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&c. &c. &c.

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Canada. } SYDENHAM.

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

To all to whom these Presents shall come:
GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS at a Session of the Parliament of that part of our Province of *Canada*, formerly known as *Upper Canada*, holden at the City of *Toronto*, in our said Province, on the third day of December, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, and prorogued on the tenth day of February following; in the third year of our reign, a certain Bill, intituled, "An Act for the relief of *John Stuart*," was passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was at the prorogation of the said Session, on the tenth day of February, 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 *Great Britain*, passed in the thirty-first year of the reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's reign, intituled, 'An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of *Quebec*, in *North America*,' and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province," and according to his discretion, then and there declared, that he reserved the aforesaid Bill for the signification of our pleasure thereon.

Now Know Ye, that the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "An Act for the relief of *John Stuart*," having been laid before us in Council; we have been pleased to Assent to the same: And we do by these Presents, according to the provisions of the said Act, passed in the thirty-first year of the reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, Assent thereto; of which

all our loving subjects will take note, and govern themselves accordingly.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province of *Canada* to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved the Right Honourable *Charles*, Baron *Sydenham*, of *Sydenham*, in the County of *Kent*, and of *Toronto*, in *Canada*, one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick* and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same:

At *Kingston*, this eighteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and in the fourth year of our reign.

S.
 By Command.
 S. B. HARRISON,
Secretary of the Province.

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } RICHARD DOWNES JACKSON.

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 Town of *Kingston*, on the twenty-fifth day of the present month of October, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the eighteenth day of September, now last past, we thought fit to pro-
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Proclamation of the 18th June, 1841, promulgating the Royal Assent to Stuart's relief bill.

Proclamation of the 19th October, 1841, proroguing Parliament to the 4th day of December, next ensuing.

rogue our Provincial Parliament to the twenty-fifth day of this present month of October, at which time, at our Town of *Kingston*, you were held and constrained to appear: Now Know Ye, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of our loving subjects, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of our Executive Council, to relieve you and each of you of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by these Presents enjoining you and each of you, that on Saturday, the fourth day of December, now next ensuing, you meet us in our Provincial Parliament, at our Town of *Kingston*, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of our said Province of *Canada*, and therein do as may seem necessary.—Herein fail not.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our trusty and well-beloved Sir *Richard Downes Jackson*, K. C. B. Administrator of the Government of our said Province, Lieutenant-General Commanding our Forces in British *North America*, &c. &c. &c. At *Kingston*, this nineteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and in the fifth year of our reign. R. D. J.

By Command.

S. B. HARRISON,
Secretary.

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. }

R. D. JACKSON.

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 Town of *Kingston*, on Saturday the fourth day of December, now next ensuing, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the nineteenth day of October, now last past, we thought fit to prorogue

Proclamation of the 30th November, further proroguing Parliament to the 13th January, next ensuing.

our Provincial Parliament to Saturday, the fourth day of December, now next ensuing, at which time, at our Town of *Kingston*, you were held and constrained to appear: Now Know Ye, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of our loving subjects, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of our Executive Council, to relieve you and each of you of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by those Presents enjoining you and each of you, that on Thursday, the thirteenth day of January, now next ensuing, you meet us in our Provincial Parliament, at our Town of *Kingston*, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of our said Province of *Canada*, and therein to do as may seem necessary.—Herein fail not.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our trusty and well-beloved Sir *Richard Downes Jackson*, K. C. B. Administrator of the Government of our said Province, Lieutenant-General Commanding our Forces in British *North America*, &c. &c. &c. At *Kingston*, this thirtieth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and in the fifth year of our reign.

R. D. J.

By Command.

S. B. HARRISON,
Secretary.

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. }

R. D. JACKSON.

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

A PROCLAMATION.

To all to whom these Presents shall come—
GREETING:

WHEREAS at a Session of our Legislative Council and Assembly, of that part of our Province of *Canada* formerly known as *Upper Canada*, begun and holden at the City of *Toronto*, in our said Province, on the third day of December, in the third year of our reign, and prorogued on the tenth day of February then next ensuing, a Bill was passed, intituled,

“An

Proclamation of the 3rd. December, dissolving the Kingston University Act.

"An Act to establish a College by the name "and style of the University at *Kingston*;" and whereas in pursuance of the directions of a certain Act of Parliament of *Great Britain* passed in the thirty-first year of the reign of the late King *George* the Third, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed "in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's reign, "intituled, 'An Act for making more effectual "provision for the Government of the Province of *Quebec*, in *North America*,' and to "make further provision for the Government "of the said Province," an authentic copy of the said Bill was duly transmitted to one of our Principal Secretaries of State, and was by him received at our Department of State for the management of the affairs of our Colonies on the fourth day of April next ensuing the passing thereof, as by the certificate under the hand and seal of the Right Honourable *Edward Geoffrey Stanley*, commonly called Lord *Stanley*, our Principal Secretary of State for managing the affairs of our Colonies, doth fully appear: Now Know Ye, that the said Bill, intituled, "An Act to establish a College by the "name and style of the University at *Kingston*," having been laid before us in our Privy Council, we have thought fit, by our order in Council bearing date at our Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the twenty-first day of October now last past, to declare our Disallowance thereof, and we do hereby declare our Disallowance of the said Bill, and that the same shall henceforth cease, determine, and be of none effect; wherefore all our loving subjects whom it may concern are 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 to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our trusty and well-beloved Sir *Richard Downes Jackson*, K. C. B. Administrator of the Government of our said Province of *Canada*, and Lieutenant-General Commanding our Forces in British *North America*, &c. &c. &c.

At *Kingston*, this third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and in the fifth year of our reign.

By Command.

S. B. HARRISON,

Secretary.

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. }

R. D. JACKSON.

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 whom these Presents shall come,—
GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS at a Session of the Parliament of that part of our Province of *Canada*, formerly known as *Upper Canada*, holden at the City of *Toronto* in our said Province, on the third day of December, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, and prorogued on the tenth day of February following, in the third year of our reign, a certain Bill, intituled "An Act to make provision for the "management of the Temporalities of the "United Church of *England* and *Ireland* in "this Province, and for other purposes therein "mentioned;" and also a certain other Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act passed in "the ninth year of the reign of King *George* "the Fourth, chapter ten, intituled "An "Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned," were passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and were at the prorogation of the said Session, on the tenth day of February, 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 *Great Britain*, passed in the thirty-first year of the reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled "An Act to repeal certain parts of an "Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's reign, intituled, 'An Act for making "more effectual provision for the Government "of the Province of *Quebec*, in *North America*,' "and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province," 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 make provision for the "management of the Temporalities of the "United Church of *England* and *Ireland* in "this Province, and for other purposes therein "mentioned;" and "An Act to amend an Act "passed in the ninth year of the reign of King "George the Fourth, chapter two, intituled "An

Proclamation of the 3rd. December, promulgating the Royal Assent to the Church Temporalities Bill, and the Religious Societies Lands Bill.

“An Act for the relief of Religious Societies therein mentioned,” having been laid before us in Council, we have been pleased to assent to the same: And we do by these Presents, according to the provisions of the said Act passed in the thirty-first year of the reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, assent thereto; of which all our loving subjects will take note, 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 to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our trusty and well beloved Sir *Richard Downes Jackson*, K. C. B. Administrator of the Government of our said Province of *Canada*, and Lieutenant-General commanding our Forces in *British North America*, &c. &c. &c. at *Kingston*, this third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and in the fifth year of our reign.

R. D. J.

By Command.

S. B. HARRISON,
Secretary.

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. }

R. D. JACKSON.

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 Town of *Kingston*, on Thursday, the thirteenth day of January, now next ensuing, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the thirtieth day of November, now last past, we thought fit to prorogue our Provincial Parliament to Thursday the thirteenth day of January, now next ensuing, at which time, at our Town of *Kingston*, you were held and constrained to appear: Now Know Ye, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration

Proclamation of the 7th January, further proroguing Parliament to the 22d February, next ensuing.

the ease and convenience of our loving subjects, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of our Executive Council, to relieve you and each of you of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by these Presents enjoining you and each of you, that on Tuesday, the twenty-second day of February, now next ensuing, you meet us in our Provincial Parliament, at our Town of *Kingston*, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of our said Province of *Canada*, and therein do as may seem necessary.—Herein fail not.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our trusty and well-beloved Sir *Richard Downes Jackson*, K. C. B. Administrator of the Government of our said Province of *Canada*, and Lieutenant-General commanding our Forces in *British North America*, &c. &c. &c. at *Kingston*, this seventh day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the fifth year of our reign.

R. D. J.

By Command.

T. D. HARRINGTON,
Deputy C. C. in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. }

CHARLES BAGOT.

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 Town of *Kingston*, on Tuesday, the twenty-second day of February, now next ensuing, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING;

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the seventh day of January, now last past, we thought fit to prorogue our Provincial Parliament to Tuesday, the twenty-second day of February, now next ensuing, at which

Proclamation of the 17th February, further proroguing Parliament to the 2d April, next ensuing.

which time at our Town of *Kingston*, you were held and constrained to appear: Now Know Ye, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of our loving subjects, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of our Executive Council, to relieve you and each of you of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by these Presents enjoining you and each of you, that on Saturday the second day of April, now next ensuing, you meet us in our Provincial Parliament, at our Town of *Kingston*, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of our said Province of *Canada*, and therein do as may seem necessary.—Herein fail not.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved Sir *Charles Bagot*, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

At *Kingston*, this seventeenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the fifth year of our reign.

C. B.

By Command.

T. D. HARRINGTON,
Deputy C. C. in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } CHARLES BAGOT.

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 Town of *Kingston*, on Saturday the second day of April, now next ensuing, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the seventeenth day of February, now last past, we thought fit to prorogue our Provincial Parliament to Saturday the second day of April, now next ensuing, at which time, at our Town of *Kingston*, you were held and constrained to appear: Now Know Ye, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of our loving subjects, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of our Executive Council, to relieve you and each of you of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by these Presents enjoining you and each of you, that on Wednesday the eleventh day of May, now next ensuing, you meet us in our Provincial Parliament, at our Town of *Kingston*, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of our said Province of *Canada*, and therein to do as may seem necessary.—Herein fail not.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well beloved Sir *Charles Bagot*, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

At *Kingston*, the twenty-fourth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the fifth year of our reign.

C. B.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,
C. C. in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } CHARLES BAGOT.

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.

WHEREAS at a Session of the Parliament of our Province of *Canada*, holden at *Kingston*, in our said Province, on the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-

one,

Proclamation of the 19th day of March, promulgating the Royal Assent to, Flour and Meal Inspection Bill; Quebec Board of Trade Incorporation Bill; Beef and Pork Inspection Bill; Montreal Board of Trade Incorporation Bill; and, Officers Security Bill.

one, and prorogued on the eighteenth day of September, then next ensuing, in the fourth and fifth years of our reign, a certain Bill, intituled "An Act to regulate the Inspection of Flour and Meal;" and also a certain other Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Quebec Board of Trade;" and also a certain other Bill, intituled "An Act to regulate the Inspection of Beef and Pork;" and also a certain other Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Montreal Board of Trade;" and also a certain other Bill, intituled "An Act to regulate the taking of Securities in all Offices in respect of which security ought to be given, and for avoiding the grant of all such Offices in the event of such security not being given within a time limited after the grant of such Office," were passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and were at the prorogation of the said Session, on the eighteenth day of September, aforesaid, presented to our Governor-General of our said Province for our Assent thereto, also, in pursuance of the authority vested in him by a certain Act of the Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the third and fourth years of our reign, intituled "An Act to Re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada," and according to his discretion, then and there declared, that he reserved the aforesaid Bills for the signification of our pleasure thereon: Now Know Ye, that the aforesaid Bills, respectively, intituled "An Act to regulate the Inspection of Flour and Meal;" "An Act to incorporate the Quebec Board of Trade;" "An Act to regulate the Inspection of Beef and Pork;" "An Act to incorporate the Montreal Board of Trade;" and "An Act to regulate the taking of Securities in all Offices in respect of which security ought to be given, and for avoiding the grant of all such Offices in the event of such security not being given within a time limited after the grant of such Office;" having been laid before us in Council, we have been pleased to Assent to the same: And we do by these Presents, according to the provisions of the said Act passed in the third and fourth years of our reign, Assent thereto, of which all our loving subjects will take note, 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 to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved Sir Charles Bagot, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British North America, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Kingston, this nineteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the fifth year of our reign.

C. B.

W. H. DRAPER,
Attorney General.
By Command,
S. B. HARRISON,
Secretary.

PROVINCE OF } CHARLES BAGOT.
Canada. }

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

To all to whom these Presents shall come—
GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS at a Session of the Parliament of our Province of Canada, holden at Kingston, in our said Province, on the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and prorogued on the eighteenth day of September, then next ensuing, in the fourth and fifth years of our reign, a certain Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the 'City Bank,' and to increase the Capital Stock thereof;" and also a certain other Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate sundry persons under the style and title of 'The President, Directors and Company, of the Bank of the Niagara District,'" and also a certain other Bill intituled, "An Act to renew the Charter of the Bank of Montreal, and to increase its Capital Stock;" and also a certain other Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the Quebec Bank," and also a certain other Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the Currency of this Province;" and also a certain other Bill, intituled, "An Act to permit the business of the Bank of Upper Canada to be carried on in Toronto, as usual;" and also a certain other Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorise the Banks heretofore Chartered by

Proclamation of the 29th day of April, promulgating Royal Assent to, "City Bank" Charter extension Bill; Niagara District Bank Incorporation Bill; Montreal Bank Charter renewal Bill; Currency Bill; Bank of Upper Canada to be carried on in Toronto; and, Chartered Banks to carry on their business throughout the Province.

Acts

"Acts of the late Province of *Upper* or *Lower* *Canada*, to carry on their business throughout this Province," were respectively passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and were at the prorogation of the said Session, on the eighteenth day of September, aforesaid, respectively 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 *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, passed in the third and fourth years of our reign, intituled, "An Act to Re-unite the Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower* *Canada*, and for the Government of *Canada*," and according to his discretion then and there declared, that he reserved the aforesaid respective Bills for the signification of our pleasure thereon: Now Know Ye, that the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the 'City Bank,' and to increase the Capital Stock thereof;" and also the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate sundry persons under the style and title of 'The President, Directors and Company, of the Bank of the *Niagara* District';" and also the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "An Act to renew the Charter of the Bank of *Montreal*, and to increase its Capital Stock;" and also the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the *Quebec* Bank;" and also the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the Currency of this Province;" and also the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "An Act to permit the business of the Bank of *Upper* *Canada* to be carried on in *Toronto*, as usual;" and also the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorise the Banks heretofore Chartered by Acts of the late Province of *Upper* or *Lower* *Canada*, to carry on their business throughout this Province;" having been respectively laid before us in Council, on the eleventh day of March, 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 the Parliament 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 which all our loving subjects will take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved Sir *Charles Bagot*, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At *Kingston*, this twenty-seventh day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the fifth year of our reign.

C. B.

By Command,

S. B. HARRISON,
Secretary.

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } CHARLES BAGOT.

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 Town of *Kingston*, on Wednesday, the eleventh day of May, now instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the twenty-fourth day of March, now last past, we thought fit to prorogue our Provincial Parliament to Wednesday, the eleventh day of May, now instant, at which time, at our Town of *Kingston*, you were held and constrained to appear: Now Know Ye, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of our loving subjects, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of our Executive Council, to relieve you and each of you of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by these Presents enjoining you and each of you, that on Saturday, the eighteenth day of June, now next ensuing, you meet us in our Provincial Parliament, at our Town of *Kingston*, there to take

Proclamation of the 6th day of May, further proroguing Parliament to the 18th June, next ensuing.

take into consideration the state and welfare of our said Province of *Canada*, and therein to do as may seem necessary.—Herein fail not. In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed :

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved Sir *Charles Bagot*, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

At *Kingston*, the sixth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the fifth year of our reign.

C. B.

By Command,
FELIX FORTIER,
C. C. in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } CHARLES BAGOT.

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.

WHEREAS at a Session of the Parliament of our Province of *Canada*, holden at *Kingston*, in our said Province, on the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and prorogued on the eighteenth day of September, then next ensuing, in the fourth and fifth years of our reign, a certain Bill, intituled "An Act for the disposal of "Public Lands," was passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was at the prorogation of the said Session, on the eighteenth day of September, 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 *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, passed in the third and fourth years of our reign, intituled, "An Act to Re-unite

Proclamation of the 30th day of April, promulgating Royal Assent to Public Lands disposal Bill.

"the Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, "and for the Government of *Canada*," and according to his discretion, then and there declared, that he reserved the aforesaid Bill for the signification of our pleasure thereon,— Now Know Ye, that the aforesaid Bill, intituled, "An Act for the disposal of Public Lands," having been laid before us in Council, on the twenty-seventh day of April, now last past, we have been pleased to Assent to the same : And we do by these Presents, and according to the provisions of the said Act of the Parliament of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, passed in the third and fourth years of our reign, Assent to the said Bill ; of which all our loving subjects will take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed :

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved Sir *Charles Bagot*, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

At our Government House, in our City of *Montreal*, this thirtieth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the fifth year of our reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

D. DALY,

Secretary.

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } CHARLES BAGOT.

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 Town of *Kingston*, on Saturday, the eighteenth day of June, now instant,

Proclamation of the 9th day of June, further proroguing Parliament to the 27th July, next ensuing.

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

GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the sixth day of May, now last past, we thought fit to prorogue our Provincial Parliament to Saturday, the eighteenth day of June, now instant, at which time, at our Town of *Kingston*, you were held and constrained to appear: Now Know Ye, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of our loving subjects, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of our Executive Council, to relieve you and each of you of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by these Presents enjoining you and each of you, that on Wednesday, the twenty-seventh day of July, now next ensuing, you meet us in our Provincial Parliament, at our Town of *Kingston*, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of our said Province of *Canada*, and therein do as may seem necessary.—Herein fail not.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved Sir *Charles Bagot*, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

At our Government House, at *Montreal*, the ninth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the fifth year of our reign.

C. B.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,
C. C. in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } CHARLES BAGOT.

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 well-beloved and faithful, the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Canada*,

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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 Town of *Kingston*, on Wednesday, the twenty-seventh day of July, now 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-seventh day of July, instant, nevertheless, for certain causes and considerations, we have thought fit further to prorogue the same to Thursday, the eighth day of September next, so that you nor any of you, on the said twenty-seventh day of July instant, at our Town of *Kingston*, 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 of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on Thursday, the said eighth day of September next, at our Town of *Kingston*, 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 favour of God be ordained.

Proclamation of the 18th day of July, convening Parliament, at the Town of Kingston, on the eighth day of September, 1842.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province of *Canada* to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved the Right Honourable Sir *Charles Bagot*, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

At our Castle of *St. Lewis*, in our City of *Quebec*, in our said Province, this eighteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the sixth year of our reign.

C. B.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,
C. C. in Chancery.

PROVINCE

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } CHARLES BAGOT.

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 well-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 Town of *Kingston*, on Thursday, the eighth day of September, now next ensuing, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the meeting of our Provincial Parliament stands called *for the Despatch of Business*, on Thursday, the eighth day of September next, at our Town of *Kingston*, at which place you were held and constrained to appear: Now Know Ye, that 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 of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on Thursday, the eighth day of September next, in our Township of *Kingston*, you personally be and appear, *for the Despatch of Business*, to treat, do, act and conclude, upon those things, which in our said Provincial Parliament, of our said Province, may by the favour of God be ordained.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province of *Canada* to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved the Right Honourable Sir *Charles Bagot*, G.C.B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

At *Kingston*, this twenty-third day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the sixth year of our reign.

C. B.

Proclamation of the 23rd day of August, convening Parliament, at the Township of Kingston, on the eighth day of September, 1842.

JOURNALS,

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

AT the Provincial Parliament continued by Proclamation, and holden in the Township of *Kingston*, in pursuance of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, "An Act to Re-unite the Provinces of *Upper and Lower Canada*, and for the Government of *Canada*."

Thursday, 8th Sept'r, 1842.

The Members in attendance in the Building prepared for the accommodation of the Provincial Legislature, in the Township of *Kingston*, were—

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs,	The Honourable Messieurs,
<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Bruneau,</i>
<i>Fraser, Alexander</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>McKay,</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Moore.</i>

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

His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir *Charles Bagot*, Knight Grand Cross of the most Honourable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to let the Legislative Assembly know "it is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House."

Who being come with their Speaker, His Excellency was pleased to deliver the following Speech.

Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council;
and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

The melancholy event which marked the close of the last Session, and which must still be fresh in your memory and your regrets, has imposed upon me the responsibility of maturing and carrying into effect numerous important measures, and has caused a corresponding necessity for delay in calling you together.

Since you last met, several events of interest to this Province and the British Empire have occurred, the issue of which has been mercifully directed by Providence for the security and advantage of both.

The birth of a Prince, destined under God's protection, to occupy the British Throne, is a source of rejoicing to all Her Majesty's faithful subjects; and you will, I am sure, join with me in cordial congratulations to the Queen and Her August Consort upon this event, so conducive to their domestic happiness, and so auspicious for the Nation.

You will also, I am confident, unite with one voice in thanksgiving to Almighty God, that He has been pleased to avert from our beloved Sovereign the danger to which she has been exposed by the treasonable attempt of an assassin, and by the malice of the reckless and wicked: and will join in the prayer, that He will continue to watch over and long to preserve a life so justly dear to all classes of Her Majesty's Subjects.

I rejoice that I am able to acquaint you, that a Treaty between *Great Britain* and the *United States* has been signed on the part of Her Majesty, and since ratified by the Federal Senate, by which the important questions affecting this Province and the *United States* have been adjusted. From this happy settlement, the ratification of which by Her Majesty I hope soon to be able to announce to you, I augur the most favourable consequences to the Province, in the maintenance of peace, the restoration of confidence, and the devotion of the undivided energies of its Inhabitants to the internal advancement and the development of the vast resources of the Country. These have been among Her Majesty's chief objects in the negotiation of this Treaty; and I am commanded by the Queen to state to you, that no wish is nearer to Her Majesty's heart than that, under Her rule and the protection of Her Crown, all Her faithful Subjects in *Canada* may rest in undisturbed peace; may feel themselves

Parliament convened.

Members present.

His Excellency the Governor-General comes to the House, and commands the attendance of the Assembly.

The Assembly attends.

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

selves to be one people with their fellow Subjects in the British Islands; and may increase in wealth, prosperity and contentment, founded on the possession and rational enjoyment of a free and essentially British Constitution.

Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

I have unfeigned satisfaction in informing you, that Her Majesty's Government have redeemed in the fullest manner the munificent promise made by their Predecessors to guarantee the Loan contemplated by this Province; and I shall lay before you without delay the Act of the Imperial Parliament which gives effect to their intention. I have been in correspondence with Her Majesty's Government upon the mode in which the assistance thus given can be made most available to the Province, and I shall have occasion to make an important communication to you upon this subject. In the mean time I have adopted every means at my command, to obviate the inconveniences of delay, and to advance the Public Works; and I hope before the expiration of the present season to be able to extend them considerably. I have directed that full information as to the operations of the past year shall be laid before you.

It has been found impracticable to carry into effect in *England* the arrangement proposed last year for the assistance of deserving Emigrants. In redemption, however, of the pledge made upon this subject, Her Majesty's Government have obtained from Parliament a grant of money in aid of destitute Emigrants upon their arrival in this Country. It will meanwhile be satisfactory to you to know that, although the number of Emigrants who have arrived directly from the Mother Country or through the neighbouring States, during the present season, has been much larger than during the corresponding period of last year, no serious destitution has prevailed among them, which would render it necessary for me to apply to you to devise means for their relief; and I have every reason to hope that there are the best prospects of their ultimate success and prosperity.

The condition of the public Revenue is highly satisfactory. The patriotic measure adopted by the Legislature during the past Session to provide by means of increased taxes upon imports for restoring the credit of the Province, and meeting the charge about to be created for the completion and extension of the Public Works, has been eminently suc-

cessful. The tariff of the Imperial Parliament for the British Possessions in *North America*, framed, as it is, in a most generous spirit as regards this Province, will promote essentially its financial and commercial interests. The provisions of the Imperial Act will probably call for corresponding alterations in the Provincial scale of duties; and I shall at an early period require your advice and assistance in making the Revenue Laws of this Province consistent in themselves and harmonious with the enactments of the Imperial Parliament.

Her Majesty's Government have evinced a most liberal disposition in the consideration of the Duties on Agricultural produce, in connexion with the Trade of *Canada*; and I am led to hope that an arrangement may be made to extend the market for Canadian produce, in a manner alike advantageous to this Province and the Mother Country.

I have directed that the accounts of the Revenue and Expenditure of the past year, with the Estimates for the ensuing year, be laid before you.

Honourable Gentlemen and Gentlemen:

I have given much attention to the operation of the great measures passed last Session, and I shall have occasion to propose to you modifications in certain of them, with the view of giving effect to their provisions, in development of the principles on which they are founded, and in harmony with the spirit of those institutions under which they are framed.

The important measure for the establishment of District Councils, the details of which experience alone could perfect, will come under revision; and I hope for your cheerful aid in considering the amendments which will be proposed, with the view of removing all obstacles to the smooth and efficient operation of these institutions.

I have endeavoured to work out the objects which the Legislature contemplated in passing an Act for the promotion of Education; and I have not hesitated to adopt such measures as I deemed to be indispensable to the accomplishment of their intentions, until the subject could again be brought under their consideration; but it will be necessary to introduce several amendments into the measure in order to insure its successful and beneficial operation. In the meantime it is gratifying to notice the impulse which has been given to Education in its higher as well as in its elementary branches,

branches. The result cannot fail to confer the most material benefits upon the whole Province.

The re-organization of the Militia is also a subject to which I shall have to call your attention, as the present seems a favourable opportunity to alleviate unnecessary pressure upon the people, and to place this arm of the public defence upon a sounder and more satisfactory footing.

In perfecting these and other measures which will be brought before you, and in all your labours for the advancement of the welfare of the Province, you may rely upon my cordial co-operation and support. It is my earnest hope that a spirit of moderation and harmony may animate your councils and direct your proceedings. The Province has at length happily recovered from a state of severe trial and danger, and a bright dawn now opens upon its prospects. The promise of peace secured upon an honourable and advantageous basis, the re-establishment of tranquillity and security, the restoration of financial credit and commercial confidence, with the enjoyment of free and permanent institutions, are blessings for which *Canada* has reason to be grateful, and which, I feel assured, it will be your effort to preserve, and your pride to perpetuate.

The Legislative Assembly having withdrawn, His Excellency was pleased to retire.

PRAYERS.

An Act for the improvement of the Navigation of the River *St. Lawrence*, was read a first time, *pro forma*.

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

And the same being read by the Clerk;

Ordered, that the House do take into consideration the foregoing Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General, to-morrow.

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

When the Honourable *George Jervis Goodhue*, was introduced, between the Honourable Messieurs *Sullivan* and *McKay*.

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

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } (CHARLES BAGOT.

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

To our trusty and well-beloved *George Jervis Goodhue*, and to all to whom these Presents shall come—

GREETING.

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

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved Sir *Charles Bagot*, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

At *Kingston*, this nineteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the sixth year of our reign.

C. B.

By Command,

S. B. HARRISON,

Secretary.

Then the Honourable Mr. *Goodhue* came to the table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *James FitzGibbon*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislative Council, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honourable the Speaker signified to the House that, since the last Session, the

Honourable

The Assembly withdraw, and His Excellency retires.

A Bill read (pro forma.)

Speaker reports a copy of His Excellency's Speech;

Ordered for consideration to-morrow.

The Hon'ble. G. J. Goodhue, introduced;

Presents his Writ of Summons.

The Writ.

Sworn and takes his seat.

Speaker informs the House of the decease of a Member.

Honourable Mr. *Jules Quesnel*, one of the Members of this House, had departed this life.

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

When the Honourable *James Crooks* was introduced between the Honourable Messieurs *Macaulay* and *Hamilton*.

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

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } SYDENHAM.

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

To our trusty and well-beloved *James Crooks*, Esquire—

GREETING:

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

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province of *Canada* to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved the Right Honourable *Charles*, Baron *Sydenham*, of *Sydenham*, in the County of *Kent*, and of *Toronto*, in *Canada*, one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

At our Government House, in our Town of *Kingston*, in our said Province of *Canada*, the ninth day of June, and in the year of

our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and in the fourth year of our reign. S.

THOS. AMIOT,
Ck. Crown in Ch'y.

Then the Honourable Mr. *Crooks* came to the table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *James FitzGibbon*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislative Council, and took his seat accordingly.

In obedience to certain orders of the House of last Session, the acting Law Clerk presented a Report on the Index to the Statutes, and also a Report on expired and expiring Laws.

The same were then laid on the table, and are as follows:

To the Honourable the Legislative Council of the Province of *Canada*, in Parliament assembled:

In obedience to the order of your Honourable House of the 7th September, 1841, which directs "that the acting Law Clerk of this House do prepare, during the recess after the present Session of Parliament, a full and detailed Index in manuscript to all the Statutes of the Parliament of *Upper Canada*; to all the Statutes of the Parliament and the Ordinances of the Special Council of *Lower Canada*, and of the Ordinances of the Legislative Council of the former Province of *Quebec*, applicable to either or both of the late Provinces of *Upper* or *Lower Canada*, and then in force and unrepealed, and also the Statutes passed during the present Session of the United Parliament; the same to be laid on the table of this House at the opening of the next Session, for the use of Members of this House;"—the undersigned has now the honour to Report, for the information of your Honourable House:

That his private affairs requiring his attendance at his former place of residence, the undersigned left *Kingston* last fall, and has applied himself as unremittingly as circumstances would permit to the accomplishment of the task imposed upon him, by the order of your Honourable House.

