Beaubien* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Ordinance providing for the enregistration of Titles to immoveable property and incumbrances thereon," be now taken into consideration.

Bill relating to  
the Enregistra-  
tion of certain  
Titles.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 36. After "enacted" insert Clauses (A.) and (B.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that for and notwithstanding any thing in the said Ordinance, it shall be lawful for the Registrars of the Counties of *Quebec* and *Montreal*, respectively, to have and keep separate Books and Registers (of the kind and form required by the said Ordinance, and authenticated in the manner thereby prescribed, as to those in which Memorials are to be registered) for the registration at full length, of Deeds, Instruments, and Writings of each of the classes hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:—

"First. Bonds, Recognizances, and other Securities and Obligations in favor of the Crown, Wills and Testaments, and Probates or office copies of Wills and Testaments.

"Second. Marriage Contracts and Donations.

"Third. Appointments of Tutors and Curators, Judgments and Judicial Acts and Proceedings.

"Fourth. Deeds of alienation and conveyance, (*titres translatifs de propriété*) not being of any of the classes hereinbefore mentioned, including exchanges and leases for more than nine years, and Deeds of partition.

"Fifth. Deeds, Instruments, and Writings creating mortgages, privileges, hypothecs or incumbrances, and not being of any of the classes hereinbefore mentioned.

"Sixth. All other Deeds, Instruments, and Writings not being of any of the classes hereinbefore mentioned.

"And the registration thereof at full length, in such Books respectively, shall be valid and effectual to all intents and purposes; and the registration of any Deed, Instrument, or Writing at full length, in any book, except that kept for the registration of Memorials, shall not affect the validity of such registration, although the Registrar may have mistaken the class to which such Deed, Instrument, or Writing properly belongs."

Clause (B.) "And be it enacted, that for and notwithstanding any thing in the said Ordinance, any Deputy Registrar may resign or be removed from office by his Principal; and in the event of such resignation or removal, it shall be incumbent on such Principal to appoint another Deputy in his place within twenty days after the occurrence of such resignation or removal. And if any such Registrar shall neglect to appoint a Deputy Registrar as hereinbefore is prescribed, he shall forfeit five pounds current money of this Province, for each and every day during which he shall have neglected to make such appointment, which penalty shall and may be recovered in any Court of Record in *Lower Canada*, and one half thereof shall go and be paid to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, and the other half thereof to the informer."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. *Laurin* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Mr. *Laurin* reported the Bill to authorize *Jean Clovis Bélanger*, Esquire, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemin*, in the Parish of *St. Anselme*, near the Church of the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*, and to incorporate the said *Jean Clovis Bélanger* and others, under the name of the "*St. Anselme Bridge Company*," and for other purposes therein mentioned; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. *Galt* reported the Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of *Upper Canada*; and the amendments were read.

Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That the amendments be now read a second time;

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Seymour*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words, "the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next, with an Instruction to the Committee to provide for the Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery by one Judge only" added instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative. Then the main Question being put;—It was unanimously resolved in the Affirmative.

And the said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

An engrossed Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, was read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,

Ordered, That the following engrossed Clause (A.) be added to the Bill, by way of Rider, and do follow the fourteenth Clause:

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that this Act shall come into force on the first day of January next, or at such earlier day as shall be appointed for that purpose by Proclamation under the Great Seal of the Province."

Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being put, "That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of *Upper Canada*;"

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *Nonfolk*, *Burritt*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Guillet*, *Holmes*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sherwood* of *Toronto*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, and *Watts*.—(35.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Cryslar*, *Johnson*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, and *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*.—(5.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes, being read;

Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and

Court of Chancery (U. C.) Bill.

Superior Criminal Court, and Court of Error and Appeal (U.C.) Bill.



the Question being proposed, That the said Report be now received;

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Seymour*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "the said Bill and Report be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next, with an Instruction to the Committee to take into consideration and report upon the propriety of increasing the jurisdiction and efficiency of the present Local and Inferior Courts in *Upper Canada*, with a view to reduce the expenses of litigation in that part of the Province, and to relieve the Court of Queen's Bench from a great portion of the civil business now carried on therein, reserving and providing for an Appeal to the said Court of Queen's Bench from the Judgments of the Courts of limited Jurisdiction;"

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Burritt*, *Crysler*, *Flint*, *M'Connell*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, and *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*.—(7.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Christie*, *De Witt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Guillet*, *Holmes*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, and *Watts*.—(34.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the said Report be now received;

Mr. *Notman* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Thompson*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "the said Bill and Report be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow, with an Instruction to the Committee to consider the following as an amendment to the Bill: "That from and after the passing of this Act, the several duties of Marshal and Clerk of Assize shall be performed in the Home District by the Clerk of the Crown, and by his several Deputies in the several other Districts in *Upper Canada*, each of whom shall be paid out of the fund aforesaid, at the rate of one pound five shillings for every day he shall necessarily be so employed during the sitting of the Court of Assize and *Nisi Prius*, Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery; and that it shall be the duty of the said Deputies to transmit, at the public expense, within a reasonable time after the close of the said Assizes, and before the first day of the next Term thereafter, to the principal office at *Toronto*, the several records, indictments, presentments, exhibits, and all other papers connected with the business of the said Courts; and that the fees payable or to be payable to the said Marshal and Clerk of Assize, be funded in like manner as other fees are hereby directed to be appropriated;"

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Bell*, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *De Witt*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Hall*, *Johnson*, *Laurin*, *Lyon*, *M'Farland*, *Notman*, *Richards*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, and *Thompson*.—(24.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Chabot*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Galt*, *Guillet*, *Holmes*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Price*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Sherwood* of *TORONTO*, *Taché*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(21.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; Ordered, That the said Bill and Report be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow, with an Instruction to the Committee to consider the following as an amendment to the Bill: "That from and after the passing of this Act, the several duties of Marshal and Clerk of Assize shall be performed in the Home District by the Clerk of the Crown, and by his several Deputies in the several other Districts in *Upper Canada*, each of whom shall be paid out of the fund aforesaid, at the rate of one pound five shillings for every day he shall necessarily be so employed during the sitting of the Court of Assize and *Nisi Prius*, Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery; and that it shall be the duty of the said Deputies to transmit, at the public expense, within a reasonable time after the close of the said Assizes, and before the first day of the next Term thereafter, to the principal office at *Toronto*, the several records, indictments, presentments, exhibits, and all other papers connected with the business of the said Courts; and that the fees payable or to be payable to the said Marshal and Clerk of Assize, be funded in like manner as other fees are hereby directed to be appropriated."

Mr. *Holmes* moved, seconded by Mr. *Galt*, and the Question being put, That the Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of *Lake Champlain* and the River *St. Lawrence*, be now read;

The House divided:

Yeas, 28.

Nays, 9.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Order of the day being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Boutillier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Boutillier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Fortier*, seconded by Mr. *De Witt*,

The House adjourned.

*Martis*, 22° die *Maii*;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the table:—  
By Mr. *Cartier*,—The Petition of *A. M. Delisle* and *B. H. LeMoine*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquires.

Petitions brought up.

Orders deferred.

By Mr. Smith, of Frontenac,—The Petition of William Anderson, senior, and others, of the third concession of the Township of Ameliasburgh, District of Prince Edward.

St. Michel Road Bill.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the Trustees of the Montreal Turnpike Roads to purchase the St. Michel Road, and to open a Road to the Village of Sault au Recollet, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Montreal Turnpike Roads to purchase the Saint Michel Road, and to open a Road to the Village of Sault au Recollet."

Ordered, That Mr. Holmes do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Calvinistic Baptist Church (Perth) Land Title Bill.

An engrossed Bill to confirm the Title of the Calvinistic Baptist Church in Perth, to a certain piece of Land in the said Town, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to confirm the Title of the Calvinistic Baptist Congregation of Perth to a certain piece of Land in that Town."

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Militia Act Amendment Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Militia Law of this Province in so far as regards the enrolment of and fines imposed upon Quakers, Menonists, and Tunkers, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Merritt do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Township of Elgin Bill.

An engrossed Bill to constitute a new Township, to be called the Township of Elgin, out of part of the Township of Hinchinbrooke, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. DeWitt do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions read.

Ordered, That the Petition of A. M. Delisle, and B. H. LeMoine, of the City of Montreal, Esquires, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying that a certain Bill tending to deprive them of rights in connection with the Toll Bridge at the Village of Sault au Recollet, secured to them by a Provincial Act, be not passed.

Ordered, That the Petition of William Anderson, senior, and others, of the third concession of the Township of Ameliasburgh, District of Prince Edward, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying that no alteration be made in the original survey of the said Township.

Bill relating to Bridges over the River des Prairies.

Mr. Egan reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to repeal certain provisions of the Acts therein mentioned, authorizing the construction of Bridges over the River des Prairies, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Montreal Harbour Dues.

On motion of Mr. DeWitt, seconded by Mr. Holmes, Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Montreal Harbour Dues.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Thompson took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Thompson reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to make provision for the erection or repair of Court Houses and Gaols at certain places in Lower Canada, being read;

Court Houses and Gaols (L. C.) Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Johnson took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Johnson reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to make provision for the continuance and completion of proceedings in Bankruptcy now pending in Lower Canada, being read;

Bankruptcy (L. C.) Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Honorable Mr. Price took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Honorable Mr. Price reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Honorable Mr. Price reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Ordered, That Mr. Armstrong have leave to bring in a Bill for the relief of Insolvent Debtors in Lower Canada.

Insolvent Debtors (L. C.) Relief Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly calling for "a Return of the Tolls collected on the Macadamized Road between Dundas and Waterloo, specifying the amount collected at each Gate during the years 1846, 1847, and 1848, and stating the amount, if any, in the hands of the Commissioners," as ordered on the 30th March, 1849.

Dundas and Waterloo Road.

Statement of the Tolls of the Dundas and Waterloo Macadamized Road from the 26th day of October, 1845, to the 26th day of October, 1848.

		Rents Received.			Received.		
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
From 26th October, 1845, to 26th October, 1846.	Gate No. 1.....	597	0	0	597	0	0
	Gate No. 2.....	497	18	5	497	18	5
	Gate No. 3.....	340	2	10	340	2	10
		£ 1,435			1 3		

		£ s. d.	
From 26th October, 1846, to 26th October, 1847..	Gate No. 1.....	639 0 0	639 0 0
	Gate No. 2.....	557 18 5	557 18 5
	Gate No. 3.....	389 2 10	389 2 10
		£ 1586 1 3	
From 26th October, 1847, to 26th October, 1848..	Gate No. 1.....	1196 0 0	1159 0 0
	Gate No. 2.....	932 0 0	909 18 8
	Gate No. 3.....	701 0 0	603 10 0
From 3d January, 1848, to 26th October, 1848..	New Gate erected in Beverly (now called Gate No. 2), collected by a hired Collector. Gross Receipts..		318 18 10
			£ 2991 7 6

\* £176 of this sum was credited for work done. The balance of £37 was, by mistake of the Bank of British North America, placed to the credit of the Lessee of Gate No. 1, instead of the Lessee of Gate No. 2, which was not discovered until after a settlement with the Sureties of the Lessee of No. 1.

April 20, 1849. The balance at the credit of the Commissioners in the Bank of British North America, this day, is £9 5s. 9d.; and the Commissioners stand indebted to that Institution in their joint and several summary Notes, in a balance, exclusive of interest, of £900. Besides money borrowed on Debentures.

A. AINSLIE,

Chairman Dundas and Waterloo Mac'd Road.

General Post Office.

Mr. Morrison, from the Committee to take into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor General relative to the establishment of a General Post Office in the Provinces of British North America, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That whereas it is expedient that a uniform and cheap rate of Postage should be established throughout *British America*: And whereas the Imperial Government has signified to His Excellency the Governor General its readiness to relinquish the management of this Department so soon as a uniform system of Postage should have been agreed upon by the different local Governments: And whereas the different local Governments of *British America* have agreed upon the following propositions, namely: "That there be one uniform rate of three-pence, Provincial currency, throughout *British North America*: That no transit postage between the Provinces be allowed: That two-pence sterling the half ounce shall remain as the rate in operation as regards letters by British Mails, to be extended to countries having postal conventions with *Great Britain* (unless Her Majesty's Government shall see fit to permit this rate to be changed to three-pence currency): That the prepayment of postage shall be optional: That each Province shall retain the amount of postage it collects: That the packet postage shall be paid in *England*, the Provincial rate of two-pence sterling to belong to the Province which collects it, and if pre-paid in *England*, to be credited to the Province to which the letter is addressed: That no privilege of franking be allowed: That postage stamps for prepayment be allowed, and Colonial stamps be engraved: That newspaper, pamphlet and magazine postage be allowed to remain at the present rates, with power to each Legislature to send them free of charge: And that the rate of remuneration for the transport of British Mails by express through the Provinces of *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, be left for future arrangement." And whereas the Imperial Government has approved the said propositions, but, nevertheless, Legislative

action is necessary to enable Her Majesty's Government to give effect to the proposed arrangements: And whereas it is expedient to enable the Governor General in Council to give effect to such arrangements as he may deem right for the establishment of a uniform rate of postage, so soon as the necessary enactment may have been passed by the Imperial Legislature: It is therefore expedient that the Governor in Council be empowered to enter into such arrangements with the Imperial Government, and with the Provincial Governments of the other British *North American* Provinces, as shall, in the opinion of the Governor in Council, be expedient to secure a uniform and cheap rate of postage; and that the Governor in Council be authorized to make all such regulations for the management of the Post Office Department and the officers thereof, and of all matters thereunto belonging, as to him may seem meet, and from time to time to alter the same, which regulations shall have the same force and effect as if embodied in this Act, until the expiration of the next Session of Parliament.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that such regulations as shall be then in force, be laid before both Houses of the Provincial Parliament within ten days after the opening of the next Session of the said Parliament, and that the same shall remain permanently in force as law, unless it shall be otherwise provided in some Act to be passed during the said Session.
3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the Governor in Council be authorized to pay out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, such sums (if any) as may be required to make up any deficiency in the funds arising from the Revenue of the Post Office Department to meet the expenses thereof.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the management of the Post Office Department, whenever it shall be transferred to the Provincial Government. Post Office Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, tomorrow.

Mr. *Polette*, from the Committee on the subject of *Dorchester Bridge* and the Roads in the vicinity of *Quebec*, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:— Dorchester Bridge and Quebec Roads.

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize and enable the Trustees of the *Quebec Turnpike Roads* to acquire and assume the possession and property of the Bridge called *Dorchester Bridge*, over the River *St Charles*, near the City of *Quebec*.
2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to extend the provisions of the Ordinance passed in the fourth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Ordinance to provide for the improvement of certain Roads in the neighbourhood of and leading to the City of *Quebec*, and to raise a fund for that purpose," to the said Bridge, as well as to certain Roads and parts of Roads in the vicinity of *Quebec*.
3. *Resolved*, That for the above purposes, it is expedient to authorize the said Trustees to raise a further Loan, not exceeding Twenty-five thousand pounds, currency, on the security of the Tolls and other monies which may come into their hands, and to give a preference and priority

of lien on the said Tolls and monies to the interest on the said Loan, over the interest on all Loans already authorized to be raised by the said Trustees, as well as over the claims of Her Majesty's Government for re-payment of advances made to the said Trustees by the Receiver General out of the Provincial Funds.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Bill relating to  
Dorchester  
Bridge, &c.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize and enable the Trustees of the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads to acquire and assume the possession and property of the Bridge called *Dorchester* Bridge, and for other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Supply.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee of Supply, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Lyon* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Lyon* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

Bill granting  
aid towards the  
construction of  
Railways.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to provide for affording the guarantee of the Province to the Bonds of Railway Companies on certain conditions, and for rendering assistance in the construction of the *Halifax* and *Quebec* Railway, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Jobin* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Jobin* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

Message from  
the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill relating to  
the Will of the  
late R. N.  
Starr.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable *George Caruthers* and others, to carry into effect the Will of the late Doctor *Richard Noble Starr*:"

Hamilton Mer-  
cantile Library  
Association  
Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton* Mercantile Library Association:"

Religious So-  
cieties Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend certain Acts for the relief of Religious Societies:"

Quebec Trinity  
House Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, and for other purposes:"

Law of Evi-  
dence (U. C.)  
Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*:"

Bytown Col-  
lege Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the College of *Bytown*:" And also,

Montreal Tri-  
nity House Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal a certain Act and an Ordinance therein mentioned relating to the Trinity House at *Montreal*, and to amend and consolidate

"the provisions thereof," with an Amendment; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the insertion of certain Official and Legal Notices in the *Canada Gazette* only," being read;

Official and  
Legal Notices  
Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any Amendment.

Mr. *Boutillier* reported the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of *Lake Champlain* and the River *St. Lawrence*; and the amendments were read.

Ship Canal  
Bill.

Mr. *Holmes* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt*, and the Question being put, That the amendments be now read a second time;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Cameron* of KENT, *Christie*, *DeWitt*, *Fourquin*, *Hall*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Merritt*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Price*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Thompson*.—(23.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *Duchesnay*, *Egan*, *Fournier*, *Galt*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, and *Taché*.—(10.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the first of the amendments being read a second time, as followeth:

Clause 1, line 48. Leave out "*Lake St. Louis*" and insert "*Lake St. Francis*."

Mr. *Davignon* moved in amendment to the said Clause, seconded by Mr. *Galt*, That all the words after "between" in line 48, to "*Champlain*" in line 50, be left out, and the words "the Village of *La-prairie* and the Village of *Longueuil*, and coming out at some point on the River *Richelieu* between "*St. John's* and *Chambly*" inserted instead thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *Duchesnay*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Méthot*, and *Taché*.—(12.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Cameron* of KENT, *Christie*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Hall*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Merritt*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Thompson*.—(23.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The first amendment was then agreed to.

The residue of the said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to make more effectual provision for the dis-

Bankrupts Es-  
tates (U. C.)  
Bill.

tribution of the Estate and Effects of Bankrupts in *Upper Canada*, being read;

Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Lyon* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Flint*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Burritt*, *Chabot*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Flint*, *Fournier*, *Galt*, *Holmes*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Marquis*, *M<sup>c</sup>Connell*, *Mongenais*, *Notman*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Thompson*.—(26.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Fortier*, *Guillet*, *Johnson*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Robinson*, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, and *Watts*.—(19.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day six months.

Superior Criminal Court and Court of Error and Appeal (U. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House again in Committee on the Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes, and on the Report of the Committee thereon,—with an Instruction to the said Committee, being read;

Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being put, That the said Order be discharged, and the said Report now received;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Galt*, *Guillet*, *Holmes*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Marquis*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Robinson*, *Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, and *Watts*.—(28.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Bell*, *Burritt*, *Christie*, *Egan*, *Flint*, *Lyon*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, and *Thompson*.—(10.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. *Armstrong* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

And another Amendment was made to the Bill, by leaving out the words "and that this Act shall take effect from and after the last day of Easter Term next after the passing hereof" in the thirty-fourth Clause thereof.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

An engrossed Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment

"of an additional Superior Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal, "in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes."