He begs to submit, for the information of the Members of this Honourable House, a complete Index to all the Statutes and Ordinances of the late Province of *Lower Canada*, from

The Hon'ble. James Crooks introduced;

Presents his Writ of Summons.

The Writ.

Sworn and takes his seat.

The Law Clerk presents a Report on the Index to the Statutes, and on the expiring Laws.

Law Clerk's Report on the Index to the Statutes read.

1777 to 1841, which he has caused to be bound for the use of any Committees of your Honourable House.

It is not only a reference to all the enactments of that Legislature, but, under the heads of "Agriculture," "Education," "Charitable Institutions," &c. exhibits the whole amount and the distribution of all appropriations for those and other specific objects.

A similar Index to the Laws of *Upper Canada* has been commenced; but time would not permit of its being fairly copied out to be submitted at this time to your Honourable House. If circumstances will allow, it will be completed during the present Session.

An Index to the Statutes of the United Legislature of last Session has also been commenced, but not yet extended out, as it was considered better to await the Legislation of another Session before transcribing, in a fair form, the enactments of the past year, which may possibly be considerably altered or changed.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

ROBERT ARMOUR, Jr.
Acting Law Clerk.

Law Clerk's Office,
Legislative Council,
8th September, 1842.

To the Honourable the Legislative Council of the Province of Canada, in Parliament assembled:

In obedience to the order of your Honourable House of the 13th September last, which directs "that it shall be the duty of the Acting Law Clerk of this House to prepare, at the commencement of each Session, for the information of the Committee on expiring Laws, a list of such Acts as are about to expire;" the undersigned has now the honour of complying with such order.

The model which has been adopted is very similar to that used annually in the British House of Commons by the Committee on expired and expiring Laws. The list comprises not only the temporary Laws or Ordinances, or Laws or Ordinances containing temporary provisions of the late Provinces of *Upper* or *Lower Canada*, or of the United Province, and now in force, but also a list of all Laws or Ordinances of a temporary character, or containing temporary provisions, which have expired since the 1st May, 1832; thus exhibiting a complete view, as well retro-

spective as prospective, of the temporary legislation of the Provincial Legislatures.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

ROBERT ARMOUR, Jr.
Acting Law Clerk.

Law Clerk's Office,
Legislative Council,
8th September, 1842.

Ordered, that the last-mentioned Report of the Acting Law Clerk be referred to a Select Committee of three Members. Referred to a select Committee.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs. *de Blaquiere*, *Sullivan*, and *Bruneau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

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

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

Ordered, that the Honourable Messieurs. *de Blaquiere*, *Macaulay*, and *Hamilton*, be appointed a Committee to peruse and perfect the Journals of this and former Sessions of the Provincial Parliament. Members composing same.

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

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at the hour of one o'clock, P. M. the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

Friday, 9th September, 1842. FRIDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs. The Honourable Messieurs.

de Blaquiere,

Hamilton,

Sullivan,

Bruneau,

Fraser, Alex.

McDonald,

Crooks,

McKay,

Fergusson,

Moore,

Macaulay,

Goodhue.

PRAYERS.

The

Hon'ble Joseph Dionne introduced;

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

When the Honourable *Joseph Dionne*, was introduced between the Honourable Messrs. *Sullivan* and *Bruneau*.

Presents his Writ of Summons.

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

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } CHARLES BAGOT.

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

To our trusty and well-beloved *Joseph Dionne*, Esquire, and to all to whom these Presents shall come—

GREETING:

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

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well beloved Sir *Charles Bagot*, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At *Kingston*, this nineteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight

hundred and forty-two, and in the sixth year of our reign.

C. B.

By Command,
S. B. HARRISON,
Secretary.

Then the Honourable Mr. *Dionne* came to the table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *James FitzGibbon*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislative Council, and took his seat accordingly.

In obedience to a certain order of the House of last Session, the Librarian to the Legislative Council presented a Report on the subject of the Library.

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows:

During the recess, the Librarian, in obedience to the order of the Honourable the Legislative Council, proceeded to *Montreal* and *Quebec*, for the purpose of conveying to *Kingston* the Libraries which were in those places.

At the former place he found two thousand three hundred and forty-four volumes; at the latter one thousand four hundred and eighty-nine: all of which have arrived safe, and are now arranged upon the shelves of the Library.

At both places the Librarian made every exertion, by personal application and by public advertisement, to recover some of the many Books which are missing; and regrets to state that his efforts were attended with but little success.

From the combination of the two Libraries, and the considerable addition to them by the division made by order of a Joint Committee of both Houses, last Session, a new Catalogue becomes necessary. This the Librarian, acting under the orders of the Honourable the Speaker, has not prepared, waiting until the Honourable House decides upon the form in which that Catalogue should be drawn up.

Appended to this Report is a list of the Books found at *Montreal* and *Quebec*, and conveyed to *Kingston* by the Librarian.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. AGAR ADAMSON,
Chaplain and Librarian.

Legislative Council Library,
September 8th, 1842.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the foregoing report do lie on the table.

In obedience to certain joint resolutions of the two Houses, adopted during the last Session, the Joint Committee appointed on the subject of the division of the Library of the late Parliament of *Upper Canada*, presented their Report.

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

Report upon the division of the Books in the Library belonging to the Legislature of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, between the Legislative Council and Assembly of *Canada*:

The undersigned having been appointed on the 16th September last, by a joint resolution of both Branches of the Provincial Legislature, a Committee to divide the Library of the Parliament of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, with a due regard to the interests of both Houses, and with a view to avoid, as far as practicable, leaving duplicate works in either Library, but completing one set at least of the Journals of the Houses of Lords and Commons belonging to either House, have the honour to Report:

That on entering upon the duty assigned them, they first selected those works of which neither of the Libraries of the late Province of *Lower Canada* possessed copies; they found them to comprise 1221 volumes, which, having equal regard to value and number of volumes, were divided in the following manner:

To the Hon'ble the Legislative Council 631
To the Hon'ble the Legislative Assembly 590

Of these works lists will be found, respectively, in the Appendix hereunto annexed, and marked A. and B.

That in the Library submitted to them for division, several works were found which were already in the several Libraries of your Honourable Houses, amounting to 770 volumes, which after having due regard to the instructions directed to your Committee, were considered, in proportion to value, about equally divided by allowing to the Honourable the Legislative Council 414 volumes, and to the Honourable the Legislative Assembly 356 volumes; of these works lists will be found in the Appendices hereunto annexed, marked C. and D.

Among the works assigned to the Honourable the Legislative Council, was a complete

set of the publications of the Record Commission of Great Britain, of which a copy remains in the Library of the Honourable the Legislative Assembly.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES FITZGIBBON,
Clerk, Leg. Council.

WM. P. PATRICK,
D'y. Clerk, L. A.

W. AGAR ADAMSON,
Librarian, L. C.

WILLIAM WINDER,
Librarian, L. A.

ALPHEAS TODD,
D'y. Librarian, L. A.

ROBT. ARMOUR, JUN.
Law Clerk, L. C.

G. W. WICKSTEAD,
Law Clerk, L. A.

Kingston, 8th Sept'r. 1842.

Ordered, that the last mentioned report do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from the Warden and Members of the Council for the District of *Brock*, praying for the imposition of a reasonable duty upon agricultural products when imported into this Province from the *United States*; also, a petition from the District Council of the District of *Brock*, praying that the present School Act may be altered and amended; also, a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock*, praying that the tax upon unoccupied lands may be collected annually; also, a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Brock*, praying that the correct Boundary lines of the thirteenth and fourteenth Concessions of the Township of *Burford* may be established, and continued in a straight line from the twelfth Concession, being the western boundary of the Township aforesaid; also, a petition from *Alexander Saxon*, and others, of the Township of *Bayham*, in the District of *London*, praying that the said Township may be attached to and form part of the District of *Brock*; also, a petition from *John M. Crawford*, and others, of the Township of *Bayham*, in the District of *London*, praying that a duty may be imposed upon lumber when imported into this Province from the *United States*, equal in amount to that charged upon Canadian lumber by the American Government when imported into the *United States*; also, a petition

Petitions, From the Municipal Council of the District of Brock, for agricultural protection;

For an alteration in the School Act;

For the annual collection of the wild land tax;

For the confirmation of certain boundary lines, in the Township of Burford;

From Alex. Saxon, and others, for annexing the Township of Bayham to the District of Brock;

From John M. Crawford, and others, for a duty on lumber imported into this Province;

The Report of the Joint Committee on the division of the Library of Upper Canada, presented;

Same read.

From the Municipal Council of the Western District, for an amendment of the Municipal Act;

a petition from the Municipal Council of the *Western* District, praying for such an amendment of the Municipal Act as will give to the District Councils the power of trying contested elections in the Councils themselves; and also, a petition from the Right Honourable the Earl of *Mountcashell*, and others, members of the *North American* Committee of the Colonial Society, praying for the adoption of such Legislative measures, by the Provincial Parliament, as may best promote the most intimate union of interest between *Great Britain* and the *North American* Colonies.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

From the Earl of *Mountcashell*, and others, for the adoption of measures to promote a union of interest between *Great Britain* and the *N. A. Colonies*;

The Honourable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a petition from *Alexander Robertson*, and others, School Teachers in *Esquesing*, in the District of *Gore*, praying that measures may be taken to secure to School Teachers a competent income and permanent employment; also, a petition from the Municipal Council of the *Wellington* District, praying for the passing of an Act defining the exact territory to be included in the said District; also, a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington*, praying against the passing of any law annexing the Township of *Wilmot* to the District of *Brock*; also, a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington*, praying that an alteration may be made in the existing laws relative to assessments on lands, and that the method of recovering those assessments may be rendered more speedy and effectual; also, a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington*, praying that the Common School Act may be amended and simplified in its details; also, a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington*, praying that the Municipal Act may be amended; and also, a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington*, praying for the grant of a sum of money for making a good and sufficient road, from the boundary of the *Wellington* District, in the Township of *Puslinch*, to the Township of *Arthur*, in the *Owen Sound* Settlement.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from the *Home* District Municipal Council, praying that the controul and management of the three leading macadamized roads running north, east and west, through the said District, may be assumed by the Government.

From *Alexander Robertson*, and others, School Teachers, for a competent income;

From the Municipal Council of the *Wellington* District, for an Act defining the boundary of the District;

Against annexing the Township of *Wilmot* to the District of *Brock*;

For an alteration in the method of collecting assessments upon lands;

For an amendment of the School Act;

For an amendment of the Municipal Act;

For a grant of money to make a road to *Owen Sound* Settlement; and,

From the Municipal Council of the *Home* District, that the Government may assume the controul of certain macadamized roads leading to *Toronto*, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Consideration by the House of the Speech of His Excellency;

And the same being read by the Clerk;

Ordered, that a humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for His Excellency's gracious Speech from the Throne.

An Address of thanks ordered.

To congratulate His Excellency upon His arrival in this Province as the Representative of Her Majesty, and to assure His Excellency that in the fulfilment of the arduous duties of His high station, He will always meet the cordial support and assistance of this House.

To assure His Excellency that this House is fully aware that the melancholy event which marked the close of last Session, and which is still fresh in our memory and our regrets, has imposed upon His Excellency the responsibility of maturing and carrying into effect numerous important measures, and has caused a corresponding necessity for delay in the meeting of the Provincial Parliament.

To assure His Excellency that this House unites with His Excellency in acknowledging the goodness of Providence in the merciful direction, for the security and advantage of this Province and of the British Empire, of several events of great public interest, which have occurred since the last Session of the Provincial Parliament.

That this House cordially concurs with His Excellency in feeling that the birth of a Prince, destined under God's protection to occupy the British Throne, is a source of rejoicing to all Her Majesty's faithful Subjects; and that we shall gladly take the opportunity afforded by the present Session of Parliament, to offer the hearty congratulations of this House to Her Majesty, and Her Royal Consort, upon this event, so conducive to their domestic happiness, and so auspicious to the Nation.

That this House unites with one voice in thanksgiving to ALMIGHTY GOD, that HE has been pleased to avert from our beloved Sovereign the danger to which She has been exposed, by the treasonable attempt of an Assassin, and by the malice of the reckless and wicked; and that we fervently join in the prayer, that HE will continue to watch over and long preserve a life so justly dear to all classes of Her Majesty's Subjects.

To

To thank His Excellency for acquainting this House, that a treaty between *Great Britain* and the *United States* has been signed on the part of Her Majesty, and since ratified by the Federal Senate, by which the important questions affecting this Province and the *United States* have been adjusted; and to assure His Excellency that from this happy settlement, this House fully concurs with His Excellency in foreseeing the most favourable consequences to the Province, in the maintenance of peace, the restoration of confidence, and the devotion of the undivided energies of its Inhabitants to the internal advancement and the development of the vast resources of the country.

That this House feels most grateful to the Queen that these have been among Her Majesty's chief objects in the negotiation of this treaty; and that we receive with cordial thankfulness the statement made by His Excellency, in obedience to Her Majesty's gracious commands, that no wish is nearer to Her Majesty's heart than that under Her rule and the protection of Her Crown, all Her faithful Subjects in *Canada* may rest in undisturbed peace—may feel themselves to be one people with their fellow-subjects of the British Islands, and may increase in wealth, prosperity and contentment, founded on the possession and rational enjoyment of a free and essentially British Constitution.

To offer His Excellency the acknowledgments of this House for His Excellency's attention to the great measures of last Session, and to assure His Excellency of the co-operation of this House in making all requisite modifications in any of these measures, with the view of giving effect to their provisions, in development of the principles on which they are founded, and in harmony with the spirit of those institutions under which they are framed.

That when the important measure for the establishment of District Councils shall come under revision, this House will give its cheerful aid in considering the amendments which will be proposed, with the view of removing all obstacles to the smooth and efficient operation of these institutions.

To acknowledge His Excellency's endeavours to work out the objects which the Legislature contemplated in passing an Act for the promotion of Education, and His Excellency's adoption of such measures as His Excellency deemed to be indispensable to the accomplish-

ment of these intentions until the subject could be again brought under their consideration.—To assure His Excellency of the best assistance of this House in the introduction of any amendments into the measure which will tend to insure its successful and beneficial operation; and in the meantime, to express the satisfaction of this House in noticing the impulse which has been given to Education in its higher as well as in its elementary branches, the results of which cannot fail to confer the most material benefits upon the whole Province.

To express to His Excellency the readiness of this House to give its utmost attention to the re-organization of the Militia, and the concurrence of this House in His Excellency's opinion, that the present is a favourable opportunity to alleviate unnecessary pressure upon the people, and to place this arm of the public defence upon a sounder and more satisfactory footing.

To express the grateful sense which this House entertain, of His Excellency's assurance that in perfecting these and other measures for the advancement and welfare of the Province, we may rely upon His Excellency's cordial co-operation and support. That the Province has at length recovered from a state of severe trial and danger, and that a bright dawn now opens upon its prospects. That this House is deeply conscious that the promise of peace, secured upon an honourable and advantageous basis; the re-establishment of tranquillity and security; the restoration of financial credit and commercial confidence, with the enjoyment of free and permanent institutions, are blessings for which *Canada* has reason to be grateful, and which it will be the effort of this House to preserve, and its pride to perpetuate.

Then the Members following, were appointed a Committee to prepare an Address pursuant thereto, viz:

The Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere, Sullivan, A. Fraser, Fergusson, Macaulay, Bru-
neau* and *Goodhue*.

Their Honours, or any three of them, to meet immediately in one of the Committee Rooms of the Legislative Council; and to adjourn as they please.

The House was adjourned during pleasure, and the Committee withdrew to prepare the Address to His Excellency the Governor-General.

After

A Committee
appointed to
prepare the
Address.

After some time the House was resumed.

Address reported
and agreed to.

And the Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere*, reported from the Committee, an Address drawn by them, as follows:

To His Excellency Sir CHARLES BAGOT, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British North America, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly thank your Excellency for your Excellency's gracious Speech from the Throne.

We beg to congratulate your Excellency upon your arrival in this Province as Her Majesty's Representative, and to assure your Excellency, that in the fulfilment of the arduous duties of your Excellency's high station, you will always meet our cordial support and assistance.

We are fully aware that the melancholy event which marked the close of last Session, and which is still fresh in our memory and our regrets, has imposed upon your Excellency the responsibility of maturing and carrying into effect numerous important measures, and has caused a corresponding necessity for delay in the meeting of the Provincial Parliament.

We assure your Excellency that we unite in acknowledging the goodness of Providence in the merciful direction, for the security and advantage of this Province and of the British Empire, of several events of great public interest which have occurred since the last Session of the Provincial Parliament.

We cordially concur with your Excellency in feeling that the birth of a Prince, destined under God's protection to occupy the British Throne, is a source of rejoicing to all Her Majesty's faithful Subjects; and we shall gladly take the opportunity afforded by the present Session of Parliament, to offer our hearty congratulations to Her Majesty, and Her Royal Consort, upon this event, so conducive to their domestic happiness, and so auspicious to the Nation.

We unite with one voice in thanksgiving to Almighty God, that He has been pleased to avert from our beloved Sovereign the danger to which She has been exposed, by the treasonable attempt of an assassin, and by the malice of the reckless and wicked; and we fervently join in the prayer, that He will continue to watch over, and long to preserve a life, so justly dear to all classes of Her Majesty's Subjects.

We thank your Excellency for acquainting us, that a treaty between *Great Britain* and the *United States* has been signed on the part of Her Majesty, and since ratified by the Federal Senate, by which treaty the important questions affecting the Province and the *United States* have been adjusted; and we assure your Excellency, that from this happy settlement, we fully concur with your Excellency in foreseeing the most favourable consequences to this Province in the maintenance of peace, the restoration of confidence, and the devotion of the undivided energy of its Inhabitants to the internal advancement and the development of the vast resources of the Country. We feel most grateful to the Queen that these have been among Her Majesty's chief objects in the negotiation of the treaty; and we receive with cordial thankfulness the statement made by your Excellency, in obedience to Her Majesty's gracious command, that no wish is nearer to Her Majesty's heart than that under Her rule and the protection of Her Crown, all Her faithful Subjects in *Canada* may rest in undisturbed peace—may feel themselves to be one people with their fellow Subjects of the British Islands, and may increase in wealth, prosperity and contentment, founded on the possession and rational enjoyment of a free and essentially British Constitution.

We beg to offer our acknowledgments for your Excellency's attention to the great measures of last Session, and we assure your Excellency of our co-operation in making all requisite modifications in any of those measures with the view of giving effect to their provisions, in development of the principles on which they are founded, and in harmony with the spirit of the institutions under which they are framed.

When the important measure for the establishment of District Councils shall come under revision, we shall give our cheerful aid in considering

sidering the amendments which will be proposed, with the view of removing all obstacles to the smooth and efficient operation of these institutions.

We acknowledge your Excellency's endeavours to work out the objects which the Legislature contemplated in passing an Act for the promotion of Education, and your Excellency's adoption of such measures as your Excellency deemed indispensable to the accomplishment of their intentions, until the subject could be again brought under their consideration.— We shall give our best assistance in the introduction of any amendments into the measure which will tend to insure its successful and beneficial operation; and in the meantime, we beg to express our satisfaction in noticing the impulse which has been given to Education in its higher as well as in its elementary branches, the results of which cannot fail to confer the most material benefits upon the whole Province.

We shall be ready to give our utmost attention to the re-organization of the Militia, and we fully concur in your Excellency's opinion, that the present is a favourable opportunity to alleviate unnecessary pressure upon the people, and to place this arm of the public defence upon a sounder and more satisfactory footing.

We entertain a grateful sense of your Excellency's assurance, that in perfecting these and other measures for the advancement and welfare of the Province, we may rely upon your Excellency's cordial co-operation and support. The Province has at length recovered from a state of severe trial and danger, and a bright dawn now opens upon its prospects. We are deeply conscious that the promise of peace secured upon an honourable and advantageous basis; the establishment of tranquillity and security; the restoration of financial credit and commercial confidence, with the enjoyment of free and permanent institutions, are blessings for which *Canada* has reason to be grateful, and which it will be our effort to preserve, and our pride to perpetuate.

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

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

Ordered, that the Honourable Messieurs *Fergusson* and *Joseph Dionne* do wait on His

Excellency, humbly to know what time His Excellency will please to appoint to be attended with the said Address.

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

When the Honourable *Simeon Washburn* Hon'ble. Simeon Washburn introduced; was introduced between the Honourable Messieurs *McDonald* and *McKay*.

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

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } CHARLES BAGOT.

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

To our trusty and well-beloved *Simeon Washburn*, Esquire, and to all to whom these Presents shall come—

GREETING:

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

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved Sir *Charles Bagot*, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

At

At *Kingston*, this nineteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the sixth year of our reign.

C. B.
By Command,
S. B. HARRISON,
Secretary.

Then the Honourable Mr. *Washburn* came to the table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *James FitzGibbon*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislative Council, and took his seat accordingly.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at one o'clock, P. M. the House so decreeing.

SATURDAY.
Saturday, 10th September, 1842.

The Members convened were:
The Honourable, the *Vice-Chancellor*, Speaker.
The Honourable Messieurs The Honourable Messieurs

<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>McKay,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>
<i>Fraser, Alexander</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>

PRAYERS.

The Honourable Mr. *Fergusson* reported that the Honourable Mr. *Joseph Dionne* and himself had, according to order, waited on His Excellency the Governor-General, to know what time His Excellency would be pleased to appoint to be attended with the Address of this House; and that His Excellency had appointed this day, at two o'clock, at the Government House.

The Honourable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*, praying that certain alterations may be made in the "Municipal Act;" also a petition from the Warden and Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*, praying against the passing of any Act having for its object the dismemberment of any portion of the said District; also a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*, praying that the erection of a Lunatic Asylum for *Canada West* may immediately be commenced, and that the site for the Building may be selected in the Town of *Hamilton*; also a petition from the Warden and Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*, praying for certain altera-

tions in the Common School Act; and also a petition from the Warden and Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*, praying that individuals living upon side lines abutting upon macadamized Roads may not be compelled to commute for their Statute labour.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from *Piere Lacroix* and *Joseph Bolduc*, of the City of *Quebec*, praying that they may be allowed a retiring pension for life, as former Messengers of the Legislative Council of the late Province of *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to notice, it was,

Moved, that the Clerk of this House be authorised to subscribe for the newspapers published in this Province, for the purpose of being laid on the table of the Library, for the use of the Members.

Which being twice read, the question of concurrence was put, and the same was carried in the affirmative; and it was,

Ordered accordingly.

Ordered, that the Reports of the Librarian, and of the Joint Committee on the Library, be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere*, *Mucaulay*, and *Bruneau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Ordered, that the Honourable the Speaker be requested to take such steps as may be necessary, by communication with the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, to supply this Council, as early as practicable, with all printed documents of that Honourable House.

Ordered, that the name of the Honourable Mr. *McKay* be substituted for that of the Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere*, upon the Committee on the Journals.

The House was adjourned during pleasure. The House was resumed.

The Honourable the Speaker reported, that the House did this day wait on His Excellency the Governor-General with their Address, to which His Excellency was pleased to return the following most gracious reply:

Honourable Gentlemen:

I thank you for your Address, and for your congratulation on my arrival in this Province; and

That certain parties may not be compelled to commute for their Statute labour; and,

From P. Lacroix, and J. Bolduc, for a pension, presented.

The public newspapers directed to be subscribed for by the Clerk.

The Report of the Librarian, and the Report of the Joint Committee on the Library, referred to a Select Committee.

The Speaker requested to make arrangements for interchanging the printed documents between the two Houses.

Honourable Mr. McKay substituted for the Honourable Mr. deBlaquiere upon the Committee on the Journals.

The Speaker reports the reply of His Excellency to the Address.

Reply.

Sworn, and takes his seat.

Adjourn.

SATURDAY.

Committee reports, the time when His Excellency will be attended with the Address.

Petitions, From the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore*, for alterations in the Municipal Act;

Against the dismemberment of the District;

For the erection of the Lunatic Asylum at *Hamilton*;

For an alteration in the School Act;

and I rely with confidence upon receiving your cordial support and assistance in my administration of its affairs.

Ordered, that the Address, in answer to the Speech from the Throne, together with His Excellency's reply thereto, be translated into the French language, and that two hundred and fifty copies be printed both in the English and French languages.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a Bill to render permanent two Ordinances of the Governor and Special Council, for the affairs of the late Province of *Lower Canada* therein-mentioned, concerning the erection of Parishes, and the Building of Churches, Parsonage Houses, and Church-yards.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the next sitting day; and,

Ordered, that the said Bill be translated into the French language, and that one hundred and fifty copies of the same be printed in both the English and French languages, for the use of Members.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next, at the hour of three of the clock, P. M. the House so decreeing.

Monday, 12th September, 1842.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the *Vice-Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs	The Honourable Messieurs
<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>McKay,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>
<i>Fraser, Alexander</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	

PRAYERS.

The Honourable Mr. *McKay* presented a petition from *George Macdonell*, and others, Inhabitants of the *Eastern* and *Ottawa* Districts, praying for an Act removing any doubts which may exist as to the expenditure of the sum of fifteen hundred pounds, granted during the last Session of the Legislature, for completing the military road from the *Ottawa*, near *L'Orignal*, to the *St. Laurence*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill to render permanent two Ordinances of the Governor and Special Council, for the affairs of the late Province of *Lower Canada* therein-mentioned, concerning the erection of Parishes

and the building of Churches, Parsonage Houses and Church-yards, was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *Bruneau*, *Moore* and *J. Dionne*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

When the Honourable *Levius Peters Sherwood*, was introduced between the Honourable Messieurs *A. Fraser* and *Macaulay*.

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

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } CHARLES BAGOT.

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

To our trusty and well-beloved *Levius Peters Sherwood*, Esquire, and to all to whom these Presents shall come—

GREETING.

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

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed:

Witness our right trusty and well beloved Sir *Charles Bagot*, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General

The Address and Reply ordered to be printed.

First Pariah Bill presented, and read first time; and,

Ordered to be printed.

Adjourn.

MONDAY.

Petition, From George Macdonell, and others, for the removal of doubts as to the expenditure of a sum of money upon the L'Orignal Road, presented.

First Pariah Bill read second time; and,

Referred to a Select Committee.

The Hon'ble. L. P. Sherwood introduced;

Presents his Writ of Summons.

The Writ.

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 *Kingston*, this nineteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the sixth year of our reign.

C. B.

By Command,
S. B. HARRISON,
Secretary.

Then the Honourable Mr. *Sherwood* came to the table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *James Sampson*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislative Council, and took his seat accordingly.

Sworn and takes his seat.

Ordered, that the petition presented to this House, on the ninth instant, from the Right Honourable the Earl of *Mountcashell*, and others, on the part of the Committee of the British *North American* Colonial Society, and accompanying documents, upon the subject of the free admission of Canadian agricultural produce into *Great Britain*, be now read.

The petition from the Earl of Mountcashell, and others, read; and,

The same being read accordingly;

Ordered, that five hundred copies of the said petition, together with the documents, be printed for the use of Members, and that of such number two hundred and fifty copies be printed in the French language.

Ordered to be printed.

The Honourable Mr. *Washburn* presented a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Prince Edward*, praying that a duty may be imposed upon agricultural products when imported into this Province from the *United States*.

Petition from the Municipal Council of the District of Prince Edward, for protection to Agriculture, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Ordered, that the Members of this House, in attendance on the Session, be summoned for Friday next, the sixteenth instant, to consider of the motion for making it a standing order of this House, "That the minutes of the proceedings of the last day of each Session be revised and approved by the Honourable the Speaker, previous to being entered upon the Journals."

Members to be summoned to consider a motion for a standing order.

The Honourable Mr. *McKay* presented a petition from *Henry Smith*, Warden of the Provincial Penitentiary, praying for relief.

Petition, from Henry Smith, for relief, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

Tuesday, 13th September, 1842. TUESDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

Honourable Messieurs,	The Honourable Messieurs,
<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>McKay,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph,</i>
<i>Fraser, Alexander,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	

PRAYERS.

Ordered, that instead of 250 copies as ordered to be printed, five hundred copies of the petition of the Right Honourable the Earl of *Mountcashell*, and others, together with the documents accompanying the same, be printed in both languages, for the use of Members. 500 copies instead of 250 copies of the petition of the Earl of Mountcashell, ordered to be printed.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from the Proprietors and Inhabitants of the County of *Chambly*, in the District of *Montreal*, praying for an Act authorising the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the County of *Montreal* to admit the said petitioners as members of that Institution. Petition, from the Inhabitants of Chambly, for an alteration in the Act incorporating the Montreal Fire Assurance Company; and,

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *McKay* presented a petition from *Nicholas Sparks*, of *Bytown*, in the County of *Carlton*, in the District of *Dalhousie*, praying that certain property which was taken from him by the Ordnance Department for the use of the *Rideau* Canal, may be restored to him. From Nicholas Sparks, for the restoration of certain land taken by the Ordnance Department, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

When the Honourable *Robert Dickson* was introduced, between the Honourable Messieurs *Macaulay* and *McKay*. The Honourable Robert Dickson introduced.

Then the Honourable Mr. *Dickson* presented to the Speaker his Writ of Summons, who delivered it to the Clerk, and it was read as follows: Presents his writ of summons

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } CHARLES BAGOT.

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

To

To our trusty and well-beloved *Robert Dickson*, Esquire, and to all to whom these Presents shall come—

GREETING.

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

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed :

Witness our right trusty and well beloved Sir *Charles Bagot*, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

At *Kingston*, this nineteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the sixth year of our reign.

C. B.

By Command,

S. B. HARRISON,
Secretary.

Then the Honourable Mr. *Dickson* came to the table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *James Sampson*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislative Council, and took his seat accordingly.

Ordered, that the Committee appointed on the subject of the Library have leave to meet and adjourn as they please, and to report from time to time.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere*, from the Select Committee, to whom were referred

the Report of the Librarian on the state of the Library, and the Report of the Joint Committee appointed to effect a division of the Library belonging to the late *Upper Canada* Legislature, presented their first Report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council, Committee Room,
September 13th, 1842.

The Report.

The Select Committee to whom were referred the Report of the Librarian, on the state of the Library, and the Report of the Joint Committee appointed to effect a division of the Library belonging to the late *Upper Canada* Legislature, have the honour to submit their first Report :

That considering the great value of the books now on the shelves of your Library, and the danger to which they may be exposed by accidents from fire, they recommend that the Clerk of this House should without delay effect an Insurance to the amount of two thousand five hundred pounds, currency, on the books, furniture, &c. now in the Library, on as reasonable terms as possible; and that it be an instruction to the Clerk to continue an Insurance to that amount until further orders from this Honourable House.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

P. B. DEBLAQUIERE,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the foregoing Report be adopted.

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

Adjourn.

Wednesday, 14th Sept'r. 1842.

WEDNESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs,	The Honourable Messieurs,
<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>Moore.</i>
<i>Fraser, Alexander,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph,</i>
<i>Mucanlay,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>
<i>McKay,</i>	

PRAYERS.

The Honourable the Speaker laid before the House a general statement of the Bap-

Statements of
Baptisms, &c.
for Quebec and
Montreal, and
Three Rivers,
presented.

Sworn, and takes
his seat.

Leave given to
the Committee
on the Library,
to report from
time to time.

First Report of
the Select Com-
mittee on the
Library, pre-
sented.

tisms, Marriages and Burials, for the Districts of *Quebec, Montreal* and *Three Rivers*, for the year 1841, in conformity with the Provincial Statute of the late Province of *Lower Canada*, of the 6th *Geo. IV. Chap. 8.*

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

(See *Sessional Papers, Letter C.*)

The Honourable Mr. *Dickson* presented a petition from *George Adams*, and others, inhabitants of the District of *Niagara*, praying for an amendment of the Act for Incorporating a Company in the said District, under the title of the *Niagara District Bank*, by repealing the provision rendering all Stockholders in the said Bank liable to twice the amount of their Stock ; and also, a petition from *Charles Miller*, of *Saint Armand*, praying for an Act indemnifying him against certain losses occasioned by the acts of incendiaries from the *United States*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Moore* presented a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Sherbrooke*, praying for certain amendments to the District Council Ordinance, and to the Common School Act.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Washburn* presented a petition from *Robert C. Wilkins*, and others, inhabitants of the township of *Ameliasburgh*, in the *Prince Edward* District, praying for the passing of an Act confirming the survey made of the said township, in the year 1816.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table,

The Honourable Mr. *J. Dionne* presented a petition from *R. C. Chandler*, and others, inhabitants of various parishes comprized within the Municipal District of *Nicolet*, praying that the Municipal Council and District Courts may be held at the village of *Nicolet*, instead of in the settlement of *Drummondville*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from *J. Paquin*, and others, inhabitants of the Parish of *St. Eustache*, praying for public pecuniary aid, to enable them to rebuild the Parish Church and Convent, destroyed by Her Majesty's troops, in 1837.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Ordered, that it be referred to the Committee of Privileges, to ascertain and report to this House, whether it be the practice of the House of Lords to receive petitions from

corporate bodies, not authenticated with the seal of such corporations.

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

When the Honourable *Amable Dionne*, WAS introduced between the Honourable Messieurs *Bruneau* and *J. Dionne*.

Then the Honourable Mr. *A. Dionne* presented to the Speaker his Writ of Summons, who delivered it to the Clerk, and it was read as follows :

PROVINCE OF }
Canada. } CHARLES BAGOT.

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

To our trusty and well-beloved *Amable Dionne*, Esquire, and to all to whom these Presents shall come—

GREETING:

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

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed :

Witness our right trusty and well-beloved Sir *Charles Bagot*, G. C. B. one of our most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British *North America*, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At *Kingston*, this nineteenth day of August, in

Petitions, From George Adams, and others, for an amendment to the Act Incorporating the Niagara District Bank ;

From Charles Miller, for indemnification for losses occasioned by incendiaries ;

From the Municipal Council of the District of Sherbrooke, for amendments to the School Act ;

From Robert C. Wilkins, and others, for an Act confirming a certain Survey ;

From R. C. Chandler, and others, for an Act altering the place for the sittings of the District Council of Nicolet ;

From J. Paquin, and others, for pecuniary aid, presented.

The question whether the seal of the Corporation should be affixed to petitions from Corporate bodies, referred to the Committee of Privileges.

The Honourable Amable Dionne, introduced ;

Presents his Writ of Summons.

The Writ.

in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the sixth year of our reign.

By Command,
S. B. HARRISON,
Secretary.

Then the Honourable Mr. *A. Dionne* came to the table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *James Sampson*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislative Council, and took his seat accordingly.

The order of the day being read for moving an Address to the Queen, offering to Her Majesty the congratulations of this House on the birth of the Prince of *Wales*; it was,

Ordered, that it be discharged, and that the same do stand upon the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The order of the day being read for moving an Address to His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, offering the congratulations of this House on the birth of the Prince of *Wales*; it was,

Ordered, that it be discharged, and that the same do stand upon the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The order of the day being read for moving an Address of congratulation to Her Majesty, upon the subject of Her Majesty's providential escape from the treasonable attempt of a reckless and wicked assassin; it was,

Ordered, that it be discharged; and that the same do stand upon the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The order of the day being read for moving an Address to His Excellency the Governor-General, on the subject of the petition from the inhabitants of the Township of *Bayham*, praying to be annexed to the District of *Brock*;

Ordered, that the said petition be now read.

The same being read accordingly;

It was moved, that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, enclosing a copy of the petition presented to this House from the inhabitants of the township of *Bayham*, in the County of *Middlesex*, praying that the said township may be annexed to the District of *Brock*, and that His Excellency may be pleased to adopt such measures thereon as may give effect to the wishes of the inhabitants of *Bayham*, con-

sistent with the general interests of the Province.

Which being objected to;

After short debate;

The said motion was (by leave of the House) withdrawn.

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

Adjourn.

Thursday, 15th Sept'r, 1842.

THURSDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the *Vice-Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,

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| <i>DeBlaquiere,</i> | <i>McKay.</i> |
| <i>Fraser, Alexander</i> | <i>Moore,</i> |
| <i>Fergusson,</i> | <i>Dionne, Amable</i> |
| <i>Macaulay,</i> | <i>Dionne, Joseph</i> |
| <i>Bruneau,</i> | <i>Goodhue,</i> |
| <i>McDonald,</i> | <i>Washburn.</i> |

PRAYERS.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from *E. W. Douglass*, President of the Agricultural Society for the County of *Huntingdon*, and others, praying for Legislative aid.

Petitions, From E. W. Douglass, and others, for Legislative aid;

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from *Adam Goodfellow*, and others, inhabitants of the township of *West Gwillimbury*, in the County of *Simcoe*, praying against the passing of any law for the stopping up of that portion of the public highway, commonly called the *West Gwillimbury* road.

From Adam Goodfellow, and others, against the stoppage of a certain highway;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a petition from the Governor, Deputy-Governor and Directors, of the British America Fire and Life Assurance Company, praying for an Act authorising the said Company to effect inland marine assurances; and also a petition from the President, Directors and Company, of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, praying for an increase of capital.

From the Governor, &c. of the British America Fire Assurance Company, for an extension of their Charter;

From the President, &c. of the Commercial Bank, for an increase of capital; and,

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from *R. B. McGinnis*, and others, inhabitants of the County of *Huntingdon*, praying to be indemnified for losses sustained during the late rebellion.

From R. B. McGinnis, and others, for indemnification for losses during the rebellion, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable the Speaker laid before the House a Return from the *Champlain* and *St. Laurence* Rail Road Company.

The Return from the Champlain and St. Laurence Rail-road Company, presented.

Ordered,

Sworn and takes his seat.

The order for moving an Address of congratulation to the Queen, on the birth of a Prince, discharged.

The order for moving an Address to His Royal Highness Prince Albert, on the birth of a Prince, discharged.

The order for moving an Address to Her Majesty, on her escaping from the attempt of an assassin, discharged.

An Address to His Excellency on the subject of the petition from the inhabitants of the township of Bayham, moved.

Petition read.

The motion withdrawn.

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

(See *Sessional Papers, Letter D.*)

Ordered, that the petition of *Nicholas Sparks*, of *Bytown*, in the County of *Carleton*, in the District of *Dalhousie*, praying that certain property which was taken from him by the Ordnance Department, for the use of the *Rideau Canal*, may be restored to him, be now read.

The said petition was then read accordingly.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere*, *Macaulay*, and *McKay*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Ordered, that the petition of *Henry Smith*, Warden of the Provincial Penitentiary, praying for relief, be now read.

The said petition was then read accordingly.

The Honourable Mr. *Moore* presented a petition from *Edward Cox*, and others, inhabitants of the township of *Kingsley*, and other townships, in the District of *Nicolet*, praying that the sittings of the Municipal Council and District Court may be removed from *Drummondville* to a more central situation.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a petition from the President and Directors of the *Gore Bank*, praying for amendments to the Act incorporating the said Bank, by repealing the provision rendering the Stockholders liable to twice the amount of their Stock, and other provisions therein mentioned.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to notice ; it was,

Moved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, entreating Her Majesty to accept the most sincere congratulations of the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, on the birth of an Heir Apparent to the Crown, in the person of His Royal Highness the Prince of *Wales*—an event which this Council rejoices to think will greatly add to Her Majesty's domestic happiness, and that of Her Royal Consort ; whilst it holds out to the people of this Province, in common with all other of Her Majesty's Subjects, the auspicious prospect (under Divine favour) of perpetuating the succession of Her Majesty's illustrious family in the Government of the Empire, in such a

manner as shall conduce to the glory and the happiness of *Great Britain* and her vast dependencies, securing to Her Majesty's Subjects the inestimable blessings they now enjoy, under Her gracious protection, of civil and religious liberty.

The same was agreed to ; and ordered accordingly, *nemine contradicente*.

Then the Members following were appointed a Committee to prepare an Address, pursuant to the said order :

The Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere*, *Macaulay*, *Bruneau*, *A. Dionne*, *Goodhue*.

Their Honours, or any three of them, to meet immediately in the Committee Room of the Legislative Council ; and to adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to notice ; it was,

Moved, that an humble Address be presented to His Royal Highness the Prince *Albert*, humbly to congratulate His Royal Highness on an event so agreeable to the Legislative Council of *Canada*, and so pleasing to all Her Majesty's dutiful Subjects, as the birth of a Prince of *Wales* ; and to assure His Royal Highness of the sincere interest this House takes in an event which so nearly concerns the domestic felicity of His Royal Highness, and which tends to cement that union so happily subsisting between Her Majesty and His Royal Highness ; and to express the very particular satisfaction with which they see in this event a pledge that the civil and religious liberties they now enjoy will be perpetuated under a race of Princes so illustrious.

The same was agreed to ; and ordered accordingly, *nemine contradicente*.

Ordered, that the last mentioned order be referred to the same Select Committee, to prepare an Address pursuant thereto.

Pursuant to notice ; it was,

Moved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to express to Her Majesty the anxious solicitude with which the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, take the earliest opportunity afforded to them of joining the unanimous voice of their fellow subjects, in warmly congratulating Her Majesty on the late providential interposition of the Almighty, in frustrating the atrocious and unnatural attempt upon Her Majesty's most sacred Person, and in

The petition of *Nicholas Sparks*, for the restoration of certain property taken by the Ordnance Department, read ; and,

Referred to a Select Committee.

The petition of *Henry Smith*, for relief, read.

Petition, from *Edward Cox*, and others, for the removal of the place for the sittings of the Municipal Council of the District of *Nicolet* ; and,

From the President, &c. of the *Gore Bank*, for an alteration in their Act of incorporation, presented.

Motion for an Address of congratulation to the Queen, upon the birth of a Prince.

Motion agreed to, and a Committee appointed to prepare an Address founded thereon.

Motion for an Address of congratulation to His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, upon the birth of a Prince.

Motion agreed to, and the last mentioned Committee appointed to prepare an Address founded thereon.

Motion for an Address of congratulation to Her Majesty, upon the subject of Her Providential escape from the treasonable attempt of an assassin.

in the preservation of a life so valuable to Her people.

That they acknowledge with reverence and gratitude the Divine goodness in averting the calamity with which they were threatened, thus affording Her Majesty a renewed instance of that all-powerful protection upon which Her Majesty has invariably placed Her reliance; that they make their earnest prayer to Almighty God, that He will preserve to them the blessings which they enjoy under Her Majesty's just and mild Government, and continue to watch over and protect a life so justly dear to them; that they join in the general admiration of those virtues which compose Her Majesty's character, and beg leave to assure Her Majesty, that they are happy in testifying the share they take in the loyal and affectionate attachment to Her sacred Person, which pervades the breasts of Her Subjects in every part of Her Dominions, and that it is their fixed resolution, as it is their sacred duty, to defend and protect Her Majesty's Person and Government, to second Her Majesty's uniform endeavours to maintain and preserve to Her people all the blessings which flow from the British Constitution, and to transmit them to their posterity.

The same was agreed to and ordered accordingly, *nemine contradicente*.

Ordered, that the last mentioned order be referred to the same Select Committee to prepare an Address pursuant thereto.

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

After some time the House was resumed;

And the Honourable Mr. *Bruneau*, reported from the Committee three Addresses, drawn by them, as follow:

To the QUEEN'S most Excellent Majesty.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY:

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

We entreat your Majesty to accept our most sincere congratulations on the birth of an Heir Apparent to the Crown, in the person of His Royal Highness the Prince of *Wales*—

an event which we rejoice to think will greatly add to your Majesty's domestic happiness, and that of your Royal Consort, while it holds out to the people of this Province, in common with all other your Majesty's subjects, the auspicious prospect (under Divine favour) of perpetuating the succession of your Majesty's illustrious family in the Government of the Empire, in such a manner as shall conduce to the glory and the happiness of *Great Britain* and her vast dependencies, securing to your Majesty's subjects, the inestimable blessings they now enjoy, under your Majesty's gracious protection, of civil and religious liberty.

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

The Address of congratulation to Prince Albert, on the birth of a Prince.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS:

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

We congratulate your Royal Highness on an event so agreeable to the Legislative Council of *Canada*, and so pleasing to all Her Majesty's dutiful subjects, as the birth of a Prince of *Wales*, and assure your Royal Highness of the sincere interest we take in an event which so nearly concerns the domestic felicity of your Royal Highness, and which tends to cement that union so happily subsisting between Her Majesty and your Royal Highness.

We would express the very particular satisfaction with which we see in this event a pledge, that the civil and religious liberties we now enjoy will be perpetuated under a race of Princes so illustrious.

To the QUEEN'S most Excellent Majesty.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY:

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

With anxious solicitude we take the earliest opportunity afforded to us, of joining the unanimous voice of our fellow subjects, in warmly congratulating your Majesty on the late

The Address of congratulation to Her Majesty, upon Her providential escape from the treasonable attempt of an assassin.

Motion agreed to, and the last mentioned Committee appointed to prepare an Address founded thereon.

The Select Committee report the three last mentioned Addresses.

The Address of congratulation to Her Majesty, upon the subject of the birth of a Prince.

late providential interposition of the Almighty, in frustrating the atrocious and unnatural attempt upon your Majesty's most sacred Person, and in the preservation of a life so valuable to your people.

We acknowledge with reverence and gratitude the Divine Goodness, in averting the calamity with which we were threatened, thus affording your Majesty a renewed instance of that all-powerful protection upon which your Majesty has invariably placed your reliance.

We make our earnest prayer to Almighty God, that He will preserve to us the blessings which we enjoy under your Majesty's just and mild Government, and continue to watch over and protect a life so justly dear to us. We join in the general admiration of those virtues which compose your Majesty's character, and we beg leave to assure your Majesty, that we are happy in testifying the share we take in the loyal and affectionate attachment to your Majesty's sacred Person, which pervades the breasts of your Majesty's subjects in every part of your Majesty's dominions; and it is our fixed resolution, as it is our sacred duty, to defend and protect your Majesty's Person and Government, to second your Majesty's uniform endeavours to maintain and preserve to your people all the blessings which flow from the British Constitution, and to transmit them to our posterity.

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

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

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

Ordered, that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, re-

spectfully praying His Excellency to transmit the Address of congratulation to Her Majesty on the subject of Her Majesty's providential escape from the treasonable attempt of a reckless and wicked assassin, to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, in order that it may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

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

Ordered, that the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere* and *Bruneau*, do wait on His Excellency, to know what time His Excellency will please to appoint to be attended with the said Addresses.

Ordered, that the petition from *George McDonnell*, and others, inhabitants of the *Eastern* and *Ottawa* Districts, praying for an Act for removing any doubts which may exist as to the expenditure of the sum of fifteen hundred pounds, granted during the last Session of the Legislature, for completing the military road from the *Ottawa*, near *L'Original*, to the *St. Laurence*, be now read.

The said petition was then read accordingly.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Library, presented their second Report, as follows:

Legislative Council, Committee Room, Report.
September 15th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom were referred the Report of the Librarian, as well as the Report of the Joint Committee on the division of the late Library of *Upper Canada*, beg leave to present their second Report:

That they notice with much satisfaction, the care and attention exercised by the Librarian, in the execution of the orders of your Honourable House, as to the removal of the Library to *Kingston*, the economy with which it has been effected, and the judicious manner in which the Library has been arranged in its present position.

That your Committee deem it necessary that the Members of this Honourable House should be severally furnished with a Catalogue of the works contained in the Library, and having examined the draft of a Catalogue which has been prepared by the Librarian, they beg leave to recommend to your Honourable

The Addresses to be presented by the whole House; and,

A Committee appointed to inquire when they will be received by His Excellency.

The petition from *G. McDonnell*, and others, for the removal of doubts as to the expenditure of a certain sum upon the *L'Original* road, read.

Second Report of the Committee on the Library, presented.

The Addresses agreed to; and,

An Address ordered to be presented to the Governor-General, praying His Excellency to transmit the same to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

able House, that it be forthwith printed and circulated.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

P. B. DEBLAQUIERE,
Chairman.

Report adopted. Ordered, that the said report be adopted.

Petitions, From Angus McGillivray, and others, for a new division of the Eastern and Ottawa Districts; and, The Honourable Mr. deBlaquiere presented a petition from Angus McGillivray, and others, inhabitants of the Eastern District, praying that certain concessions in the townships of Lochiel and Kenyon, in the Eastern District, may be transferred to the adjoining District of Ottawa.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

From the Municipal Council of the Eastern District, against the dismemberment of the said District, presented. The Honourable Mr. Macaulay presented a petition from the Warden and Municipal Council of the Eastern District, praying that the Legislative Council will not entertain any petition or application, having for its object the dismemberment of any portion of the said Eastern District.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Petition from the Municipal Council of the District of Prince Edward, for protection to agriculture, read. Ordered, that the petition from the Municipal Council of the District of Prince Edward, praying that a duty may be imposed on agricultural products when imported into the Province from the United States, be now read.

The said petition was then read accordingly.

Adjourn. The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

FRIDAY. Friday, 16th September, 1842.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the Vice-Chancellor, Speaker.

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| The Honourable Messieurs, | The Honourable Messieurs, |
| DeBlaquiere, | McKay, |
| Sullivan, | Dickson, |
| Fraser, Alexander | Dionne, Amable |
| Fergusson, | Dionne, Joseph |
| Macaulay, | Goodhue, |
| Hamilton, | Sherwood, |
| Bruneau, | Washburn. |
| McDonald, | |

PRAYERS.

House called. Pursuant to the fourth standing order, the House was called.

THE HONOURABLE MESSIEURS,

- Robert S. Jameson..... Present.
- Peter Boyle deBlaquiere ... Present.
- Peter McGill Absent.

THE HONOURABLE MESSIEURS,

- Robert Baldwin Sullivan .. Present.
- René E. Caron Absent.
- William Morris..... Absent.
- George Pemberton Absent.
- Alexander Fraser Present.
- Barthelemy Joliette Excused.
- James Crooks..... Excused.
- Adam Fergusson..... Present.
- John Fraser Excused.
- John Macaulay Present.
- John Hamilton Present.
- François P. Bruneau Present.
- John McDonald Present.
- Adam Ferrie Absent.
- Jean B. Taché..... Excused.
- Paul H. Knoulton..... Absent.
- Thomas McKay Present.
- Gabriel Roy Excused.
- Philip H. Moore..... Excused.
- Robert Dickson Present.
- Amable Dionne..... Present.
- Joseph Dionne..... Present.
- George J. Goodhue..... Present.
- Levius Peters Sherwood ... Present.
- William Walker Absent.
- Simeon Washburn Present.

Pursuant to notice; it was,

Moved, that it be a standing order, that the proceedings of the last day of each Session be not entered on the Journals until the same shall have been first approved by the Speaker.

Motion that the proceedings of the last day of each Session be approved by the Speaker;

The same was agreed to, and ordered accordingly. Agreed to.

The Honourable Mr. Bruneau presented a petition from Traver Van Vliet and John Odell, of Lacolle, praying to be indemnified for losses sustained by them from the acts of incendiaries.

Petitions, From T. Van Vliet, and J. Odell, of Lacolle, for indemnification for losses by incendiaries;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. Macaulay presented a petition from the Mayor and Commonalty of the Town of Kingston, praying for an Act incorporating the said Town, under the name and style of the "City of Kingston."

From the Mayor, &c. of Kingston, for an Act incorporating the said town;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. McKay presented a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of Ottawa, praying that certain of the northern concessions of Lochiel and Kenyon, in the Eastern District, should be annexed to and form part of the adjoining District of Ottawa.

From the Municipal Council of the District of Ottawa, that certain concessions of Lochiel and Kenyon may be annexed to the District of Ottawa, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The

Third Report of
the Committee on
the Library, pre-
sented.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Library, presented their third Report, as follows :

Legislative Council, Committee Room,
September 15th, 1842.

The Special Committee to whom were referred the Report of the Librarian on the state of the Library, and the Report of the Joint Committee on the division of the Library of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, have the honour to present their third Report.

That having received an intimation from the Librarian, that there are times when he must necessarily be absent in the discharge of his duties to the Honourable Council, during which the Library should not be left without a careful and confidential attendant, and requesting that an assistant should be allowed to him, your Committee recommend that the Librarian be permitted to employ an assistant during the sittings of the Legislature, to whom shall be allowed the sum of five shillings and six pence per diem.

In reference to another suggestion of the Librarian, as to a definition of the persons who shall have access to the Library, your Committee recommend an adherence to the rule heretofore observed in *Lower Canada*, and therefore suggest, that access to the books in the Library of this House, may be had at all hours during the sittings of the Legislature, and on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, in every week during the recess, to the Governor-General, the Members of the Legislative Council, Executive Council, and the House of Assembly, the Officers of the two Houses, for the time being, to Her Majesty's Judges, to the Clerk of the Executive Council, and to the Law Officers of the Crown, and that no person having such access shall be permitted to carry any book or books out of the building, except the Governor-General, and that for all books which shall be delivered to His Excellency, a receipt shall be given.

The whole nevertheless, humbly submitted.

P. B. DE BLAQUIERE,

Chairman.

Report adopted.

Ordered, that the said report be adopted.

Committee of
privileges.

Ordered, that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the privileges of this House.

The House was then adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of privileges.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* reported that the Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* and himself had, according to order, waited upon His Excellency the Governor-General, to know what time His Excellency would be pleased to appoint to be attended with the several Addresses adopted by this House yesterday; and that His Excellency had appointed to-morrow, at one o'clock, P. M.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at half past twelve o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing. Adjourn.

Saturday, 17th September, 1842. SATURDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs,	The Honourable Messieurs,
<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>Sherwood.</i>

PRAYERS.

The House adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honourable the Speaker reported, that the House did, this day, wait on His Excellency the Governor-General with the several Addresses to the Queen and the Prince *Albert*, to which His Excellency was pleased to return the following answer :

The answer of
His Excellency
to the Address of
this House, pray-
ing that the
Addresses to
Her Majesty and
Prince Albert, on
the birth of a
Prince, may be
transmitted.

Honourable Gentlemen :

In compliance with the request of the Legislative Council, I will transmit to the Secretary of State, in order that they may be laid at the foot of the Throne, the Addresses adopted by the Council, offering their congratulations on the birth of the Prince of *Wales*, and on Her Majesty's providential escape from the treasonable attempt of an assassin; together with the Address of the Council to His Royal Highness Prince *Albert*, offering their congratulations on the birth of the Prince of *Wales*, for the purpose of the same being laid before His Royal Highness.

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

Monday,

Monday, 19th Sept'r, 1842.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the *Vice-Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs,	The Honourable Messieurs,
<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Sherwood.</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	

PRAYERS.

The Honourable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a petition from *Thomas McGory*, and others, being persons interested in the production of Lumber for exportation from this Province, praying for an Act requiring the duties of measuring and culling of Lumber to be performed by Cullers, under the head of a department properly examined and commissioned, who shall be independent of buyers and sellers, and sufficiently remunerated by a tariff of fees, properly regulated, to render them respectable and responsible.

Ordered, that the said petition be now read.

The same was then read accordingly.

Ordered, that the said petition do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from *Hezekiah Robinson*, and others, landholders and inhabitants of the Counties of *Chambly*, *Rouville*, and *St. Hyacinthe*, and the townships of *Granby*, *Shefford* and *Milton*, and the parts adjacent, praying for the raising of a sum of money in order that the *Longueil* and *Chambly* turnpike road may be continued to the Village of *Granby*, and that a bridge may be erected over the River *Richelieu*, at *Chambly*, aforesaid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from the Clergyman and Members of the Church of *England*, in the township of *Compton*, praying for a Church Temporalities Act, for the Diocese of *Quebec*; also a petition from the Warden of the District of *Dorchester*, submitting certain resolutions which were adopted in the session of the Council on the second March, in reference to the Ordinance 3rd *Victoria*, cap. 25, (called the Sleigh Ordinance,) and praying for certain amendments to the same; and also a petition from *H. N. Patton*, and *E. Delaire*, on behalf of the Municipal Council of the District of *Rochester*,

praying that the Municipal Council Act may be so amended as to permit the Councils, within their respective limits, to grant licences to Tavern-keepers and retailers of spirituous liquors, to receive the fees arising therefrom, and to make regulations for their management.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *McDonald* presented a petition from the Honourable *George Pemberton*, and others, Merchants of *Quebec*, praying for a remission of one half of the amount of timber duties, in consequence of the alteration effected in those duties by a late Act of the Imperial Parliament.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a petition from *Isaac Bond*, and others, inhabitants of the townships of *Loughborough*, East of *Loughborough Lake*; of *Pittsburgh*, west of the *Rideau Canal*; and part of the seventh concession of the township of *Kingston*, praying to be set apart into a separate township; and also a petition from *William Vynne Bacon*, of the town of *Kingston*, praying to be admitted as an Attorney and Solicitor, in this Province.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Dickson* presented a petition from *W. Kingsmill*, and others, inhabitants of the town of *Niagara*, praying against the removal of the District town, as recommended by a petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Niagara*; also a petition from *Paul Glasford*, and others, inhabitants of the town of *Brockville*, and its vicinity, praying for the enactment of a Bankrupt Law for this Province; also a petition from *R. D. Fraser*, and others, freeholders in the District of *Ottawa*, praying for an Act granting relief to the owners of lands in certain cases, where the same were sold by the Sheriff for taxes; also a petition from *Sylvester Skinner*, of the town of *Brockville*, praying that a patent may be granted to him for the invention of a machine for threshing and cleaning grain, &c.; also a petition from *Samuel Street*, of the township of *Stamford*, in the *Niagara* District, praying for an Act enabling him to use any Commission which may issue from Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, in and for that part of this Province which was formerly *Upper Canada*, for the proof of the will of the late

chester, for an amendment of the Municipal Act;

From *George Pemberton*, and others, for a reduction in the amount of timber duties;

From *Isaac Bond*, and others, of *Loughborough*, &c. to be formed into a new township;

From *W. V. Bacon*, for admission as an attorney, &c.

From *W. Kingsmill*, and others, of *Niagara*, against the removal of the District Town;

From *Paul Glasford*, and others, for a bankrupt law;

From *R. D. Fraser*, and others, of *Ottawa*, for an Act affording relief to the owners, whose land has been sold for taxes;

From *Sylvester Skinner*, for a patent right to a new invention;

From *Samuel Street*, for an Act to enable him to use a commission for proving the will of the late *Thomas Clark*; and,

Thomas Clark, deceased; and also a petition from *C. Ball*, and others, of the township of *Niagara*, praying against the removal of the County Town of the said District, from the present site.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable the Speaker laid before the House, the accounts of the Trinity House at *Quebec*, in conformity with the 20th section of the 4th & 5th *Victoria*, cap. 15.

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

(See *Sessional Papers*, Letter E.)