*Ordered*; That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, Seat of Government. one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, reported, that His Excellency the Governor General had been attended upon with the Address of this House of the 19th instant (on the subject of the removal of the Seat of Government;) and that His Excellency had been pleased to give the following Answer:—  
Gentlemen,

The subject of your Address invoking the exercise of the Royal Prerogative in a matter involving very serious considerations of public policy shall receive my best attention. I must not conceal from you, however, that in my opinion so serious a change in that policy ought not to be lightly adventured upon, and that above all the pressure of an apparent temporary necessity for that change, must not be allowed to exercise an undue influence upon the adoption of it.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for the incorporation of a Company to establish a Line of Railroad between *Montreal* and *Missisquoi*, being read;

Missisquoi Railroad Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Fortier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Fortier* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize *Antoine Amable Archambeault*, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

Bridge Bill of A. Archambeault and others.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Chabot* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Chabot* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Orders deferred.

Then, on motion of Mr. *DeWitt*, seconded by Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*,

The House adjourned until to-morrow, at ten o'clock, A. M.

*Mercurii, 23° die Maii;*

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

THE following Petition was brought up, and laid on the table:—

Petition brought up.

By Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*.—The Petition of *Pierre Vieau* of the Parish of *St. Martin*, in the District of *Montreal*.



Municipal Corporations, &c. (U. C.) Repeal Bill.

An engrossed Bill to repeal the Acts in force in *Upper Canada*, relative to the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities, the regulation of Highways, the Assessment and collection of local Taxes, and other matters of a like nature, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to repeal the Acts in force in *Upper Canada*, relative to the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities, and other matters of a like nature."

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Ste. Anne and Cape Chat Municipality Bill.

An engrossed Bill to detach the Settlements of *Ste. Anne des Monts* and *Cape Chat* from the Municipality of *Gaspé*, and to erect the same into a separate Municipality, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act detaching the Settlements of *Sainte Anne des Monts* and *Cape Chat* from the Municipality of *Gaspé*, and to erect the same into a separate Municipality."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Christie* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions read.

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

Of *William Waddell* and others, of the County of *Kent*; praying that no division be made of the said County.

Of *E. Webster* and others, of the Townships of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*, District of *Johnstown*; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm certain acts and proceedings of the Inhabitants of the said Townships assembled in two divisions, under the name of "the Front of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*," and "the Rear of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*," and that the said Townships be divided for Municipal and Election purposes, and the divisions united under the said titles, respectively.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Pierre Vicau* of the Parish of *St. Martin*, in the District of *Montreal*, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying that the Bill to repeal certain provisions of the Acts 10 and 11 *Vic. c. 97* and *98*, authorizing the construction of Bridges over the River *des Prairies*, be not passed into a Law.

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *St. George's Society of Quebec*:"

Quebec St. George's Society Bill.

Transfer of Real Property (U. C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to simplify the transfer of Real Property in *Upper Canada*, and to render certain rights and interests therein liable under execution:"

Bill relating to Mortgagors and Mortgagees (U. C.)

Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the sale, under Executions, of the interest of Mortgagors in Real Estate in *Upper Canada*:"

Quebec Health Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the Health of the City of *Quebec*:"

Notarial Profession Organization Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*:"

Bill to facilitate Actions against unincorporated Companies.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Companies:" And also,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Lower Canada Bar Incorporation Bill.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*,

*Resolved*, That To-morrow being Her Majesty's Birth-day, this House when it doth adjourn this day, will adjourn until Friday next.

Adjournment.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style of "The *Huron Copper Bay Company*," with several Amendments to the French Version of the same; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Huron Copper Bay Company.

And then he withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal a certain Act and an Ordinance therein mentioned, relating to the Trinity House at *Montreal*, and to amend and consolidate the provisions thereof," be now taken into consideration.

Montreal Trinity House Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Press 13, line 31. After "vessel" insert "not being such."

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cauchon* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to detach a certain Tract of Land from the Midland District, and to annex it to the District of *Bathurst*:"

Bathurst District Lands Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act relative to Savings Banks."

Savings Banks Bill.

And then he withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to repeal certain provisions of the Acts therein mentioned, authorizing the construction of Bridges over the River *des Prairies*, be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Bill relating to Bridges over the River des Prairies.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Crysler* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Crysler* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Crysler* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the wa-

Ship Canal Bill.

ters of *Lake Champlain* and the River *St. Lawrence*, was read the third time.

Mr. *Holmes* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cartier*, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of *Lake Champlain* and the River *Saint Lawrence*;"

The House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Huron Copper Bay Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the French Version of the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style of "The *Huron* Copper Bay Company," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 33. Strike out from the second "de" to first "et" in the 34th line, and insert "The *Huron* Copper Bay Company."

In the Title of the Bill. Strike out from the first "de" to "*Huron*" inclusive, and insert "The *Huron* Copper Bay Company."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. *Christie* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

St. Anselme Bridge Company Bill.

An engrossed Bill to authorize *Jean Clovis Bélanger*, Esquire, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemin*, in the Parish of *St. Anselme*, near the Church of the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*, and to incorporate the said *Jean Clovis Bélanger* and others, under the name of the "*St. Anselme* Bridge Company," and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to authorize *Joseph Clovis Bélanger*, Esquire, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemin* in the Parish of *St. Anselme*, near the Church of the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*, and to incorporate the said *Joseph Clovis Bélanger* and others, under the name of the "*St. Anselme* Bridge Company," and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Ordered, That Mr. *Lemieux* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by Mr. *Holmes*,

Library.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Final Report of the Standing Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library.

On motion of Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*,

Bill relating to Incorporated Companies.

Ordered, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the seizure and sale of Shares in the Capital Stock of Incorporated Companies," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* have leave to bring in a Bill for providing a remedy against Municipal Corporations for Losses sustained by the riotous and tumultuous destruction of property therein.

Bill relating to Riotous destruction of Property.

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

On motion of Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, Resolved; That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the expediency of amending the Act providing for the distribution of the Printed Copies of the Laws, and also of amending the Rules of this House relative to the introduction of Private Bills.

Distribution of the Laws, and Private Bills.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Scott*, of *Two Mountains*, reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

1. Resolved, That in order to diminish the great expense of printing and distributing the Provincial Statutes, it is expedient that none but Public General Statutes be printed and distributed at the expense of the Province to the number now required by Law, the Titles only of the rest being so printed and distributed; and that none but Acts applying to the whole Province, or to the whole of *Upper* or of *Lower Canada*, shall be deemed to be Public General Statutes.
2. Resolved, That it is expedient that local Acts, not being private or personal Acts, but affecting the inhabitants of any locality generally, shall be printed at the expense of the Province, but in such number only as shall be sufficient for their distribution to the Judges and Public Departments of the Legislature and Government, and to such functionaries in the localities specially affected as are entitled to receive copies of the Statutes, but not elsewhere.
3. Resolved, That it is expedient that private or personal Acts, passed after the present Session, be printed by the Queen's Printer, &c., at the expense of the parties obtaining them, who shall furnish, at their own cost, one hundred and fifty printed copies thereof to the Provincial Government; but that such Acts need not be so printed in the French language if they relate only to *Upper Canada*.
4. Resolved, That it is expedient so to amend the Rules of this House as that no private or personal Bill be read a third time in any Session after the present, until the party interested shall have delivered to the Clerk a certificate from the Queen's Printer that the cost of printing one hundred and fifty copies of the Act for the Government has been paid or secured to him.
5. Resolved, That it is expedient that so much of the Law providing for the distribution of the Statutes as is inconsistent with these Resolutions be repealed.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law re-

Printing and Distribution of the Laws Bill.

lative to the printing and distribution of the Provincial Statutes.  
He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Message from His Excellency.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered; and is as followeth:—

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

The Governor General recommends to the Legislative Assembly, the accompanying Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the service of the present year.

Government House,  
23rd May, 1849.

Supplementary Estimates for 1849.

Supplementary Estimate of certain Expenses of the Civil Government of the Province of *Canada*, for the year 1849, for which a Supply is required:—

Expenses of the Legislature.	Currency.
Further required for Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Assembly.....	£16,000 0 0
Miscellaneous.	
To reimburse certain expenses incurred and losses sustained by <i>George Chaperon</i> , whilst acting as Commissioner for the <i>Chemin des Caps</i> .....	34 10 0
Aid to the Provincial Agricultural Societies of <i>Upper Canada</i> and <i>Lower Canada</i> , £250 each .....	500 0 0
To cover the expense of admission into the <i>Quebec</i> Marine Hospital of cases of extreme distress among the inhabitants of the <i>City of Quebec</i> and its vicinity, during the year 1848.....	56 1 3
To provide supplies of Seed-Grain for relief, by way of loan, to the inhabitants of the Counties of <i>Gaspé</i> and <i>Bonaventure</i> .....	1,000 0 0
For additional salary to one of the Clerks in the Office of the Deputy Adjutant General of <i>Militia, Canada West</i> .....	40 0 0
Further aid towards the support of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum at <i>Beauport</i> , near <i>Quebec</i> .....	500 0 0
To enable the Commissioners of the House of Correction at <i>Three Rivers</i> , to pay for arrears of rent for the Building used as the House of Correction.....	90 0 0
Aid for the completion of the erection of the Lunatic Asylum at <i>Toronto</i> , to be hereafter repaid out of the Lunatic Asylum Assessment Fund.....	5,000 0 0
<b>Total, Currency.....</b>	<b>£23,220 11 3</b>

Jos. CARY,  
Dy. Insp. Gen.

Inspector General's Office,  
Montreal, 23rd May, 1849.

Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure to be incurred on certain Public Works, during the ensuing season, for which a Supply is required:—

For the completion of the <i>St. Lawrence</i> Canals.....	£20,000 0 0
For Light Houses, Buoys, and Beacons.....	2,000 0 0
<b>Total, Currency.....</b>	<b>£22,000 0 0</b>

Jos. CARY,  
Dy. Insp. Gen.

Inspector General's Office,  
Montreal, 23rd May, 1849.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by Mr. *DeWitt*,

Ordered, That the said Message, with the accompanying Supplementary Estimates, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize and enable the Trustees of the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads to acquire and assume the possession and property of the Bridge called *Dorchester* Bridge, and for other purposes, being read; The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Bill relating to *Dorchester* Bridge, &c.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Nelson* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Nelson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend an Act incorporating the *Saint Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Railroad Company, being read;

*St. Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Railroad Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Morrison* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Morrison* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Morrison* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. *Thompson*, from the Committee to consider of the *Montreal* Harbour Dues, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

*Montreal* Harbour Dues.

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Acts of the 8 *Vic. c. 76*, and 10 and 11 *Vic. c. 56*, relating to the *Montreal* Harbour Dues.

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

Ordered, That Mr. *DeWitt* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the *Montreal* Harbour Commissioners to commute for certain Harbour Dues with the Corporations therein mentioned.

*Montreal* Harbour Dues Bill.

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

Bridge Bill of  
A. Archambault  
and  
others.

Mr. *Chabot* reported the Bill to authorize *Antoine Amable Archambault*, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

An engrossed Bill to authorize *Antoine Amable Archambault*, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be,  
"An Act to authorize *Amable Archambault*  
"and others to erect a Toll Bridge over the  
"River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes  
"therein mentioned."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dumas* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Criminal  
Justice Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the removal of defects in the Administration of Criminal Justice, be engrossed.

Bill granting  
aid towards the  
Construction  
of Railways.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to provide for affording the guarantee of the Province to the Bonds of Railway Companies on certain conditions, and for rendering assistance in the construction of the *Halifax* and *Quebec* Railway, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Jobin* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Jobin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Jobin* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Court Houses  
and Gaols  
(L. C.) Bill.

Mr. *Johnson* reported the Bill to make provision for the erection or repair of Court Houses and Gaols at certain places in *Lower Canada*; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Post Office Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to make provision for the management of the Post Office Department, whenever it shall be transferred to the Provincial Government, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Supply.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee of Supply, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Lyon* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Lyon* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received on Friday next.

Mr. *Lyon* also reported, That he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Friday next.

Missisquoi  
Railroad Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for the incorporation of a Company to establish a Line of Railroad between *Montreal* and *Missisquoi*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Fournier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Fournier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Fournier* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Trustees of the *Montreal* Turnpike Roads to purchase the *Saint Michel* Road, and to open a Road to the Village of *Sault au Recollet*:"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to constitute a new Township, to be called the Township of *Elgin*, out of part of the Township of *Hinchinbrooke*."

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, seconded by Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*,

*Ordered*, That the Order for engrossing the Bill to make provision for the continuance and completion of proceedings in Bankruptcy now pending in *Lower Canada*, be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of extending its provisions to *Upper Canada*.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Lemieux* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Lemieux* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Lemieux* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

An engrossed Bill to make provision for the continuance and completion of proceedings in Bankruptcy now pending in *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be,  
"An Act to make provision for the continuance  
"and completion of proceedings in Bankruptcy  
"now pending."

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Nelson* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Members of the Medical Profession in *Lower Canada*, and to regulate the study and practice of Physic and Surgery therein.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Message from  
the Council.

*St. Michel*  
Road Bill.

Township of  
*Elgin* Bill.

Bankruptcy  
Bill (L. C.)

Medical Pro-  
fession (L. C.)  
Bill.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Prince* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Prince* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Prince* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Public Lands Management Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to make other provisions for the management and disposal of the Public Lands, and to limit the period for making free grants, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Burritt* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Burritt* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Friday next.

Joint Stock Road and Bridge, &c. Companies (L. C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Lower Canada*, for the construction of Macadamized Roads, and of Bridges and other works of a like nature, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received on Friday next.

Huron District Division Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to divide the District of *Huron*, in the Province of *Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Boutillier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Boutillier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Boutillier* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Orders deferred.

*Ordered*, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until Friday next.

Building Societies (U. C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day, for to-morrow, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act to encourage the establishment of certain Societies, commonly called Building Societies, in that part of the Province of *Canada* formerly constituting *Upper Canada*, be postponed until Friday next.

Then, on motion of Mr. *DeWitt*, seconded by Mr. *Richards*,

The House adjourned.

*Veneris, 25<sup>o</sup> die Maii;*

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

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

Petitions brought up.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,—The Petition of *George H. Park*, of the City of *Toronto*, Esquire, M. D.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,—The Petition of *William Reid*, Esquire, and others, of the Township of *Gwillimbury East*, in the Fourth Riding of the County of *York*; and the Petition of the Reverend *H. J. Grasset*, A. M. Rector, and others, the Wardens, on behalf of the Congregation of *St. James' Church*, in the City of *Toronto*, in Public Vestry assembled.

An engrossed Bill to make provision for the erection or repair of Court Houses and Gaols at certain places in *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

Court Houses and Gaols (L. C.) Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to repeal certain provisions of the Acts therein mentioned, authorizing the construction of Bridges over the River *des Prairies*, was read the third time.

Bill relating to Bridges over the River des Prairies.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to repeal certain provisions of the Acts therein mentioned, authorizing the construction of certain Bridges over the River *des Prairies*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Egan* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill for the removal of defects in the Administration of Criminal Justice, was read the third time.

Criminal Justice Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to provide for affording the guarantee of the Province to the Bonds of Railway Companies on certain conditions, and for rendering assistance in the construction of the *Halifax* and *Quebec* Railway, was read the third time.

Bill granting aid towards the Construction of Railways.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Law relative to the printing and distribution of the Provincial Statutes, was read the third time.

Printing and Distribution of the Laws Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to make provision for the management of the Post Office Department, whenever it shall be transferred to the Provincial Government, was read the third time.

Post Office Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.



Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend an Act incorporating the *Saint Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Railroad Company, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Huron District Division Bill.

An engrossed Bill to divide the District of *Huron*, in the Province of *Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, moved, seconded by Mr. *Richards*, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Chabot*, *Christie*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Egan*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *GLEN-GARY*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Marquis*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *M'Lean*, *Merritt*, *Méhot*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, and *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*.—(37.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Fergusson*, *Jobin*, *Notman*, and *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*.—(5.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morrison* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Medical Profession (L. C.) Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Members of the Medical Profession in *Lower Canada*, and to regulate the study and practice of Physic and Surgery therein, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Nelson* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill relating to Dorchester Bridge, &c.

An engrossed Bill to authorize and enable the Trustees of the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads to acquire and assume the possession and property of the Bridge called *Dorchester* Bridge, and for other purposes, was read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Duchesnay*, seconded by Mr. *Chabot*,

Ordered, That the following engrossed Proviso be added to the Bill, by way of Rider, and do make part of the seventh paragraph of the fifth Clause:—"Provided always, that the said Trustees shall have power, if they shall deem it expedient, to straighten the said Road from a point about thirty-four chains to the north of the bend of the Road near the middle of the *Cap Rouge* Hill, so to carry the Road in as nearly a direct line as may be practicable from the said point to the said bend."

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Missisquoi Railroad Bill.

An engrossed Bill for the incorporation of a Company to establish a Line of Railroad between *Montreal* and *Missisquoi*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* and *Vermont* Junction Railway Company."

Ordered, That Mr. *Beaubien* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Petition of *George H. Park*, of the City of *Toronto*, Esquire, M.D. be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Medical School.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend *H. J. Grasset*, A.M., Rector, and others, the Wardens, on behalf of the Congregation of *St. James' Church*, in the City of *Toronto*, in Public Vestry assembled, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to lease a part of the Land heretofore occupied by them as the site of a Church and Burying Ground.

Resolved, That the said Petition be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, Mr. Solicitor General *Blake*, the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, Mr. *Wetenhall*, and the Honorable Mr. *Price*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Toronto* School of Medicine.

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

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of the Reverend *H. J. Grasset*, A.M. Rector, and others, the Wardens, on behalf of the Congregation of *St. James' Church*, in the City of *Toronto*, in Public Vestry assembled, with power to report by Bill or otherwise, presented to the House, a Bill to enable the Rector and Church Wardens of the Protestant Episcopal Church of *Saint James, Toronto*, to lease part of the Land heretofore occupied by them as the site of a Church and Burying Ground, which was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. *Richards* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to divide the Township of *Leeds* and *Lansdowne*, in the District of *Johnstown*, and to attach *South Burgess* to *Bastard*, in the same District, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Petitions read.

Petition of the Rev. H. J. Grasset and others referred.

Toronto School of Medicine Bill.

Report on Petition of the Rev. H. J. Grasset and others.

St. James' Church (Toronto) Land Bill.

Leeds and Lansdowne Townships Division Bill.

Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Lower Canada  
Bar Incorporation Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 26. Leave out "and" where it occurs the first time.

Press 1, line 27. Leave out from "in" to "the" where it occurs the first time in line 29.

Press 1, line 30. Leave out "of" where it occurs the third time, and insert "residing in."

Press 2, line 26. Leave out from "of" to "nor," and insert "*Lower Canada*."

Press 3, line 18. Leave out from "in" where it occurs the second time, to "and" in line 19, and insert "*Lower Canada*."

Press 3, line 33. After "year" insert "subject to the approval of the General Council as herein after provided."

Press 4, line 7. Leave out from "the" where it occurs the second time, to "and," and insert "next day thereafter not being a Sunday or *Fête d'Obligation*."

Press 6, line 14. After "Council" insert "reckoning by date of admission to the Profession."

Press 6, line 27. Leave out from "that" to "General" in line 34, and insert "no judgment of any Council of a Section suspending any Member from his functions shall have force or effect until ratified by the General Council at a meeting composed of at least one half of the Members of the General Council, and by a vote of at least two-thirds of the Members present at such meeting of the."