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a petition from *William Roe*, and others, freeholders of the townships of *East* and *West Gwillimbury*, praying for an Act authorising a certain tract or small section of country known as the old survey of the township of *West Gwillimbury*, to be included in the *Home* District, when the county of *Simcoe* shall be declared a separate District, or sooner if it should appear more advisable.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *A. Dionne* presented a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Kamouraska*, praying for the repeal of the Sleigh Ordinance, 2nd *Victoria*, cap. 34, for an alteration of the Registry Office Ordinance, of the Municipal District Ordinance, and of the Act establishing District and Division Courts; also a petition from *C. P. Huot*, and *J. M. Potoin*, of the county of *Saguenay*, in the District of *Quebec*, praying to be reimbursed a certain sum of money expended by them as Commissioners appointed to superintend the construction of a bridge over the *River du Gouffie*, in the Parish of *La Baie, St. Paul*; also, a petition from *C. P. Huot*, of the county of *Saguenay*, praying that he may be reimbursed a certain sum of money expended by him as a Commissioner of Internal Communications for the county of *Northumberland*; also, a petition from *M. G. P. Painchaud*, and others, members of the Female Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid; also, a petition from *Rosalie Legaré*, and others, members of the *Quebec* Female Orphan Association, praying for an Act of incorporation; also, a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of *Saguenay*, praying for the repeal or alteration of certain Acts and Ordinances passed by the Governor and Special Council, and at the last Session of the Provincial Par-

liament, establishing District Councils and Registry Offices, and other Ordinances therein mentioned; also, a petition from *Charles Turgeon*, of *Quebec*, praying for reimbursement of a sum of money advanced by him, and due to him, on account and on behalf of the Municipal Council of the District of *Quebec*; also, a petition from *Frederick Mimeo*, Tipstaff of the Court of Queen's Bench, for the District of *Montreal*, praying for relief; also, a petition from *Jean Baptiste Landry*, Crier of the Court of Queen's Bench, for *Quebec*, praying for relief; also, a petition from *James Maclaren*, Keeper of the Common Gaol and House of Correction of *Quebec*, praying for an increase of salary; also, a petition from divers landholders, in the Fiefs and Seignories belonging to the Jesuits' Estates, complaining of the accumulation of arrears of *Cens et rentes Lots et ventes*, and praying for relief; and, also a petition from *T. Cook*, and others, inhabitants of the District of *Three Rivers*, praying for the repeal of several of the Ordinances of the Special Council, and for the amendment of some of the Acts passed during the last Session of the Provincial Parliament.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a petition from the President, Directors and Company, of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, praying for an increase of capital stock.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from *Barnard Young*, of the township of *Compton*, in the District of *St. Francis*, praying that a pension may be granted to him in consequence of the severe injuries received by him while performing his duty as a peace officer; also, a petition from *Carey McClellan Hyndman*, Keeper of the Court House at *Sherbrooke*, and Crier of the Courts of Judicature for the Inferior District of *St. Francis*, praying for relief; and also, a petition from *Samuel Brooks*, and others, Trustees of the *Sherbrooke* Academy, praying for the usual grant towards supporting the said Academy for the current year.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *J. Dionne* presented a petition from *L. Lefevre*, and others, inhabitants of the county of *Lotbiniere*, praying for the repeal of certain Ordinances passed by the Governor and Special Council, and for the amendment of certain Acts passed during the

From *C. Ball*, and others, of *Niagara*, against the removal of the District town, presented.

Quebec Trinity House accounts, presented to the House.

Petitions, from *W. Roe*, and others, for an Act to include in the *Home* District, a certain tract of land comprised within the intended District of *Simcoe*;

From the Municipal Council of *Kamouraska*, for the repeal of the Sleigh Ordinance, for an alteration of the Registry and Municipal District Ordinances, and of the Division Court Act;

From *C. P. Huot*, and *J. M. Potoin*, to be reimbursed a certain sum expended by them as Commissioners to construct a certain bridge;

From *C. P. Huot*, to be reimbursed a sum of money expended by him as a Commissioner of internal communications for the county of *Northumberland*;

From *M. G. P. Painchaud*, and others, for aid to the *Quebec* Female Orphan Asylum;

From *Rosalie Legaré*, for an Act incorporating the *Quebec* Female Orphan Association;

From sundry inhabitants of the county of *Saguenay*, for the repeal or alteration of certain Acts and Ordinances;

From *C. Turgeon*, to be reimbursed a certain sum of money advanced to the Municipal Council of the District of *Quebec*;

From *Frederick Mimeo*, for relief;

From *J. B. Landry*, for relief;

From *James Maclaren*, for increase of salary;

From divers landholders in the Seignories belonging to the Jesuits' Estates, for relief;

From *T. Cooke*, and others, for the repeal of certain Acts and Ordinances;

From the President, &c. of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, for an increase of their capital stock;

From *Barnard Young*, for a pension;

From *C. McClellan Hyndman*, for relief;

From *Samuel Brooks*, and others, for the continuance of the grant to the *Sherbrooke* Academy; and,

From *L. Lefevre*, and others, for the repeal of certain Acts and Ordinances, presented.

the first Session of the first Provincial Parliament.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented to the House a Bill to amend the Usury Laws.

The said Bill was read for the first time;

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the next sitting day.

Ordered, that one hundred and fifty copies of the same be printed, both in the English and French languages, for the use of the Members.

Ordered, that the name of the Honourable Mr. *A. Dionne*, be substituted for that of the Honourable Mr. *Moore*, on the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill to render permanent two Ordinances of the Governor and Special Council, for the affairs of the late Province of *Lower Canada* therein mentioned, concerning the erection of Parishes and the Building of Churches, Parsonage-houses and Church-yards.

Ordered, that the Honourable Messieurs *Bruneau* and *A. Dionne*, be added to the Select Committee appointed to peruse and perfect the Journals of this and former Sessions of the Provincial Parliament.

Ordered, that the Committee of privileges to whom the propriety of receiving petitions by this House from corporate bodies, not authenticated with the seals of such corporations, stands referred, do meet this day.

Ordered, that the Index to certain Statutes, prepared by the Law Clerk, under an order of last Session, and laid before the House during the present Session, be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere*, *Bruneau* and *A. Dionne*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* presented to the House a Bill, to authorize the Courts of Queen's Bench and Chancery, to admit *William Vynne Bacon*, to practice therein as an Attorney and Solicitor, respectively.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the same be read a second time on the next sitting day.

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

Wednesday, 21st Sept'r. 1842. WEDNESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs,

DeBlaquiere,

Fergusson,

Macaulay,

Hamilton,

Bruneau,

The Honourable Messieurs,

McDonald,

Dionne, Amable

Dionne, Joseph

Sherwood,

Washburn.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, that the fifth standing rule of this House be now read. The fifth standing rule of the House read; and,

The same was then read accordingly.

Ordered, that the Honourable the Speaker do write a letter to the several Members who were not in their places at the call of this House, and for whose absence no excuse had been offered by them. The Speaker directed to write to the absent Members.

Ordered, that the following form of letter be adopted : (viz.)

To the Honourable A. B.

SIR,

I am directed by the Honourable the Legislative Council, now in Provincial Parliament assembled, to call your attention to the fact, that pursuant to the fourth standing order, a call of the House was made on Friday, the 16th of September, instant, and that your name appears without any excuse for absence being recorded after it. The Letter.

The House, in directing me to give you this notice, is actuated by the greatest unwillingness to believe that such unexplained absence could have arisen from any such neglect or indifference as would render an Honourable Member liable to the censure of the House under the fifth rule; and it is impressed with the full belief and trust, that a satisfactory reason for your non-attendance will be received, on or before the 5th October, now next ensuing.

I have the honour to be,

With the greatest respect,

Your faithful and obedient servant.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Kingston, the 21st Sept'r, 1842.

The Honourable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a petition from *John Gilchrist*, of the town of *Peterborough*, praying for compensation for damages caused by the dam at the public works at *Crook's Rapids*, on the River *Trent*. Petitions, From John Gilchrist, for compensation for damages occasioned by the erection of a public dam on the River Trent.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The

Usury law amendment bill, presented.

Read 1st time; and,

Ordered to be printed.

Honourable Mr. A. Dionne substituted for the Honourable Mr. Moore, on the Select Committee, upon first parish bill.

Honourable Messieurs Bruneau and A. Dionne, added to the Select Committee on the Journals.

The Committee upon privileges, ordered to meet this day.

The Index to the Statutes prepared by the Law Clerk, referred to a Select Committee.

Bacon's attorney bill, presented;

Read 1st time.

Adjourn.

From the inhabitants of Côte de la Vertu, in the parish of St. Laurent, for relief from the payment of road taxes;

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from the inhabitants of *Côte de la Vertu*, in the parish of *St. Laurent* and District of *Montreal*, praying for relief in respect of the heavy tax they are at present subjected to on account of the road used by them.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

From Gaspard Dauth, for relief;

The Honourable Mr. *A. Dionne* presented a petition from *Gaspard Dauth*, of the parish of *St. Anne Laperade*, in the county of *Champlain*, complaining of losses he met with in the erection of a bridge in said parish, and praying for relief.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

From the freeholders, &c. of Simcoe, that the township of West Gwillimbury may not be severed from the District of Simcoe;

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from the freeholders and inhabitants of the county of *Simcoe*, praying against part of the township of *West Gwillimbury* being separated from the said county of *Simcoe* and attached to the county of *York*; and also, a petition from the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens, of *Quebec*, praying for an Act of incorporation to certain persons for supplying the city of *Quebec* with water, and also lighting the said city with gas.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

From J. Reid, and others, for the incorporation of the Friendly Union of Montreal;

The Honourable Mr. *Sherwood* presented a petition from *J. Reid*, and others, interested in the institution called the Friendly Union of *Montreal*, praying for an Act of incorporation; and also, a petition from the Rev. *Thomas Phillips*, of the township *Etobicoke*, in the *Home District*, Doctor in Divinity, praying that the salary formerly received by him as Chaplain to the late Legislative Council of *Upper Canada*, may be continued to him during the remainder his natural life.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

From J. G. Clapham, and others, of Quebec, for the construction of a new bridge over the St. Charles;

The Honourable Mr. *McDonald* presented a petition from *John G. Clapham*, and others, inhabitants of the city and neighbourhood of *Quebec*, praying for an Act authorising the construction of a new bridge at some desirable spot near the mouth of the River *St. Charles*; and also, a petition from *J. Bell Forsyth*, and others, inhabitants of the city of *Quebec*, praying to be incorporated as a joint-stock company for erecting a bridge across the River *St. Charles*, connecting *Beauport* and the adjoining parishes to the north side of the said city of *Quebec*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

From Alexis Suavageau, and others, Censitaires of La Prairie de la Madelaine, for

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from *Alexis Suavageau*, and others, representing the majority of the Censitaires

of the Seignory of *La Prairie de la Madelaine*, praying for an Act to authorise the Corporation of the Common of *La Prairie*, to convey a portion of the said Common to the Fabrique of the parish of *La Prairie de la Madelaine*, to enable them to erect a College, and also that the Act incorporating the persons interested in the said Common may be continued.

the means of erecting a College and incorporating a common School, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The order of the day being read, for reading the second time the Bill to amend the Usury Laws, it was ordered that the same be discharged, and that the said Bill do stand upon the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Second reading Usury law amendment bill, discharged.

The Honourable Mr. *Hamilton* presented a petition from *Walter Willson*, and others, inhabitants of the town of *Niagara*, praying for the passing of an Act incorporating the said town; also, a petition from *Amos West*, of the township of *West Gwillimbury*, in the county of *Simcoe*, praying for an Act authorising him to shut up a certain road in the first concession of the aforesaid township.

Petitions, From Walter Willson, and others, for the incorporation of the town of Niagara;

From Amos West, of West Gwillimbury, for leave to shut up a road;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from the Rev. *Joseph Laroque*, Principal of the College of *St. Hyacinthe*, praying for pecuniary aid.

From the Rev. Joseph Laroque, of the College of St. Hyacinthe, for pecuniary aid, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill to authorise the Courts of Queen's Bench and Chancery to admit *William Vynne Bacon*, to practice therein as an Attorney and Solicitor, respectively, was read a second time.

Bacon's Attorney bill, read second time; and,

Ordered, that the same be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Referred to a Select Committee.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere*, *Fergusson* and *Bruneau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

Adjourn.

Thursday, 22nd Sept'r, 1842.

THURSDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs,	The Honourable Messieurs,
<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>Bruneau,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>

PRAYERS.

The

Public Accounts;

Annual Report of the Welland Canal; and, Penitentiary Accounts, presented to the House.

Petitions, from Henry Ince, for admission to practise as an Attorney, &c.;

From the Trustees, and others, of L'Assomption, for an Act authorising them to sell certain land, and to apply the proceeds to the erection of a church;

From T. W. Georgen, of the township of Hull, for a grant of land;

From the President, &c. of the Quebec Fire Assurance Company, for an Act of incorporation; and,

From James Gibb, and others, for an Act incorporating them as the Quebec Gas and Water Company, presented.

The Select Committee upon Bacon's Attorney bill, present their report.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan*, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented to the House the Public Accounts from the 1st October, 1840, to the 9th February, 1841; also, the Annual Report of the *Welland Canal Company*, for the year 1841; and also, the Annual Report of the Warden of the Provincial Penitentiary, for the year 1841.

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

(For Public Accounts see Sessional Papers, Letter K.)

(For Welland Canal Report see Sessional Papers, Letter F.)

(For Penitentiary Accounts see Sessional Papers, Letter H.)

The Honourable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a petition from *Henry Ince*, late of the city of *Dublin*, praying for the passing of an Act authorising the Courts of Law and Equity to admit him to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor therein; and also, a petition from the Trustees, and others, inhabitants of the Roman Catholic parish of *L'Assomption*, in the town of *Sandwich*, in the *Western District*, praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to sell a certain tract of land, and of applying the proceeds to the erection and finishing of a church.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruncau* presented a petition from *Theodore Wright Georgen*, of the township of *Hull*, District of *Sydenham*, praying that his claim for a grant of land may be recognized, notwithstanding his having omitted to make application for the same.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *A. Dionne* presented a petition from the President and Directors of the *Quebec Fire Assurance Company*, praying for an amendment to their Act of incorporation; and also, a petition from *James Gibb*, and others, praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the style and title of the "*City of Quebec Gas-light and Water Company*."

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Fergusson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill to authorise the Courts of Queen's Bench and Chancery to admit *William Vynne Bacon* to practise therein, as an Attorney and Solicitor, respectively, presented their Report.

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

Legislative Council Committee Room. The report.
September 22nd, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill to authorise the Courts of Queen's Bench and Chancery to admit *William Vynne Bacon* to practice therein, as an Attorney and Solicitor, respectively, have the honour to report :

That Mr. *Bacon* has produced before this Committee satisfactory evidence of his having been admitted as an Attorney of the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas, and Solicitor of the High Court of Chancery; of his appointment as a Master Extraordinary in Chancery, and Commissioner for receiving affidavits to be used in the Courts of Common Pleas and King's Bench, and of his having practised in the said Courts in England during several years, as well as having been studying in this Province with a regular practitioner.

That from the information laid before this Committee of the fair character and correct behaviour of Mr. *Bacon*, they recommend the Bill to the consideration of your Honourable House, and beg leave to report the same without any amendment.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

ADAM FERGUSSON,
Chairman.

Kingston, Sept'r 24th, 1842.

I hereby testify, from my own personal knowledge of Mr. *Bacon*, that his moral character fully warrants the Committee in complying with the prayer of his petition.

ADAM FERGUSSON.

To the Committee

Upon Mr. *Bacon's* petition.

Ordered, that the foregoing report be adopted. Same adopted; and,

Ordered, that the said Bill be engrossed, and the same read a third time on the next sitting day. The bill ordered for a third reading.

Pusuant to the order of the day, the Bill to amend the Usury Laws, was read a second time. Usury Law Amendment bill, read second time; and,

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House. To be committed to-morrow.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Macaulay*, from the Committee of Privilege, to whom it was referred The Committee of Privilege present their report upon the

question,
"Whether it be
"the practice of
"the House of
"Lords, to re-
"ceive petitions
"from corporate
"bodies without
"the seal of the
"of the Corpo-
"ration being
"affixed
"thereto."

ferred to ascertain and report to the House, whether it be the practice of the House of Lords to receive petitions from corporate bodies, not authenticated with the seals of such corporations, presented their Report.

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

*Legislative Council Committee Room,
September 22nd, 1842.*

The Committee of your Honourable House, appointed at the commencement of this Session, to consider of the orders and customs of the House and privileges of Parliament, and to whom it was referred to ascertain and report to this House, whether it be the practice of the House of Lords to receive petitions from corporate bodies, not authenticated with the seals of such corporations, have the honour to report :

That they have most carefully searched the Journals of the House of Lords, and find no entry therein in relation to the subject, but in reference to the Journals of the House of Commons, they find that on the 4th May, 1798, a petition from a chartered body, which had been offered to be presented to the House, and which could not be received, as it had not the seal of the company affixed thereto, was finally received after that defect had been remedied.

Your Committee quote the following from *Bacon's Abridgment*, as being applicable to the present inquiry : "Corporations have, as incident to them, a common seal. For a corporation, being an invisible body, cannot manifest its intention by any personal act or oral discourse ; it therefore acts and speaks only by its common seal. For though the particular members may express their private consents to any acts by words, or signing their names, yet this does not bind the corporation, it is the fixing of the seal and that only, which unites the several assents of the individuals who compose the community, and make one joint assent of the whole."

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

JOHN MACAULAY,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the foregoing report be adopted.

It was then moved to resolve, that it be a rule of this House that no petition be received from any corporate body, unless it be duly authenticated by the seal of such corporation.

The said resolution being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House ; and it was,

Ordered, accordingly.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan*, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented to the House a Schedule of Government Debentures, redeemed and outstanding ; also, the Accounts of the Treasurers of the several Districts in that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*, for the years 1840 and 1841 ; also, the Population Returns for the year 1841 ; and also, the Assessment Returns, for the year 1841.

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

(*For Schedule of Debentures see Sessional Papers, Letter P.*)

(*For Treasurers' Accounts see Sessional Papers, Letter O.*)

(*For Population and Assessment Returns see Sessional Papers, Letters M. and N.*)

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from *Alanson Cummings*, and others, of the township of *Hereford*, and District of *St. Francis*, praying to be indemnified for the loss of property, of which they have been deprived by the Government of *New Hampshire* ; also, a petition from *Alexander Rea*, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the District of *Saint Francis*, praying for relief for losses incurred by him in the execution of his duty as a Magistrate in the *Indian Stream* difficulties ; and also, a petition from *William Morris*, and others, inhabitants of the *Eastern townships* of that part of the Province formerly *Lower Canada*, praying for the imposition of a duty upon agricultural products when imported into this Province from foreign countries.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *Macaulay, Hamilton, Bruneau, McDonald* and *A. Dionne*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

Friday.

The resolution adopted.

Schedule of Government Debentures ;

The District Treasurer's Accounts, for 1840 and 1841 ; and,

The Population and Assessment Returns, for 1841, presented to the House.

Petitions, From *Alanson Cummings*, and others, of *Hereford*, for indemnification for property of which they have been deprived by the Government of *New Hampshire* ;

From *Alexr. Rea*, for indemnification for losses sustained in the execution of his duty as a Magistrate ; and,

From *Wm. Morris*, and others, of the *Eastern Townships*, for Agricultural protection, presented.

The Select Committee, upon the Contingent Accounts, appointed.

Adjourn.

The report.

Report adopted ; and,

A resolution thereon moved.

FRIDAY.

Friday, 23rd September, 1842.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the *Vice-Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,
DeBlaquiere, *McDonald,*
Fergusson, *Dionne, Amable,*
Macaulay, *Dionne, Joseph,*
Hamilton, *Washburn.*
Bruneau,

PRAYERS.

The Honourable the Speaker informed the House, that he had received a communication from the Honourable Mr. *Pemberton*, stating his inability to attend the service of this House.

A letter of excuse from the Honble. Mr. Pemberton, presented to the House.

Excuse received.

Ordered, that the excuse assigned by the Honourable Mr. *Pemberton* be received.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from *William McCrae*, Collector of Her Majesty's Customs at the Port of *St. John's*, praying for an Act granting him such an increase of salary as may be deemed adequate to the great responsibility of his office, and the length of his services.

Petitions. From Wm. McCrae, Collector of Customs, for an increase of salary;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable M. A. *Dionne* presented a petition from the inhabitants of *St. Roche* and *St. Vallier*, suburbs of *Quebec*, and of the neighbouring parishes, praying that the petition of *John G. Clapham*, and others, for a new bridge near the mouth of the River *St. Charles*, may not be favourably entertained, and that *Dorchester* Bridge may be thrown open to the public free of toll; also, a petition from *Thomas Jacques Taschereau*, Collector of the Customs of the Port of *Beauce*, praying for various amendments of the Act, 6 *Geo. IV.* chap. 24, and also an augmentation of his salary; also a petition from the inhabitants of the coast of *Labrador*, praying for an Act to prevent certain depredations therein mentioned, committed by various foreign navigators; also, a petition from certain citizens of *Quebec*, praying for an Act incorporating *James Gibb*, and others, under the style and title of the *Quebec* Gas-light and Water Company; and also, a petition from the Committee of Ladies conducting the affairs of the Protestant French Orphan Asylum at *Quebec*, praying for a grant of money in aid of the said Institution.

From the inhabitants of St. Roche and St. Vallier Suburbs, against the erection of a new bridge over the St. Charles, and that Dorchester bridge may be thrown open to the public free of toll;

From T. J. Taschereau, for an amendment of the Customs Act, and for an increase of salary;

From the inhabitants of the coast of Labrador, for an Act to prevent depredations by foreign navigators;

From certain citizens of Quebec, for an Act incorporating the Quebec Gas and Water Company;

From the French Protestant Orphan Asylum of Quebec, for a grant of money;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from *David Smart*, on behalf of him-

From David Smart, on behalf of himself and

self and others, of the county of *Durham*, praying for the imposition of a duty on all the agricultural productions of the *United States*, that are in competition with our produce, when imported into this Province.

others, of the county of Durham, for agricultural protection;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from the *Montreal* Fire Assurance Company, praying for Legislative authority for enabling the said Institution to extend its business to the making and effecting insurances on lives, and for other purposes therein mentioned; also, a petition from *Henry William Harris*, Captain in Her Majesty's 24th Regiment of Foot, praying for the passing of a Bill to declare null and void his marriage with his present wife, *Eliza Lock Walker*, and that he may be divorced from her accordingly; and also, a petition from *Frederick Starr Jarvis*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod; and *Olivier Vallerand*, Sergeant-at-Arms to the Legislative Council, praying for an increase of salary.

From the Montreal Fire Assurance Company, for an extension of its charter;

From Henry William Harris, to be divorced from his present wife; and,

From Frederick Starr Jarvis and O. Vallerand, for an increase of salary, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill to authorise the Courts of Queen's Bench and Chancery to admit *William Vynne Bacon* to practise therein as an Attorney and Solicitor, respectively, was read a third time.

Bacon's Attorney bill, read third time; and,

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Passed.

Ordered, that the title be "An Act to authorise the Courts of Queen's Bench and Chancery to admit *William Vynne Bacon* to practise therein as an Attorney and Solicitor, respectively."

Title ordered.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Bill sent to the Assembly for concurrence.

The order of the day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the whole, upon the Bill to amend the Usury Laws; it was,

Usury Law Amendment bill, discharged from the orders of the day; and,

Ordered, that the same be discharged.

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

Referred to a Select Committee.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *DeBlaquiere*, *Bruneau* and *McDonald*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition

Petitions, From the Male

Orphan Asylum of Quebec, for pecuniary aid; and,

From the Rev. P. Mignault, Founder, &c. of the College of Chambly, for pecuniary aid towards its support, presented.

petition from the Ladies composing the Managing Committee of the Male Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid; and also, a petition from the Rev. *P. Mignault*, Founder and President of the College of *Chambly*, praying for pecuniary aid for the support of the said Institution.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Adjourn.

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

MONDAY.

Monday, 26th Sept'r, 1842.

At half an hour past three o'clock, P. M. the Members present were:

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.
 The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,
DeBlaquiere, *Bruneau,*
Sullivan, *Dionne, Amable*
Macaulay, *Dionne, Joseph*
Hamilton, *Goodhue.*

Adjourn, there being no quorum.

There being no quorum, the Speaker, pursuant to the sixty-second Rule, declared this House continued until to-morrow, at one o'clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY.

Tuesday, 27th Sept'r, 1842.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.
 The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,
DeBlaquiere, *Moore,*
Sullivan, *Dionne, Amable*
Macaulay, *Dionne, Joseph*
Hamilton, *Goodhue.*
Bruneau,

PRAYERS.

The hour of meeting for the House, to be 3 o'clock, P. M.

Ordered, that until further order, the hour of meeting shall be three instead of one o'clock P. M.

Petition, From the Municipal Council of *St. Hyacinthe*, for amendment of the Registry and Municipal Ordinances, and common School Act, presented.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *St. Hyacinthe*, praying for an Act amending the Registry and Municipal Ordinances, and also the Common School Act, and for other purposes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Message from the Assembly, desiring a conference upon the subject of printing the documents, &c. of the two Houses.

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

Legislative Assembly,

Monday, 26th September, 1842.

Resolved—That a conference be desired with the Honourable Legislative Council, upon

the subject matter of the printing of the documents submitted to both Branches of the Legislature, and hitherto contained in the Appendices to their respective Journals.

Ordered, that Mr. *Morris* do go to the Legislative Council, and desire the said conference.

Attest,

(Signed,) Wm. B. LINDSAY,
 Clk. Assembly.

And then they withdrew.

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

Resolved, that this House do concur in the conference desired.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council agrees to the conference desired upon the subject matter of the printing of the documents submitted to both Branches of the Legislature, and hitherto contained in the Appendices to their respective Journals, and that the managers on the part of this House are to be the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere* and *Hamilton*, who are to meet the number of managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly, required by Parliamentary usage, to-morrow, at half past three o'clock, in the Joint Committee Room of the Legislative Council.

Conference agreed to, and the managers appointed on behalf of the Council.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Yule*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend certain Acts therein mentioned, relative to the establishment of Mutual Insurance Companies in *Canada East*."

Mutual Insurance (L. C.) Bill.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time, on the next sitting day.

The Honourable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a petition from the Clergymen and Lay Members of the Church of *England*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying for the enactment of a Church Temporalities Act for the said Diocese.

Petitions, From the Clergymen, &c. of the Church of England, in the Diocese of Quebec, for a Church Temporalities Act.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a petition from the Municipal Council of the District of *Colborne*, praying that town lots may be subject to a higher rate of taxation than lots situated at a remote distance and of less value; and also, a petition from the Municipal Council of the said District of *Colborne*,

From the Municipal Council of the District of Colborne, for an increase of the tax upon town lots.

From the Municipal Council of the District of Colborne, that the county of Peterborough

borne,

borne, praying that the County of *Peterborough* may return a member to Parliament.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Moore* presented a petition from *E. S. White*, and others, inhabitants of *Barnston*, *Barford* and vicinity, praying for a grant of £1500 to aid the inhabitants in making a market road; also, a petition from *Charles Wheeler*, and others, inhabitants of the said townships of *Barnston* and *Barford*, praying for the repeal of the present Judicature Act, in relation to the Division Courts, and to substitute in lieu thereof the late Commissioners Courts; also, a petition from *J. Baker*, and others, trustees of the *Dunham Academy*, praying for pecuniary aid; also, a petition from the Trustees of the *Sanstead Academy*, praying for the grant of £150, to aid in completing the chemical and philosophical apparatus, and for the support of the said Institution; and also, a petition from *M. Townsend*, and others, inhabitants of the county of *Rouville*, praying for the imposition of a duty upon agricultural products, when imported into this Province from foreign countries.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from the *Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society*, praying for the passing of an Act to give effect to former Acts of the Legislature, for the admission of the Holy Scriptures into the Province free of duty, and complaining that they are still subject to said duty; also, a petition from the Episcopal Protestant inhabitants of the Seignior of *La Prairie de la Madelaine*, in the District of *Montreal*, praying for a grant of £150, to aid in erecting a house for the Minister, and other purposes; also, a petition from the Medical School in connexion with *McGill College*, (*Montreal*), praying for pecuniary aid; also, a petition from the Ladies of the Committee of the *Quebec Infant School*, praying that the sum of money granted by the Provincial Legislature in 1838-9 to the *Montreal Infant School*, may be transferred to the *Quebec Infant School*, aforesaid; also, a petition from *Richard Drury*, and others, inhabitants of the townships of *Oro* and *Orillia*, praying for the amendment or repeal of the Militia Laws; also, a petition from the Committee of Management of the *Quebec National School*, praying for pecuniary aid; also, a petition from *Edward Ryall*, and others, inhabitants of the

township of *Oro*, in the District of *Simcoe*, praying that the township of *West Gwillimbury* may not be detached from the said District; also, a petition from *Edward Ryall*, and others, inhabitants of the said township of *Oro*, and District of *Simcoe*, praying for the imposition of equitable duties on the products of foreign countries, when imported into *Canada*; and also, a petition from the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Montreal*, and others, inhabitants of the city of *Quebec*, praying for the amendment of the School Act.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Hamilton* presented a petition from *J. Counter*, and others, constituting the Board of Trade of the town of *Kingston*, praying for the adoption of measures calculated to relieve the commercial distresses prevailing throughout the Province.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *A. Dionne* presented two petitions from *John L. Boutillier*, and others, and *Peter Jacque*, and others, inhabitants and freeholders of the county and District of *Gaspé*, severally praying that inquiry be made into the constitution and composition of the Courts of Justice, in that part of this Province heretofore called *Lower Canada*, also into the manner in which Justice hath hitherto been administered throughout the counties of *Gaspé* and *Bonaventure*, and for other matters therein mentioned; also, a petition from *E. H. Enright*, and others, freeholders and inhabitants of the *Eastern Division* of the county of *Bonaventure*, in the District of *Gaspé*; also, a petition from *J. G. Le Beland*, and others, freeholders and inhabitants of the townships of *Carleton* and *Maria*, in the county of *Bonaventure*, and District of *Gaspé*; also, a petition from *M. Murray*, and others, freeholders and inhabitants of *Shoolbred*, and the vicinity thereof, in the county of *Bonaventure*, and District of *Gaspé*; also, a petition from *Robert Fergusson*, and others, freeholders and inhabitants of *Ristigouche*, in the county of *Bonaventure*, in the District of *Gaspé*, severally complaining of the Judicature and administration of Justice in the Inferior District of *Gaspé*, and praying for relief in the premises; also, a petition from the inhabitants of *Percé*, and adjacent parts, in the county of *Gaspé*; also, a petition from divers freeholders and inhabitants of the county of *Bonaventure*, severally complaining of the Municipal Ordinance,

Gwillimbury may not be detached from the District of *Simcoe*;

From *E. Ryall*, and others, of *Oro*, for agricultural protection;

From the Lord Bishop of *Montreal*, and others, for an amendment of the School Act;

From *J. Counter*, and others, constituting the Board of Trade of the town of *Kingston*, for the adoption of measures to relieve the commercial distress;

From *J. L. Boutillier*, and others; and *Peter Jacque*, and others, of the District of *Gaspé*, for inquiring into the constitution and administration of the Courts of Justice in *Gaspé* and *Bonaventure*;

From *E. H. Enright*, and others, of the county of *Bonaventure*;

From *J. G. Le Beland*, and others, of the county of *Bonaventure*;

From *M. Murray*, and others, of the county of *Bonaventure*; also,

From *Robert Fergusson*, and others, of the county of *Bonaventure*, severally complaining of the administration of Justice in the District of *Gaspé*, and praying for relief;

From the inhabitants of *Percé*, in the District of *Gaspé*; also,

From the freeholders, &c. of the county of *Bonaventure*, severally complaining of the

Municipal Ordinance, as well as other matters;

From William Walker, and others, of Quebec, for the erection of a new Custom House, and;

From the Municipal Council of the District of Richelieu, for amendments to the Registry Ordinance, and for a tax upon cattle, &c. when imported from foreign countries, presented.

The petition from the Municipal Council of the District of Brock, for agricultural protection, read,

The petition from E. Ryall, and others, of Oro, for agricultural protection, read.

The petition from W. Morris, and others, of the Eastern townships, for agricultural protection, read.

Motion for an address praying His Excellency not to prorogue the Legislature, until the agricultural interests of the Province are placed upon a satisfactory basis.

nance, and representing other matters for the consideration of the House; also, a petition from *William Walker*, and others, merchants, ship-owners, traders and citizens, of *Quebec*, and of masters of vessels trading thereto, praying that measures may be taken for the erection of a new Custom House for the Port of *Quebec*, and that the building formerly occupied as a Custom House be converted into a Marine Hospital; and also, a petition from the Municipal Council of *Richelieu*, complaining of certain portions of the Municipal Ordinance, praying for amendments to the Registry Ordinance, and for a tax upon the introduction of cattle and live stock from foreign countries,

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The order of the day being read, for the Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere's* motion on the subject of protection to agriculture; it was,

Ordered, that the petition from the Warden and Members of the Council for the District of *Brock*, praying for the imposition of a reasonable duty upon agricultural products, when imported into this Province from the *United States*, be now read.

The same was then read accordingly.

Ordered, that the petition from *Edward Ryall*, and others, inhabitants of the township of *Oro*, and District of *Simcoe*, praying for the imposition of equitable duties on the products of foreign countries, when imported into *Canada*, be now read.

The same was then read accordingly.

Ordered, that the petition from *W. Morris*, and others, inhabitants of the *Eastern* townships of that part of the Province formerly *Lower Canada*, praying for the imposition of a duty upon agricultural products, when imported into this Province from foreign countries, be now read.

The same was then read accordingly.

It was moved to resolve, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased not to prorogue the Legislature until the agricultural interests of the Province are placed, in so far as the Provincial Legislature is concerned, on a basis satisfactory to the Province, and in accordance with the gracious Speech of His Excellency from the Throne, on the opening of the present Session of Parliament, as well as with respect to the announcement, "That there exists, on the part of Her Majesty's home Government, a

liberal disposition for the consideration of the duties on agricultural produce, in connexion with the trade of this Province, and of His Excellency's hope, that an arrangement may be made to extend the market for Canadian produce, in a manner alike advantageous to the Province and the Mother Country;" as in regard to the gracious assurance of Her Majesty, which His Excellency was commanded to convey, that "no wish is nearer to Her Majesty's heart, than that Her faithful subjects in *Canada* may feel themselves to be one people with their fellow-subjects in the *British Isles*."

Whereupon the question of concurrence being put, it was carried in the affirmative; and,

Ordered, accordingly.

Ordered, that a Select Committee of five Members be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Governor-General, founded upon the foregoing resolution; and,

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere*, *Hamilton*, *Bruneau*, *Moore* and *A. Dionne*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honourable the Speaker laid before the House, a general statement of the affairs of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, made up to the 20th September, instant.

Also, a general statement of the affairs of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, made up to the 24th September, instant.

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

(See *Sessional Papers*, Letter R.)

The order of the day being read, for the Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere's* motion on the subject of the amendment of the Municipal Laws; it was,

Ordered, that the same be discharged.

The order of the day being read, for the Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere's* motion on the subject of an amendment of the Education Act; it was,

Ordered, that the petition of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Montreal*, and others, inhabitants of the city of *Quebec*, praying for the amendment of the School Act, be now read.

The said petition was then read accordingly.

Ordered,

Motion agreed to; and,

A Committee appointed to prepare the Address.

General statement of the affairs of the Bank of Upper Canada; and,

of the Commercial Bank, presented.

Motion for an amendment of the Municipal laws, discharged from the order of the day.

The order of the day for the motion to amend the Education Act, read.

The petition of the Bishop of Montreal, for an amendment of the School Act, read.

Ordered, that the petition from the District Council of the District of *Brock*, praying that the present School Act may be altered and amended, be now read.

The said petition was then read accordingly.

Ordered, that the last mentioned motion, on the subject of the amendment of the Education Act, be discharged from the orders of the day.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill to amend the Usury Laws, presented their report

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room,
September 26th, 1842.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the Bill to amend the Usury Laws, beg leave to Report:

That having maturely considered the subject, they have come to the following conclusions.

That the Usury Laws are unjust, and are restrictive of that liberty which all persons of ripe age and mature understanding ought to possess, of making any bargain for obtaining money that he sees fit, or of supplying that want on any terms that may be acceded to by the borrower.

That money invested by the owner in loans upon interest, ought not to be restricted as to the rate of forbearance, any more than any other transactions of ordinary life, by which profit, for that investment, is sought.

That the Usury Laws do not prevent the very offence for which they are established, and daily experience proves that the borrower pays what is deemed a higher usurious interest than would otherwise be demanded, for the very risk incurred in lending contrary to the terms of those laws.

That the Usury Laws offer in reality no protection to the prodigal and spendthrift, whose necessities and demands will still be supplied, and always at rates higher than those that would be demanded, if money were permitted to be as free to competition as any other commodity brought to market.

That the Usury Laws do not in the slightest degree protect the poor from the exorbitant

demands of the more favoured classes of society; they do not retrain the warm enthusiasm of projectors, or the rashly enterprising; they do not shield the simple from the impositions of the designing. Numberless ingenious modes are adopted by which the provisions of the law are artfully annulled, all tending to increase the embarrassments and losses of the borrower, and the borrower in all cases forced into loans at a far greater rate of interest than would be demanded, if a free competition among capitalists were permitted.

That the Usury Laws, by rendering it more difficult for the borrower to obtain money than it would otherwise be, has a direct tendency to produce ruin and suffering, by limiting the number of lenders, and by tacitly assisting them in pushing their advantages to any given degree of exorbitancy.

That the Usury Laws are ineffectual in rendering the rate of interest below the real market rate, as the experience of all countries and ages has proved, and as the daily evasions of the law will confirm.

That in those countries where no Usury Laws exist, money is plentiful; and in consequence, the rate of interest is kept at a lower rate than under our present restrictive system.

That the liberal principles which rule at present, are fast leading to a total change of these laws in the Mother Country, as they have been already somewhat modified; they have been partially removed in some of the adjoining *United States*; and their repeal is still more requisite here, where capital is wanting, and for the investment of which we have so many opportunities, which would result in the prosperity of the country, and the development of its resources.

That your Committee are fortified in their opinion, of the utter inefficacy and impolicy of the Usury Laws, by a reference to the evidence adduced before a Committee of the House of Commons in 1818,¹ and to the numerous discussions which have taken place there since 1816. They have the authority of *Locke*, who said that, "money being an universal commodity, and as necessary to trade as food is to life, every body must have it at what rate they can get it, and unavoidably pay dear for it when it is scarce:" of *Burke*, who denounced them as the resource of weak and undeciding minds:

The petition of the Municipal Council of the District of Brock, for an amendment of the School Act, read.

Last mentioned motion to amend the School Act, discharged.

Report of the Select Committee upon Usury Law Amendment bill, presented.

The report.

¹ Sessional Papers, 1818, Vol. 6

2 Parl. Debates, 30th June, 1817.

3 Parl. Debates, 12th April, 1821.

4 Parl. Debates, 16th Feb'y, 1821.

5 Parl. Debates, 12th April, 1821.

6 Parl. Debates, 12th April, 1821.

7 Parl. Debates, 19th June, 1822.

8 Parl. Debates, 1st May, 1817; 21st April, 1818; 28th May, 1818; 10th Feb'y, 1819; 12th April, 1821; 21st April, 1821; 16th Feb. 1824; and 17th Feb'y, 1825.

10 Kelly's Law of Usury, p. 212, et seq.

11 Kelly's Law of Usury, p. 212, et seq.

miinds: of Sir *Henry Parnell*, (the late Lord *Congleton*) who said, they belonged to those ages when the principles of commercial polity were wholly unknown²: of Lord *Althorpe*, (now Earl *Spencer*) who did not think their repeal would operate injuriously to the landed interest, as it had not done so when the legal rate was 8 per cent³: of the late Mr. *Huskisson*, who considered the Usury Laws as only calculated to add to the difficulty of borrowing money; to increase litigation and to encourage fraud⁴: of Lord *Lansdowne*, who said, that to fix a maximum of interest by law was as vain as to fix the mercury in the barometer⁵: of Mr. *Baring*, (now Lord *Ashburton*) that their repeal would benefit the landed interest, even more than the mercantile interest and monied-men⁶: of Lord *Palmerston*, who declared that, every man should be left to the care of his own individual interest, and no vexatious impediment should interfere to prevent the fair exercise of mercantile speculation⁷: of Lord *Abinger*, (while Sir *James Scarlett*)⁸: of Sir *Edward B. Sugden*, late Lord Chancellor of *Ireland*⁹: of *N. M. Rothschild*, and many other eminent public characters, but particularly of Mr. Sergeant *Onslow*, who on so many occasions attempted the repeal of these laws in *England*.¹⁰

They have also been strengthened by the powerful reasonings embodied in a report to the Legislature of *Massachusetts*, in 1834, drawn up by Mr. *A. H. Everett*, a statesman of no limited celebrity.¹¹

The Committee are, however, not prepared at present to recommend a total repeal of the Usury Laws. They are satisfied in recommending such a modification as will permit borrowers and lenders to enter into arrangements for the use of money at the rate of eight per cent, with some restrictions, which to the Committee appear to be expedient. They report the Bill without amendment.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

FRANCIS P. BRUNEAU,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the foregoing Report be adopted.

Ordered, that the said Bill be engrossed, and that the same be read a third time on the next sitting day.

Ordered, that five hundred copies of the last mentioned Report be printed in the Eng-

lish and French languages, for the use of Members.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan*, laid before the House the Rules, Orders and Regulations, made by the Chief Justice and Judges of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, for *Canada West*, pursuant to the Statute, 7 *William IV.* cap. 3.

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

(See *Sessional Papers*, Letter Q.)

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan*, presented to the House a Bill to confirm certain Rules, Orders and Regulations, made by the Chief Justice and Judges of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, for *Canada West*.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the same be read a second time on the next sitting day.

Ordered, that the petition of *Samuel Street*, of the township of *Stamford*, in the *Niagara* District, praying for an Act enabling him to use any Commission or Commissions which may issue from Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, for that part of this Province which was formerly *Upper Canada*, for the proof of the will of the late *Thomas Clark*, deceased, be now read.

The said petition was then read accordingly.

Ordered, that the said petition be referred to a Select Committee of three Members, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon by Bill or otherwise, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere*, *Hamilton* and *Bruneau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from *Henry Mulholland*, and others, of the city of *Montreal*, praying for the institution of an inquiry into the cause and extent of the vice of intemperance, with a view to the application of a suitable remedy.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from *William Ritchie*, Registrar of the District of *Sherbrooke*, praying that compensation may be granted to him in the event of his preparing an Index to the volumes belonging to the late Registry Office of the county of *Sherbrooke*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *A. Dionne*, from the Select Committee upon the Report of the acting

The rules, &c. of the Court of Queen's Bench for Canada West, presented to the House.

Queen's Bench (U. C.) rules bill, presented.

Petition, of Saml. Street, for authority to use a commission to prove the will of the late Thomas Clark, read; and,

Referred to a Select Committee.

Petitions, From H. Mulholland, and others, of Montreal, for inquiry into the vice of intemperance; and,

From Wm. Ritchie, Registrar of the District of Sherbrooke, for compensation for certain intended services, presented.

Report of the Select Committee, upon the

The report adopted; and,

The bill ordered for a third reading on the next sitting day.

The report ordered to be printed.

report of the
Law Clerk on
the Index to the
Statutes,
presented.

acting Law Clerk, on the Index to the Statutes of *Lower Canada*, presented their Report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

The report.

Legislative Council Committee Room,
26th September, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Report of the acting Law Clerk, on the Index to the Statutes of *Lower Canada*, laid before the House on the first day of the Session, beg leave to report, for the information of your Honourable House:

That they have examined the Index prepared by the Law Clerk, and referred to in his Report to your Honourable House of 8th September, 1842, and that it appears to have been prepared with much labour, and executed in a very clear, comprehensive and satisfactory manner, and reflecting much credit upon the Law Clerk. Your Committee are of opinion, that the Index in question will prove of great service to your Honourable House, in facilitating the discharge of its duties. Your Committee taking into their consideration the various duties imposed upon the Law Clerk, the satisfactory manner in which he has executed them, and that he is not remunerated in the same manner as the Law Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, recommend to your Honourable House that he be paid one hundred pounds, in addition to his salary, for the year ending on the 14th June last, as a remuneration for the execution of the Index to the Statutes.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. DIONNE,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the foregoing Report be adopted.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Report be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine into and report upon the contingent accounts of this House for the present Session.

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

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Wednesday, 28th Sept'r. 1842. WEDNESDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs,	The Honourable Messieurs,
<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>
<i>Moore.</i>	

PRAYERS.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from the Mayor, on behalf of the Aldermen and Citizens of *Montreal*, praying for an amendment to the Ordinances incorporating the said city, and that such additional powers may be granted to the Corporation as will better enable them to promote the health, safety and prosperity, of the inhabitants.

Petition, From the Mayor, on behalf of the Aldermen, &c. of Montreal, for an amendment of the Ordinances incorporating the city.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Leslie*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to restore, for purposes relative to the election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, the ancient boundaries and limits of the cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Quebec and Montreal limits' bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the next sitting day.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Black*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned relative to the desertion of seamen, and others, in the sea service," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Seamen's desertion bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the next sitting day.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Black*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act for better proportioning the punishment to the offence in certain cases," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Offences punishment bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the next sitting day.

The Honourable Mr. *Sherwood* presented a petition from the Municipal Council of the

Petitions, From the Home District Council, for the amendment of the Municipal Act; and.

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Home District, praying that the Municipal Council Act may be so amended as to reduce the sittings of the said District Council from the present number to two annually; and also, a petition from the Municipal Council of the *Home District*, praying for the passing of an Act by the means of which real property may be taxed according to its situation and value, and not indiscriminately as at present.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

For an alteration in the mode of taxing real property;

From J. B. Baby, and others, of the Western District, against the removal of the District town;

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a petition from *J. B. Baby*, and others, inhabitants of the *Western District*, residing in the western, northern and southern parts thereof, praying against the removal of the District town from *Sandwich* to *Chatham*, as desired in a petition from the Municipal Council of the said District.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

From Wm. Adams, and others, of Bonaventure, for aid towards making a road;

The Honourable Mr. *A. Dionne* presented a petition from *William Adams*, and others, residing on the *Ristigouche* river, in the county of *Bonaventure*, praying for pecuniary aid towards opening a road on the River *Matapediatic*, to facilitate the communication with *Quebec*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

From certain inhabitants, &c. of Cote St. Martin, for relief;

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from certain inhabitants and proprietors of *Cote St. Martin*, *Long Point* and *Pointe aux Trembles*, complaining of certain proceedings and acts of the *Montreal Turnpike Trustees*, and praying for relief; and also, a petition from *William Phillips*, and others, representing the creditors of the estate of *Wolfred Nelson*, and Co. praying to be reimbursed for losses occasioned to them by the destruction of the property of the said *Wolfred Nelson*, and Co. by Her Majesty's Troops, in 1837.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

From certain inhabitants of Fredericksburgh, for the confirmation of certain boundary lines;

The Honourable Mr. *McDonald* presented a petition from certain individuals residing on Lots No. 17 and 25, in the township of *Fredricksburgh*, praying for the establishment and confirmation of a certain Boundary Line, recently surveyed under the direction of the Boundary Line Commissioners; and also, a petition from *Nathan Gage*, and others, inhabitants of the township of *Dumfries*, of the town and township of *Brantford*, of a newly surveyed township on the *Grand River*, of the township of *Oakland*, and of the east halves of the townships of *Blenheim* and *Burford*, in the county of *Oxford*, praying that the

From Nathan Gage, and others, of the county of Oxford, for the formation of a new District, presented.

aforesaid townships may be erected into a new District, having *Brantford* for the District town.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The hour having arrived for meeting the Committee of Conference, on the part of the Legislative Assembly, relative to the printing of the documents submitted to both Branches of the Legislature, and hitherto contained in the Appendices to their respective Journals:

The managers on the part of the Council, go to the conference on the subject of printing the documents of the two Houses.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* reported, that the Honourable Mr. *Hamilton* and himself had attended the Conference desired yesterday by the Legislative Assembly, on the subject of the printing of the documents submitted to both Branches of the Legislature, and hitherto contained in the Appendices to their respective Journals, who delivered a paper containing as follows:

Their report.

Legislative Council Committee Room,
September 28th, 1842.

The managers appointed on behalf of this Honourable House to meet the managers appointed on behalf of the Honourable Legislative Assembly, at a Conference agreed upon by both Houses, in relation to the printing of the documents submitted to both Branches of the Legislature, and hitherto contained in the Appendices to their respective Journals, have the honour to Report;

That the said managers, on behalf of the Honourable the Legislative Assembly were, Messieurs *Morris*, the Honourable Mr. *Neilson*, Mr. *Parent* and Mr. *DeWitt*, who proposed to your managers to print, at the same time, and with a view to avoid a great expenditure, those documents which are submitted to both Branches of the Legislature, in a separate volume, to be called, "Sessional Papers," and on a size equal to the Journals of this Honourable House, and requesting a concurrence in such proposition on the part of your Honourable House.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

P. B. DEBLAQUIERE,
JOHN HAMILTON.

Ordered, that the same be adopted.

Ordered, that the said report be referred to the Select Committee on the Journals.

Report adopted and,

Referred to a Select Committee.

Pursuant to the order of the day; the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend certain Acts therein

Mutual Insurance (L. C.) bill, read second time;

"therein mentioned, relative to the establishment of Mutual Insurance Companies in "Canada East," was read the second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs Bruneau, McDonald and J. Dionne, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill to amend the Usury Laws, was read a third time.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the negative.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

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

After some time the House was resumed.

And the Honourable Mr. deBlaquiere reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

The question being again put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the title be, "An Act to amend the Usury Laws."

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill to confirm certain rules, orders and regulations, made by the Chief Justice and Judges of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, for Canada West, was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be engrossed, and the same read a third time on the next sitting day.

The Honourable Mr. deBlaquiere presented a petition from Z. S. W. Richardson, and others, inhabitants of the township of Bayham, in the London District, praying that the said township may be annexed to and form part of the District of Brock; and also a petition from Alice Anne Keeler, of the town of Brant-

ford, in the District of Gore, praying to be divorced from her husband, David M. Keeler, in consequence of his having left the Province, and contracted marriage with another woman.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Sir Allan N. Macnab, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to make the law for vacating the seats of Members of the Legislative Assembly, accepting office, uniform throughout this Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the next sitting day.

Ordered, that the petition from Henry William Harris, Captain in Her Majesty's 24th Regiment of Foot, praying for the passing of a Bill to declare null and void his marriage with his present wife, Eliza Lock Walker, and that he may be divorced from her accordingly, be now read.

The same was then read accordingly.

The Honourable Mr. Sullivan presented to the House, a Bill to provide for the relief of Henry William Harris.

The said Bill was read the first time.

It was moved to resolve, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next, and that notice thereof be affixed on the doors of this House, and the Members summoned, and that the said Henry William Harris be heard by his Counsel at the said second reading, to make out the truth of the allegations of the Bill; and that the said Eliza Lock Walker may have a copy of the Bill, and that notice be given her of the said second reading, and that she be at liberty to be heard by her Counsel what she may have to offer against the Bill, at the same time.

In amendment thereto, it was moved, that after the word "on" in the first line of the original motion, the words "Monday next" be expunged, and the words "this day fortnight," be inserted in lieu thereof.

The question being put on the said amendment, the same was agreed to by the House.

The question of concurrence being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was carried in the affirmative, and it was ordered accordingly.

The Honourable Mr. Moore presented a petition from the inhabitants of Missisquoi, and vicinity,

Referred to a Select Committee.

Usury Law amendment bill, read third time;

To be re-committed.

House in Committee thereupon.

Bill passed; and,

Sent to the Assembly for concurrence.

Queen's Bench (U. C.) rules bill, read second time;

Third reading next sitting day.

Petitions, From Z. S. W. Richardson, and others, for an Act to annex the township of Bayham to the District of Brock;

From Alice A. Keeler, of Brantford, to be

divorced from her husband.

Members' Seats vacation bill.

The petition, From H. W. Harris, to be divorced, read.

Harris' relief bill, presented.

Motion for reading it a second time on Monday next, and affixing the notice to the doors of the Council.

Motion in amendment.

Motion, as amended, agreed to.

Petitions, From the inhabitants of Missis-

quo, for protection to agriculture;

From the inhabitants, &c. of Acton, &c. for a grant to enable them to construct certain roads and bridges;

From the protectant inhabitants of Rouville, for aid towards completing and endowing an Academy;

From J. Seniven, and others, of Hemmingford, &c. for protection to agriculture; and,

From J. Seniven, and others, of Hemmingford, &c. for an amendment of the law establishing Division Courts; presented.

Report of the Select Committee upon the first Parish bill, presented.

The report.

vicinity, praying for protective duties on all articles of agricultural produce imported into this Province from the *United States*; also, a petition from the landed proprietors and inhabitants of the townships of *Acton, Brompton, Windsor, Shipton, Kingsley* and the Seigniorie of *Nicolet*, praying for a grant of one thousand pounds to make roads and bridges leading from these townships to market; and also, a petition from the Protestant inhabitants residing in the southern part of the county of *Rouville*, praying for pecuniary aid to complete a building for an Academy, and other purposes, and also, for an annual grant of one hundred pounds to assist in defraying the salary of a classical and mathematical teacher.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from *John Seniven*, and others, proprietors and occupiers of land in *Hemmingford, Russeltown, Edwardstown* and *Williamstown*, in the county of *Beauharnois*, praying for the imposition of a duty upon foreign agricultural products, when imported into *Canada*; and also, a petition from *John Seniven*, and others, inhabitants of *Hemmingford, Edwardstown* and the eastern part of *Williamstown*, in the District of *Beauharnois*, praying for such an alteration in the law establishing Division Courts, as that one of the said Courts may be held at *Russeltown Flats*, being a central part of that section of the said District.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill to render permanent two Ordinances of the Governor and Special Council, for the affairs of the late Province of *Lower Canada*, therein mentioned, concerning the erection of Parishes and the building of Churches, Parsonage-houses and Church-yards, presented their Report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room,
September 25th, 1842.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the Bill to render permanent two Ordinances of the Governor and Special Council, for the affairs of *Lower Canada*, therein mentioned, concerning the erection of Parishes and building of Churches, Parsonage-houses

and Church-yards, have the honour to Report:

That deeming the Bill to be of vast importance and interest to the Ecclesiastical authorities of *Canada East*, they directed copies of the Bill to be forwarded to the Roman Catholic Bishops of *Quebec* and *Montreal*; to the Superiors of the Seminaries of *Quebec* and *Montreal*; and to the Commissioners appointed in the Districts of *Quebec, Montreal* and *Three Rivers*, for the execution of certain powers in relation to the matters referred to in the Bill. At the same time a letter was addressed to those functionaries, soliciting their opinions and suggestions as to any changes or modifications of the law which the Bill is intended to render permanent. The replies of such of them as have been received have been duly considered by your Committee, and under any other circumstances would, in most instances, have been adopted; but in the present prospect of an early termination of this Session, your Committee do not think it probable that any extensive amendments to the existing laws could be duly considered in both Branches of the Legislature before the close of the Session. The Committee therefore have come to the conclusion, that it will suffice for the present to pass a law embodying the existing provisions, which will expire in November next, and make the necessary modifications during the next Session of Parliament. With this view they have prepared a new Bill, which contains very few and slight modifications of the existing law, and which they now beg leave to report to your Honourable House.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU,
Chairman.

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

The Bill submitted by the last mentioned Committee, to regulate the erection of Parishes, the building of Churches and Parsonage-houses, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the first time. Second Parish bill, presented.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, that the Honourable Mr. *Dickson* be added to the Select Committee upon the petition of *Samuel Street*, praying for the issuing of a Commission or Commissions from the Honourable Mr. Dickson added to the Committee on the petition of Suml. Street.

the Court of Queen's Bench, for the proof of the will of the late *Thomas Clark*.

The Honourable Mr. *Moore* presented a petition from *William Morris*, and others, inhabitants of the *Eastern Townships*, praying for a grant of money to make various high-ways and bridges, to enable the inhabitants of the said townships more readily to get to market; and also, a petition from *Washington Frost*, and others, inhabitants of the township of *Granby*, in the District of *Missisquoi*, complaining that the proceedings under the Registry Ordinance, 4th *Vict.* chap. 30, are both expensive and complicated, and praying that it may be superseded by re-enacting the former Act establishing Registry Offices in the counties of *Drummond*, *Sherbrooke*, *Stanstead*, *Sheffield* and *Missisquoi*; and also for the revival of the Commissioners' Courts, and the re-enactment of the law for the summary trial of small causes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Thursday, 29th Sept'r, 1842.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

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| The Honourable Messieurs, | The Honourable Messieurs, |
| <i>DeBlaquiere,</i> | <i>Moore,</i> |
| <i>Sullivan,</i> | <i>Dickson,</i> |
| <i>Fraser, Alexander</i> | <i>Dionne, Amable</i> |
| <i>Macaulay,</i> | <i>Dionne, Joseph</i> |
| <i>Hamilton,</i> | <i>Goodhue,</i> |
| <i>Bruneau,</i> | <i>Sherwood,</i> |
| <i>McDonald,</i> | <i>Washburn.</i> |

PRAYERS.

The Honourable Mr. *A. Fraser* presented a petition from *Adam Thompson*, and others, residing in part of the townships of *West Flamborough*, the south part of *Beverley* and *Dumfries*, and the north part of *Ancaster*, praying that the toll gates on the macadamized road leading from *Galt* to *Waterloo*, may be more equitably distributed, and the toll levied in a more equitable manner.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a petition from *A. W. Cochran*, formerly Law Clerk of the Legislative Council of *Lower Canada*, praying that a retiring allowance may be granted to him.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a petition from the *Western District Municipal Council*, praying for a repeal of the law authorising a bounty on wolf scalps; also, a petition from the District Council of the *Western District*, praying for additional protection to the cultivators of tobacco; also, a petition from the *Western District Council*, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Council and School Acts; and also, a petition from the *Western District Council*, praying for further powers in the construction of roads.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Washburn* presented a petition from *Owen McMahon*, and others, of the town of *Picton*, praying for the grant of a sum of money to remove the obstructions in the harbour of *Picton*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill to confirm certain rules, orders and regulations, made by the Chief Justice and Judges of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, for *Canada West*, was read the third time.

The question being put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the title be, "An Act to confirm certain rules, orders and regulations, made by the Chief Justice and Judges of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, for *Canada West*."

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to restore, for purposes relative to the Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, the ancient boundaries and limits of the cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill, immediately.

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

After some time the House was resumed.

From the Western District Council, for a repeal of the wolf's scalp bounty law;

For additional protection in the cultivation of tobacco;

For amendments to the Municipal Council and School Acts; and,

For further powers in the construction of roads; and,

From Owen McMahon, and others, of Picton, for a grant of money to improve the harbour; presented.

Queen's Bench (U. C.) rules bill, read third time; and,

Passed.

Title.

Bill sent to the Assembly for concurrence.

Quebec and Montreal limits bill, read second time;

Same committed;

Petitions, From W. Morris, and others, of the Eastern Townships, for a grant of money to make high-ways; and,

From Washington Frost, and others, of Granby, that the Registry Ordinance may be repealed, and the Commissioners' Courts re-established, presented.

Adjourns.

THURSDAY.

Petition, From A. Thompson, and others, of West Flamborough, &c. that the toll upon the Galt and Waterloo road may be more equitably levied;

From A. W. Cochran, for a pension;

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time on the next sitting day.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Neilson*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to winter roads, in that part of the Province formerly called *Lower Canada*."