Press 8, line 8. Leave out from "cause" to "shall" in line 11.

Press 9, line 14. Leave out from "the" to "shall" in line 15, and insert "party obtaining such diploma."

Press 9, line 40. Leave out from "with" where it occurs the first time, to "and," and insert "the English or the French language."

Press 10, line 3. Leave out "Counsel" and insert "Barrister," and after "Attorney" insert "Solicitor."

Press 10, line 9. Leave out from "Seminary" to "four" in line 10.

Press 10, line 12. Leave out from "Seminary" to "and."

Press 10, line 14. Leave out from "Seminary" to "three."

Press 10, line 18. After "Profession" insert "except so much thereof as provides that certain privileges with regard to the period of study shall be enjoyed by parties who have or shall have gone through certain courses of study therein mentioned and described; and that all such parties who have or shall have gone through such courses shall be entitled to admission to the Profession at the expiration of the periods of study therein mentioned."

In the Schedules to the Bill:

Schedule No. 1.

Press 13, line 16. After "under" insert "our signature and."

Press 13, line 17. Leave out from "Section" to "and."

Schedule No. 3.

Press 14, line 6. Leave out "and" and insert "Barrister," and after "Attorney" insert "Solicitor and Proctor at Law."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chabot* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chabot* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain parts of an Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the support of Common Schools in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

Common Schools (Quebec and Montreal) Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Marquis* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Marquis* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* have leave to bring in a Bill to correct an error in an Act of the present Session, relative to the Judicature of *Lower Canada*.

Bill to correct an Error in Judicature (L. C.) Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Richards* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Judges of the Superior Court of Record in *Upper Canada*, to appoint Commissioners for taking Affidavits in *Lower Canada*.

Commissioners for taking Affidavits Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act detaching the Settlements of *Sainte Anne des Monts* and *Cape Chat* from the Municipality of *Gaspé*, and to erect the same into a separate Municipality:"

Ste. Anne and Cape Chat Municipality Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize *Amable Archambault* and others to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, and for other purposes therein mentioned:"

Bridge Bill of A. Archambault and others.

Bill, intituled, "An Act for the removal of defects in the Administration of Criminal Justice:"

Criminal Justice Bill.

Militia Act  
Amendment  
Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Militia Law of this Province in so far as regards the enrolment of and fines imposed upon Quakers, Methodists, and Tunkers:—"

Court of Chancery (U. C.)  
Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of *Upper Canada*:" And also,

Port Burwell  
Harbour Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "The President, Directors, and Company of *Port Burwell* Harbour," with an Amendment; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

St. Anselme  
Bridge Com-  
pany Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize *Joseph Clovis Bélanger*, Esquire, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the *River Etchemin* in the Parish of *St. Anselme*, near the Church of the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*, and to incorporate the said *Joseph Clovis Bélanger* and others, under the name of the "*St. Anselme* Bridge Company," and for other purposes therein mentioned," with an Amendment; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Bathurst Di-  
vision Courts  
Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the alteration of the times and places for holding the Division Courts in Division number six, in the District of *Bathurst*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Montreal Mer-  
chants Reading  
Room Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Merchants' Exchange and Reading Room of *Montreal*," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Supply.

Mr. *Lyon*, from the Committee of Supply, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

Militia.

1. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of two Deputy Adjutants General of Militia, at Five hundred pounds each, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
2. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred and thirty-five pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of four Clerks in the Offices of the Deputy Adjutants General of Militia, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
3. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Sixty-six pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of a Messenger to the Offices of the Deputy Adjutants General of Militia, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
4. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Contingent Expenses of Postages, Printing, Stationery, &c., in the Offices of the Deputy Adjutants General of Militia, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
5. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of one Provincial Aide-de-Camp, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
6. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Council, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
7. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her

Legislative  
Council.

Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Clerk of the Legislative Council, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of one Assistant Clerk to the Legislative Council, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
9. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Law Clerk to the Legislative Council, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
10. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred and twenty-five pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the French Translator to the Legislative Council, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
11. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
12. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Serjeant-at-Arms to the Legislative Council, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
13. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Chaplain and Librarian to the Legislative Council, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
14. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Sixty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Doorkeeper to the Legislative Council, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
15. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Head Messenger to the Legislative Council, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
16. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and thirty-five pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of three Messengers to the Legislative Council, for the Session, at Forty-five pounds each.
17. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Six thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Council, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
18. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
19. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
20. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Four hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Assistant Clerk to the Legislative Assembly, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
21. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the English Translator and Law Clerk to the Legislative Assembly, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

Legislative  
Assembly.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the French Translator to the Legislative Assembly, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
23. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Serjeant-at-Arms to the Legislative Assembly, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
24. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
25. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty-five thousand three hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Assembly, including Indemnity to Members, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
26. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Sixty-six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *William Gingcr*, as late Serjeant-at-Arms to the Legislative Council of *Lower Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Louis Noreau*, as late Messenger to the Legislative Council of *Lower Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
28. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Eighteen pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Pierre Lacroix*, as late Messenger to the Legislative Council of *Lower Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
29. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Sixty-six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Louis B. Pinguet*, as late Clerk of Committees to the House of Assembly of *Lower Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
30. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Samuel Waller*, as late Clerk of Committees to the House of Assembly of *Lower Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
31. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and thirty-three pounds six shillings and eight pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *David Jardine*, as late Clerk of Committees to the House of Assembly of *Upper Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
32. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and thirty-three pounds six shillings and eight pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *William Coates*, as late Clerk of Committees to the House of Assembly of *Upper Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
33. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Eighteen pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *François Rodrigue*, as late Messenger to the House of Assembly of *Lower Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
34. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Forty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty,

- to defray the Pension of *John Bright*, as late Messenger to the Legislative Council of *Canada*, for the years one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight and one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, at the rate of Twenty pounds, per annum.
35. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Eighteen pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Louis Gagné*, as late Messenger to the House of Assembly of *Lower Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
36. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the relief of Foundlings and Indigent sick persons in the District of *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
37. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the relief of Foundlings and Indigent sick persons in the District of *Montreal*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
38. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the relief of Foundlings and Indigent sick persons in the District of *Three Rivers*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, and for arrears.
39. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Corporation of the General Hospital, *Montreal*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
40. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Managers of the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
41. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Ladies Benevolent Society of *Montreal* for Widows and Orphans, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
42. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum at *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
43. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Montreal* Protestant Orphan Asylum, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
44. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Male Orphan Asylum at *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
45. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Charitable Association of the Ladies of the Roman Catholic Asylum at *Montreal*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
46. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the University Lying-in Hospital at *Montreal*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
47. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Montreal* Lying-in Hospital,

Late Legislative Bodies of Upper and Lower Canada.

Hospitals and other Charitable Institutions.

for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Four thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid for the support of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
49. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid for the support of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum at *Beauport*, near *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
50. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid towards the support of the *Toronto* General Hospital, to be defrayed out of the Marriage License Fund of *Upper Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
51. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid towards the support of the *Toronto* House of Industry, to be defrayed out of the Marriage License Fund of *Upper Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
52. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid towards the relief of the Indigent sick at *Kingston*, to be defrayed out of the Marriage License Fund of *Upper Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
53. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an additional Aid to the Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*, to be defrayed out of the Marriage License Fund of *Upper Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
54. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Medical Faculty of *M'Gill* College, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
55. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the School of Medicine at *Montreal*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
56. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Literary and Historical Society of *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
57. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Natural History Society of *Montreal*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
58. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Mechanics' Institute at *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
59. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Mechanics' Institute at *Montreal*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
60. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Mechanics' Institute at *Kingston*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
61. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty

pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Mechanics' Institute at *Toronto*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Mechanics' Institute in *London, Canada West*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
63. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Athenæum at *Toronto*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
64. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Seven hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Provincial Agricultural Association in *Lower Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
65. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty-five thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Contingent Expenses of the Administration of Justice not otherwise provided for, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Administration of Justice.
66. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray arrears of Expenses of the Provincial Penitentiary. Penitentiary.
67. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Eleven thousand two hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Provincial Penitentiary at *Kingston*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
68. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the French Translator of the Laws, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. French Translator of Laws.
69. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty-seven pounds fifteen shillings and sixpence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Inspector of Chimnies at *Three Rivers*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Inspector of Chimnies.
70. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Allowances to Keepers of Depôts of Provisions on the *St. Laurence* below *Quebec*, with a view to the relief of shipwrecked persons, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Depôts of Provisions.
71. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the purchase of Provisions for the Depôts, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
72. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Allowance to *Pierre Brochu* and *Jonathan Noble* for residing on *Kempt Road*, for assisting Travellers on that Road, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Kempt Road.
73. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for Printing Laws and other Printing for the Public Service, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Printing.
74. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for distributing the Laws, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Laws.
75. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the ordinary repairs, alterations, rent, and care of Public Buildings, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Public Buildings.



- Unforeseen Expenses. 76. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to meet Unforeseen Expenses in various branches of the Public Service, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Clerk of the Crown in Chancery. 77. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Contingent Expenses of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Light Houses. 78. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the proportion of this Province of the Expenses of keeping up Light Houses on the Islands of *St. Paul* and *Scatterie*, in the Gulf, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Pensions. 79. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension of *Jacques Brien*, for Wounds received in the Public Service, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Commissioners of Inquiry. 80. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Thirty-five pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Pension to *Mrs. Margaret Powell*, as late Keeper of the Public Offices, *Toronto*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Marine Hospital. 81. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for Expenses of Commissioners who may be appointed under the authority of the Act 9 Vic. c. 38, for inquiring into matters connected with the Public Service, and take evidence on Oath, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Quebec Observatory. 82. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred and five pounds ten shillings and one penny, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to make up the deficiency of the Fund of the Marine Hospital, to cover the Expenditure of the Hospital in one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven and one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.
- Parliament House. 83. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Quebec Observatory*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Commissioner of Bankrupts at Three Rivers. 84. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand five hundred and forty-two pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for Rent of the Parliament House, including Assessments, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Public Offices. 85. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Seventy-five pounds one shilling and fourpence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the arrears of Salary to *L. E. Pacaud*, from the seventeenth August to the thirty-first December, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, as Commissioner of Bankrupts at *Three Rivers*, at the rate of Two hundred pounds, per annum.
86. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of *William Wright*, as Clerk in the Provincial Secretary's Office, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
87. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two pounds one shilling and eight-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the increased Salary to *Isaac B. Stanton*, as Clerk in the Inspector General's Office, from the first to the thirty-first January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, at the rate of Twenty-five pounds, per annum.
88. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Forty-seven pounds eighteen shillings and four-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the increased Salary to *John Drysdale*, as Clerk in the Inspector General's Office, from the first February, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, to thirty-first December, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, at the rate of Twenty-five pounds, per annum.
89. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Sixty-six pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of *William Webb*, as Messenger in the Office of Provincial Registrar, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
90. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray additional Salaries to five Messengers, viz:—For the Office of the Provincial Secretary, two; Governor's Secretary, one; Receiver General, one; Inspector General, one; at the rate of Ten pounds per annum, each, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
91. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Seventy-five pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Secretary to the Board of Statistics and Registration, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
92. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Allowance to *Mrs. McDonell* on her claim for Dower on certain property taken by Government, through the *Welland Canal Commissioners*, during her life, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Mrs. M'Donell.
93. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty-five pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Allowance to *Antoine Hamel* and his wife, for the use of their Land on the Island of *Anticosti* for the service of the Trinity House, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. A. Hamel and wife.
94. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to *François X. Garneau*, for continuing his "*History of Canada*." F.X. Garneau.
95. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and twenty-five pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of an additional Clerk in the Customs Branch of the Inspector General's Office, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Public Offices.
96. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of a Clerk attached to the Inspector General's Department, resident in *Quebec*, to look after the interest of the Crown in respect of the Loans made to the Sufferers by the great Fires in that City in one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, to receive interest on Loans, and to pay interest on Debentures, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
97. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Secretary of the Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Royal Institution.
98. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Sixty-seven pounds fifteen shillings and seven-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Allowance to the Secretary of the Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning, for a Messenger and Contingencies, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
99. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand one hundred and eleven pounds two shil-

lings and two-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Upper Canada* College, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Victoria* College, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Queen's College, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Regiopolis* College at *Kingston*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

Grammar  
Schools.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred and eighty-two pounds four shillings and sixpence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Allowances heretofore made to the Master of the Grammar School at *Montreal*, now allowed to the Directors of the High School in that City, in consideration of their educating twenty Free Scholars of the poorer classes, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and seventy-one pounds two shillings and fourpence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Allowances heretofore made to the Master of the Grammar School at *Quebec*, now allowed to the Directors of the High School in that City, in consideration of their educating twenty Free Scholars of the poorer classes, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

National  
Schools.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and eleven pounds two shillings and threepence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid towards the support of the National School at *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and eleven pounds two shillings and threepence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid towards the support of the National School at *Montreal*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

Education  
Societies.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred and eighty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Society of Education at *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and twenty-five pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Education Society at *Three Rivers*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

British and Canadian  
Schools.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the British and Canadian School at *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the British and Canadian School at *Montreal*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

St. Andrew's  
School.

111. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. Andrew's* School at *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

St. Jacques  
School.

112. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two

hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *St. Jacques* School at *Montreal*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

113. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Montreal* American Presbyterian Free School, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

American  
Presbyterian  
Free School.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the College of *St. Anne de la Pocatière*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

Colleges.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the College of *St. Hyacinthe*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the College of *Chambly*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the College of *L'Assomption*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Academy at *Berthier*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

Academies.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Academy at *Charlestown*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Stanstead* Seminary, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

121. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Shefford* Academy, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and eleven pounds two shillings and twopence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Sherbrooke* Academy, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Granby* Academy and *Bedford* School, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Forty five pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the School under the Royal Institution at *Three Rivers*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

Royal Institution.

125. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the British North American School Society at *Sherbrooke*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

School Society  
at Sherbrooke.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the High School at *Durham Village, Missisquoi*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

Durham High  
School.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty-five pounds eleven shillings and one penny, cur-

Quebec Infant  
School.

- rency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Infant School at *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Indian Schools. 128. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Female School at *Indian Lorette* near *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
129. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indian School at *Caughnawaga*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
130. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indian School at *St. Régis*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
131. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Indian School at *St. Francis*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Ste. Thérèse School. 132. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the School at *Ste. Thérèse*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Colleges. 133. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the College at *Nicolet*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
134. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Bishop's College at *Lennoxville*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
135. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to *Joliette* College, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Clarenceville Academy. 136. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Clarenceville* Academy, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Chambly Canal. 137. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Four thousand three hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Chambly* Canal.
- Ottawa Works. 138. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three thousand five hundred and forty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Ottawa* Works.
- Gatineau Booms. 139. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two thousand six hundred and sixty-five pounds four shillings and nine-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Gatineau* Booms.
- St. Ours Lock and Dam. 140. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *St. Ours* Lock and Dam.
- Burlington Bay Canal. 141. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand five hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Burlington Bay* Canal.
- Whitby Harbour. 142. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Whitby* Harbour.
- Dover Harbour, &c. 143. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Four hundred and forty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Dover* Harbour and Light House.
- Jacques Cartier Bridge. 144. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Four hundred and thirty-six pounds twelve shillings and six pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for *Jacques Cartier* Bridge.
- Champlain Canal. 145. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred and eighty-two pounds eleven shillings and nine pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Survey of the *Champlain* Canal.
146. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for collecting Railroad Statistics. Railroad Statistics.
147. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Six hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Ste. Anne's* Lock and Dam. Ste. Anne's Lock and Dam.
148. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Ninety-one pounds eight shillings and six pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Survey of *L'Assomption* River. L'Assomption River.
149. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for Bridges south of the *St. Lawrence*. Bridges.
150. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Seventy-one pounds one shilling and four pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for *Rouge Hill* Bridge. Rouge Hill Bridge.
151. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Thirty-five pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for *Grosse Isle* Wharf. Grosse Isle Wharf.
152. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Thirty-two pounds fourteen shillings and seven-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for *Temiscouata* Road. Temiscouata Road.
153. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for *Port Stanley* Harbour. Port Stanley Harbour.
154. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty-seven pounds fifteen shillings and four-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for *Owen's Sound* Harbour. Owen's Sound Harbour.
155. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifteen pounds sixteen shillings and threepence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty for *Markham* Road. Markham Road.
156. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Six thousand three hundred and twenty-two pounds one shilling and fourpence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Survey of the *Halifax* Railway. Halifax Railroad.
157. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Ten thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the payment of Awards of Provincial Arbitrators. Awards of Arbitrators.
158. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Nine hundred and ten pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for *Melbourne* Bridge. Melbourne Bridge.
159. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Ten thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the purchase of a Slide on the *River Ottawa*, the property of *Ruggles Wright*, Esquire. Slide on the Ottawa.
160. *Resolved*. That a sum, not exceeding Four thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the purchase of the Property adjoining the Government House, *Montreal*. Purchase of Property.
161. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Sixty-eight thousand one hundred and fifty-five pounds nine shillings and five-pence currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Welland* Canal. Welland Canal.
162. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Six thousand five hundred and forty-five pounds eighteen shillings and threepence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Saint Lawrence* Canals. St. Lawrence Canals.
163. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven pounds seventeen shillings and five-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Ottawa* Works. Ottawa Works.
164. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifteen thousand eight hundred and eighty-six pounds nine shillings, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Main North Toronto* Road. Main North Toronto Road.