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the next sitting day.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned, relative to desertion of Seamen, and others, in the sea service," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill, on the next sitting day.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act for better proportioning the punishment to the offence in certain cases," was read the second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere*, *Sullivan* and *Sherwood*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to make the law for vacating the seats of Members of the Legislative Assembly, accepting office, uniform throughout this Province," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill, on the next sitting day.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill to regulate the erection of Parishes, the building of Churches and Parsonage Houses, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill, on the next sitting day.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Resolution of the twenty-seventh instant, for an Address to His Excellency on the subject of not proroguing the Parliament until the agricultural interests of the Province are placed on a satisfactory basis, presented their Report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room, The report.
September 29th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the resolution of your Honourable House of the 27th instant, for an Address to His Excellency against a prorogation of the Legislature, prior to the settlement of the agricultural claims of the Province, have the honour to report the draft of an Address to His Excellency, in conformity with the terms of the said resolution.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

P. B. DEBLAQUIERE,
Chairman.

To His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir CHARLES BAGOT, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, Governor-General of British North America, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of the Province of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased not to prorogue the Legislature, until the agricultural interests of the Province are placed, in so far as the Provincial Legislature is concerned, on a basis satisfactory to the Province, and in accordance with the gracious Speech of your Excellency from the Throne, on the opening of the present Session of Parliament, as well with respect to the announcement, "That there exists, on the part of Her Majesty's home Government, a liberal disposition for the consideration of the duties on agricultural produce, in connexion

Report of the Select Committee, upon the resolution to address His Excellency on the subject of not proroguing the Parliament.

For a third reading next sitting day.

Winter roads bill.

Seamen's desertion bill, read second time.

To be committed next sitting day.

Offences punishment bill, read second time; and,

Referred to a Select Committee.

Members' Seats vacation bill, read second time;

To be committed next sitting day.

Second Parish bill, read second time;

To be committed next sitting day.

"nexion with the trade of this Province, and of your Excellency's hope, that an arrangement may be made to extend the market for Canadian produce, in a manner alike advantageous to the Province and the Mother Country;" as in regard to the gracious assurance of Her Majesty, which your Excellency was commanded to convey, that "no wish is nearer to Her Majesty's heart, than that Her faithful subjects in *Canada* may feel themselves to be one people with their fellow-subjects in the *British Isles*."

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

Ordered, that the Honourable Messieurs *Moore* and *A. Dionne*, do wait on His Excellency the Governor-General with the said Address.

The Honourable Mr. *Dickson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the petition from *Samuel Street*, presented their Report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room,
September 29th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the petition of *Samuel Street*, Esquire, of the township of *Stamford*, in the *Niagara* District, praying for an Act enabling him to use any Commission or Commissions, which may issue from Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, in and for that part of this Province which was formerly *Upper Canada*, for the proof of the will of the late *Thomas Clark*, deceased, have the honour to Report:

That the said *Thomas Clark*, late of the same township, departed this life in 1835, having made his last will and testament, in writing, in England, and published before subscribing witnesses resident there. The petitioner was made the executor and devisee of his estates, and as Mr. *Clark* left large quantities of real estate in this Province, it will be necessary for Mr. *Street* to bring numerous actions concerning the same, in which proof of the said will will be required. In order to avoid the great and ruinous expense to the estate of the late Mr. *Clark*, and the great delays in realizing the assets thereof, if he should be obliged to issue Commissions to prove the will, when any defence may be made to actions brought by the petitioner, he

prays for an Act to enable him to use any Commission or Commissions, which may issue from Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench for *Upper Canada*, for the proof the said will, and which shall be duly taken and returned in any cause now instituted, or hereafter to be instituted, in the said Court; to be used in any cause now or hereafter pending in any Court of Law or Equity in this Province, or in any Judicial proceeding, in the same manner as if a Commission had been issued and returned in the particular cause or proceeding, in which proof of the said will might be required.

Your Committee find that the petitioner gave notice of his intended application in the *Canada Gazette* of the 28th May last, and has continued it, with little interruption, to the present period.

Your Committee also notice, that *James F. Baby*, as heir to his brother, the late *Raymond Baby*, deceased, has for some time, in the same Gazette, notified his intention to oppose the application of Mr. *Street*, but no petition has to this day been received from, or presented on behalf of Mr. *Baby*.

Your Committee, having duly considered Mr. *Street's* application, and bearing in mind that as the will must, in each case, be produced before the Commissioners by whom the witnesses to its execution must be examined, it would have to be sent across the Atlantic upon each occasion, and might eventually be lost, have thought proper to accede to the prayer of the petitioner, and accordingly beg leave to report a Bill for his relief. By the first clause of the Bill, it is provided, that after a Commission has been issued in one cause, and the will is proved under it to the satisfaction of the Court, the same Commission may be used to prove the will in other causes, on a certificate being produced in certain terms therein mentioned, and to obviate any objections that might be raised from the fact, that the defendants in other causes might not be able to shew that the will was invalid, the second clause enables them to obtain a Commission for the examination of witnesses themselves, if they can throw any doubt or suspicion on the will.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

ROBERT DICKSON,
Chairman.

Ordered,

Address adopted.

Report of the
Select Committee
on the petition of
Samuel Street.

The report.

Report adopted.

Ordered, that the foregoing Report be adopted.

Clark's Estate relief bill, presented.

The Honourable Mr *Dickson* presented to the House a Bill to afford relief to the estate of the late *Thomas Clark*.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

Report of the Select Committee upon Mutual Insurance (L. C.) bill, presented.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to amend certain Acts therein mentioned, relative to the establishment of Mutual Insurance Companies in *Canada East*," presented their Report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

The report.

Legislative Council Committee Room,
September 29th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to amend certain Acts therein mentioned, relative to the establishment of Mutual Insurance Companies in *Canada East*," beg leave to Report:

That they have carefully examined the contents of the Bill, and notice that it provides for the extension to the county of *Chambly* only, of the same privilege of insuring with the Mutual Insurance Company of *Montreal*, if that Company deem it expedient, which was in like manner granted by the Act of last Session to the counties of *Two Mountains*, *Terrebonne*, *Berthier*, *Richelieu*, *Vercheres*, *St. Hyacinthe*, *Rouville*, *Beauharnois* and *Huntingdon*.

With a view to avoid the necessity of passing a similar law at future Sessions for any of the remaining counties of the District of *Montreal*, not at present provided with Mutual Insurance Companies, your Committee have deemed it expedient so to amend the Bill, as to extend its provisions to the counties of *Leinster*, *Ottawa*, *Vaudreuil* and *Missisquoi*.

Your Committee therefore report the accompanying amendments.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU,
Chairman.

Report adopted.

Ordered, that the foregoing Report be adopted.

The amendments reported by the last mentioned Committee, were then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Line 21.—Leave out "county," and insert "counties"

" " After "*Chambly*" insert, "*Leinster*, "*Ottawa*, *Vaudreuil* and *Missisquoi*."

Preamble, line 8.—After "petition" insert, "and to extend the provisions thereof to the other counties hereinafter mentioned."

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the same be adopted; and,

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on the next sitting day.

Ordered, that the petition of *A. W. Cochrane*, formerly Law Clerk of the Legislative Council of the late Province of *Lower Canada*, praying that a retiring allowance may be granted to him, be now read.

The same was then read accordingly.

Ordered, that the foregoing petition be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *Macaulay*, *J. Dionne* and *Sherwood*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Ordered, that the petition from the Reverend *Thomas Phillips*, of the township of *Etobicoke*, in the *Home* District, Doctor in Divinity, praying that the salary formerly received by him as Chaplain to the late Legislative Council of *Upper Canada*, may be continued to him during the remainder of his natural life, be referred to the Committee last named.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan*, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented to the House an Estimate of the Expenditure of the Province of *Canada*, for the year 1842; also, an Estimate of the probable amount of Public Expenditure, and Net Revenue of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province of *Canada*, for the year 1842; and also, a statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver-General of the Province of *Canada*, in payment of certain indispensable expenses of the Civil Government, for the years 1840 and 1841, for which an appropriation is required.

Ordered,

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

(See Sessional Papers, Letter K.)

Petition, From Aaron P. Hart, that certain forms may be dispensed with upon Harris' relief bill, presented;

The Honourable Mr. Sullivan presented a petition from *Aaron Philip Hart*, on behalf of *Henry William Harris*, praying that certain forms and services may be dispensed with, in respect of the proceedings now pending before the Legislative Council upon the subject of the petition of the said *Henry William Harris*, praying to be divorced from his wife, *Eliza Lock Walker*.

Same read. Ordered, that the said petition be now read. The same was then read accordingly.

From Aaron P. Hart, to be heard at the Bar of the House in support of the petition of H. W. Harris, presented;

The Honourable Mr. Sullivan presented a petition from *Aaron Philip Hart*, Counsel for *Henry William Harris*, praying to be heard at the Bar of the House, in support of the petition of the said *Henry William Harris*.

Same read. Ordered, that the said petition be now read. The same was then read accordingly.

Said petitions referred to a Select Committee.

Ordered, that the foregoing petitions be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere*, *Sullivan* and *Sherwood*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Adjourn. The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

FRIDAY.

Friday, 30th Sept'r. 1842.

The Members convened were :

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,

DeBlaquiere,

Moore,

Sullivan,

Dickson,

Fraser, Alexander

Dionne, Amable

Mucaulay,

Dionne, Joseph

Hamilton,

Goodhue,

Bruneau,

Sherwood,

McDonald,

Washburn.

PRAYERS.

Letters of excuse from the Honourable Messieurs *Morris*, *Ferris* and *Walker*.

The Honourable the Speaker informed the House, that he had received communications from the Honourable Messieurs *Morris*, *Ferris* and *Walker*, stating their inability to attend the service of this House.

Excuses received.

Ordered, that the several excuses assigned by the Honourable Messieurs *Morris*, *Ferris* and *Walker*, be received.

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The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from *Joseph Thompson*, and others, inhabitants of the township of *Brock*, in the *Home District*, praying for the imposition of a duty upon foreign agricultural products, when imported into this country.

Petition, From Joseph Thompson, and others, for protection to agriculture, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to restore, for purposes relative to the Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, the ancient boundaries and limits of the cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*," was read the third time.

Quebec and Montreal limits' bill, read third time;

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Passed.

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

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend certain Acts therein mentioned, relative to the establishment of Mutual Fire Insurance Companies in *Canada East*," was, as amended, read the third time.

Mutual Insurance (L. C.) bill, as amended, read third time;

The question was put, whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Passed.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Ordered, that the notice given by the Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* on the 28th instant, of moving the House this day, on the subject of referring to a Select Committee the petition of *Alice Anne Keeler*, praying to be divorced from her husband, on the ground of adultery and abandonment, and his having departed from this Province, be now read.

Notice on the subject of the petition of A. A. Keeler, to be divorced from her husband, read.

The same was then read accordingly.

Ordered, that the petition of the said *Alice Anne Keeler*, be now read.

Petition read.

Which was then read accordingly.

Pursuant to the said notice, it was then moved to resolve, that the petition of *Alice Anne Keeler* be referred to a Select Committee, to consider and report whether the Provincial Legislature possesses the power of pronouncing

Motion to refer the subject of the said petition to a Select Committee.

pronouncing a sentence of divorce on the grounds of adultery, or other cause; and if so, whether the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the Consistory Court of *Canterbury*, in *Great Britain*, extends to this Province.

As also, to report, for the consideration of this House, in the event of this House exercising such jurisdiction, what is the most advisable course for this House to pursue in respect to the proceedings to be taken by this House in the investigation of cases for relief by divorce, which are now or may hereafter be brought before it, adhering as closely as the nature of the case, and the relative situation of the Province will permit, to the usages of the House of Lords in *Great Britain*.

After long debate;

The question being put thereupon,

It was resolved in the negative.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection of Pot and Pearl Ashes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

It was moved, that the said Bill be read a second time this day week.

The question of concurrence being put, it was resolved in the negative.

It was then moved, that the said Bill be read a second time on the next sitting day.

The question of concurrence being put, it was resolved in the affirmative, and ordered accordingly.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Moffatt*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to grant further powers to the *Montreal Fire Assurance Company*, "and to change the name of the said Corporation," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the same be read a second time on the next sitting day.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Parke*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to change the place of the Registry Office for the county of *Middlesex*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the same be read a second time on the next sitting day.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *J. S. McDonald*, and others, as follows:

Legislative Assembly,

Thursday, 29th Sept'r, 1842.

Resolved, that a message be sent to the Legislative Council, praying their Honours will permit the Honourable *Alexander Fraser*, one of their Members, to appear on Saturday next, at ten o'clock, A. M. before the Select Committee of this House, to which is referred the petition of *George Macdonell*, and others, on the subject of the Military road for the *Eastern* and *Ottawa* Districts, to give evidence on the subject of the said reference.

Ordered, that Mr. *John S. Macdonald* do carry the said message to the Legislative Council.

Attest.

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clk. Ass'y.

And then they withdrew.

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

It was moved, that the Honourable Mr. *A. Fraser* may have leave to go to the Committee of the Legislative Assembly, as desired by that House in their message of this day, if he thinks fit.

And the Honourable Mr. *A. Fraser* being present in his place, acquainted the House, that he was willing, with the leave of the House, to go to the said Committee.

Ordered, that the Honourable Mr. *A. Fraser* have leave to go to the said Committee, if he thinks fit.

Whereupon it was,

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council do give leave to the Honourable Mr. *A. Fraser* to go to the Committee to whom is referred the petition of *George Macdonell*, and others, on the subject of the Military road for the *Eastern* and *Ottawa* Districts, and give evidence thereon, if he thinks fit.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Parent*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Charitable Association of the Roman Catholic Ladies of *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered,

Question put;
and,

Negatived.

Pot and Pearl
Ash bill.

Montreal Fire
Assurance Com-
pany's bill.

Middlesex
Registry Office
bill.

Message from
the Assembly,
requesting that
leave be given
to the Honour-
able Mr. A.
Fraser to attend
a Select Com-
mittee of that
House.

Quebec Ladies'
Charitable
Association bill.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the next sitting day.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Jones, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act for the qualification of Justices of the Peace;" and also, a Bill, intituled, "An Act for better preventing the obstruction of Rivers and Rivulets in *Canada East*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bills were severally read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bills be read a second time on the next sitting day.

The Honourable Mr. Sullivan acquainted the House, that he had certain messages from His Excellency the Governor-General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

And the same were severally read, as follows:

CHARLES BAGOT.

The Governor-General transmits herewith, for the information of the Legislative Council, with reference to their Address of last Session to the Queen, copies of all correspondence which has passed between the Provincial Government and the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of the admission of the agricultural produce of *Canada* into the United Kingdom, on remunerative terms.

Government House,

Kingston, 30th September, 1842.

(See Appendix No. 1.)

CHARLES BAGOT.

The Governor-General transmits herewith, for the information of the Legislative Council, a copy of a Despatch which he has received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, communicating the answer which Her Majesty has been pleased to direct to be returned to the Joint Address of the Provincial Legislature, passed during the last Session, on the subject of the duties levied on timber in the United Kingdom; together with an extract containing the substance of a further Despatch from the Secretary of State, explaining the grounds on which the new arrangement of these duties was adopted.

Government House,

Kingston, 30th September, 1842.

(See Appendix No. 2.)

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to winter roads, in that part of the Province formerly called *Lower Canada*," was read the second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere, Bruneau, Moore, A. Dionne* and *J. Dicnne*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The order of the day being read, for the House to be put into a Committee of the whole, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned, relative to the desertion of Seamen, and others, in the sea service;" it was,

Ordered, that the same be discharged, and that the said Bill do stand as the first item upon the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The orders of the day being severally read for the House to be put into Committees of the whole, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to make the law for vacating the seats of Members of the Legislative Assembly, accepting office, uniform throughout this Province;" and also, upon the Bill to regulate the erection of Parishes, the building of Churches and Parsonage Houses, and for other purposes therein mentioned; it was,

Ordered, that the same be discharged, and that the said Bills do stand upon the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill to afford relief to the estate of the late *Thomas Clark*, was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill, and the Report of the Select Committee upon the petition of *Samuel Street*, relating thereto, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report, on the next sitting day.

The Honourable Mr. *Moore* reported, that the Honourable Mr. *A. Dionne* and himself had, according to order, waited on His Excellency the Governor-General, with the Address of the House of yesterday, and that His Excellency was pleased to receive the same, and to say that he would answer the said Address by message immediately.

Ordered,

Winter roads bill, read second time; and,

Referred to a Select Committee.

The order of the day, for committing Seamen's desertion bill, discharged;

To be committed to-morrow.

The order of the day for committing Members' seats vacation bill; and,

Second Parish bill, discharged;

To be committed to-morrow.

Clark's Estate relief bill, read second time;

To be committed next sitting day.

The Select Committee report, having waited upon His Excellency with the Address of this House of yesterday.

Justices' qualification bill.

Rivers' obstruction prevention bill.

Message, with copy of a Despatch, on the subject of the admission of Canadian produce into Great Britain, duty free.

Message from His Excellency, with copy of a Despatch on the subject of the timber trade.

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30th June, 1842.

The Petitions of P. Lacroix and J. Bolduc, referred to the Committee on the petitions of W. Cochran and Dr. Phillips.

Ordered, that the petitions of *Pierre Lacroix* and *Joseph Bolduc*, be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the petitions of the Honourable *Andrew William Cochrane* and *Dr. Thomas Phillips*.

Adjourns.

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

SATURDAY.

Saturday, 1st October, 1842.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,

<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable</i>
<i>Fraser, Alexander</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>
<i>Moore,</i>	

PRAYERS.

Letter of excuse from the Honourable P. McGill, presented.

The Honourable the Speaker informed the House, that he had received a communication from the Honourable *Peter McGill*, stating his inability to attend the service of the House.

Excuse received.

Ordered, that the excuse assigned by the Honourable Mr. *McGill* be received.

Petitions, From the Montreal Ladies' Benevolent Society, for pecuniary aid;

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from the *Montreal Ladies' Benevolent Society*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

From T. Eyre, and others, of Cobourg, for the relief of the agricultural and commercial interests;

The Honourable Mr. *Dickson* presented a petition from *Thomas Eyre*, and others, inhabitants of the town of *Cobourg*, praying for the adoption of such Legislative measures as will afford relief to the agricultural and commercial interests of the Province; also, a petition from *William Sheppard*, and others, being the Trustees of the *Quebec* turnpike roads, praying for authority to raise, by way of loan, a further sum of fifteen thousand pounds, to complete the roads comprehended in the *Quebec Turnpike Trust Act*, and to macadamize the *Charlesbourg* road, and also the further sum of ten thousand pounds, to complete certain other roads therein mentioned; and also, a petition from *James Lyons*, and others, inhabitants of the township of *Hamilton*, in the District of *Newcastle*, praying for the passing of an Act to compel individuals farming land to take measures to destroy the *Canada thistle*, and other noxious weeds, and also that a tax of five shillings each may be levied upon dogs.

From W. Sheppard, and others, for authority to borrow a sum of money to complete the roads in the neighbourhood of *Quebec*; and,

From J. Lyons, and others, of the Newcastle District, for the adoption of measures to destroy the *Canada thistle*, and for a tax on dogs, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable the Speaker laid before the House a return of the county of *Two Mountains' Agricultural Society*, for the year 1841.

Return of the Agricultural Society for the county of Two Mountains, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from *John P. Bower*, and others, leather manufacturers, in the District of *Montreal*, praying for the imposition of an increased duty upon foreign leather, when imported into *Canada*.

Petition, From J. P. Bower, and others, leather manufacturers, for an increased duty on foreign leather, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned, relative to the desertion of Seamen, and others, in the sea service."

Seamen's desertion bill, committed;

After some time the House was resumed; And the Honourable Mr. *A. Fraser* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a third time on the next sitting day.

For a third reading next sitting day.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection of Pot and Pearl Ashes," was read a second time.

Pot and Pearl Ashes bill, read second time;

It was then moved to resolve, that the said Bill be printed for the use of Members.

Motion to print the said bill;

In amendment thereto, it was moved that after the word "be," in the original motion, the remainder be expunged, and the words, "referred to a Select Committee of five Members, with power to send for persons, papers and records," be inserted in lieu thereof.

Motion in amendment.

The question being put on the said amendment, the same was agreed to by the House.

The question being put on the main motion, as amended, it was carried in the affirmative; and,

Motion as amended, adopted; and,

Ordered, accordingly.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *Macaulay*, *Hamilton*, *Moore*, *Dickson* and *Goodhue*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The bill referred to a Select Committee.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honourable Mr. *Harrison*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Ordinances therein mentioned, " relative

Police Ordinances repeal bill.

"relative to the establishment of a system of police in *Canada East*;" and also a Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Ordinances of the Governor and Special Council of the late Province of *Lower Canada*, relative to the administration of Justice," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bills were severally read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bills be read a second time on the next sitting day.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Yule*, and others, to return the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend certain Acts therein mentioned, relative to the establishment of Mutual Insurance Companies in *Canada East*," and to acquaint this House, that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council thereto.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to grant further powers to the *Montreal Fire Assurance Company*, and "to change the name of the said Corporation," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *Hamilton, Moore* and *A. Dionne*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Charitable Association of the Roman Catholic Ladies of *Quebec*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *A. Fraser, A. Dionne* and *J. Dionne*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act for the qualification of Justices of the Peace," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill, on the next sitting day.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act for better preventing the obstruction of rivers and rivulets in *Canada East*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House upon the last mentioned Bill.

After some time the House was resumed;

And the Honourable Mr. *Macaulay* reported from the said Committee, that they had taken the said Bill into consideration, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again, on the next sitting day.

Ordered, that leave be granted accordingly.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* acquainted the House, that he had a message from the Governor-General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

And the same was read as follows;

CHARLES BAGOT.

The Governor-General has given the most attentive consideration to the wish of the Legislative Council, expressed in their Address, for a delay in the prorogation of the Legislature until the agricultural interests of the Province have been placed, so far as the Provincial Legislature is concerned, on a basis satisfactory to the Province, and in accordance with the desire expressed by him at the opening of this Session.

The Governor-General assures the Legislative Council, that his anxious desire for the promotion of the agricultural interests of *Canada* is not surpassed in any quarter; but as the early assemblage of the Legislature, after the prorogation, is anticipated, and as the time which is to be allotted to the present Session must necessarily be much curtailed, he cannot hold out any pledge of delay in proroguing the Provincial Parliament, on the ground that all contemplated measures for agricultural relief shall not have been perfected. Some of these may be found to demand early action, the co-operation of the Imperial Parliament being necessary to give them their full effect, while others requiring great consideration in their details, and affecting deeply the permanent interests of the Province, may demand more time for their perfection than can be given them at this juncture.

The Governor-General, however, hopes that a short delay will be more than compensated

by

Judicature Ordinance repeal bill.

Mutual Insurance (L. C.) bill, returned from the Assembly, with the amendments agreed to.

Montreal Fire Assurance Company's bill, read second time; and.

Referred to a Select Committee.

Quebec Ladies' Charitable Association bill, read second time; and.

Referred to a Select Committee.

Justices' qualification bill, read second time;

To be committed next sitting day.

Rivers' obstruction prevention bill, read second time;

Bill committed;

Reported, and leave granted to sit again next sitting day.

Message from His Excellency in answer to the address, praying that the prorogation may be delayed.

by the time given for deliberation, and by the unanimity of public opinion, which will probably bear upon the subject at a future Session of Parliament.

Government House,

Kingston, 1st October, 1842.

The message to be printed.

Ordered, that two hundred and fifty copies of the foregoing message be printed in the English language, and a like number in the French language.

Middlesex Registry Office bill, read second time;

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to change the place of the "Registry Office for the County of *Middlesex*," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

To be committed next sitting day.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill, on the next sitting day.

House in Committee, on Members' seats vacation bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill, intituled, "An Act to make the law for vacating the seats of Members of the Legislative Assembly accepting office, uniform throughout this Province."

After some time the House was resumed;

Reported;

And the Honourable Mr. *Hamilton* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Third reading next sitting day.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time on the next sitting day.

House in Committee, on second Parish bill.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, on the Bill to regulate the erection of Parishes, the building of Churches and Parsonage-houses, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

House resumes.

After some time the House was resumed.

House in Committee on Clark's Estate relief bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill to afford relief to the estate of the late *Thomas Clark*, together with the Report of the Select Committee upon the petition of *Samuel Street*.

After some time the House was resumed;

Reported;

And the Honourable Mr. *Moore* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Third reading next sitting day.

Ordered, that the said Bill be engrossed, and the same read a third time on the next sitting day.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to "Winter Roads, in that part of the Province "formerly called *Lower Canada*," presented their Report.

Report of the Select Committee on winter roads bill, presented;

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room, The report.
October 1st, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to Winter "Roads, in that part of the Province formerly "called *Lower Canada*," have the honour to report:

That they have taken the said Bill into their most serious consideration, and having examined the amendments which the Bill proposes to make to the Ordinances of the Special Council of *Lower Canada*, which regulate the form of, and manner of harnessing beasts of draught to the winter carriages in use in that part of the Province, and are persuaded that the changes proposed by the present Bill to those Ordinances, will not tend to the object in contemplation,—the improvement of the winter roads in *Canada East*—and therefore, that it is not prudent to adopt them, in their present form.

Your Committee are satisfied, that the vehicles usually called "double sleighs," or carriages built in a similar form, are the most convenient for winter use, and the most efficacious in preventing the formation of the *cahots*, that can possibly be adopted.

Your Committee allege it as a fact, that in those parts of the District of *Montreal* where the double sleighs are in general use, their advantages have been so fully appreciated and recognized, that there is now no opposition to their adoption; for the opposition which was made to the Ordinances before their coming into force, has been most triumphantly removed by the success of their operation, which has surpassed the most sanguine expectations of those who proposed the measure.

Your Committee are of opinion, that if it is permitted to the inhabitants of *Lower Canada*, without restriction, to harness a horse in the middle

middle of the shaft of a narrow vehicle, less than forty inches wide, a serious risk will be incurred of hindering the general use of the double sleigh, by forcing the horses in the shafts of such vehicle to crowd and press upon one another.

Your Committee consider that it would be an act of serious injustice to deprive those who in obedience to the law have provided themselves with double sleighs, from their use, if the Legislature should grant to those who have not submitted to the provisions of the Ordinances, the privilege of injuring the winter roads, by making them so narrow that single or double sleighs will not be able to pass over them.

Your Committee consider, that when the double sleigh has come into general use, or at least, adopted by a large majority of the people, there may, perhaps, then be less inconvenience in adopting the proposed amendments.

Your Committee, however, with the view, as far as it is in their power, of satisfying and meeting the wishes of the people, who may have different vehicles, think that they may recommend the suspension of the operation of so much of the Ordinances from the present period to the 13th May, 1845, and within the District of *Montreal* and *Three Rivers*, as would permit the people to harness a single horse to the middle of light vehicles, and also a single horse for loaded vehicles, provided that the latter are forty inches wide, and that the shafts are affixed to the vehicle at least ten inches above the surface of the road, or lower part of the runners.

That with regard to the Districts of *Quebec* and *Gaspé*, and such parts of the Municipal Districts of *Portneuf* and *Lotbiniere*, which are included within the District of *Three Rivers*, where the Ordinances have never been put into operation, and where the inhabitants have never provided themselves with double sleighs, your Committee see less inconvenience in suspending the operation of the Ordinances till the first May, 1845; by which time your Committee believe, that the success of its operation in the other sections of the Province will tend to convince the inhabitants generally throughout the Province, that the Ordinances regulating their winter vehicles will prove fully efficacious in obtaining for their use good winter roads, and an easy access to market.

Under these circumstances, your Committee recommend the adoption of the following amendments.

Press 1, line 23.—Leave out the word “re-pealed,” and insert, “suspended until the thirteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, within the District of *Montreal*, and all such parts of the District of *Three Rivers* as are not included within the limits of the Municipal Districts of *Portneuf* and *Lotbiniere*; and it shall be lawful during such suspension, to harness a single horse to the middle of any unloaded winter vehicle, or to the middle of any loaded winter vehicle, provided, that the said loaded winter vehicle be forty English inches wide between the inside of the runners at the bottom thereof, and the shafts are attached to the body of the said loaded vehicle at the height of ten English inches above the bottom of the runners thereof.”

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

FRS. P. BRUNEAU,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the foregoing Report be Report adopted; and,

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the last mentioned Bill and Report, immediately.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the said Bill and Report. The bill committed;

After some time the House was resumed; And the Honourable Mr. *Dickson* reported Reported with amendment. from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Press 1, line 23.—Leave out the word “re-pealed,” and insert, “suspended” Amendment.

“ pended until the thirteenth
 “ day of May, one thousand
 “ eight hundred and forty-
 “ five, within the District
 “ of *Montreal*, and all such
 “ parts of the District of
 “ *Three Rivers* as are not
 “ included within the limits
 “ of the Municipal Districts
 “ of *Portneuf* and *Lotbiniere*,
 “ and it shall be lawful dur-
 “ ing such suspension to har-
 “ ness a single horse to the
 “ middle of any unloaded
 “ winter vehicle, or to the
 “ middle of any loaded win-
 “ ter vehicle, provided, that
 “ the said loaded winter
 “ vehicle be forty English
 “ inches wide between the
 “ inside of the runners at
 “ the bottom thereof, and the
 “ shafts are attached to the
 “ body of the said loaded
 “ vehicle at the height of
 “ ten English inches above
 “ the bottom of the runners
 “ thereof.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

Third reading
next sitting day.

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on the next sitting day.

Report of the
Select Committee
upon the peti-
tions of the
Honourable
A. W. Cochrane,
Dr. Phillips,
P. Lacroix,
and Joseph
Bolduc,
presented.

The Honourable Mr. *Macaulay*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the several petitions of the Honourable *A. W. Cochrane*, *Dr. Thomas Phillips*, *Pierre Lacroix* and *Joseph Bolduc*, praying for retiring allowances, presented their Report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

The report.

Legislative Council Committee Room,
October 1st, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom were referred the petitions of the Honourable *A. W. Cochrane*, *Dr. Thomas Phillips* and *Pierre Lacroix*, and *Joseph Bolduc*, have the honour to Report:

That Mr. *Cochrane* was appointed Law Clerk to the Honourable the Legislative Council of the late Province of *Lower Canada*, in the year 1819, and continued to perform

the duties of that office until the suspension of the Constitution in 1838, a period of nineteen years, with a yearly salary of £200 per annum; and subsequently to that period he has received an allowance of one half his salary, as well as the other officers of that Body. But in consequence of Mr. *Cochrane's* claims having been unintentionally omitted in the Bill of last Session, which provided pensions for the retired officers of the former Legislatures of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, that gentleman has received no retired allowance since the 30th September, 1841. As no reason can be assigned for refusing to Mr. *Cochrane* the same indulgence that has been extended to the other officers of that Legislature, the Committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of Mr. *Cochrane's* petition ought to be granted, and they therefore recommend the petitioner to your Honourable House, for such retired allowance as his services may justly entitle him to.

That Dr. *Phillips* was appointed Chaplain to the Honourable Legislative Council of *Upper Canada*, some time previous to the meeting of Parliament, in January 1835, on the resignation of the Rev. *W. Macaulay*, and continued to officiate in that capacity to the period of the Union of the Provinces. From the correspondence attached to the petition of Dr. *Phillips*, addressed to your Honourable House, your Committee perceive, that on the 27th February, 1841, he petitioned His Excellency, the late Lord *Sydenham*, to renew his commission under the present Constitution. To this application an answer was returned to Dr. *Phillips*, stating that his claims and wishes would be borne in mind when the necessary arrangements would be made. Upon this assurance Dr. *Phillips* again addressed the Executive, in the month of June, 1841, to the same purport, and was informed, that the appointment had been conferred upon the present Incumbent, the Rev. *W. Adamson*, His Excellency supposing that it was not his wish to resume his duties at such a distance from his home, and at such a small remuneration. Dr. *Phillips* petitioned your Honourable House during the last Session, for a retiring pension, but in consequence of the great pressure of business, and the melancholy accident which befel Lord *Sydenham*, his claims could not be brought forward. Your Committee therefore deem it proper to recommend the prayer of Dr. *Phillips's* petition to the consideration of your

your Honourable House, for such retired allowance as his services, and loss of his appointment, may justly entitle him to.

That *Pierre Lacroix* has been a Messenger to the Legislative Council of the late Province of *Lower Canada* for twenty-two years, and *Joseph Bolduc* in a similar capacity for fifteen years. That after the suspension of the Constitution, they received an allowance equal to one half of their former pay, which was discontinued at the time of the Union. As the petitioners are recommended as faithful servants, and are encumbered with large families, your Committee recommend them to the favourable consideration of your Honourable House, for such retired allowance as their services may justly entitle them to.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

JNO. MACAULAY,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the said Report, together with the several petitions last mentioned, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Report and petitions, on the next sitting day.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, "An Act for better proportioning the punishment to the offence in certain cases," presented their Report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room,
October 1st, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act for better proportioning the punishment to the offence in certain cases," have the honour to Report:

That they have carefully examined the said Bill, and find that its provisions tend to remove the disparity of punishment to be inflicted upon offenders, under the Criminal Statutes of the last Session, which it will be in the recollection of this House, provided no medium punishment between two years imprisonment, in any ordinary place of confinement, and seven years confinement in the Provincial Penitentiary. Your Committee are disposed to accede to the proposed change,

and recommend the Bill for the adoption of your Honourable House.

Your Committee beg leave to state, that in the Act of the last Session, no enactment was made for the punishment of assaults with intent to commit rape, or the abominable crime of buggery, and they have therefore introduced a clause, as an amendment to the present Bill.

They therefore report the following amendments to the Bill:

After the fourth clause insert,

CLAUSE A.

"And whereas it is necessary to determine the punishment to be inflicted upon certain offenders, not provided for by the said before recited Act, intituled, 'An Act for consolidating and amending the Statutes in this Province, relative to offences against the person;' Be it enacted, that where any person shall be charged with and convicted of any assault with intent to commit rape, or of any assault with intent to commit the abominable crime of buggery, either with man-kind or with any animal, the Court in any such case may sentence the offender to be imprisoned, at hard labour, in the Provincial Penitentiary, for any term not exceeding three years, or to be imprisoned in any other prison or place of confinement, for any term not exceeding two years."

In the title, after the word "cases," insert, "and for other purposes therein mentioned."

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

R. B. SULLIVAN,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the said Bill, and the Report thereon, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report, immediately.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the last mentioned Bill and Report.

After some time the House was resumed, and the Honourable Mr. *A. Dionne* reported from

To be committed next sitting day.

Report of the Select Committee on Offences punishment bill, presented.

The report.

To be committed immediately.

House in Committee.

Amendments reported.

from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments.

Which amendments were read by the Clerk, as follows :

Press 2.—After the fourth clause insert,

CLAUSE A.

“And whereas it is necessary to determine the punishment to be inflicted upon certain offenders not provided for by the said before recited Act, intituled, ‘An Act for consolidating and amending the Statutes in this Province relative to offences against the person,’”

“Be it enacted, that where any person shall be charged with and convicted of any assault with intent to commit rape, or of any assault with intent to commit the abominable crime of buggery, either with man-kind or with any animal, the Court in any such case may sentence the offender to be imprisoned, at hard labour, in the Provincial Penitentiary, for any term not exceeding three years, or to be imprisoned in any other prison or place of confinement, for any term not exceeding two years.”

In the title, after the word “cases,” insert, “and for other purposes therein mentioned.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Third reading next sitting day.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on the next sitting day.

Petition. From the Montreal Board of Trade, that vessels may not be compelled to report at Coteau du Lac, presented.

The Honourable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a petition from the *Montreal* Board of Trade, praying that vessels trading from the western to the eastern ports of *Canada* (or otherwise, as the case may be,) may no longer be compelled to report at the Custom House of *Coteau du Lac*, except they unload there.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Adjourn.

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

Monday, 3rd October, 1842. MONDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs,	The Honourable Messieurs,
<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Fraser, Alexander</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>
<i>Bruneau,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>

PRAYERS.

The Honourable the Speaker informed the House, that he had received a communication from the Honourable *René E. Caron*, stating his inability to attend the service of this House.

Letter of excuse from the Hon'ble R. E. Caron, presented;

Ordered, that the excuse assigned by the Honourable Mr. *Caron* be received.

Excuse received.

The Honourable Mr. *Bruneau* presented a petition from *George Brown*, and others, inhabitants of the county of *Ottawa*, praying that the Legislature will adopt such measures as will do away with the necessity for the inhabitants of the said county to travel the distance they are now compelled to do, if they exercise their elective franchise by voting for Members of Parliament.

Petitions, From G. Brown, and others, of the county of Ottawa, for greater facility in exercising their elective franchise;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a petition from the Reverend *Andrew Balfour*, as Master of a Grammar School in the village of *Waterloo*, in the county of *Sheffard*, in *Canada East*, praying for Legislative aid.

From the Rev. A. Balfour, for Legislative aid; and,

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from the Reverend *Joseph A. Allen*, and others, Clergymen and lay members of the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying for the passing of a Church Temporalities Act.

From the Rev. J. A. Allen, and others, for a Church Temporalities Act for the Diocese of Quebec, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, “An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned, relative to the desertion of Seamen, and others, in the sea service,” was read a third time.

Seamen's desertion bill, read third time.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Passed.

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

Election bill.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honourable Mr. *Harrison*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the freedom of elections throughout this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the next sitting day.

Members' seats vacation bill, read third time;

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to make the law for vacating the seats of Members of the Legislative Assembly accepting office, uniform throughout this Province," was read a third time.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Quebec Gas Company's bill.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Black*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Company under the style and title of the *Quebec Gas-light and Water Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

46th rule dispensed with, for the rest of the Session.

Ordered, that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, for the remainder of the present Session; and,

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill be read the second time this day.

Registration Ordinance postponement bill.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Jones*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the time allowed by the Ordinance therein mentioned, for the Registration of certain charges or incumbrances on Real Estates, and to repeal certain parts thereof," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

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

Clark's Estate relief bill, read third time;

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill to afford relief to the estate of the late *Thomas Clark*, was read a third time.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Title.

Ordered, that the title be, "An Act to afford relief to the estate of the late *Thomas Clark*."

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

The order of the day being read, for reading a third time the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to Winter Roads, in that part of the Province formerly called *Lower Canada*," as amended; it was,

The order for reading winter roads bill a third time, discharged; and,

Ordered, that the same be discharged.

Ordered, that the said Bill be again committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill, immediately.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the last mentioned Bill.

The bill re-committed.

After some time the House was resumed;

And the Honourable Mr. *J. Dionne* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with a further amendment.

A further amendment reported.

Which further amendment was read by the Clerk, as follows:

In the Preamble, line 1.—Leave out "repeal," and insert, "suspend."

The said further amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House

Same adopted.

Ordered, that the same be engrossed, and the said Bill, as further amended, read a third time immediately.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

Bill, as amended, read third time;

The question was put, whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Passed.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act for the better proportioning the punishment to the offence in certain cases," was, as amended, read a third time.

Offences punishment bill, as amended, read third time;

The question was put, whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Passed.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

50th rule read.

Ordered, that the fiftieth Rule of the House be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk, accordingly.

Motion to amend the said rule;

Pursuant to notice, it was moved to resolve, that it be a standing order of this House, that the fiftieth standing order shall not be held to extend to any case, in which it shall be necessary to hear proof of the allegations of a Bill at the Bar of this House.

Adopted.

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

Ordered, accordingly.

Police Ordinances repeal bill, read second time; and,

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to the establishment of a system of Police in *Canada East*," was read the second time.

Referred to a Select Committee.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere*, *Bruneau* and *Sherwood*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Judicature Ordinances repeal bill, read second time;

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Ordinances of the Governor and Special Council of the late Province of *Lower Canada*, relative to the administration of Justice," was read a second time.

For a third reading to-day.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a third time this day.

House in Committee, on Justices' qualification bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act for the qualification of "Justices of the Peace."

Reported.

After some time the House was resumed; And the Honourable Mr. *Goodhue* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

For a third reading to-day.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a third time this day.

House in Committee on rivers' obstruction prevention bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was again put into a Committee of the whole House on the Bill, intituled, "An Act for better preventing

"the obstruction of rivers and rivulets in "*Canada East*."

After some time the House was resumed; And the Honourable Mr. *Macaulay* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a third time this day.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to change the place of the "Registry Office for the County of *Middlesex*."

After some time the House was resumed; And the Honourable Mr. *Sherwood* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a third this day.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Report of the Select Committee to whom had been referred the several petitions of the Honourable *A. W. Cochrane*, *Dr. Thomas Phillips*, *Pierre Lacroix*, and *Joseph Bolduc*, praying for retiring allowances.

After some time the House was resumed; And the Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Report of the Select Committee, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

Ordered, that the Report of the Select Committee be adopted.

It was then moved, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, to communicate to His Excellency a copy of the said Report of the Select Committee, for the information of His Excellency, and respectfully recommending the claims of the several petitioners to His Excellency's favourable consideration.

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

Ordered, accordingly.

Ordered, that the Honourable Messieurs *A. Fraser* and *Sherwood* do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Company "under the style and title of the *Quebec Gas Light and Water Company*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on the next sitting day.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the time allowed "by the Ordinance therein mentioned, for the "registration of certain charges or incumbrances on Real Estates, and to repeal certain "parts thereof," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on the next sitting day.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Ordinances "of the Governor and Special Council of the "late Province of *Lower Canada*, relative to "the administration of Justice;" also the Bill, intituled, "An Act for the qualification of "Justices of the Peace;" also the Bill, intituled, "An Act for the better preventing the "obstruction of rivers and rivulets in *Canada East*;" and also the Bill, intituled, "An Act to "change the place of the Registry Office for "the County of *Middlesex*," were severally read the third time.

The question was severally put, whether these Bills shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills, without any amendment.

The Honourable Mr. *Macaulay*, from the Select Committee appointed to peruse and perfect the Journals of this and former Sessions of the Provincial Parliament, presented their Report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room,
3rd October, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom it was re-

ferred to peruse and perfect the Journals of this and former Sessions of the Provincial Parliament, and to whom was also referred the Report of a Committee of Conference, with the Honourable the Legislative Assembly, on the subject of the printing of certain documents usually inserted in the Appendices to the Journals of both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, have the honour to Report:

That they have examined the Journals for the last Session of your Honourable House, as printed by Mr. *Stanton* in English, and by Messieurs *Fisher* and *Kemble* in French, and they find that they have been executed with neatness and despatch, and in close conformity to the recommendation of the Committee on the Journals, adopted by your Honourable House during the last Session.

Your Committee have received a communication from Messieurs *Cary* and *Desbarats*, requesting to have the printing of the French version of the Journals of your Honourable House given to them, as being the former Printers to the Legislative Council in *Lower Canada*, instead of being given to Messieurs *Fisher* and *Kemble*, the Queen's Printers for *Lower Canada*, who now enjoy that privilege under the resolutions of your Honourable House of the last Session. Your Committee beg leave to state, that the Legislative Council in *Lower Canada*, as far back as 1817, directed their Journals to be printed in both languages by His Majesty's Provincial Law Printers, which office was then held by *P. E. Desbarats*, Esquire. A similar order will be found in the Journals of the succeeding Sessions, until the death of that gentleman in 1828. On the 12th December, 1828, the Council concurred with a Special Committee, who reported as follows: "That it does not appear to your Committee; that the printing "and other works of the office of the Legislative Council, belong of right to the Printer "of the Laws, nor to the King's Printer. The "Council has to this day employed Mr. *Desbarats*, the father, who has served with fidelity "for a great number of years, and has provided a large establishment, relying on a "continuation of the confidence of this House: "that it does not appear just to take away "from his family that work, without reason. "Your Committee is therefore of opinion, that "Mr. *Frederick Desbarats* should be employed "in the place of his father."

Mr.

Mr. *F. Desbarats* continued to print the Journal 'till 1831, and since that period the work had been uninterruptedly performed, by order of the Council, by Messieurs *Cary* and *Desbarats*, until the suspension of the Constitution in 1838. The Journals of the late Special Council of *Lower Canada* were also, in a great measure, printed by those gentlemen.

Your Committee are of opinion, not only from the terms of the resolution of the last Session, but also from the information of several Members who composed the former Committee, that it was the intention of continuing the printing to those who had hitherto enjoyed the confidence, and hath faithfully executed the work of the Councils in *Upper* and *Lower Canada*; and that by way of a compromise between those who had acted in that capacity in the two Provinces, the version in English was to be given to Mr. *Stanton*, who had hitherto executed the printing of the Council at *Toronto*; and the version in French to those who had the same privilege in *Lower Canada*. Under these circumstances your Committee beg leave to recommend, that Messieurs *Cary* and *Desbarats* have the printing of the French version of the Journals, and Appendix, to be by them executed as heretofore in *Quebec*, on the best terms that can be obtained.

Your Committee have also had under their consideration the proposal made by the Committee of Conference, on the subject of the printing of certain documents which are laid before both Houses of the Legislature. It appears that the Honourable the Legislative Assembly have determined upon printing their Journals upon the same paper, and of the same size and appearance, as those of your Honourable House, and have expressed a desire, with a view to economy, that all papers, documents, reports, returns and accounts, which are laid before both Branches of the Legislature, should be printed in a separate volume from the Journals and Appendix of either House, and distributed in sufficient numbers to meet the demands of both Bodies.

Your Committee are satisfied that this proposal will create a very considerable saving of public money, and therefore recommend its adoption by your Honourable House, and that the Clerk of this House do confer with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly on this subject of mutual interest.

Your Committee, with a view to maintain uniformity in the entries upon the Journals, would recommend as close an adherence to the forms adopted by the House of Lords in their Journals as circumstances will permit; and further, that no entry be made upon the Journals of any notices of motions as heretofore practised, but that the same be entered in a book to be kept for that purpose, and a copy thereof be placed in some conspicuous place in the Council Chamber.

Your Committee have also taken into their consideration the subject of the distribution of the printed Journals of your Honourable House. They recommend that sixty copies in each language be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly, for the use of the Members thereof, and that in addition to the those individuals and public bodies to whom the Journals are now forwarded, by the Rules of this House, one copy be forwarded to each of the Judges of the Court of Queen's and King's Bench, and to each of the Public Libraries and Boards of Trade in the Province, on their application to the Clerk of the House.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

JNO. MACAULAY,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Report, on the next sitting day. To be committed next sitting day.

The Honourable Mr. *Hamilton*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection of Pot and Pearl Ashes," presented their Report. Report of the Select Committee on Pot and Pearl Ash bill, presented.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room, The report:
October 3rd, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection of Pot and Pearl Ashes," have the honour to Report:

That they have carefully gone through the said Bill, and beg leave to report the Bill without any amendment.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

JNO. HAMILTON,
Chairman.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill, together with the Report thereon, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

To be committed next sitting day.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report, on the next sitting day.

The message from His Excellency on the subject of agriculture and the timber duties, read; and,

Ordered, that the several messages of His Excellency the Governor-General, dated the thirtieth ultimo, on the subject of agriculture, and relative to duties on timber, be now read.

The same were then read by the Clerk, accordingly.

An Address of thanks ordered to be presented for the same.

Ordered, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, to return him the thanks of this House for his messages of the thirtieth September last—transmitting to the Legislative Council copies of all correspondence which has passed between the Provincial Government and the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of the admission of the agricultural produce of *Canada* into the United Kingdom on remunerative terms, and communicating the answer which Her Majesty has been pleased to direct to be returned to the Joint Address of the Legislature of the last Session, on the subject of the duties levied on timber in the United Kingdom.

Ordered, that the Honourable Messieurs *A. Fraser* and *Sherwood*, do wait on His Excellency the Governor-General with the said Address.

Petition, From the Rev. A. Balfour, and others, for a Church Temporalities Act, presented.

The Honourable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a petition from the Reverend *Andrew Balfour*, Protestant Episcopal Minister, and others, praying that an Act may be passed for the regulation of the Temporalities of the Church of *England* in the Diocese of *Quebec*, framed upon the model of the Church Temporalities Act now in force in the Diocese of *Toronto*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Adjourn.

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

Tuesday, 4th October, 1842. TUESDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the Vice Chancellor, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,

DeBlaquiere,

Dickson,

Sullivan,

Dionne, Amable

Fraser, Alexander

Dionne, Joseph

Macaulay,

Goodhue,

Hamilton,

Sherwood,

McDonald,

Washburn.

Moore,

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the freedom of Elections throughout this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a second time. Election bill, read second time;

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House on the last mentioned Bill. Committed;

After some time the House was resumed;

And the Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment. Reported;

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time this day. Third reading to-day.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cameron*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection and measurement of timber, masts, spars, deals, staves, and other articles of a like nature, intended for shipment and exportation from this Province, and for other purposes relative to the same," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. Timber inspection bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

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

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Hale*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the management of the Temporalities of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, in this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned," to which

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which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

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

Cobourg Harbour bill.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Boswell*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the time for the payment of the Loan to the Cobourg Harbour Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

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

Offences punishment bill, returned from the Assembly with the amendments agreed to.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Black*, and others, to return the Bill, intituled, "An Act for better proportioning the punishment to the offence in certain cases," and to acquaint this House, that the Legislative Assembly hath agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill.

Public Lands (L. C.) bill.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to explain an Act therein mentioned, relating to the disposal of public Lands, and to prevent in Lower Canada surreptitious sale of Lands possessed by right of occupancy and improvement, as personal goods, by the Sheriff," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

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

House in Committee on Quebec Gas Company's bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Company under the style and title of the Quebec Gas-light and Water Company."

After some time the House was resumed;

Reported;

And the Honourable Mr. *Alexander Fraser* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Third reading next sitting day.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time on the next sitting day.

House in Committee on Registration Ordinance postponement bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the time allowed by the Ordinance therein mentioned, for the

"Registration of certain charges or incumbrances on Real Estates, and to repeal certain parts thereof."

After some time the House was resumed;

And the Honourable Mr. *Macaulay* reported

Reported;

from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time on the next sitting day.

Third reading next sitting day.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Report of the Select Committee appointed to peruse and perfect the Journals of this and former Sessions of the Provincial Parliament.

House in Committee, on the report of the Select Committee on the Journals;

After some time the House was resumed;

And the Honourable Mr. *Hamilton* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Report of the Select Committee, and had directed him to report the same for the adoption of the House.

Reported;

Ordered, that the said Report be adopted.

Adopted.

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

Message from the Assembly, for a conference on winter roads bill;

Legislative Assembly,

Tuesday, 4th October 1842.

Resolved, that a conference be desired with the Honourable the Legislative Council, for the purpose of communicating to them the reasons which induced this House not to concur in a certain amendment made by their Honours to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to Winter Roads, in that part of the Province formerly called Lower Canada."

Ordered, that Mr. *Armstrong* do go to the Legislative Council and desire the said conference.

Attest.

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clk. Ass'y.

And then they withdrew.

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

Resolved, that this House do concur in the conference desired.

Conference agreed to, and,

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council

The Assembly informed thereof.

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cil agrees to the conference desired, for the purpose of communicating the reasons which induced the Assembly not to concur in a certain amendment made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to Winter Roads, in that part of the Province formerly called *Lower Canada*;" and that the managers, on the part of this House, are to be the Honourable Messieurs *deBlaquiere* and *A. Dionne*, who are to meet the number, as managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly, required by Parliamentary usage, to-morrow, at four o'clock in the afternoon, in the Committee Room of the Legislative Council.

Ordered, that the Select Committee to whom were referred the contingent accounts of this House for the present Session, have leave to meet and adjourn as they please, and to report from time to time.

The Honourable Mr. *Macaulay*, from the Select Committee appointed to report upon the contingent accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session, and to whom was also referred the Report of the Select Committee appointed to examine the Index to the Statutes of *Lower Canada*, prepared by the Law Clerk, presented their first report on the contingent accounts.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room,
October 4th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom it was referred to examine the contingent accounts of your Honourable House, and to whom was also referred the Report of the Select Committee appointed to examine the Index to the Statutes of *Lower Canada*, prepared by the Law Clerk, have the honour to Report:

That the Clerk of this House has submitted to your Committee three statements, annexed to this Report, and marked A. B. and C. exhibiting the accounts paid on the part of the Legislative Council of *Upper Canada*; those paid on account of your Honourable House to the close of the last Session; and those which have been paid during the recess. These accounts also exhibit the details of the expenditure of the advances made by His Excellency, under the addresses of your Honourable House of the last Session, viz.

£1182 7s. 7½d. and £1500; as also of an advance made to the Clerk of £750, on a special application made by that officer to His Excellency, during the recess. The accounts of the Clerk are accompanied by the respective vouchers, which have been examined by your Committee. The apparent balance in the hands of the Clerk is £62 16s. 9½d. to which must be added £2 0s. 2½d. for the following overcharges:

Statement No. 1.—*J. F. Taylor, Sen.* for £279 9s. 4d. should be £277 9s. 4d.

Statement No. 3.—Librarian's expenses at *Quebec* £29, should be £28 19s. 9½d.

Your Committee, in a subsequent report, which they intend to make to your Honourable House, will offer such observations as they may consider of importance in reference to these accounts, as also upon the demands still existing against your Honourable House. In the meantime they have prepared a Schedule, hereunto annexed, and marked D. of such accounts as are now before your Committee for examination. In order to provide funds to meet such of these bills as may be finally audited and approved by your Honourable House, your Committee recommend that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, for an advance of £4500 sterling, as well to cover the sum of £750, specially granted to the Clerk, as to meet the present demands against the Council, and its current expenditure during the recess.

Various applications have been made to your Committee from several officers and servants of the House for an augmentation of their salaries, so as to place them upon the same footing as the officers filling similar situations in the Legislative Assembly, or for extra services performed during the recess. Upon these applications your Committee will be prepared to submit their opinion to your Honourable House at an early day.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

JNO. MACAULAY,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Report be adopted. Report adopted; and,

It was moved to resolve, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to issue his warrant in favour of the Clerk of this House, for the sum

An Address ordered to be presented to His Excellency, to issue his warrant for £4,500.

sum of four thousand five hundred pounds, sterling, to enable him to defray the present demands against the Legislative Council for past services, and to meet its current expenditure during the recess, and also to cover an advance made by order of His Excellency, on a special application from that officer to His Excellency, in the month of April last, and for which he will hereafter account.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, it was agreed to by the House; and, *Ordered*, accordingly.

Ordered, that the Honourable Messieurs *McDonald* and *Washburn* do wait on His Excellency the Governor-General, with the said Address.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Librarian on the state of the Library, and the Report of the Joint Committee on the division of the late *Upper Canada* Library, presented their fourth report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room,
October 4th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Librarian on the state of the Library, and the Report of the Joint Committee on the division of the late *Upper Canada* Library, have the honour to Report:

That they recommend that the Librarian and Law Clerk be authorised, under the sanction and direction of the Speaker, to take such steps as by them may be deemed expedient, for procuring a continuation of all the periodical publications now in the possession of your Honourable House, as well as such other works as may be by them considered necessary for the use of the Council.

That your Committee take this opportunity of recommending, in the strongest terms of approval, Mr. *Audubon's* magnificent works on the Ornithology and Quadrupeds of *America*, to the consideration of your Honourable House, and that a copy of each be subscribed for on the part of the Legislative Council, to be placed in their Library. Your Committee would not venture to recommend to your Honourable House to subscribe to a work of such expense, but from a conviction that it is from a National Legislature, or from public

bodies only, that such valuable works can meet with due encouragement.

That a sum not exceeding five hundred pounds, currency, be placed at the disposal of the Librarian and Law Clerk, under such sanction as herein mentioned, to carry these objects into execution, with due regard to economy.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

P. B. DEBLAQUIERE,
Chairman.

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

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, on the Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection of Pot and Pearl Ashes," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon. House in Committee, on Pot and Pearl Ash bill;

After some time the House was resumed; And the Honourable Mr. *McDonald* reported from the said Committee, that they had taken the said Bill into consideration, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again, on the next sitting day. Reported, and leave granted to sit again next sitting day.

Ordered, that leave be granted accordingly.

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the freedom of elections throughout this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a third time. Election bill, read third time;

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative. Passed.

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

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection and measurement of timber, masts, spars, deals, staves and other articles of a like nature, intended for shipment and exportation from this Province, and for other purposes relative to the same," was read a second time. Timber inspection bill, read second time; and,

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *Hamilton*, *McDonald* and *A. Dionne*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the management of

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Fourth report of the Select Committee on the Library, presented.

The report.

"of the Temporalities of the United Church of England and Ireland, in the Diocese of Quebec, in this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs deBlaquiere, Goodhue and Dickson, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the time for the payment of the loan to the Cobourg Harbour Company," and also the Bill, intituled, "An Act to explain an Act therein mentioned, relating to the disposal of public Lands, and to prevent, in Lower Canada, surreptitious sale of Lands possessed by right of occupancy and improvement, as personal goods, by the Sheriff," were severally read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bills be committed to Committees of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon each of the said Bills, on the next sitting day.

The Honourable Mr. A. Fraser, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Charitable Association of the Roman Catholic Ladies of Quebec," presented their report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room, October 4th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Charitable Association of the Roman Catholic Ladies of Quebec," have the honour to Report:

That they have examined the Bill, and beg leave to report the same without any amendment.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

ALEXANDER FRASER, Chairman.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill, together with the Report thereon, be referred to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report, on the next sitting day.

The Honourable Mr. Dickson presented a petition, From Joseph Plante, and others, Pilots for and below the Harbour of Quebec, praying for amendments to the laws which now regulate them.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Wednesday, 5th October, 1842. WEDNESDAY.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the Vice-Chancellor, Speaker.

- The Honourable Messieurs, DeBlaquiere, Sullivan, Fraser, Alexander Crooks, Macaulay, Hamilton, McDonald, Dickson, Dionne, Amable, Dionne, Joseph Goodhue, Sherwood, Washburn.

PRAYERS.

The Honourable the Speaker informed the House, that he had received a communication from the Honourable Paul H. Knoulton, stating his inability to attend the service of the House.

Ordered, that the excuse assigned by the Honourable Mr. Knoulton, be received.

The Honourable Mr. McDonald reported that the Honourable Mr. Washburn and himself had, according to order, waited on His Excellency the Governor-General with the Address of this House of Tuesday last, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would comply with the request of this House.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Company under the style and title of the Quebec Gas Light and Water Company;" and also, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the time allowed by the Ordinance therein mentioned, for the Registration of certain charges or incumbrances on Real Estates, and to repeal certain parts thereof," were severally read a third time.

The question was severally put, whether these Bills shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council

Referred to a Select Committee.

Cobourg Harbour bill; and,

Public Lands (L. C.) bill, read second time;

To be committed next sitting day.

Report of the Select Committee on Quebec Ladies' Charitable Association bill, presented.

The report.

To be committed next sitting day.

Petition, From Joseph Plante, and others, for an amendment of the law regulating pilots, presented.

Adjourn.

WEDNESDAY.

Letter of excuse from the Hon'ble. F. H. Knoulton, presented;

Excuse received.

The Select Committee report the presentation to His Excellency, of the address of this House of Tuesday last.

Quebec Gas Company's bill and,

Registration Ordinance postponement bill, read third time;

Passed.

cil have passed these Bills, without any amendment.

House in Committee, on Pot and Pearl Ash bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection of Pot and Pearl Ashes."

After some time the House was resumed;

Reported;

And the Honourable Mr. *McDonald* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Third reading to-day.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time this day.