- Arthabaska Road. 165. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Four thousand two hundred and eighty-four pounds eight shillings and two pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Arthabaska Road*.
- Bridges. 166. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for Bridges south of the *St. Lawrence*.
- Rouge Hill and Bridge. 167. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Four hundred and three pounds nineteen shillings and four pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Rouge Hill* and Bridge.
- Grosse Isle Wharf. 168. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred and thirteen pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Grosse Isle Wharf*.
- Grimaby Road. 169. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Nine hundred and seventeen pounds fourteen shillings and six-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Grimaby Road*.
- Rondeau Road. 170. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two pounds two shillings and ten-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Rondeau Road*.
- Chambly Canal. 171. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand six hundred and fifty-four pounds and eleven-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Chambly Canal*.
- Jacques Cartier Bridge. 172. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Jacques Cartier Bridge*.
- Humber Bridge. 173. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand and three pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Humber Bridge*.
- Temiscouata Road. 174. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Four hundred and seventy-four pounds nine shillings and three-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the *Temiscouata Road*.
- Surveys. 175. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand and eighty-five pounds nineteen shillings and six-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for Surveys.
- Arbitrations. 176. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Ten thousand two hundred and forty-seven pounds one shilling and one penny, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for Arbitrations.
- Expenses of 1847. 177. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty-two thousand one hundred and ninety-five pounds nine shillings and ten-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, being the amount paid on account of Services for one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, as per Statement No. 26, in the Public Accounts of that year.
- Emigration. 178. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five thousand three hundred and ninety-nine pounds eight shillings and five-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, balance on account of Emigration for one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.
- Roads. 179. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty thousand pounds, currency, granted to Her Majesty towards Emigration Expenses in one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, be appropriated for the opening of Roads for settlement.
- Toronto Athenæum. 180. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Athenæum at *Toronto*.
- Quebec Medical Faculty. 181. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Medical Faculty at *Quebec*.
- Legislative Assembly. 182. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Sixteen thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Assembly, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.
- Chemin des Caps. 183. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Thirty-four pounds ten shillings, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to reimburse certain Expenses incurred and Losses sustained by *George Chaperon* whilst acting as Commissioner for the *Chemin des Caps*.
184. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the Provincial Agricultural Societies of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, at the rate of Two hundred and fifty pounds each, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Agricultural Societies.
185. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty-six pounds one shilling and three-pence, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to cover the expense of admission into the Marine Hospital of cases of extreme distress among the inhabitants of the City of *Quebec*, and its vicinity, during the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight. Marine Hospital.
186. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to provide supplies of Seed Grain for relief, by way of Loan, to the inhabitants of the Counties of *Gaspé* and *Bonaventure*. Seed Grain.
187. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Forty pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as additional Salary to one of the Clerks in the Office of the Deputy Adjutant General of Militia, *Canada West*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Militia.
188. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as a further Aid towards the support of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum at *Beauport*, near *Quebec*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Beauport Lunatic Asylum.
189. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Ninety pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, to enable the Commissioners of the House of Correction at *Three Rivers* to pay for arrears of rent for the Building used as the House of Correction. House of Correction.
190. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Five thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid for the completion of the erection of the Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*, to be hereafter repaired out of the Lunatic Asylum Assessment Fund. Toronto Lunatic Asylum.
191. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for the completion of the *St. Lawrence Canals*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. St. Lawrence Canals.
192. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two thousand pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, for Light Houses, Buoys, and Beacons, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Light Houses, Buoys and Beacons.
193. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred pounds, currency, be granted to Her Majesty, as an Aid to the *Kingston General Hospital*, to be defrayed out of the Marriage License Fund of *Upper Canada*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. Kingston General Hospital.
- Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Question of concurrence be now separately put upon each of the said Resolutions.
- Mr. *Christie* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*, That the words "provided always, that no Salary thereby voted" to any office or post therein mentioned, be, by such concurrence, deemed or taken to be established as a precedent for any future vote with respect thereto, it being hereby the declared purpose of this House to take into consideration the expediency of fixing, permanently, such Salaries and Emolu-

"ments on a scale at once in just accordance with their respective responsibilities, the revenue and resources of the Province, and the heavy and increasing public debt, and other liabilities thereof," be added at the end thereof;

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

## YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley, Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Burritt, Christie, Cryslor, Galt, Gagy, Hall, Johnson, Lyon, Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, Papineau, Prince, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of BROCKVILLE, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, and *Thompson*.—(22.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin, Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake, Boutillier, Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon*, Solicitor General *Drummond, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Holmes, Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine, Lemieux, Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Marquis, Merritt, Méthot, Notman, Polette, Price, Richards, Sauvageau*, and *Scott* of TWO MOUNTAINS.—(28.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;—It was unanimously resolved in the Affirmative.

The first to the forty-ninth of the said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The fiftieth to the fifty-third of the said Resolutions being read a second time, and the Question, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution, being separately put upon each; It passed unanimously in the Negative.

The fifty-fourth to the one hundred and ninety-second of the said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The one hundred and ninety-third of the said Resolutions being read a second time, and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;—It passed unanimously in the Negative.

Supply Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for certain Expenses of the Civil Government, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

St. James Church (Toronto) Land Bill.

An engrossed Bill to enable the Rector and Church Wardens of the Protestant Episcopal Church of *Saint James, Toronto*, to lease part of the Land heretofore occupied by them as the site of a Church and Burying Ground, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Supply Bill.

An engrossed Bill to provide for certain Expenses of the Civil Government, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bill to correct an Error in Judicature (L. C.) Bill.

An engrossed Bill to correct an error in an Act of the present Session, relative to the Judicature of *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to divide the Townships of *Leeds and Lansdown*, in the District of *Johnstown*, and to attach *South Burgess* to *Bastard*, in the same District, was read the third time.

Leeds and Lansdown Townships Division Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to divide the Townships of *Leeds* and *Lansdown* in the District of *Johnstown*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Richards* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to provide for the seizure and sale of Shares in the Capital Stock of Incorporated Companies," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Bill relating to Incorporated Companies.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any Amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, reported the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Lower Canada*, for the construction of Macadamized Roads, and of Bridges and other works of a like nature; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Joint Stock Road and Bridge, &amp;c. Companies (L. C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to make other provisions for the management and disposal of the Public Lands, and to limit the period for making free grants, being read;

Public Lands Management Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Burritt* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Burritt* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill for the sale and better management of Timber upon the Public Lands, being read;

Timber Management Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Dumas* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Dumas* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to continue for a limited time the several Acts and Ordinances therein mentioned, being read; The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

Expiring Laws Bill.

*Ordered*, That when this House doth adjourn, it will adjourn until to-morrow, at ten o'clock, A. M.

Adjournment.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Minister and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, Montreal*, being read; The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

St. Andrew's Church Bill.



The Honorable Mr. *Badgley* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

Walpole and Woodhouse Boundary Line Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to define the boundary line between the Township of *Walpole*, in the *Niagara* District, and the Township of *Woodhouse*, in the *Talbot* District, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Honorable Mr. *Merritt* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Honorable Mr. *Merritt* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

J. Yule's Mill Dam Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to authorize *John Yule*, the younger, Esquire, and others, to erect a Mill Dam upon the River *Richelieu*, in the District of *Montreal*, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Duchesnay* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Duchesnay* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

An engrossed Bill to authorize *John Yule*, the younger, Esquire, and others, to erect a Mill Dam upon the River *Richelieu*, in the District of *Montreal*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Beaubien* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Notice being taken that there was no Quorum:—The names of the Members present were taken down, as follow:—

Mr. Speaker,

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Price*, and *Thompson*.

And at seven o'clock P.M., the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till to-morrow.

Sabbati, 26<sup>o</sup> die Maii;

ANNO 12<sup>o</sup> VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Common Schools (Quebec and Montreal) Bill.

AN engrossed Bill to repeal certain parts of an Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the support of Common Schools in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chabot* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Merchants' Exchange and Reading Room of *Montreal*," be now taken into consideration.

Montreal Merchants Reading Room Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 32. Leave out from "currency" to "and" in line 35.

In the Preamble:

Press 1, line 6. Leave out from "association" to "hath" in line 8.

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. *Holmes* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize *Joseph Clovis Bélanger*, Esquire, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River *Eichemin* in the Parish of *St. Anselme*, near the Church of the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*, and to incorporate the said *Joseph Clovis Bélanger* and others, under the name of the "*St. Anselme Bridge Company*," and for other purposes therein mentioned," be now taken into consideration.

St. Anselme Bridge Company Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Press 5, line penult. Leave out "both" and insert "each of the English and French languages."

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

Ordered, That Mr. *Lemieux* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "The President, Directors, and Company of *Port Burwell Harbour*," be now taken into consideration.

Port Burwell Harbour Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Press 5, line 6. After "thereon" insert "provided always that no such bond, debenture, or other security shall be made or granted for a less sum than one hundred pounds, currency."

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

Ordered, That Mr. *Notman* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the alteration of the times and places for holding the Division Courts in Division number six, in the District of *Bathurst*," be now taken into consideration.

Bathurst Division Courts Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 23. After "into" insert "two or."

Press 1, line 30. After "notwithstanding" insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that the un-surveyed Lands of the Midland District which may be annexed to the said District of Bathurst, by any Act passed during the present Session, shall be considered as part of what at present composes Division number six of the said District of Bathurst, and shall come within the provisions of this Act."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Bell do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General Drummond have leave to bring in a Bill to provide a legal mode of redress in cases of Trespass committed on Lands held in common in certain Townships in Lower Canada.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Gagy, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin,

Resolved, That to enable the Members of this House to attend the Funeral of His Excellency the late lamented Sir Benjamin D'Urban, Commander of Her Majesty's Forces in Canada, and as a tribute of respect to His Excellency's memory, this House, when it doth adjourn, do stand adjourned to Tuesday, the twenty-ninth day of May instant.

Resolved, That the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the surviving members of His Excellency's family.

Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Connell moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Badgley, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to vest in the Commissioners of Public Works, powers necessary to enable them to complete certain Roads in the Counties of Shefford, Missisquoi, and Stanstead;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Badgley, Burrill, Cauchon, Christie, Cryster, Gagy, Hall, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Malloch, M<sup>c</sup>Connell, M<sup>c</sup>Lean, Prince, Robinson, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, and Smith of FRONTENAC.—(15.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General Baldwin, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Cartier, Chabot, Solicitor General Drummond, Fergusson, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Holmes, Jobin, Attorney General LaFontaine, Lemieux, Lyon, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Marquis, M<sup>c</sup>Farland, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Notman, Price, Scott of Two MOUNTAINS, Smith of WENTWORTH, and Thompson.—(26.)

So it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. Solicitor General Blake, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin,

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the propriety of increasing the Salary of the Reporter of the Court of Chancery in Upper Canada.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Méthot took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Méthot reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Resolved, That it is expedient that the Salary of the Reporter of the Court of Chancery should be fixed at the same rate as the Reporter of the Court of Queen's Bench in Upper Canada.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General Blake have leave to bring in a Bill to increase the Salary of the Reporter of the Court of Chancery in Upper Canada. Court of Chancery (U. C.) Reporter's Salary Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

A Message from the Legislative Council by John Fenning Taylor, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:— Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of an additional Superior Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeals, in Upper Canada, and for other purposes:— Superior Criminal Court, and Court of Error and Appeal (U. C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal the Acts in force in Upper Canada, relative to the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities, and other matters of a like nature:— And also, Municipal Corporations, &c. (U. C.) Repeal Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the School Law of Lower Canada," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also, School Law (L. C.) Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River Saint Lawrence," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also, Ship Canal Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act for the reversal of the Attainder of Oliver Grace, and for other purposes therein mentioned;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House. Oliver Grace's Relief Bill.

And then he withdrew.

The Honorable Mr. Price moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Badgley, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act for the reversal of the Attainder of Oliver Grace, and for other purposes therein mentioned," be now read for the first time. Oliver Grace's Relief Bill.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General Baldwin, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, acquainted the House that His Excellency having been informed of the contents of the said Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the first time. The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Trespass on certain Townships Lands Bill.

Respect to the Memory of Sir Benjamin D'Urban.

Roads in certain Counties.

Reporter of the Court of Chancery (U. C.)

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Price do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any Amendment.

Expiring Laws Bill.

An engrossed Bill to continue for a limited time the several Acts and Ordinances therein mentioned, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Smith, of Frontenac, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Commissioners for taking Affidavits Bill.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the Judges of the Superior Court of Record in Upper Canada, to appoint Commissioners for taking Affidavits in Lower Canada, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to authorize the Judges of the Superior Courts of Record in Upper Canada, to appoint Commissioners for taking Affidavits in Lower Canada."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Richards do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Ship Canal Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River Saint Lawrence," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 4, line 33. After "aforesaid" insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) "Provided always, and be it enacted, that in the event of the said Company so widening, deepening, altering, or improving the said Chambly Canal, it shall be incumbent upon them to execute at their own expense, any works that may be thereby rendered necessary for enlarging or otherwise altering the Draw Bridge built by the Honorable Robert Jones over the said Chambly Canal, at Saint Johns, and thereafter to work and keep in repair the said Draw Bridge, keeping it shut at all times except when vessels are passing, so that the passage thereof may be as little impeded as possible; but they shall not at any time interrupt the passage over the said Draw Bridge for the purpose of altering, enlarging, or repairing the same, until they shall have made or provided a sufficient temporary Bridge over the said Canal, in connection with and continuation of the remainder of the Toll Bridge of the said Honorable Robert Jones; which temporary Bridge shall be so placed and kept up as to afford, in connection with the said Toll Bridge, a convenient and safe passage over the River Richelieu and the said Canal at all times during the continuance of any such works or repairs."

Press 18, line 11. After "proof" insert "Provided always, that no By-law of the said Company fixing or altering the rate of Tolls on the said Canal, or affecting others than the Members or Officers of the said Company, shall have force or effect until it shall have been confirmed by the Governor in Council."

Press 19, line 7. After "Secretary" insert "Treasurer."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Holmes do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the School Law of Lower Canada," be now taken into consideration. School Law (L. C.) Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 2, line 15. Leave out from "therewith" to "and" in line 19, and insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that in each School Municipality, the Rector, (Curé,) officiating Curate, (desservant,) or Minister of the most numerous Congregation therein, according to the then last Census, shall of right be a School Commissioner in such Municipality from and after the first day of July next, in addition to the number of Commissioners already elected or appointed, and as such shall be subject to all the obligations imposed upon the other Commissioners: Provided always that it shall be lawful at all times for any such Rector, officiating Curate, or Minister, by a notification in writing to the Secretary-Treasurer, to renounce the said office of School Commissioner; but by means of a new declaration to be made in the same manner, and expressing his desire to resume the said functions, he shall *de novo* become a School Commissioner as theretofore, from and after the first day of the month of July next following such new declaration."

Press 4, line 38. After "prescribed" insert "by the said above cited Act."

Press 5, line 33. After "Commissioners" insert "at least one month."

Press 5, line 34. After "of" where it occurs the first time, insert "January or."

Press 5, line 37. Leave out from "same" to "and" in line 38, and insert "at the times and in the manner hereinbefore provided."

Press 6, line 1. After "Trustees" insert "shall be a Corporation for the purposes of their own dissentient Schools and School Districts, and shall be entitled to receive from the Superintendent shares of the general School Fund, bearing the same proportion to the whole sums allotted from time to time to such Municipality as the number of children attending such dissentient Schools bears to the entire number of children attending School in such Municipality at the same time, and a similar share of the building fund; and the said Trustees shall have the right to constitute their own School Districts independently of the School Districts established by the Commissioners aforesaid, and."

Press 6, line 9. After "aforesaid" insert "and provided also that the said Trustees shall be, and they are hereby, held to furnish to the Superintendent a written statement under the oath of at least two of them, of the number of children attending such dissentient School at least one month previous to the said first days of January and July, to enable the said Superintendent to make the proper apportionment of the said general and building funds."

And the first of the said Amendments being read a second time, and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Legislative Council in the said Amendment;—It passed unanimously in the Negative.

The residue of the said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of Mr.

Solicitor General *Drummond*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, Mr. *Boutillier*, and Mr. *Galt*, be appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered to the Legislative Council, at a Conference, for disagreeing to the first Amendment made by their Honors to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*."

Public Lands Management Bill.

Mr. *Burrill* reported the Bill to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to make other provisions for the management and disposal of the Public Lands, and to limit the period for making free grants; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Lyon*, seconded by Mr. *Thompson*,

*Ordered*, That the following Proviso be added to the fourth Clause of the said Bill:—"Provided also, that the Lands purchased from the Indians, and known as the "*Huron Tract*," shall not hereafter be granted to claimants, nor sold for scrip, but that the same shall be withheld from sale until the provisions of the Act passed during the present Session, appropriating one million of acres of Land to Common School purposes, shall have been complied with, so far as relates to the setting apart of the said million of acres."

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

School Law (L. C.) Bill.

Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, from the Select Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered to the Legislative Council, at a Conference, for disagreeing to the first Amendment made by their Honors to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*," reported that the Committee had drawn up Reasons accordingly; which were read, as follow:—

Because it is expedient, under the present circumstances of the country, to leave it optional to the people to elect all their School Commissioners; and because it is not expedient that the Legislature should appoint any particular class of persons, School Commissioners, by the right of their profession or calling.

The said Reasons, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*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 first Amendment made by their Honors to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* do go to the Legislative Council, and desire the said Conference.

Timber Management Bill.

Mr. *Dumas* reported the Bill for the sale and better management of Timber upon the Public Lands; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

And another Amendment was made to the Bill, by adding the words "punishable with fine and imprisonment of not less than six months" at the end of Clause (A.)

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Land Surveyors Bill.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands in this Province, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Beaubien* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Beaubien* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

Mr. *Beaubien* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Mr. *Fournier* moved, seconded by Mr. *Marquis*, and the Question being put, That the words "four of whom at least shall be sworn Land Surveyors of at least five years standing, two of whom shall be from *Upper Canada* and two from *Lower Canada*; and the candidates for *Lower Canada* shall be examined before such Surveyors of *Lower Canada*," and at least two other members of the said Board," be inserted after the words "competent persons" in the eighth line of the fourth Clause of the said Bill:

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Cartier*, *Chauveau*, *Fournier*, *Guillet*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, and *Taché*.—(8.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Burrill*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Fourquin*, *Galt*, *Guy*, *Hall*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, *Malloch*, *McConnell*, *McFarland*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, and *Thompson*.—(32.)

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act incorporating the *Saint Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Railroad Company;" St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Law relative to the printing and distribution of the Provincial Statutes;" Printing and Distribution of the Laws Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the management of the Post Office Department, whenever it shall be transferred to the Provincial Government;" And also, Post Office Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to divide the District of *Huron*, in the Province of *Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," with an Amendment; to which they desire the concurrence of this House: And also, Huron District Division Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize and enable the Trustees of the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads to acquire and assume the possession and property of the Bridge called *Dorchester* Bridge, and for other purposes," with several Amendments; to which, they desire the concurrence of this House. Bill relating to Dorchester Bridge, &c.

And then he withdrew.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Lower Canada*, for the construction of Macadamized Roads, and of Bridges and other works of a like nature, was read the third time. Joint Stock Road and Bridge, &c. Companies (L. C.) Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Beaubien* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Message from  
the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenwings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Court Houses  
and Gaols  
(L. C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the erection or repair of Court Houses and Gaols at certain places in *Lower Canada*:"

Bankruptcy  
Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the continuance and completion of proceedings in Bankruptcy now pending:"

Bill granting  
aid towards the  
construction of  
Railways.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for affording the guarantee of the Province to the Bonds of Railway Companies on certain conditions, and for rendering assistance in the construction of the *Halifax and Quebec Railway*:"

Common  
Schools (Quebec and Montreal) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the support of Common Schools in the *Cities of Quebec and Montreal*:"

Supply Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for certain Expenses of the Civil Government, and for other purposes therein mentioned:"

St. James  
Church (Toronto) Land  
Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable the Rector and Church Wardens of the Protestant Episcopal Church of *Saint James, Toronto*, to lease part of the Land heretofore occupied by them as the site of a Church and Burying Ground:"

Expiring Laws  
Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts and Ordinances therein mentioned:"

Commissioners  
for taking  
Affidavits Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Judges of the Superior Courts of Record in *Upper Canada*, to appoint Commissioners for taking Affidavits in *Lower Canada*:"

Bill to correct  
an Error in  
Judicature  
(L. C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to correct an error in an Act of the present Session, relative to the Judicature of *Lower Canada*:" And also,

School Law  
(L. C.) Bill.

The Legislative Council agrees to the Conference desired on the subject matter of the first Amendment made by their House to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*," and acquaint this House that the Managers on the part of their House are to be the Honorable Messieurs *E. P. Taché* and *Quesnel*, who are to meet the number of Managers required by Parliamentary usage, presently, in the Committee Room of the Legislative Council. And then he withdrew.

School Law  
(L. C.) Bill.

*Resolved*, That four Managers be appointed to meet the Managers appointed by the Honorable the Legislative Council, at the time and place appointed for the holding of the Conference desired upon the first Amendment made by their Honors to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, and Mr. *Boutillier*, be appointed Managers on the part of this House.

Then the Managers went to the Conference; and being returned:—

Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* reported, That the Managers had been at the Conference, and had delivered to their Honors the Reasons for disagreeing to the said Amendment.

St. Andrew's  
Church Bill.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Minister and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, Montreal*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to incorporate the Minister and Trustees of *Saint Andrew's Church, Montreal*."

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 7th March last, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, by the proper officer, a List of the Patents granted in *Lower Canada* for lots of Land exceeding five hundred acres, from the year 1795 to the year 1848, with the date of each Patent, the names of the parties to whom the said Lands have been granted, and by whom; the object for which each Patent was granted, and the conditions contained therein.

For the said Return, see Appendix (X.X.X.X.)

Land Patents.

Appendix  
(X.X.X.X.)

And also, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 12th March, 1849, for a detailed Statement of the monies annually received and paid by the Agent of the Seignior of *Lauzon*, from the period at which the Crown became the proprietor thereof, to the 20th of December last, shewing the annual amount proceeding from the *lods et ventes, cens et rentes*, mill leases, lands, and other property within the said Seignior; also, for a Statement shewing the amount of *cens et rentes* leviable and payable annually in each Parish of the said Seignior of *Lauzon*; the number and description of the mills in the said Seignior; whether any, and which, of the said mills have been repaired; what amount of money has been expended in repairing the said mills; by whose order and under whose superintendence these repairs have been made, and how the expense of these repairs has been defrayed; under whose superintendence and agency the said mills have been since the Crown became the proprietor of the said Seignior of *Lauzon*, and under whose superintendence and agency the said mills are at present; in what order and condition the said mills and other buildings now are; how many and which of the said mills are under lease; what are the dates and nature of the said leases; the names of the securities thereto; the amount of annual rental for each mill leased, when payable; whether any arrears of rent are due, to what amount, and by whom; and for a Statement of the annual amount of monies received and paid by the late Commissioner or Agent of the said Seignior of *Lauzon* up to the time at which he ceased to act as such, shewing the sources from which the said revenues are derived.

For the said Return, see Appendix (Y.Y.Y.Y.)

Seignior of  
Lauzon.

Appendix  
(Y.Y.Y.Y.)

*Ordered*, That the Return to an Address relating to Patents for Lands, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Land Patents.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the better establishment and maintenance of Public Schools in *Upper Canada*, and for repealing the present School Act, being read;

Public Schools  
(U. C.) Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Taché* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Taché* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

Mr. *Taché* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.



*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Trespass on certain Township Lands Bill.

An engrossed Bill to provide a legal mode of redress in cases of Trespass committed on Lands held in common in certain Townships in *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Walpole and Woodhouse Boundary Line Bill.

An engrossed Bill to define the boundary line between the Township of *Walpole*, in the *Niagara* District, and the Township of *Woodhouse*, in the *Talbot* District, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to appoint Commissioners to define the boundary line between the Township of *Walpole* in the *Niagara* District, and the Township of *Woodhouse* in the *Talbot* District."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thompson* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Court of Chancery (U. C.) Reporter's Salary Bill.

An engrossed Bill to increase the Salary of the Reporter of the Court of Chancery in *Upper Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Blake* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Huron District Division Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to divide the District of *Huron*, in the Province of *Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Press 1, line 34. After "Act" insert Clause (A.) Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that all that peninsular tract of Land lying to the northward of the Townships of *Derby*, *Arran*, and *Saugeen*, and between *Lake Huron* and the *Georgian Bay*, and known as the Indian Reserve, together with every Island in *Lake Huron* or the *Georgian Bay*, any portion of which lies within ten miles of the shore of the said peninsular tract of Land (unless such Island shall lie further south than the northern boundary line of the said Townships of *Derby*, *Arran*, and *Saugeen*) shall be annexed to and form part of the County of *Waterloo*; and that every such Island in *Lake Huron* as shall lie further south than the said boundary line, shall form part of such of the said Counties of *Huron* or *Bruce*, respectively, as such Island shall lie most adjacent to."

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

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

Writs of Prerogative Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law relating to Writs of Prerogative, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

Montreal Harbour Dues Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the *Montreal* Harbour Commissioners to commute for certain Harbour Dues with the Corporations therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Act of the 10 and 11 Vic. c. 25, intituled, "An Act for regulating the shipping of Seamen," and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

Mr. *Méthot* moved, seconded by Mr. *Laurin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Gugy* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Egan*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Egan*, *Gugy*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Merritt*, *Price*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, and *Thompson*.—(19.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Beaubien*, *Boutillier*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Guillet*, *Jobin*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, and *Taché*.—(20.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Gugy*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day five months" added at the end thereof;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Christie*, *Egan*, *Gugy*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Merritt*, *Morrison*, *Price*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, and *Thompson*.—(22.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Beaubien*, *Boutillier*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Guillet*, *Jobin*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, and *Taché*.—(22.)

And the Votes being equally divided; Mr. Speaker gave his casting Vote in the Negative.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Beaubien*, *Boutillier*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Guillet*, *Jobin*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *M'Farland*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, and *Taché*.—(22.)

## NAYS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of NORFOLK, *Cameron* of KENT, *Christie*, *Egan*, *Gugy*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *Merritt*, *Morrison*, *Price*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Thompson*.—(22.)

And the Votes being equally divided; Mr. Speaker gave his casting Vote in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Orders deferred.

*Ordered*, That the Orders of the day for Monday next, be postponed until Tuesday next.

Mr. *Gugy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Christie*, and the Question being put, That the remaining Orders of this day be postponed until Tuesday next;

The House divided:

Yeas, 25.

Nays, 20.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Chabot*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

The House adjourned until Tuesday next.

*Martis, 29° die Maii;*

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions brought up.

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

By Mr. *Duchesnay*,—The Petition of *G. W. Wicksteed*, Esquire, and others, Officers of the Legislative Assembly.

By Mr. *Holmes*,—The Petition of *William F. Coffin*, Esquire, Joint Sheriff of the District of *Montreal*.

Public Lands Management Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to make other provisions for the management and disposal of the Public Lands, and to limit the period for making free grants, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Price* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Timber Management Bill.

An engrossed Bill for the sale and better management of Timber upon the Public Lands, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Price* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Land Surveyors Bill.

An engrossed Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands in this Province, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Price* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions read.

Pursuant to the Order of the day, the following Petition was read:—

Of *William Reid*, Esquire, and others, of the Township of *Gwillimbury East*, in the Fourth Riding of the County of *York*; expressing their sorrow for the destruction of the Parliament Buildings, the Library, and Legislative Records, and for the insult offered to His Excellency the Governor General,—

and their unqualified approbation of the Parliamentary measures finally passed and assented to.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *G. W. Wicksteed*, Esquire, and others, Officers of the Legislative Assembly, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read; praying compensation for losses sustained by them, when the Parliament Building was destroyed, on the night of the twenty-fifth of April last.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *William F. Coffin*, Esquire, Joint Sheriff of the District of *Montreal*, be now read; and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

And the said Petition was read, setting forth:—

That in and by the Report of a certain Committee of the House, to which were referred the Returns to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, of the twenty-third January last, praying for Statements of the Income derived by the Sheriff of the District of *Montreal*, et al: for the last five years, which said Report was submitted to the House on the seventeenth ultimo, but of which the Petitioner only received communication on the twenty-third instant, charges have been made affecting deeply the character of the Petitioner as a public officer, and his honor and reputation as a man: That the Report in question, as made to the House, is based upon the *ex parte* evidence of gentlemen, some of whom are personally hostile to the Petitioner; that it was taken in the absence of the Petitioner, and of his associate in office, and at times when from the nature of their public duties it was utterly impossible for them to give personal attention to the proceedings of the Committee; and that no evidence in explanation or exculpation, although tendered, was received or heard before said Committee: That pending the investigations of the Committee, and with a knowledge of the nature of a portion of the evidence adduced, to wit, on the seventeenth ultimo, the Petitioner addressed a letter to the Chairman of said Committee, which will be found upon the printed Minutes of said Committee, (p. 12,) expressing his conviction "that there was no part of such evidence which, with time and opportunity, he could not refute entirely, or explain satisfactorily, and praying that such opportunity might be afforded him:" That on the same date, (the 7th ultimo,) Mr. *Meredith*, Queen's Counsel, and through him, Mr. *Rose*, Q. C., Mr. *Johnson*, Q. C., Mr. *Griffin*, Mr. *Beakley*, Mr. *Andrews*, Mr. *MacKay*, Mr. *Andrew Robertson*, Mr. *George Robertson*, Mr. *Belhune*, and Mr. *Cross*, advocates, gentlemen all of high professional standing and extensive practice, offered, as appears by Mr. *Meredith's* letter, addressed to the Chairman, upon the printed Minutes of the Committee, (p. 12,) to testify as to the faithful and efficient performance of the duties of the Office of Sheriff, by Messrs. *Boston* and *Coffin*, from the time of their appointment to the present time, "and especially as to the promptitude with which they have invariably paid all orders or judgments, distributing monies in their hands:" That the Committee, as appears by their Report, did not accede either to the request of Mr. *Meredith*, or to that of the Petitioner, from the fear of introducing a bad precedent: That without in any way presuming to impugn the propriety of the course pursued by the Committee, a course which may probably be consonant with Parliamentary practice and precedent, the Petitioner respectfully submits, that the conclusions contained in the Report of the Committee, injurious as they are to the honor and character of the Petitioner, have been predicated upon partial and insufficient evidence, which evidence the Petitioner is prepared to rebut or explain both in particular detail, and in general tenor and effect: That the Petitioner disclaims all wish or intention of

encroaching on the province of Legislation, so far as concerns the office, or the duties or the emoluments of the office, or any change in, or modification of, the office in which he has the honor to share: That office was conferred upon the Petitioner, by the Government of this Province, the depository and exponent of the will of the Legislature: That it is for the Legislature to deal with the office as to the wisdom of the Legislature may seem most fitting: the Petitioner will repine at no change which may affect his material interests for the public benefit, let such change come when it may; but the Petitioner appeals to the House, the highest tribunal in the land, a tribunal pre-eminently distinguished as a tribunal of honor, to whose high and sacred keeping is confided the honor of every British subject in this Province, to enable him to defend from grievous and unmerited imputations, a character which has been thus far through life unimpeached, and which, he is proud to feel, is still unimpeachable; and praying that the House will be pleased to accord to the Petitioner the privilege of being heard personally, at the Bar of the House, in his own defence, at such time as the House may be pleased to appoint, and the Petitioner will be prepared to support and confirm by evidence, in such manner as the House may direct, any statement he may make before the House in vindication of his honor and character.

Petition of W. F. Coffin to be printed.

*Ordered*, That two hundred and fifty copies of the Petition of *William F. Coffin*, Esquire, Joint Sheriff of the District of *Montreal*, be printed in each of the English and French languages, for the use of the Members of this House.

Small Causes (L. C.) Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Laurin*, seconded by Mr. *Chabot*, *Ordered*, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act for the summary decision of Small Causes in *Lower Canada*, be discharged.

Events of 25th April last.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the day for taking into further consideration the Question proposed on Friday, the fourth day of May instant, That this House taking into consideration the deplorable events which occurred in the City of *Montreal*, on Wednesday, the twenty-fifth day of April last, when a numerous and riotous assemblage of evil-minded persons attacked, about nine o'clock at night, the Building in which this House was then sitting, in consequence of which the Archives as well as its Library were totally destroyed, and all the important business of this country violently interrupted; that this House further considering the character of the riots, the burnings which have since taken place, and the tumultuous meetings which are daily held in several portions of this City, with the avowed object of threatening and controlling the acts of the Legislature, is fully convinced that its deliberations are no longer free, and that it is most urgent that the present Session should be closed, be discharged.

Shipping of Seamen Bill.

Mr. *Méthot* moved, seconded by Mr. *Chabot*, and the Question being put, That the Bill to repeal the Act of the 10 and 11 *Vic. c. 25*, intituled, "An Act for regulating the shipping of Seamen," and for other purposes therein mentioned, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Boutillier*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchernay*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*,

*Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Marquis*, *McFarland*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Polette*, *Sauvageau*, and *Taché*.—(23.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Burrill*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Egan*, *Ferguson*, *Gugy*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Merritt*, *Notman*, *Price*, *Prince*, *Richards*, *Robinson*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Thompson*, and *Wetenhall*.—(27.)

So it was passed the Negative.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—The Annual Report of the Normal, Model and Common Schools in *Upper Canada*, for the year 1848, with an Appendix, by the Chief Superintendent of Schools.

Report of Schools in Upper Canada, 1848.

For the said Report, see Appendix (Z.Z.Z.Z.)

Appendix (Z.Z.Z.Z.)

*Ordered*, That seven hundred and fifty copies in the English language, and two hundred and fifty copies in the French language, of the said Report, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 21st instant, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, a Return of all monies collected by the Government under the 9th *Vic. c. 33*, intituled, "An Act to provide for the accommodation of the Courts of Superior Jurisdiction in *Upper Canada*;" also, a Return of the sales and proceeds of that lot of land in the City of *Toronto*, called *Simcoe Place*, authorized to be sold under and by said Act; also, a detailed Account of all monies received and paid, and of the Debentures issued with interest thereon, and of the redemption of the same, in whole or in part, under and by virtue of the said Act.

Accommodation of Courts of Justice (U. C.)

By Command,

J. LESLIE,  
Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,

*Montreal*, 26th May, 1849.

Return of all monies collected by the Government under the Act 9 *Vic. c. 33*, intituled, "An Act to provide for the accommodation of the Courts of Superior Jurisdiction in *Upper Canada*," of monies paid, and of Debentures issued with interest thereon, and of the redemption of the same, in whole or in part, called for by the Address of the Honorable Legislative Assembly of 21st May instant:—

Currency.	
Amount of Law Fees received in 1846....	£415 16 6
Do do do 1847....	909 14 3
Do do do 1848....	1219 5 6
Total received up to 1st Feb. 1849....	£2544 16 3
Amount of Interest on Debentures paid in 1848.....	489 0 0
Balance of Fee Fund remaining on hand .....	£2055 16 3
Amount of Debentures issued as under, viz:—	
In May, 1847.....	£3250 0 0
In June, 1847.....	2750 0 0
Total Currency.....	£6000 0 0

These Debentures bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, redeemable at fifteen years from their respective dates.

None have yet been redeemed.

JOS. CARY,  
Dy. Insp. Gen.

Inspector General's Office,  
Montreal, 23rd May, 1849.

Ordered, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Letter from  
Lieut. Col.  
D'Urban.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following Letter:—

Donegana's Hotel,  
Montreal, May, 27th, 1849.

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive your letter of the 26th instant, covering a copy of the Resolutions which had been unanimously adopted by the Legislative Assembly on that day. The surviving Members of the family of my father the late Sir Benjamin D'Urban, Commander of Her Majesty's Forces in Canada, cannot but be deeply sensible of the tribute of respect, so gratifying to their feelings, which Your Honorable House has been pleased to pay to his memory; and I have to request to you, Sir, to do me the favor to convey to the House their sentiments on the occasion.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,  
W. J. D'URBAN, Lt. Col.  
Dep. Quarter Master Gen.

The Hon: The Speaker  
of the House of Assembly,  
Montreal.

Niagara and  
Detroit Rivers  
Railroad Bill.

Mr. Cauchon moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent, and the Question being put, That the Fee paid by Duncan M'Farland, Esquire, previous to the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Niagara and Detroit Rivers Railroad Company, be refunded to him; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Penitentiary.

Mr. Holmes moved, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency will be pleased to cause the proper Officer to lay before this House, Copies of the Reports made by the Commissioners appointed to investigate into the conduct, discipline, and management of the Provincial Penitentiary;

The House divided:

Yeas, 16.

Nays, 18.

So it passed in the Negative.

Bill relating to  
Dorchester  
Bridge, &c.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize and enable the Trustees of the Quebec Turnpike Roads to acquire and assume the possession and property of the Bridge called Dorchester Bridge, and for other purposes," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 4, line 9. After "Act" insert "Provided always, that it shall be lawful for His Excellency the Governor General in Council, from time to time, to authorize the said Trustees to deviate from the said order in any respect which it may be deemed advisable so to do, for the purpose of more speedily raising the said loan, or otherwise furthering the objects of this Act, and the interests of the public in connection therewith."

Press 4, line 20. After "respect" insert Clause (A.) Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that if at any time it shall appear to the said Trustees to be advisable to change the direction of the said Roads and parts of Roads, or of any other Roads or parts of Roads subject to their management, the portions of ground acquired by them for that purpose shall become and be portions of the said Roads or parts of Roads, respectively, in lieu and stead of the corresponding portions previously used as such, which shall vest in and belong to the several and respective owners of the adjoining lands from which the same were originally taken; and where such owners or any of them shall have been entitled to payment or compensation in respect of any portions of ground so required to be taken by the said Trustees, or of any damage suffered or to be suffered by reason of such change, the value of the ground about to revert to them as aforesaid may and shall be estimated and taken into account in deduction or discharge of such payment or compensation; but if such old Road shall lead to any land, house, or place which cannot, in the opinion of the Trustees, be accommodated with a convenient way and passage from such new Road, then and in such case such old Road and every part thereof shall remain subject to the right of way and passage to such land, house, or place, respectively."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General Blake do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments:

Mr. Prince moved, seconded by Mr. Christie, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, representing that this House views with extreme jealousy the continuance under its roof of a large body of armed Soldiers, and that such an unusual circumstance is, in the opinion of this House, calculated to restrain the freedom of debate, and in the present time of peace and internal tranquillity, unconstitutional and unnecessary, the more especially so as this House firmly believes Her Majesty The Queen may always rely on the loyalty and fidelity of Her subjects in this Province to maintain the honor and dignity of the Crown of England, as well as the public peace in these Her dominions, and therefore praying His Excellency to give immediate directions for the withdrawal of the Troops from the precincts of this House;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Badgley, Christie, Gagy, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Malloch, M'Connell, M'Lean, and Prince.—(8.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Attorney General Baldwin, Beaubien, Solicitor General Blake, Boulton of NORFOLK, Cartier, Cauchon, Chauveau, De Witt, Solicitor General Drummond, Dumas, Egan, Fournier, Fournier, Johnson, Lyon, Marquis, Merritt, Méthot, Mongenais, Polette, Price, Seymour, Taché, and Thompson.—(25.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The Honorable Mr. Boulton moved, seconded by Mr. Thompson, and the Question being put, That it is the opinion of this House that an investigation should be made by some disinterested persons into the subject of complaint preferred by George H. Park, Esquire, late Medical Superintendent of the Provincial Temporary Lunatic Asylum at Toronto, against the persons acting as Commissioners of that

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from the pre-  
cincts of the  
House.

Toronto Lu-  
natic Asylum.

Institution, as well with a view of doing justice to the Petitioner by affording him an opportunity of defending his character against aspersions cast upon him by them, as of ascertaining whether any change be required in the Law regulating the management of the Lunatic Asylum now being erected there, and expected shortly to be placed upon a more permanent footing;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of NORFOLK, and *Thompson*.— (2.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of KENT, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Christie*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Gugy*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, *Johnson*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of GLENGARY, *Macdonald* of KINGSTON, *Marquis*, *M<sup>c</sup>Connell*, *M<sup>c</sup>Lean*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, and *Smith* of WENTWORTH.— (40.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Message from the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

School Law (L. C.) Bill.

The Legislative Council do not insist on their first Amendment to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*," to which this House disagrees: And also,

J. Yule's Mill Dam Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize *John Yule*, the younger, Esquire, and others, to erect a Mill Dam upon the River *Richelieu*, in the District of *Montreal*," with an Amendment; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

School Law (L. C.) Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* do carry back the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*," to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Public Schools (U. C.) Bill.

An engrossed Bill for the better establishment and maintenance of Public Schools in *Upper Canada*, and for repealing the present School Act, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Adjournment.

Ordered, That when this House doth adjourn, it will adjourn until to-morrow, at ten o'clock, A. M.

J. Yule's Mill Dam Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize *John Yule*, the younger, Esquire, and others, to erect a Mill Dam upon the River *Richelieu*, in the District of *Montreal*," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Press 2, line 16. After "feet" insert "in the most navigable part of the said River, or in the deepest part thereof, or in the middle thereof."

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

Ordered, That Mr. *Beaubien* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

Mr. *Chauveau*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the causes and importance of the emigration which takes place annually from *Lower Canada* to the *United States*; the class and, if possible, the number of persons who have emigrated during the last five years; the fate of the individuals and families who have emigrated, and the best means to prevent that emigration for the future, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read.

Report of Select Committee on Emigration.

For the said Report, see Appendix (A.A.A.A.A.)

Appendix (A.A.A.A.A.)

Ordered, That seven hundred and fifty copies in the English language, and two hundred and fifty copies in the French language, of the said Report, be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the Members of this House.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Ministers and Trustees of *Saint Andrew's Church*,"

St. Andrew's Church Bill.

"*Montreal*:"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to divide the Township of *Leeds* and *Lansdown*, in the District of *Johnstown*:"

Leeds and Lansdowne Townships Division Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands in this Province:"

Land Surveyors Bill.

"Bill, intituled, "An Act to increase the Salary of the Reporter of the Court of Chancery in *Upper Canada*:"

Court of Chancery (U. C.) Reporter's Salary Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act for the sale and better management of Timber upon the Public Lands:"

Timber Management Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to make other provisions for the management and disposal of the Public Lands, and to limit the period for making free grants:"

Public Lands Management Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide a legal mode of redress in cases of Trespass committed on Lands held in common in certain Townships in *Lower Canada*:"

Trespass on certain Township Lands Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to appoint Commissioners to define the boundary line between the Township of *Walpole* in the *Niagara* District, and the Township of *Woodhouse* in the *Talbot* District:"

Walpole and Woodhouse Boundary Line Bill.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. *Christie*, from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Second Report of Committee on Public Accounts.

Your Committee regret to report that owing to the peculiar circumstances of the Session, and the various pressing calls upon its Members for attendance on other Committees on which they were named, they have been unable to give to the Public Accounts now remaining unexamined for several Sessions, the attention they are entitled to, and can therefore only recommend that they be resumed at an early period in the ensuing Session.

Your Committee, in obedience to the Order of Your Honorable House, of the twentieth February last, to make or procure a Return of the Annual Revenues and Expenditure of the Province from the date of the Union to the commencement of the present year, similar to those relating to *Lower* and *Upper*



Canada from the establishment of their respective Constitutions to the Union, already on the Journals, for 1847, of Your Honorable House, applied to Mr. Ross, the Chief Clerk of Committees thereof, and by whom that above alluded to for Lower Canada had been with considerable care and labour put together, and who, in anticipation that a document of the kind might be called for, had during the last two recesses prepared one at his leisure, embracing a Statement of the whole of the Revenues of the Province, yearly, from the period of the Union to the end of the year 1847, and the sources whence they were derived, as well as the Annual Expenditure thereof, divided into heads, and which he, subsequently to the date of Your Instruction, presented to the Chairman of Your Committee to be laid before it. This valuable document, precious as a record, and which as such, it no doubt was the desire of Your Honorable House to preserve on its Journals, has been destroyed with many others of still greater value, by the late unhappy conflagration. Your Committee are of opinion, that it would be unfair to make Mr. Ross sustain the loss of a work done extra-officially by him, and of merit, the value of which he fixed at Twenty-five pounds, have thought it expedient, in the belief that it will meet with the approbation of Your Honorable House, to desire him to prepare another similar Return, including the year 1849, for the ensuing Session; and to recommend a payment to him now, of Twenty pounds, in full requital of the lost document, of which he declares to Your Committee he has not kept any copy to help him in the reconstruction of a new one, and Twenty pounds more at the next Session, upon his preparing and delivering the Return or Statement Your Committee have authorized him to reconstruct, and in full therefor, as well as for the one destroyed.

Mr. Christie moved, seconded by Mr. M'Lean, and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Report;

The House divided:

Yeas, 19.

Nays, 17.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. M'Connell moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Badgley, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence which has passed between the Collector of Customs at the Port of Stanstead and the Inspector General's Department, in reference to the seizure by the Preventive Officer at that Port, of a horse, sleigh, harness, and buffalo robes, on the fifteenth of March last, the property of Joseph Bates, the same being at the time of its seizure in the possession of Sylvanus Bates, of Stanstead;

The House divided:

Yeas, 12.

Nays, 25.

So it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. M'Connell, seconded by Mr. Cryster,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence in reference to the Brome and Bolton Road, and also of the Report of the Engineer, and the decision of the Law Officers of the Crown in reference to the same.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

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The Honorable Mr. Boulton moved, seconded by Mr. Nelson, and the Question being put, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Toronto School of Medicine, be now read;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Boulton of NORFOLK, Boutilier, Solicitor General Drummond, Duchesnay, Egan, Fournier, Johnson, Malloch, Nelson, Price, Sherwood of BROCKVILLE, Smith of WENTWORTH, and Thompson.—(14.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Badgley, Attorney General Baldwin, Solicitor General Blake, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Christie, Cryster, DeWitt, Dumas, Fortier, Fourquin, Guillet, Holmes, Jobin, Laurin, Lemieux, Macdonald of KINGSTON, Marquis, M'Connell, M'Lean, Merritt, Méhot, Mongenais, Notman, Polette, Robinson, Seymour, and Smith of FRONTENAC.—(29.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate "La Société Saint Jean Baptiste de la Cité de Québec," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Laurin took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Laurin reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Chauveau do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any Amendment.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following Letter:—

Government House,  
Montreal, 29th May, 1849.

Sir,—I am commanded by the Governor General to inform you that it is His Excellency's intention, should the state of the public business permit, to prorogue the Session of the Legislature, to-morrow at four o'clock.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

T. E. CAMPBELL,

The Honorable

The Speaker of the

Legislative Assembly.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Law relative to Writs of Prerogative, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Egan took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. Egan reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Toronto School of Medicine Bill.

La Société St. Jean Baptiste de Québec Bill.

His Excellency intends to prorogue the Legislature.

Writs of Prerogative Bill.

Seizure of a Horse, &c. at Stanstead.

Brome and Bolton Road.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same. Mr. *Egan* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Bill relating to Arson and Counterfeit Coin.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Criminal Law of this Province relating to the offences of Arson and Counterfeiting Coin, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Toronto School of Medicine Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Toronto* School of Medicine, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Egan*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided:

Yeas, 17.

Nays, 19.

So it passed in the Negative.

Montreal Harbour Dues Bill.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, reported the Bill to authorize the *Montreal* Harbour Commissioners to commute for certain Harbour Dues with the Corporations therein mentioned; and the amendments, as far as Clause (A.) were read, and agreed to.

Clause (A.) The next amendment, being read a second time, as followeth:—"And whereas the collection of the Duty *ad valorem* of two shillings and sixpence, currency, by the said Act, imposed as Harbour Dues on every one hundred pounds worth of Goods imported from the *United States* and coming to *Montreal* via *St. John's*, has been found impracticable at *Montreal*, the entries of such Goods, with statements of their value, being made at the Port of *St. Johns*; be it therefore enacted, that the Collector at the said Port of *St. John's* on the River *Richelieu*, shall from and after the passing hereof, demand and collect on all Goods imported from the *United States* landed at or passing through the said Port for *Montreal*, the aforesaid Duty of two shillings and sixpence, currency, on every one hundred pounds in value thereof, and shall account for and pay over to the said Harbour Commissioners the Duties so by him collected at such and the same periods as the Duties of Customs by him collected are accounted for and paid over to the Treasury of the Province."

And the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said amendment;—It passed unanimously in the Negative.

Then the residue of the said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to establish a more equal and just system of Assessment in the several Townships, Villages, Towns, and Cities in *Upper Canada*, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order of the day be discharged.

Assessment Bill (U. C.)

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, and for the punishment of Fraudulent Debtors in *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Cartier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Cartier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Cartier* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt in Lower Canada.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the *Montreal* Harbour Commissioners to commute for certain Harbour Dues with the Corporations therein mentioned, was read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, seconded by Mr. *Crysler*,

*Ordered*, That the following engrossed Proviso be added to the first Clause of the said Bill, by way of Rider, and do make part thereof:—

"Provided always that nothing herein contained shall have the effect of dispensing with the said tariff of rates, which shall continue to be levied in the manner provided by the said Act until after such gross sum of money as the equivalent of such rates shall have been assented to by His Excellency in Council."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to authorize the *Montreal* Harbour Commissioners to commute for certain Harbour Dues with the Corporations therein mentioned, and for other purposes."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *DeWitt* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Montreal Harbour Dues Bill.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Law relating to Writs of Prerogative, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to define the mode of proceeding before the Courts of Justice in *Lower Canada*, in matters relating to the protection and regulation of Corporate Rights, and to Writs of Prerogative, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Writs of Prerogative Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Polette*, and the Question being put, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, be now read;

The House divided:

Yeas, 12.

Nays, 16.

So it passed in the Negative.

Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt.

Road Laws  
(L. C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to consolidate and amend the Road Laws of *Lower Canada*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Bill to exempt  
Firemen from  
certain duties.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to exempt Firemen, after a certain number of years service as such, from Militia and other duties, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

And the Question being put, That the Report be now received;

The House divided:

Yeas, 29.

Nays, 9.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. *Sherwood*, of *Brockville*, reported the Bill accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

Bill to abolish  
Imprisonment  
for Debt in  
Lower Canada.

An engrossed Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, and for the punishment of Fraudulent Debtors in *Lower Canada*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be,  
"An Act to abolish Imprisonment for Debt,  
"and for the punishment of Fraudulent Debtors  
"in *Lower Canada*, and for other purposes."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Megantic Re-  
gistry District  
Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to detach the Townships of *Tring*, *Shenley*, *Brompton*, *Dorset*, *Forsyth*, *Lambton*, *Price*, and *Aylmer*, in the County of *Megantic*, from the said County, and to unite them into a District for Registration purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

An engrossed Bill to detach the Townships of *Tring*, *Shenley*, *Brompton*, *Dorset*, *Forsyth*, *Lambton*, *Price*, and *Aylmer*, in the County of *Megantic*, from the said County, and to unite them into a District for Registration purposes, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be,  
"An Act to divide the County of *Megantic* into  
"two Districts, for the Registration of Deeds."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cauchon* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Orders defer-  
red.

Mr. *Malloch* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, and the Question being put, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until tomorrow;

The House divided:

Yeas, 22.

Nays, 10.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then, on motion of Mr. *Malloch*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*,  
The House adjourned.

*Mercurii*, 30° *die Maii*;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

An engrossed Bill to exempt Firemen, after a certain number of years service as such, from Militia and other duties, was read the third time.

Bill to exempt  
Firemen from  
certain duties.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Wentworth*, do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. *Notman*, seconded by Mr. *Holmes*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented Penitentiary.

to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, a copy of the Reports made by the Commissioners appointed to investigate into the conduct, discipline, and management of the Provincial Penitentiary, with the documents transmitted by the Commissioners.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Criminal Law of this Province relating to the offences of Arson and Counterfeiting Coin, was read the third time.

Bill relating to  
Arson and  
Counterfeit  
Coin.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Notman* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from  
the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act for the better establishment and maintenance of Public Schools in *Upper Canada*, "and for repealing the present School Act," without any Amendment: And also,

Public Schools  
(U. C.) Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* and "Vermont Junction Railway Company," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Missisquoi  
Railroad Bill.

And then he withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Drummond* have leave to bring in a Bill to continue a certain Act therein mentioned relative to the Public Health of the City of *Montreal*.

Public Health  
(Montreal)  
Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be engrossed.

An engrossed Bill to continue a certain Act therein mentioned relative to the Public Health of the City of *Montreal*, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond* do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* and *Vermont* Junction Railway Company," be now taken into consideration.

Missisquoi  
Railroad Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 2, line 39. After "*Richelieu*" insert "which Bridge shall be used for no other purpose than the passage of Locomotives, Cars, and Carriages belonging to the said Company, with the passengers and freight therein, and of the servants and officers of the said Company, and not for the passage of any other carriage, person, or thing."

Press 3, line 1. After "indemnity" insert "which indemnity shall, if not agreed upon between the parties, be determined by arbitrators in the manner hereinafter provided in other cases; and in ascertaining the amount of such indemnity the arbitrators shall take into consideration and allow for the prospective increase in the amount of the traffic over the Bridge of the said Honorable *Robert Jones*, and shall allow him full indemnity for the damage he may sustain from the loss of future as well as of present traffic over his said Bridge, in consequence of the construction of the said Railway, and of the Bridge of the said Company."

Press 3, line 13. After "year" insert "and provided also, that the said Company may, if they think proper to purchase the Bridge of the said Honorable *Robert Jones*, and if they can agree with him as to the indemnity to be paid therefor, (but not without his consent,) acquire from him the said Bridge, and all the rights and privileges whatsoever thereunto relating, or therewith connected and to him belonging; and the same if so acquired shall thereafter be vested in the said Company, and may be held and exercised by them as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as they now are or can be by the said Honorable *Robert Jones*."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Beaubien* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Return to the Address of this House to His Excellency the Governor General, relating to the Seignior of *Lauzon*, laid before the House on Saturday last, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 30th instant, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, "a copy of the Reports made by the Commissioners appointed to investigate into the conduct, discipline, and management of the Provincial Penitentiary, with the documents transmitted by the Commissioners."

For the said Return, see Appendix (B.B.B.B.)

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fenning Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, and for the punishment of Fraudulent Debtors in *Lower Canada*:"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to define the mode of proceeding before the Courts of Justice in *Lower Canada*, in matters relating to the protection and regulation of Corporate Rights, and to Writs of Prerogative, and for other purposes therein mentioned:"

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Members of the Medical Profession in *Lower Canada*, and to regulate the study and practice of Physic and Surgery therein:—"

Medical Profession (L. C.) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Montreal* Harbour Commissioners to commute for certain Harbour Dues with the Corporations therein mentioned, and for other purposes:—"

Montreal Harbour Dues Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to continue a certain Act therein mentioned relative to the Public Health of the City of *Montreal*:"

Public Health (Montreal) Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Criminal Law of this Province relating to the offences of Arson and Counterfeiting Coin:"

Bill relating to Arson and Counterfeit Coin.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to divide the County of *Megantic* into two Districts, for the Registration of Deeds:"

Megantic Registry District Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to exempt Firemen, after a certain number of years service as such, from Militia and other duties:" And also,

Bill to exempt Firemen from certain duties.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Lower Canada*, for the construction of Macadamized Roads, and of Bridges and other works of a like nature," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Joint Stock Road and Bridge, &c. Companies (L. C.) Bill.

And then he withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Lower Canada*, for the construction of Macadamized Roads, and of Bridges and other works of a like nature," be now taken into consideration.

Joint Stock Road and Bridge, &c. Companies (L. C.) Bill.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 32. After "timber" insert "deals and other wood goods."

Press 3, line 16. After "upon" insert "nor within the limits of any exclusive privilege granted to any person or Company during the continuance of such privilege, without the express consent in writing, of such person or Company first had and obtained for that purpose."

Press 3, line 32. After "works" insert "who shall at the same time that they approve of the construction of such slide, determine and name the time within which the Company shall be bound to make and complete such slide; and any Company failing to make and complete any such slide within the time so named and determined for the making and completing of such slide shall at the expiration of such time forfeit all their rights and powers with respect to the making of such slide, and to the land taken for the purpose of making the same, which shall thereupon revert to the party or parties from whom the same was taken, on payment by him or them to the Company of the then present value thereof, to be ascertained by arbitration as hereinafter provided."

Press 14, line 39. After "completed" insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that no By-law, Rule, or Regulation of any such Company, fixing, regulating, or altering the rate of tolls or charges on any such work, or affecting others than the members or officers of such Company, shall have force or effect, until it shall have been confirmed by the Governor in Council."

In the Preamble:

Press 1, line 4. After "timber" insert "deals and other wood goods."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Seignior of Lauzon.

Penitentiary.

Appendix (B.B.B.B.)

Message from the Council.

Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt in Lower Canada.

Writs of Prerogative Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Beaubien*, do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Mr. *DeWitt*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have taken into consideration a Letter from Mr. *A. Leroux Cardinal*, Chief Messenger and Keeper of that part of the late Parliament Building, occupied by Your Honorable House, dated the 14th instant, to the Speaker, and by him referred to Your Committee, representing the serious loss he has sustained by the late conflagration of the Parliament House, and his utter destitution by reason thereof, (which Letter is hereunto appended;) and they accordingly beg leave to recommend, after a due consideration of his case, that an advance of One hundred pounds be made him from the Contingencies, to enable him to provide himself temporarily with lodgings for his family, furniture, and other necessaries; with the understanding always, that if he recover Insurance, (having insured, as he represents to Your Committee, to the amount of Two hundred pounds,) or an indemnity by Law from any other source than from the Insurers, for the loss of property he has sustained by the aforesaid conflagration, he is to refund the amount.

Your Committee have in like manner taken into consideration an application to them by Letter (hereunto also appended,) of the 14th instant, from Mr. *Alfred Todd*, a Clerk of Committees of Your Honorable House, for a remuneration to which he deems himself entitled for superintending the printing of an Index, prepared by order of Your Honorable House in 1841, to the Journals of the Assembly of *Upper Canada*, and but recently from the Press.

It appears that when this work was commenced, Mr. *Todd* was employed at fifteen shillings per diem, as well during the Session as in the Recess, while actually employed at the work. It was thought advisable, however, in 1843, to put him on a fixed salary, in consideration whereof he was to continue and perfect as part of his official duty, and without further remuneration, the work in hand, which having been concluded, printed, and distributed, Mr. *Todd* now petitions for "some allowance in consideration of the great additional labour and research involved in the completion of the work." Mr. *Todd* states in support of his claim, that the work occupied him until the Session of 1847; that being then completed, it was submitted to a Committee who, after examination, declared their satisfaction with the mode in which it had been performed, and informed him that when it should be printed, Your Honorable House would in all probability grant him some further remuneration for his labour; that he accordingly superintended the printing of the work in the expectation that he would be remunerated for it.

Your Committee, while they admit the value of Mr. *Todd's* work, regret that they cannot recognize his claim without affording a most inconvenient precedent. His salary is liberal, (£250;) and when it is considered that it was granted him with a view to the completion of this work without his passing through the previous grades of salaries, viz. those of £125 and £150, to which most of the Officers of Your Honorable House have been subjected, Your Committee are of opinion that they cannot consistently recommend his prayer.

Your Committee have also taken into consideration a Letter of the 21st instant, hereunto appended, from the Clerk of Your Honorable House, *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire, submitting his request that an allowance of

£25 per annum be granted to Mr. *Vaux*, the Second Office Clerk of Your Honorable House, as a compensation to him for keeping the Accounts of the Contingencies thereof. Mr. *Lindsay* represents that he has for the last two years, 1847 and 1848, paid this allowance to Mr. *Vaux* out of his salary, less £18-1s-11d. received by him for interest on deposits in the Bank of *Montreal*. It seems to have been, at a former Session, understood by the Committee on Contingencies, that if Mr. *Lindsay* could obtain on the deposits of the monies drawn in his favour from the Treasury to meet the Contingencies of the House and deposited in the Bank, a sum of £25 by way of interest, annually, in consideration of these deposits, he might apply it in payment of Mr. *Vaux* as his Accountant; but it does not appear that any pledge or assurance was given on the part of Your Honorable House or of its Committee, that this additional charge should be borne on the Contingencies of the House in case the interest upon such deposits should prove inadequate, nor that Your Honorable House has ever even indirectly recognized it as a legitimate charge. Mr. *Lindsay* informs Your Committee, that the balances in the Bank have been so fluctuating that it declines allowing any interest upon them in future: he also states it as his belief, that when the House placed him on a fixed salary it was not intended that any part of that salary should be paid by him to the Accountant, and requests to be relieved of that payment.

Your Committee have to observe in reference to this, that Mr. *Lindsay's* salary, previous to 1846, was £500 a-year: he had also received, subsequent to the suspension of the Constitution of *Lower Canada*, and upon his removal to *Montreal* and *Kingston*, as the Seat of Government, £100 a-year; as House Rent, besides one per cent on the monies passing through his hands for Contingencies, in consideration it is to be presumed, of his trouble, risk and responsibility in receiving, paying, and accounting for those monies. This allowance was, in the Session of 1846, commuted for an addition of £250 a-year to his fixed salary, making it £750; which, according to a Report of the Committee, dated 3rd June, 1846; and concurred in the following day by the House, was to be "in lieu of all fees, allowances and percentage, and to be continued only during the continuance in office of the present incumbent, in consideration of his long and faithful services, and thereafter to be fixed at £600 per annum."

Such being the facts, it will be for Your Honorable House to determine whether Mr. *Lindsay* ought to be relieved of the payment he complains of as onerous and unjust towards him, and an allowance made him for an Accountant; or whether he is to defray that expense out of the liberal salary allowed him, as Your Committee are inclined to believe was intended when Your Honorable House gave him the increase as mentioned above.

Your Committee would here observe, that although the contingent expenses of Your Honorable House are enormous, and call for repressal, yet the demands from all quarters upon them are growing, and multiply in a ratio far exceeding that of the increase of the public business. At no Session since the Union have the tendencies and pressure from without to increase the salaries on the Establishment of Your Honorable House been more actively exerted than during the present Session, if Your Committee may take their own experience as the test. The Report above alluded to, of June, 1846, which fixes the salaries of the several Officers of Your Honorable House, observes, "that any Officer or Servant thereof who may consider his services inadequately paid, be allowed to retire from the service of the House, and that the Clerk, with the approbation of the



"Speaker, be authorized to fill the vacancy;" and Your Committee think it reasonable to repeat the observation.

Your Committee are of opinion that the custom of paying persons summoned to appear before Committees for examination, materially contributes to swell the expenses of Your Honorable House, and is liable to abuse. They consequently recommend its discontinuance, and that, except in very special cases, no monies be paid to persons summoned to appear for examination before any Committee of Your Honorable House.

Your Committee have also to report an application from Mr. *Logan*, the Provincial Geologist, for reimbursement of Sixty-four pounds thirteen shillings and ninepence, incurred and paid by him for the translation of his Reports as laid before your Honorable House, and by it ordered to be translated and printed for the use of Members, and for lithographs in connection with the said Reports. Mr. *Logan* has stated to Your Committee, that owing to the difficulty of translating into French the various technical terms frequently occurring in his work, he found it indispensably necessary to employ a special translator acquainted with the geological and mineralogical nomenclature, and to superintend in person the translation. Your Committee are of opinion, that all translations of Reports and papers of every description ought to be done by the Translators in the employ and pay of Your Honorable House, which ought not to be charged with the payment of extra-official translations of such documents.

Your Committee append to their present Report an Estimate in detail (by the Clerk) of the amount required for the Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Assembly, for the year commencing the 1st day of January, 1849, amounting to Twenty-nine thousand five hundred and eighty-five pounds.

Estimate of the Amount required for the Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Assembly for the year commencing the 1st day of January, 1849:—

Salaries and Allowances to the Officers of the House.....	£5325	0	0
Extra Writers for the Session.....	2250	0	0
Messengers.....	900	0	0
Printing, Printing Paper and Binding.....	13100	0	0
Postage.....	3485	0	0
Stationery.....	1100	0	0
Expenses of Committees.....	425	0	0
Library.....	750	0	0
Light, Fuel, and other general Accounts.....	1000	0	0
Carpenters' work, including Chairs, Tables, &c.....	400	0	0
Newspapers and Publishing.....	350	0	0
Miscellaneous and Petty Expenses....	500	0	0
	£29585	0	0

Less—

By Balance at last Audit	£405	6	9
Warrants by Address,	13000	0	0
Fees on Private Bills,	780	0	0
	14185	6	9

Required by Address..... £15399 13 3

*W. B. Lindsay,*  
Clerk Assembly.

*Thomas Vaux,*  
Accountant.

Montreal, 14th May, 1849.

Sir,

I beg leave respectfully, to submit to you, that in consequence of the late unfortunate destruction of

the Parliament House, by which the whole of the moveable property and household furniture I possessed, insured at Two hundred pounds, were destroyed, besides a small amount in money which I cannot exactly determine, I find myself and family in the greatest pecuniary embarrassment, and without lodgings; and in aggravation of which, I am informed by the Insurers that my Policy will not hold good under the circumstances attending my loss. Wherefore, relying upon the humanity of the Honorable House for some relief under the peculiarity of my case, as its faithful servant in charge of the late Parliament House, I very humbly supplicate your recommendation either to that Honorable Body, or to the Committee on Contingencies thereof, for any advance it may be deemed proper to afford me, so that I may be enabled in part to supply the serious loss I have sustained,—the amount of which, as nearly as I can ascertain it, I shall at the next Session submit to the Honorable House, not however in the shape of a claim, but of an humble Petition to its beneficence.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your very obedient and humble Servant,

*A. Leroux Cardinal.*

To the Honorable the Speaker  
of the Legislative Assembly.

I take the liberty of recommending the application of Mr. *Cardinal* to the Committee on Contingencies; his long and faithful services entitle him to a favorable consideration.

*A. N. Morin.*

Montreal, 14th May, 1849.

Monday, 14th May, 1849.

Sir,

I take the liberty of bringing under your notice the Index to the Journals of the Assembly of *Upper Canada*, which has recently been completed by me, by order of the House. The work was commenced in the Fall of 1841, and continued (at an allowance of fifteen shillings per day, for the time actually employed thereon) until the Session of 1843, when I was placed upon a fixed salary, (having up to that time been paid for my Sessional services at so much per day, while employed.) From this time I was required to proceed with the work as a part of my official duties, receiving no remuneration beyond the amount of my salary; this continued until the Session of 1847, when, the work having been completed, it was referred to a Select Committee who, after a due examination, declared their satisfaction with the mode in which the work had been performed, and informed me that when it should have been printed the House would in all probability grant me some further remuneration for my labour. The Index having been ordered to be printed upon the recommendation of this Committee, it was printed accordingly under my superintendence, and was finished and distributed just before the close of last Session. I now beg leave to lay the matter before the Committee on Contingencies, in the hope that they may be pleased to recommend some allowance to be made to me in consideration of the great additional labour and research involved in the compilation of the work in question.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

*Alfred Todd*  
Clerk of Committees.

*Jacob DeWitt, Esquire,*  
Chairman of the Committee  
on Contingencies.

Clerk's Office, Legislative Assembly,  
21st May, 1849.

Sir,

With reference to a Letter which I addressed you as Chairman of the Contingent Committee previous to the conflagration of the Parliament Buildings on the 25th April last, on the subject of the allowance of Twenty-five pounds made by me out of my salary to Mr. *Vaux*, for keeping the Accounts of the House, but which it was thought might be covered by interest allowed by the Bank on balances of deposits, and which, by a letter from Mr. *Simpson*, the Cashier of the Bank of *Montreal*, (which I also enclosed to you,) stating that the balances were so fluctuating that they declined allowing any interest for the future, I brought under your consideration that I thought when the House placed me on a fixed salary, it was not the intention that any part of that salary should be paid by me to the Accountant, and requesting the Committee would relieve me of that payment. I paid Mr. *Vaux* Fifty pounds, being for the years 1847 and 1848, less I think Eighteen pounds one shilling and eleven-pence, which was allowed for interest in 1847, but as nothing further is to be expected on that head, I should hope that the Committee will see the injustice of my being obliged to alienate any part of my salary towards paying any of the Officers of the House. I would willingly assume the duty of keeping the Accounts myself, but the responsibility which already falls upon me to carry on the business of the House, and see that all my subordinates attend to their duty, engrosses the whole of my time from one Session to the other.

Very respectfully yours,  
*W. B. Lindsay*,  
Clerk Assembly.

*Jacob DeWitt*, Esquire, M.P.P.,

&c. &c. &c.

Paid Mr. <i>Vaux</i> in 1847.....	£25	0	0
“ “ “ 1848.....	25	0	0
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Less, received for interest in 1847.....		18	1 11
			£31 18 1

Resolved, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Report.

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. *DeWitt*, seconded by Mr. *Christie*,

Contingencies.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to issue his Warrant in favor of *William Burns Lindsay*, Esquire, Clerk of this House, for a further sum of Fifteen thousand three hundred and ninety-nine pounds thirteen shillings and three pence, currency, on account of the Contingencies of this House; and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Witnesses.

Mr. *Davignon* moved, seconded by Mr. *Beaubien*, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Standing Committee on Contingencies to tax and authorize the payment of the Accounts of Messieurs *Ostell* and *Barrett*, two witnesses heard and examined before the Committee on the Bill to authorize *John Yule*, the younger, Esquire, and others, to erect a Mill Dam upon the River *Richelieu*, in the District of *Montreal*;

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

YEAS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Burritt*, *Cartier*, *Chabot*, *Chauveaux*, *Christie*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Gugy*, *Guillet*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, *Malloch*, *M'Farland*, *M'Lean*, *Méhot*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Robinson*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Taché*, and *Wetenhall*.—(32.)

YEAS.

Messieurs *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Duchesnay*, *Hall*, *Merritt*, and *Thompson*.—(5.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Report of the Commissioners Penitentiary, appointed to investigate into the conduct, discipline, and management of the Provincial Penitentiary, and other documents transmitted by the said Commissioners, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

A Message from the Deputy Governor, by *Fredrick Starr Jarvis*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:—

Mr. Speaker,

I am commanded by the Deputy Governor to acquaint this Honorable House, that it is His pleasure that the Members thereof do forthwith attend him in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend the Deputy Governor; where he was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Public and Private Bills:—

An Act to incorporate the City of *Kingston* Water Works Company: Kingston Water Works Bill.

An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the *Kingston* Hospital: Kingston Hospital Bill.

An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* and *Lachine* Railroad Company, and for other purposes: Lachine Railroad Bill.

An Act to incorporate the *Quebec* Gas Company: Quebec Gas Company Bill.

An Act to reduce the expense of proceedings in *Upper Canada* against the property of absconding or concealed Debtors: Absconding Debtors Property Bill.

An Act to authorize limited Partnerships in *Upper Canada*: Limited Partnerships (U. C.) Bill.

An Act requiring Mortgages of personal property in *Upper Canada* to be filed: Bill requiring Mortgages to be Filed.

An Act to incorporate the *Ontario* Marine and Fire Insurance Company: Ontario Marine and Fire Insurance Company Bill.

An Act to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to vest the *Toronto* General Burying Ground in certain Trustees and their successors: Toronto General Burying Ground Bill.

An Act to incorporate the Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company: Mutual and General Insurance Bill.

An Act to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads and other Works in *Upper Canada*: Joint Stock Road Companies (U. C.) Bill.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the New City Gas Company of *Montreal*, and to extend the powers of the said Company: Montreal New City Gas Company Bill.

An Act to incorporate the *Quebec* Warehousing Company: Quebec Warehousing Company Bill.

An Act to indemnify Members of the Legislative Assembly for their expenses in attending the Sessions of the Legislature: Members Indemnification Bill.

An Act to prohibit the use of Strychnine and other Poisons for the destruction of certain kinds of wild animals: Bill respecting Strychnine and other Poisons.

Great Western  
Railroad Bill.

An Act to alter and amend the Charter of the Great Western Railroad Company:

Quebec For-  
warding Com-  
pany Bill.

An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of "The Quebec Forwarding Company:"

County Divi-  
sion (U. C.)  
Bill.

An Act for abolishing the Territorial Division of Upper Canada into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolutions of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require:

Railroad Com-  
panies Bill.

An Act to make certain general provisions with regard to the services which the Government may require of Railroad Companies whose Acts of Incorporation make them subject to such general provisions:

Sault Ste.  
Marie Mining  
Company Bill.

An Act to incorporate "The Sault Sainte Marie Mining Company:"

Montague  
Boundary Line  
Bill.

An Act to repeal the Act defining the Boundary Line between the fourth Concessions of the Townships of Montague and North Elmsley:

River du Chêne  
Improvement  
Bill.

An Act to provide for the improvement of the River du Chêne in the County of Two Mountains:

Hamilton and  
Gore Mechan-  
ics Institute  
Bill.

An Act to incorporate the Hamilton and Gore Mechanics' Institute:

Calvinistic  
Baptist Church  
(Perth) Land  
Title Bill.

An Act to confirm the Title of the Calvinistic Baptist Congregation of Perth, to a certain piece of Land in that Town:

Upton Town-  
ship Bill.

An Act to annex a certain part of the Township of Upton to the County of St. Hyacinthe, for Judicial and Municipal purposes:

Wesleyan  
Methodist  
Church Bill.

An Act to enable the Trustees of Churches and Parsonages, and other Trusts belonging to the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada, more conveniently to manage and dispose of their Estates, and for other purposes therein mentioned:

Ottawa Dis-  
trict Grammar  
School Bill.

An Act to enable the Trustees of the Ottawa District Grammar School to sell the present School House, and apply the funds arising from the sale thereof towards purchasing a new site and erecting a new School House in the Town of L'Orignal:

City Bank Act  
Amendment  
Bill.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the City Bank, and to provide for a reduction of its Capital Stock:

Montreal Hor-  
ticultural So-  
ciety Bill.

An Act to incorporate the Horticultural Society of Montreal:

Sœurs de Ste.  
Croix Bill.

An Act to incorporate La Communauté des Sœurs de Ste. Croix, in the Parish of St. Laurent, in the District of Montreal, for the purposes of education:

Les Sœurs de  
Miséricorde  
Bill.

An Act to incorporate "Les Sœurs de Miséricorde pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité de Montréal:"

L'Académie  
Industrielle  
Bill.

An Act to incorporate L'Académie Industrielle de St. Laurent, in the District of Montreal:

Saguenay Re-  
gistry Districts  
Bill.

An Act to divide the County of Saguenay into two divisions for the Registration of Deeds:

St. Patrick's  
Society Bill.

An Act to incorporate the Saint Patrick's Society of Quebec:

Rimouski Re-  
gistry Districts  
Bill.

An Act to divide the County of Rimouski into two Districts, for the Registration of Deeds:

Election Bill.

An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate, and reduce into one Act the several statutory provisions now in force for the regulation of Elections of Members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof:

Sœurs Hospi-  
talières (Mon-  
tréal) Bill.

An Act to authorize the Religious Community of the Sœurs Hospitalières de St. Joseph de l'Hôtel-Dieu de Montréal to acquire and hold real and personal property, to a certain amount over and above that now held by them, as well for themselves as for the Poor of the Hôtel-Dieu on whose behalf they ad-

minister certain property, and for other purposes therein mentioned:

An Act to repeal the Ordinances relative to Winter Roads in Lower Canada, in so far as regards the Districts of Quebec and Gaspé, and part of the District of Three Rivers:

Winter Roads  
(L. C.) Bill.

An Act to exempt Naval and Military Officers, and others on duty on Her Majesty's Service, from the payment of Toll upon any Turnpike Road in this Province:

Bill to exempt  
Officers and  
others from  
Toll on Turn-  
pikes.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company:

Niagara Falls  
Suspension  
Bridge Bill.

An Act to incorporate the Library Association of the Teachers of the District of Quebec:

Quebec District  
Teachers Asso-  
ciation Bill.

An Act to incorporate the Markham and Elgin Mills Plank Road Company:

Markham and  
Elgin Plank  
Road Bill.

An Act to amend an Act passed in the Parliament of Upper Canada in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled "An Act to provide for the construction of Aprons to Mill Dams over certain Streams in this Province," and to make further provision in respect thereof:

Bill respecting  
Aprons to Mill  
Dams.

An Act to remedy certain defects in the Registration of Deeds and Instruments relating to Real Property in the Registry Office at Montreal:

Montreal Re-  
gistry Office  
Bill.

An Act for better giving effect, within this Province, to a Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America, for the apprehension and surrender of certain Offenders:

Offenders  
Treaty Bill.

An Act to amend the Act relating to Mutual Insurance Companies in Upper Canada:

Mutual Insur-  
ance Compa-  
nies (U. C.)  
Bill.

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws of Patents for Inventions in this Province:

Laws of Pa-  
tents Bill.

An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the Neepigon Mining Company:

Neepigon  
Mining Com-  
pany Bill.

An Act to enable the Sureties of the late Municipal Council of the Township of Hatley to enforce their claims against the said Township:

Bill relating to  
Hatley Muni-  
cipal Council.

An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to amend, consolidate and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in force establishing or regulating the practice of the District Courts in the several Districts of that part of this Province formerly Upper Canada:"

District Courts  
(U. C.) Bill.

An Act to authorize Attachments against personal property for sums of Ten pounds and under, in certain cases in Upper Canada:

Personal Pro-  
perty Attach-  
ment Bill  
(U. C.)

An Act to incorporate the Huron Mining Company:

Huron Mining  
Company Bill.

An Act to regulate the rates of damages on Protested Bills of Exchange in Upper Canada:

Protested Bills  
of Exchange  
Bill.

An Act to incorporate the Association called "La Congrégation des hommes de la Paroisse de Saint Roch de Québec:"

St. Roch de  
Québec Con-  
grégation Bill.

An Act to amend the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act the better to facilitate optional commutation of the tenure of Land en roture, in the Seigniories and Fiefs in Lower Canada, into that of franc-aleu-roturier:"

Commutation  
of Tenure Bill.

An Act to incorporate the Montreal and Troy Telegraph Company:

Montreal and  
Troy Tele-  
graph Bill.

An Act to amend the Law relative to the inspection of Weights and Measures in Lower Canada:

Weights and  
Measures  
(L. C.) Bill.

An Act to incorporate "The Mount Hermon Cemetery:"

Mount Hermon  
Cemetery Bill.

An Act to incorporate "L'Association St. Jean Baptiste de Montréal," in the City, Parish, and District of Montreal:

L'Association  
St. Jean Bap-  
tiste de Mon-  
tréal Bill.

Testatum Writs (U. C.) Bill.	An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to allow the issuing of <i>Testatum Writs</i> of <i>Capias ad respondendum</i> in the several Districts of <i>Upper Canada</i> , and for other purposes therein mentioned."	An Act to incorporate the <i>Hamilton Mercantile Library Association</i> :	Hamilton Mercantile Library Association Bill.
Bill to supply certain Legislative provisions in Acts.	An Act to supply certain necessary Legislative provisions not included in certain Acts therein mentioned :	An Act to abolish Oppositions to Marriages founded on promises of Marriage, and to repeal the Act therein mentioned :	Marriage Oppositions Bill.
Municipal Corporations (U. C.) Bill.	An Act to provide, by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations, and the establishment of Regulations of Police in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in <i>Upper Canada</i> :	An Act to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of <i>Quebec</i> , and for other purposes :	Quebec Trinity House Bill.
Primeau and Trotter's Bridge Bill.	An Act to authorize <i>Marc Antoine Primeau</i> and <i>Antoine A. Trotter</i> to erect a Toll Bridge over the River <i>Chateauguay</i> in the Parish of <i>Sainte Martine</i> , and to make a Plank Road from the River <i>St. Lawrence</i> to the River <i>Chateauguay</i> in the said Parish, and to fix the Tolls to be taken upon the said Bridge and Road, and to make further provisions in that behalf :	An Act to improve the Law of Evidence in <i>Upper Canada</i> :	Law of Evidence (U. C.) Bill.
Roman Catholic Bishops (L. C.) Incorporation Bill.	An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Archbishop and Bishops in each Diocese in <i>Lower Canada</i> :	An Act to incorporate the College of <i>Bytown</i> :	Bytown College Bill.
Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes Bill.	An Act to amend the Laws regulating Inland Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and the protesting thereof, and Foreign Bills in certain cases :	An Act to incorporate the <i>St. George's Society</i> of <i>Quebec</i> :	Quebec St. George's Society Bill.
Masters and Servants (L. C.) Bill.	An Act to amend the Act relating to Masters and Servants in the country parts of <i>Lower Canada</i> :	An Act for the limitation of Actions of Clerks of Courts of Justice and Attorneys <i>ad lites</i> , and of all other Officers of Justice entitled to receive fees and costs :	Bill relating to Actions of Clerks of Courts, &c.
Bridge Bill of A. M. Delisle and others.	An Act to authorize <i>Alexandre Maurice Delisle</i> , <i>Benjamin Henri Lemoine</i> , and <i>Jean Baptiste Debien</i> , the younger, to build a Toll Bridge over the River <i>Jésus</i> , and for other purposes therein mentioned :	An Act to amend the Ordinance providing for the registration of Titles to immovable property and incumbrances thereon :	Bill relating to the Eregistrement of certain Titles.
Bill relating to Causes informâ pauperis.	An Act to remove all doubts as to the right of suing and defending Causes in <i>formâ pauperis</i> before the Courts of Law in <i>Lower Canada</i> :	An Act to provide for the sale under Executions of the interest of Mortgagors in Real Estate in <i>Upper Canada</i> :	Bill relating to Mortgagors and Mortgagees (U. C.)
Courts of Civil Jurisdiction (L. C.) Bill.	An Act to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in <i>Lower Canada</i> :	An Act to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Companies :	Bill to facilitate Actions against unincorporated Companies.
Gaspé Judicature Bill.	An Act to amend the Law relative to the Administration of Justice in <i>Gaspé</i> :	An Act to provide for the Health of the City of <i>Quebec</i> :	Quebec Health Bill.
University Bill.	An Act to amend the Charter of the University established at <i>Toronto</i> by His late Majesty King <i>George</i> the Fourth, to provide for the more satisfactory government of the said University, and for other purposes connected with the same, and with the College and Royal Grammar School forming an appendage thereof :	An Act to simplify the transfer of Real Property in <i>Upper Canada</i> , and to render certain rights and interests therein liable under execution :	Transfer of Real Property (U. C.) Bill.
Sœurs de la Charité at Bytown Bill.	An Act to incorporate <i>La Communauté des Révérendes Sœurs de la Charité</i> at <i>Bytown</i> :	An Act to repeal a certain Act and an Ordinance therein mentioned relating to the Trinity House at <i>Montreal</i> , and to amend and consolidate the provisions thereof :	Montreal Trinity House Bill.
Infants Real Estate Bill.	An Act to provide for the sale and disposition of the real estate of Infants in certain cases therein mentioned :	An Act to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Notarial Profession in <i>Lower Canada</i> :	Notarial Profession Organization Bill.
Municipal Councils (L. C.) Bill.	An Act to remove doubts as to the first meetings of Municipal Councils under the Act for making better provision for the establishment of Municipal Authorities in <i>Lower Canada</i> :	An Act to detach a certain Tract of Land from the Midland District and to annex it to the District of <i>Bathurst</i> :	Bathurst District Lands Bill.
Tolls on Vessels and Passengers Bill.	An Act to impose Tolls on Vessels and Passengers brought down the <i>Saint Lawrence</i> past any of the Canals thereon :	An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style of "The <i>Huron Copper Bay Company</i> :	Huron Copper Bay Company Bill.
Grand River Navigation Company Bill.	An Act to increase the Stock of the <i>Grand River Navigation Company</i> :	An Act to incorporate "Les Révérends Pères "Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de Marie" in the Province of <i>Canada</i> :	Pères Oblats Bill.
Spirits Duties Bill.	An Act to continue and amend the Act imposing Duties on Spirits distilled in this Province, and to provide for the Warehousing of such Spirits :	An Act to constitute a new Township, to be called the Township of <i>Elgin</i> , out of part of the Township of <i>Hinchinbrooke</i> :	Township of Elgin Bill.
Court of Appeals and Criminal Jurisdiction (L. C.) Bill.	An Act to establish a Court having jurisdiction in Appeals and Criminal matters for <i>Lower Canada</i> :	An Act to authorize the Trustees of the <i>Montreal</i> Turnpike Roads to purchase the <i>Saint Michel</i> Road, and to open a Road to the Village of <i>Sault au Récollet</i> :	St. Michel Road Bill.
Religious Societies Bill.	An Act to amend certain Acts for the relief of Religious Societies :	An Act to provide for the insertion of certain Official and Legal Notices in the <i>Canada Gazette</i> only :	Official and Legal Notices Bill.
Bill relating to the Will of the late R. N. Starr.	An Act to enable <i>George Carruthers</i> and others to carry into effect the Will of the late Doctor <i>Richard Noble Starr</i> :	An Act to amend the Militia Law of this Province in so far as regards the enrolment of and fines imposed upon Quakers, Menonists and Tunkers :	Militia Act Amendment Bill.
		An Act detaching the Settlements of <i>Sainte Anne des Monts</i> and <i>Cape Chat</i> from the Municipality of <i>Gaspé</i> , and to erect the same into a separate Municipality :	Ste. Anne and Cape Chat Municipality Bill.
		An Act to authorize <i>Amable Archambault</i> and others to erect a Toll Bridge over the River <i>L'Assomption</i> , and for other purposes therein mentioned :	Bridge Bill of A. Archambault and others.
		An Act for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of <i>Upper Canada</i> :	Court of Chancery (U. C.) Bill.
		An Act for the removal of defects in the Administration of Criminal Justice :	Criminal Justice Bill.

St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Bill.	An Act to amend an Act incorporating the <i>Saint Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Company</i> :	An Act to incorporate the Minister and Trustees of <i>Saint Andrew's Church, Montreal</i> :	St. Andrew's Church Bill.
Printing and Distribution of the Laws Bill.	An Act to amend the Law relative to the printing and distribution of the Provincial Statutes :	An Act to increase the salary of the Reporter of the Court of Chancery in <i>Upper Canada</i> :	Court of Chancery (U. C.) Reporter's Salary Bill.
Municipal Corporations, &c. (U. C.) Repeal Bill.	An Act to repeal the Acts in force in <i>Upper Canada</i> , relative to the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities, and other matters of a like nature :	An Act for the sale and better management of Timber upon the Public Lands :	Timber Management Bill.
Post Office Bill.	An Act to make provision for the management of the Post Office Department, whenever it shall be transferred to the Provincial Government :	An Act to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to make other provisions for the management and disposal of the Public Lands, and to limit the period for making free grants :	Public Lands Management Bill.
Superior Criminal Court, and Court of Error and Appeal (U. C.) Bill.	An Act to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of an additional Superior Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeals in <i>Upper Canada</i> , and for other purposes :	An Act to provide a legal mode of redress in cases of Trespass committed on Lands held in common in certain Townships in <i>Lower Canada</i> :	Trespass on certain Township Lands Bill.
Court Houses and Gaols (L. C.) Bill.	An Act to make provision for the erection or repair of Court Houses and Gaols at certain places in <i>Lower Canada</i> :	An Act to divide the District of <i>Huron</i> , in the Province of <i>Canada</i> , and for other purposes therein mentioned :	Huron District Division Bill.
Bankruptcy Bill (L. C.)	An Act to make provision for the continuance and completion of proceedings in Bankruptcy now pending :	An Act for the reversal of the Attainder of <i>Oliver Grace</i> , and for other purposes therein mentioned :	Oliver Grace's Relief Bill.
Bill granting aid towards the construction of Railways.	An Act to provide for affording the guarantee of the Province to the Bonds of Railway Companies on certain conditions, and for rendering assistance in the construction of the <i>Halifax and Quebec Railway</i> :	An Act to authorize and enable the Trustees of the <i>Quebec Turnpike Roads</i> to acquire and assume the possession and property of the Bridge called <i>Dorchester Bridge</i> , and for other purposes :	Bill relating to <i>Dorchester Bridge, &amp;c.</i>
Common Schools (Quebec and Montreal) Bill.	An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act therein mentioned and to make better provision for the support of Common Schools in the Cities of <i>Quebec</i> and <i>Montreal</i> :	An Act to appoint Commissioners to define the boundary line between the Township of <i>Walpole</i> in the <i>Niagara</i> District, and the Township of <i>Woodhouse</i> in the <i>Talbot</i> District :	Walpole and Woodhouse Boundary Line Bill.
St. James Church (Toronto) Land Bill.	An Act to enable the Rector and Church Wardens of the Protestant Episcopal Church of <i>Saint James, Toronto</i> , to lease part of the Land heretofore occupied by them as the site of a Church and Burying Ground :	An Act for the better establishment and maintenance of Public Schools in <i>Upper Canada</i> , and for repealing the present School Act :	Public Schools (U. C.) Bill.
Commissioners for taking Affidavits Bill.	An Act to authorize the Judges of the Superior Courts of Record in <i>Upper Canada</i> , to appoint Commissioners for taking Affidavits in <i>Lower Canada</i> :	An Act to authorize <i>John Yule</i> , the younger, Esquire, and others, to erect a Mill Dam upon the River <i>Richelieu</i> , in the District of <i>Montreal</i> :	J. Yule's Mill Dam Bill.
Bill to correct an Error in Judicature (L. C.) Bill.	An Act to correct an error in an Act of the present Session, relative to the Judicature of <i>Lower Canada</i> :	An Act to incorporate " <i>La Société Saint Jean Baptiste de la Cité de Québec</i> :	La Société St. Jean Baptiste de Québec Bill.
St. Anselme Bridge Company Bill.	An Act to authorize <i>Joseph Clovis Bélanger</i> , Esquire, and others, to erect a Toll Bridge over the River <i>Etchemin</i> in the Parish of <i>St. Anselme</i> , near the Church of the said Parish, in the County of <i>Dorchester</i> , and to incorporate the said <i>Joseph Clovis Bélanger</i> and others, under the name of the " <i>St. Anselme Bridge Company</i> ," and for other purposes therein mentioned :	An Act to amend the School Law of <i>Lower Canada</i> :	School Law (L. C.) Bill.
Montreal Merchants Reading Room Bill.	An Act to incorporate the Merchants' Exchange and Reading Room of <i>Montreal</i> :	An Act to authorize the <i>Montreal Harbour Commissioners</i> to commute for certain Harbour Dues with the Corporations therein mentioned, and for other purposes :	Montreal Harbour Dues Bill.
Bathurst Division Courts Bill.	An Act to provide for the alteration of the times and places for holding the Division Courts in Division number six, in the District of <i>Bathurst</i> :	An Act to divide the County of <i>Megantic</i> into two Districts, for the Registration of Deeds :	Megantic Registry Districts Bill.
Bill relating to Incorporated Companies.	An Act to provide for the seizure and sale of Shares in the Capital Stock of Incorporated Companies :	An Act to exempt Firemen, after a certain number of years service as such, from Militia and other duties :	Bill to exempt Firemen from certain duties.
Port Burwell Harbour Bill.	An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of "The President, Directors, and Company of <i>Port Burwell Harbour</i> :	An Act to define the mode of proceeding before the Courts of Justice in <i>Lower Canada</i> , in matters relating to the protection and regulation of Corporate Rights, and to Writs of Prerogative, and for other purposes therein mentioned :	Writs of Prerogative Bill.
Lower Canada Bar Incorporation Bill.	An Act to incorporate the Bar of <i>Lower Canada</i> :	An Act to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, and for the punishment of Fraudulent Debtors in <i>Lower Canada</i> , and for other purposes :	Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt in Lower Canada.
Ship Canal Bill.	An Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of <i>Lake Champlain</i> and the River <i>Saint Lawrence</i> :	An Act to exempt Firemen, after a certain number of years service as such, from Militia and other duties :	Writs of Prerogative Bill.
Expiring Laws Bill.	An Act to continue for a limited time, the several Acts and Ordinances therein mentioned :	An Act to define the mode of proceeding before the Courts of Justice in <i>Lower Canada</i> , in matters relating to the protection and regulation of Corporate Rights, and to Writs of Prerogative, and for other purposes therein mentioned :	Writs of Prerogative Bill.
Leeds and Lansdowne Townships Division Bill.	An Act to divide the Townships of <i>Leeds</i> and <i>Lansdowne</i> , in the District of <i>Johnstown</i> :	An Act to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, and for the punishment of Fraudulent Debtors in <i>Lower Canada</i> , and for other purposes :	Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt in Lower Canada.
Land Surveyors Bill.	An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands in this Province :	An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Members of the Medical Profession in <i>Lower Canada</i> , and to regulate the study and practice of Physic and Surgery therein :	Medical Profession (L. C.) Bill.
		An Act to incorporate the <i>Montreal and Vermont Junction Railway Company</i> :	Missisquoi Railroad Bill.
		An Act to continue a certain Act therein mentioned relative to the Public Health of the City of <i>Montreal</i> :	Public Health (Montreal) Bill.
		An Act to amend the Criminal Law of this Province relating to the offences of Arson and Counterfeiting Coin :	Bill relating to Arson and Counterfeited Coin.
		An Act to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in <i>Lower Canada</i> , for the construction of Macadamized Roads, and of Bridges and other works of a like nature.	Joint Stock Road and Bridge, &c., Companies (L. C.) Bill.
		The Titles of the following Bills were then read :—	Bills reserved :



Common School Education Bill.

An Act to raise an income of One hundred thousand pounds out of the Public Lands of *Canada*, for Common School Education :

Naturalization of Aliens Bill.

An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the naturalization of Aliens :

Bill to secure Real Estate Titles to certain persons.

An Act to secure Titles to Real Estate to certain persons naturalized under the Statute of *Lower Canada*, first *William* the Fourth, chapter fifty-three :

Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron Railroad Union Company Bill.

An Act to incorporate the *Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron* Union Railroad Company :

Queenston Suspension Bridge Company Bill.

An Act to incorporate the *Queenston* Suspension Bridge Company :

Savings Banks Bill.

An Act to amend the Act relative to Savings Banks.

To each of which it was the Deputy Governor's pleasure to say, that he reserved the Bill for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon.

Speaker's Address to the Deputy Governor.

Then the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly addressed the Deputy Governor, as followeth :

May it please Your Excellency,

We, the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, have cheerfully granted the Supplies required for the Public Service, as a free gift from Her Majesty's faithful Commons ; and we have no doubt that the Vote will be applied with due regard to the objects for which the amount is intended, and to economy and the public resources.

Royal Assent Supply Bill.

The Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly then presented the following money Bill :

An Act to provide for certain Expenses of the Civil Government, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

To this Bill the Royal Assent was signified in the following words :—

"In Her Majesty's name, the Deputy Governor thanks Her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

Deputy Governor's Speech.

After which, the Deputy Governor was pleased to make the following Speech to both Houses :—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

The Governor General not seeing fit to be present on this occasion, has deputed me to signify to you Her Majesty's pleasure on the several Bills which you have passed, and to relieve you from fur-

ther attendance in this place. In performing this duty, I beg to thank you for the zeal and assiduity which you have evinced during a Session unusually laborious and protracted, and to congratulate you on the many important measures which you have been enabled to perfect.

I trust that the steps which the Imperial Parliament is now taking for the removal from the Statute Book of those provisions which check the resort of Foreign Shipping to the Ports of the Province in search of freight, together with the measures which you have adopted for completing the Provincial Canals and encouraging Railways, will tend to increase traffic on the *St. Lawrence*, and to give the Produce of *Canada* more ready access to distant markets.

Gentlemen of the Assembly,

I thank you, in Her Majesty's name, for the Supplies which you have voted for the Public Service, and for maintaining the credit of the Province.

Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen,

I deplore the excesses which have lately been committed in this City, the outrages of which the Queen's Representative has been the object, and the destruction of the Building appropriated for the sittings of the Legislature. It is satisfactory, however, to observe that these proceedings meet with no sympathy from the People of *Canada*, who have availed themselves of the occasion to come forward in large numbers to renew the assurance of their loyalty to the Queen and attachment to the Constitution of the Province. You will not fail, I trust, on your return to your homes, to exert your influence to allay excitement, to inculcate respect for Law, and the decisions of Parliament, and to promote feelings of mutual confidence and brotherly love between the inhabitants of all classes. You will thus render an important service to your country, for peace and order are indispensable to its progress, and to the success of the various measures which you have passed for its moral and material welfare. It is my earnest prayer, that God may bless your endeavours and continue the protection which He has hitherto in so signal a manner vouchsafed to *Canada*.

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

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

It is the Deputy Governor's will and pleasure that this Provincial Parliament be prorogued until Thursday the fifth day of July next, to be then here holden ; and this Provincial Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Thursday the fifth day of July next.

Parliament prorogued.

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York, East Riding.....	William Hume Blake, Esquire.....	Accepted Office.
Shefford.....	Lewis T. Drummond, Esquire.....	Accepted Office.
Saguenay.....	Honorable M. P. DeSales LaTerrière.....	Accepted Office.
Lincoln.....	William Hamilton Merritt, Esquire.....	Accepted Office.

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