House in Committee, on Cobourg Harbour bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the time for the payment of the Loan to the *Cobourg* Harbour Company."

After some time the House was resumed;

Reported;

And the Honourable Mr. *Dickson* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Third reading to-day.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time this day.

House in Committee, on Public Lands (L. C.) bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to explain an Act therein mentioned, relating to the disposal of public lands, and to prevent in *Lower Canada* surreptitious sale of Lands possessed by right of occupancy and improvement, as personal goods, by the Sheriff."

House resumed.

After some time the House was resumed.

House in Committee, on Quebec Ladies' Charitable Association bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Charitable Association of the Roman Catholic Ladies of *Quebec*."

Reported;

After some time the House was resumed; And the Honourable Mr. *McDonald* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Third reading to-day.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time this day.

Pot and Pearl Ash bill;

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection of Pot and Pearl Ashes;" also, the Bill intituled, "An

Act to extend the time for the payment of the "Loan to the *Cobourg* Harbour Company;" and also, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Charitable Association of the Roman Catholic Ladies of *Quebec*," were severally read the third time.

Cobourg Harbour Loan bill, and,

Quebec Ladies' Charitable Association bill, severally read third time;

The question was severally put, whether these Bills shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Passed.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills, without any amendment.

The Speaker declared this House continued until half past three o'clock, P. M. this day, the House so decreeing.

Adjourn till half past 3 P. M.

At half past three o'clock, P. M. the Members convened were:

WEDNESDAY. Half past 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,

<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable</i>
<i>Fraser, Alexander</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>
<i>McDonald,</i>	

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the management of the Temporalities of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, in this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned," presented their report.

Report of the Select Committee, on Church Temporalities bill, presented.

Ordered, that the Report be received; and, The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Legislative Council Committee Room, The report:
October 5th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the management of the Temporalities of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, in this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned," have the honour to Report:

That they have examined with great care the said Bill, and report the Bill without any amendments.

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The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

P. B. DEBLAQUIERE,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the said Report be adopted.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill be read a third time this day.

The Honourable Mr. *Sherwood*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to the establishment of a system of Police in *Canada East*," presented their report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room,
October 5th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to the establishment of a system of Police in *Canada East*," have the honour to Report:

That they have carefully examined the said Bill, and beg leave to report the same without any amendments.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

L. P. SHERWOOD,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the said Report be adopted.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill be read a third time this day.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Morris*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland District*, and to increase its capital stock," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the second time on the next sitting day.

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the management of the Temporalities of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, in this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned;" and also the Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to the establishment of a system of Police in *Canada East*," were severally read the third time.

The question was severally put, whether these Bills shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Passed.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills, without any amendment.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a petition from *Henry Hoyle*, and others, inhabitants and proprietors of the Seigniories of *Lacolle* and *deLery*, praying for the removal of certain burthens, and the redress of certain alleged wrongs; also, a petition from *G. Beaudet*, and others, inhabitants of the county of *Vaudreuil*, praying that certain works on the south side of the River *St. Laurence*, may not be commenced until witnesses have been examined, and a new naval and military survey has been made; and also, a petition from *Lewis Odell*, and others, inhabitants of the Seigniorie of *Lacolle*, in the county of *Huntingdon*, praying for the re-establishment of Commissioners' Courts, for the trial of small causes.

Petitions, From H. Hoyle, and others, of the Seigniories of Lacolle and de Lery, for the redress of grievances;

From G. Beaudet, and others, of Vaudreuil, against the construction of certain works on the south side of the St. Laurence; and,

From Lewis Odell, and others, of Lacolle, for the re-establishment of Commissioners' Courts, presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Hamilton*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, "An Act to grant further powers to the *Montreal Fire Assurance Company*," and to change the name of the said Corporation," presented their report.

Report of the Select Committee upon Montreal Fire Assurance bill, presented.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room,
October 5th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to grant further powers to the *Montreal Fire Assurance Company*, and to change the name of the said Corporation," have the honour to Report:

The report;

That they have carefully examined the said Bill, and report the Bill without any amendments.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

JNO. HAMILTON,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the foregoing Report be adopted.

Adopted.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered,

Adopted.

Bill for third reading to-day.

Report of the Select Committee, on Police Ordinances repeal bill, presented.

The report;

Adopted.

Bill for third reading to-day.

Commercial Bank bill;

Church Temporalities bill, and,

Police Ordinances repeal bill, severally read third time.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill, immediately.

Bill committed;

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

After some time the House was resumed;

Reported;

And the Honourable Mr. *J. Dionne* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill be read a third time immediately.

Read third time;

The same was then read the third time accordingly.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

British America Assurance Company's bill.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Boulton*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the powers of the British America Fire and Life Assurance Company to Marine Assurances," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the second time on the next sitting day.

The managers go to the conference on winter roads bill.

The House being informed that the time had arrived for holding the Conference with the Legislative Assembly, on the subject matter of the amendment made by this House to the Bill, sent up from the Assembly, intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to Winter Roads, in that part of the Province formerly called *Lower Canada*."

The House was adjourned during pleasure, and the managers for this House went to the Conference;

Which being ended, the House was resumed;

The managers report the reasons of the Assembly, for not concurring in the amendment of the Council to winter roads bill.

And the Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* reported, that they had met the managers for the Commons at the Conference, which was managed on their part by Mr. *Armstrong*, and others, who delivered to their Honours the Bill with the amendment, and also a paper containing as follows: viz.

Reasons to be offered to the Honourable the Legislative Council at a Conference, for disagreeing to a certain amendment made by their Honours, to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to Winter Roads, in that part of the Province formerly called *Lower Canada*:"

1st.—Because the Ordinance, 3 Vic. cap. 25, enacted that the sleighs to be used in *Lower Canada*, should be of the width of two and a half English feet between the inside of the runners, and the persons who have conformed to the Ordinance have incurred great expense in procuring sleighs conformable thereto.

2nd.—Because the proposed change, making the width forty inches, will entail new and heavy expenses on the owners of sleighs, without any adequate benefit to themselves or the public.

3rd.—Because the distinction between loaded and unloaded sleighs increases the difficulty, and is odious, inasmuch as those who require to use the loaded sleighs, are mostly of the poorest classes of people, living by the exercise of their industry, and who stand most in need of the relief intended by the Bill.

4th.—Because the amendments to the aforementioned Ordinance, contained in the Bill passed by this House, are a compromise among the Representatives from *Lower Canada*, on matters in which there is much popular opposition, and which, if deranged by the proposed amendments, would excite great discontent.

Attest.

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk. Ass'y.

Which Report being read by the Clerk;

Ordered, that the said Report do lie on the table.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honourable Mr. *Harrison*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to continue for a limited time, certain Acts and Ordinances;" and also a Bill, intituled, "An Act to impose a duty upon foreign Wheat imported into this Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Certain Ordinances continuation bill.
Foreign Wheat duty bill.

The said Bills were severally read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bills be severally read the second time on the next sitting day.

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Message from His Excellency, on the subject of granting retiring allowances to the Honourable A. W. Cochrane, and others.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* acquainted the House, that he had a message from His Excellency the Governor-General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to the House.

And the same was read, as follows :

CHARLES BAGOT.

The Governor-General will give his best consideration to the recommendation contained in the Address of the Legislative Council, in favour of the claims of the Honourable *A. W. Cochrane*, the Reverend Dr. *Phillips*, *Pierre Lacroix* and *Joseph Bolduc*, to retired allowances as officers of the Legislative Councils in *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, before the Union of the two Provinces; and he regrets that it is now too late to take any proceedings in the matter, during the present Session of the Legislature.

Government House,

Kingsion, 5th October, 1842.

Adjourn.

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

THURSDAY.

Thursday, 6th October, 1842.

The Members convened were :

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,

<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Fraser, Alexander</i>	<i>Dionne, Amable</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Dionne, Joseph</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>

PRAYERS.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* presented a petition from the Reverend *John Bethune*, and others, Clergymen and lay members of the District of *Montreal*, praying for the passing of a Church Temporalities Act.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from *Jonathan Sissons*, and others, inhabitants of the county of *Simcoe*, praying that the Militia Law may be revised and amended.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland District*, and to increase the capital stock," was read a second time.

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

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

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the powers of the British *America* Fire and Life Assurance Company, to Marine Assurances," was read the second time. British America Assurance Company's bill, read second time; and,

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honourable Messieurs *Crooks*, *Dickson* and *Washburn*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to continue, for a limited time, certain Acts and Ordinances," was read the second time. Certain Ordinances continuation bill, read second time; and,

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the report of the acting Law Clerk on expired and expiring laws. Referred to the Select Committee, on expiring laws.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to impose a duty upon foreign Wheat imported into this Province," was read the second time. Foreign Wheat duty bill, read second time;

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill, this day. To be committed this day.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cameron*, and others, to return the Bill, intituled, "An Act to afford relief to the Estate of the late *Thomas Clark*," and to acquaint this House, that the Legislative Assembly had passed the same without any amendment. Clark's Estate relief bill, passed by the Assembly, without amendment.

Ordered, that the Report of the Committee of Conference upon the subject matter of the amendment of this House, made in and to the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to Winter Roads in that part of the Province formerly called *Lower Canada*," together with the said Bill, be referred to a Committee of the whole House. The report of the Committee of Conference on winter roads bill, to be committed next sitting day.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report, on the next sitting day.

The Honourable Mr. *Goodhue* enters. A member enters.

The

Petitions, From the Rev. John Bethune, and others, for a Church Temporalities Act; and,

From J. Sissons, and others, of the county of Simcoe, for a revision of the Militia laws, presented.

Commercial Bank bill, read second time;

House in Committee, on foreign Wheat duty bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, on the Bill, intituled, "An Act to impose a duty upon foreign Wheat imported into this Province."

After some time the House was resumed;

Progress reported, and leave granted to sit again next sitting day.

And the Honourable Mr. *Sherwood* reported from the said Committee, that they had taken the said Bill into consideration, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again on the next sitting day.

Ordered, that leave be granted accordingly.

Upper Canada Bank bill;

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Boswell*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, and to increase the capital stock thereof," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the second time, immediately.

Read second time; and,

The said Bill was then read the second time, accordingly.

Referred to the Select Committee, on Commercial Bank bill.

Ordered, that the same be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, and to increase its capital stock."

English loan bill;

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honourable Mr. *Hincks*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorise the raising, by way of loan, in *England*, the sum of one million five hundred thousand pounds, sterling, for the construction and completion of certain public works in *Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the second time, immediately.

Read second time;

The same was then read the second time, accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

To be committed next sitting day.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill, on the next sitting day.

Petition, From H. J. Boulton, and others, that the Commercial Bank bill may not be passed by this House, presented.

The Honourable Mr. *Washburn* presented a petition from *Henry John Boulton*, and others, Stockholders in the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, praying that the Act for increasing the capital stock of the said Bank may not become law in its present

shape, and that the clause introduced, without the consent of several of the Shareholders, for making them liable to twice the amount of the capital stock, may not receive the sanction of the Legislative Council.

Ordered, that the foregoing petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk, accordingly.

Ordered, that the said petition be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, and to increase its capital stock."

Referred to the Select Committee, on the Commercial Bank bill.

The Honourable Mr. *Hamilton* presented a petition, from the President, Directors and Company, of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, praying that the Bill now before the Legislative Council for increasing the capital stock of the Commercial Bank, may become law, without any amendment.

Petition, From the President, &c. of the Commercial Bank, that the bill to increase their stock may be passed into law, presented.

Ordered, that the last mentioned petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk, accordingly.

Ordered, that the said petition be referred to the Select Committee to whom the last mentioned Bill has been referred.

Referred to the last mentioned Select Committee.

The Honourable Mr. *McDonald*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection and measurement of timber, masts, spars, deals, staves, and other articles of a like nature, intended for shipment and exportation from this Province, and for other purposes relative to the same," presented their report.

Report of the Select Committee on timber inspection bill, presented.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room, The report.
6th October, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection and measurement of timber, masts, spars, deals, staves, and other articles of a like nature intended for shipment and exportation from this Province, and for other purposes relative to the same," have the honour to Report:

That they have carefully examined and gone through the said Bill, and report the same with the following amendments:

Press

Press 5, line 1.—After "having" insert "been."

" 14, " 42.—After "this" insert "Act."

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

JOHN McDONALD,
Chairman.

Adopted.

Ordered, that the foregoing Report be adopted.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill, together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon, be referred to a Committee of the whole House.

Bill to be committed next sitting day.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report, on the next sitting day.

Petition, From C. P. Treadwell, of L'Orignal, for an Act to relieve Sheriffs, presented.

The Honourable Mr. *A. Fraser* presented a petition from *C. P. Treadwell*, of *L'Orignal*, Sheriff of the *Ottawa* District, praying that the duties of the office of Sheriff may be more clearly defined, and that the Sheriffs in the Province be paid by annual salary instead of fees.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Adjourn.

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

Friday, 7th October, 1842.

FRIDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,

DeBlaquiere,

McDonald,

Sullivan,

Dickson,

Fraser, Alexander

Dionne, Amable,

Crooks,

Dionne, Joseph

Mucaulay,

Sherwood,

Hamilton,

Washburn.

PRAYERS.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* acquainted the House, that he had a message from His Excellency the Governor-General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to the House.

And the same was read as follows :

CHALES BAGOT.

The Governor-General will have much pleasure in complying with the Address of the Legislative Council, and issuing his warrant in favour of the Clerk of that House for the sum of £4500, sterling, for the purpose of meeting the demands specified in the Address.

Government House,
Kingston, 6th October, 1842.

Message from His Excellency, informing the House, that he will issue his warrant to the Clerk for £4,500.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House upon the Report of the Committee of Conference, on the subject of the amendments of this House made in and to the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to Winter Roads, in that part of the Province formerly called *Lower Canada*," together with the said Bill.

House in Committee, on the report of the Committee of Conference on winter roads bill;

After some time the House was resumed ;

And the Honourable Mr. *Washburn* reported from the said Committee, that they had taken the said Report of the Committee of Conference into consideration, and had directed him to report that the amendments made in and to the said Bill be not insisted upon.

Reported.

Ordered, that the amendments made by this House in and to the last mentioned Bill, be not insisted upon ; and,

Amendments of this House withdrawn.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House thereof.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by *D. B. Viger*, and others, to return the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorise the Courts of Queen's Bench and Chancery, to admit *William Vynne Bacon* to practise therein as an Attorney and Solicitor, respectively," and to acquaint this House, that the Legislative Assembly have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Bacon's Attorney bill, returned from the Assembly with amendments.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow :

Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to authorise the Courts of Queen's Bench and Chancery, to admit *William Vynne Bacon* to practise therein as an Attorney and Solicitor, respectively :"

The amendments

Lines 24 and 25.—Leave out "Court of Queen's Bench, and also for the."

" 26.—Leave out "respectively."

" 27.—Leave out "their respective discretion," and insert, "the discretion of the said Court."

" 29.—Leave out "Courts respectively," and insert "Court."

Preamble, line 14.—After the word "comply," insert "in part."

Title

Title, line 1.—Leave out "Courts of Queen's Bench and," and insert "Court of."

" " 4.—Leave out "repectively."

Same agreed to.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence being put thereon ;

They were agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the said Bill, without amendment.

House in Committee, on foreign Wheat duty bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was again put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to impose a duty upon "foreign Wheat imported into this Province."

After some time the House was resumed ;

Reported ;

And the Honourable Mr. *Sherwood* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Third reading to-day.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time this day.

Supply bill.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honourable Mr. *Hincks*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to grant "certain sums to Her Majesty for defraying "certain indispensable expenses of the Civil "Government, during the periods therein "mentioned;" and also a Bill, intituled, "An "Act to appropriate a certain sum, to enable "Her Majesty to remunerate Doctor *Thomas Rolph*, for his past services as Emigration "Agent," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Rolph's remuneration bill.

The said Bills were severally read for the first time.

Ordered, that they be read a second time this day.

House in Committee, on English loan bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorise the raising, "by way of loan, in *England*, the sum of one "million five hundred thousand pounds, sterling, for the construction and completion of "certain public works in *Canada*."

Reported;

After some time the House was resumed ;
And the Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* reported from the said Committee, that they had

gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time this day. Third reading to-day.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection "and measurement of timber, masts, spars, "deals, staves and other articles of a like "nature, intended for shipment and exportation from this Province, and for other purposes relative to the same," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon. House in Committee, on Timber inspection bill;

After some time the House was resumed ;

And the Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment. Reported ;

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time this day. Third reading to-day.

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to impose a duty upon foreign Wheat "imported into this Province," was read the third time. Foreign Wheat duty bill, read third time ;

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative. Passed.

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

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to grant certain sums to Her Majesty, "for defraying certain indispensable expenses "of the Civil Government, during the periods "therein mentioned," was read the second time. Supply bill, read second time ;

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill this day. To be committed to-day.

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to appropriate a certain sum, to enable "Her Majesty to remunerate Doctor *Thomas Rolph*, for his past services as Emigration "Agent," was read a second time. Rolph's remuneration bill, read second time ;

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill this day. To be committed to-day.

Pursuant

English loan bill,
read third time;

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorise the raising, by way of loan, in *England*, the sum of one million five hundred thousand pounds, sterling, for the construction and completion of certain public works in *Canada*," was read the third time.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Timber inspection bill, read third time;

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the inspection and measurement of timber, masts, spars, deals, staves and other articles of a like nature, intended for shipment and exportation from this Province, and for other purposes relative to the same," was read the third time.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

House in Committee, on Supply bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, intituled, "An Act to grant certain sums to Her Majesty, for defraying certain indispensable expenses of the Civil Government, during the periods therein mentioned."

After some time the House was resumed;

Reported;

And the Honourable Mr. *A. Fraser* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Third reading to-day.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time this day.

Report of the Select Committee, upon Commercial and U. C. Bank bills, presented.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan*, from the Select Committee to whom were referred the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, and to increase its capital stock;" and also the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, and to increase the capital stock thereof;" and to whom were also referred the petition of *Henry John Boulton*, and others; and the petition of the President, Directors and Com-

pany, of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, presented their report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room, The report.
October 7th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom were referred the Bills from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, and to increase the capital stock thereof;" and "An Act to extend the Charter of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, and to increase its capital stock;" and to whom were also referred the petition of *Henry John Boulton*, Esquire, and others, praying that your Honourable House will not sanction the clause in the said last mentioned Bill, which increases the liabilities of the present stockholders; and the petition of the President, Directors and Company of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, praying that the said last mentioned Bill may be passed without amendment, have the honour to Report:

That they have examined the said Bills, and find that their provisions coincide, in all material points, and they recommend both the said Bills for the adoption of your Honourable House without amendment.

The Committee have also considered the petitions above mentioned, and are of opinion, that the first of these petitions, signed by six stockholders of the Commercial Bank, does not afford sufficient ground for a refusal to accredit the application of the President, Directors and Company, of the said Bank, and they conceive that a great injustice would be done to the stockholders in general, were a Bill, prayed for by the President and Directors of the Bank on behalf of the Company, to be defeated at the instance of a very small number of the stockholders.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

R. B. SULLIVAN,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the Report be adopted.

Report adopted; and.

Ordered, that the said Bills, and the Report thereon, be severally committed to Committees of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into Committees upon the said Bills and Report, this day.

The bills to be committed this day.

The

Report of the Select Committee upon British America Assurance Company's bill, presented.

The Honourable Mr. *Crooks*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to extend the powers of the British America Fire and Life Assurance Company, to Marine Assurances," presented their report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room,
October 7th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to extend the powers of the British America Fire and Life Assurance Company, to Marine Assurances," have the honour to Report:

That referring to the Act of the Parliament of the late Province of *Upper Canada* incorporating the said Company, they find that power is given in the eleventh clause, to grant insurances upon "shipping" as well as upon "life," and against "fire," but this seems to extend only to shipping in port, and not on any voyage, nor upon cargoes or freights, which appears to be the principal object of the Bill submitted to them.

Your Committee further beg leave to remark, that the Act of incorporation continues the Company until the 3rd of November, 1882, whereas the provisions of the present Bill extend only to the 3rd March, in that year.

Your Committee considering that the power proposed to be given the Company by the Bill, cannot fail to be highly advantageous to the public, recommend its adoption, without any alteration, by your Honourable House.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

JAS. CROOKS,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill, and the Report thereon, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report, this day.

The Honourable Mr. *Macaulay*, from the Select Committee to whom it was referred to examine the contingent accounts of this House for the present Session, and to whom was also referred the Report of the Select Committee appointed to examine the Index to the Statutes of *Lower Canada*, prepared by the Law Clerk, presented their second report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room, The report.
October 7th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom it was referred to examine the contingent accounts of your Honourable House, and to whom was also referred the Report of the Select Committee appointed to examine the Index to the Statutes of *Lower Canada*, prepared by the Law Clerk, have the honour to Report:

That they have examined the several accounts which have been paid by the Clerk during the recess, and those which are yet due by your Honourable House, and beg leave to offer their observations thereon.

Your Committee wish to express it as their deliberate opinion, that the Assistant Clerks and Writing Clerks, employed by your Honourable House, and receiving permanent and established salaries, should be held to finish the various works upon which they are employed during each recess, and that they are not to be governed by the mere ordinary office hours, when the public service requires a more close application to the duties assigned to them. Your Committee do not think that extra writers should be employed during the recess, except on some pressing and undoubted emergency, to be subsequently explained to your Honourable House, and then only for as short a period as possible. Your Committee deeming it to be the province of the permanent officers of the House, to execute all the ordinary work required by the Council during the recess.

Several of the accounts submitted by the Clerk to your Committee, are for work and labour performed in and about the Library and offices, and for erecting a staircase communicating between the Committee Rooms and the Council Chamber. Several of these appear to your Committee to contain high charges, but they have no power now to correct the evil; they recommend that for the future, when any repairs, or other work of a similar description, are to be performed, the Clerk, who in consequence of the residence of the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, during the recess, near *Toronto*, is unavoidably charged with the whole of this duty, do take the necessary steps to obtain the offers of several tradesmen, and to accept such

as

The report.

To be committed this day.

Second report of the Select Committee on the contingent accounts, presented.

as may be found to combine economy and efficiency.

Your Committee further recommend, that all importations of stationery or books for the use of the Council, be made on a specified order, and that the original invoices be obtained by the Clerk for the inspection of the Council; and that it be intimated to the party importing, that the bill be considered due after six months credit, with interest after that period, it being at the same time well understood, that no greater allowance or commission be granted to the Importer for his trouble than five per cent upon the total amount of the original bill and charges of importation.

Your Committee recommend, that the Clerk be directed to cause to be transmitted to each Member of the House, at his residence, throughout the year, a copy of the *Canada Gazette*, *Upper Canada Gazette* and *Quebec Gazette*, by authority, and to charge the same to the contingent expenses of your Honourable House.

In reference to the Report of the Committee appointed to examine the Index to the Statutes of *Lower Canada*, prepared by the Law Clerk, and the recommendation from that Committee, that a sum of one hundred pounds be allowed to that officer, your Committee are of opinion, that the official emoluments of the Law Clerk are not adequate to the duties and responsibility of his office, and they concur in the opinion, that the sum of one hundred pounds might be allowed him out of the contingencies, in addition to his salary, for the year ending 14th June last; not, however, as a gratuity for the Index in question, which is to be deemed a part of his official duty, but to remunerate that individual in a manner suitable to the labour and responsibility of his office. This suggestion, however, is made in connexion with the remarks hereinafter applied to the claims of certain other officers of your Honourable House.

In reference to the several applications which have been made to your Committee, on the part of officers and servants of your Honourable House, either for an augmentation of their annual salaries, or payment of extra services, your Committee beg leave, with permission of your Honourable House, to offer a few observations.

An application has been made by the Master in Chancery, attending upon this House, for

payment of his salary as such officer between the Union of the Provinces and the 14th day of June, 1841, when the Legislature of *Canada* met for the first time. Your Committee cannot recommend this claim to the favourable consideration of your Honourable House, inasmuch as no other officer of the House has received any remuneration or salary, for any period prior to the 14th June, 1841.

An application has been made on the part of Mr. *J. F. Taylor*, Junior, for payment of the expenses incurred by him in removing with his family from *Toronto* to this place.— This claim they cannot recommend to the favourable consideration of your Honourable House, as they do not think that it can be considered as a fit item to be included in its contingent expenses.

An application has been made by the Clerk, for an allowance for his trouble in superintending the printing of the English version of the Journals of the House, and the Laws passed during the Session, and for other purposes. Your Committee having examined the Journals of the Legislative Council of *Lower Canada*, find that the Clerk of that House, besides his regular salary, was annually allowed out of the contingencies, the sum of one hundred pounds, for superintending the printing of the Journals of the House, and fifty pounds for the Laws. Upon this ground it is submitted for the consideration of your Honourable House, whether or not there should be paid from the contingencies to the Clerk, the sum of one hundred pounds, for superintending the printing of the Journals in English for the last Session, and fifty pounds for superintending the Laws, as printed under his direction, and for his services in preparing a copy of the Laws for the Colonial Office. The same reasons which may induce this gratuity might also apply to the case of Mr. *deLery*, the Assistant Clerk, who superintended the printing of the Journals of the House in French, and who on similar grounds might be allowed one hundred pounds.

The Chief Messenger of the Council has made an application to the Committee, to be allowed a sum of twenty-five pounds, to engage the services of a boy, as an assistant, during the recess, in like manner as is allowed to the Messenger of the Legislative Assembly. This application, into which they have carefully inquired, your Committee deem reasonable, and such as might be at once granted.

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meet and adjourn as they please, and to report from time to time.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to continue, for a limited time, certain Acts and Ordinances," presented their report.

Ordered, that it be received; and,

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

Legislative Council Committee Room,
October 7th, 1842.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to continue for a limited time, certain Acts and Ordinances;" and to whom was also referred the report of the Law Clerk on the expired and expiring laws, have the honour to make their first Report:

That they have carefully examined the Bill, and report the same with the following amendment:

Preamble, line 3.—After "Ordinances" leave out all the words to "Canada," in the fourth line, inclusive.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

R. B. SULLIVAN,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill, together with the Report thereon, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill and Report, on the next sitting day.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, on the Bill, intituled, "An Act to appropriate a certain sum, to enable Her Majesty to remunerate "Doctor *Thomas Rolph*, for his past services "as Emigration Agent."

After some time the House was resumed;

And the Honourable Mr. *Macaulay* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a third this day,

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a

Committee of the whole House, on the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of "the Commercial Bank of the *Midland District*, and to increase its capital stock," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

After some time the House was resumed;

And the Honourable Mr. *Hamilton* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill be read the third time this day.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, on the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of "the Bank of *Upper Canada*, and to increase "the capital stock thereof," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

After some time the House was resumed;

And the Honourable Mr. *McDonald* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill be read the third time this day.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honourable Mr. *Hincks*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to "continue for a limited time, the Ordinance "to facilitate the despatch of business before "the Court of King's Bench for the District of "*Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the second time on the next sitting day.

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An "Act to grant certain sums to Her Majesty "for defraying certain indispensable expenses "of the Civil Government, during the periods therein mentioned," was read the third time.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The

Report of the Select Committee on certain Ordinances containing bill, presented.

The report.

Reported;

Third reading to-day.

House in Committee, on Upper Canada Bank bill;

Reported;

Third reading to-day.

Montreal King's Bench Ordinance bill.

To be committed next sitting day.

House in Committee, on Rolph's remuneration bill;

Reported;

Third reading to-day.

House in Committee, on Commercial Bank bill;

Supply bill, read third time.

Passed.

House in Committee, on British America Fire Assurance bill;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, on the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the powers of the British *America* Fire and Life Assurance Company, to Marine Assurances," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

Reported;

After some time the House was resumed; And the Honourable Mr. *A. Dionne* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Third reading to-day.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time this day.

Commercial Bank bill;

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, and "to increase its capital stock;" also the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, and to increase the capital stock thereof;" also the Bill, intituled, "An Act to appropriate a certain sum, to enable Her Majesty to remunerate Doctor *Thomas Rolph*, for his past services as Emigration Agent;" and also the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the powers of the British *America* Fire and Life Assurance Company, to Marine Assurances," were severally read the third time.

Upper Canada Bank bill;

Rolph's remuneration bill; and,

British America Assurance Company's bill, severally read third time;

The question being severally put, whether these Bills shall pass?

Passed.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills, without any amendment.

Adjourn.

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

SATURDAY.

Saturday, 8th October, 1842.

The Members convened were:

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,

DeBlaquiere,

Sullivan,

Crooks,

Macaulay,

Hamilton,

McDonald,

Dickson,

Dionne, Amable

Dionne, Joseph

Sherwood,

Washburn.

☞ PRAYERS.

To the twenty-eighth clause of the Bill passed yesterday, intituled, "An Act to extend the Charter of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, and to increase its capital stock," which requires a double security from the stockholders—

Protest of the Honourable Mr. Washburn, against the 28th clause of the Commercial Bank bill.

DISSENTIENT:

1st. Because the said clause imposes a liability upon the present stockholders of the said Bank which was not contemplated by them at the time they became subscribers; and because the said stockholders, generally, were not informed of the application to the Legislature, for an increase of capital stock upon the terms of double security.

2nd. Because the said clause imposes a liability upon tutors, and others, representing minors or estates, which cannot be enforced.

S. WASHBURN.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, on the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the contingent accounts of this House for the present Session.

House in Committee, on the report of the Select Committee on the contingent accounts.

After some time the House was resumed;

And the Honourable Mr. *Crooks* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Report, and had directed him to report certain Resolutions for the adoption of the House.

Certain resolutions reported.

The said Resolutions were then severally read by the Clerk, as follow;

Resolved, that a sum of twenty-five pounds, currency, be paid to Mr. *Michael Keating*, Chief Messenger of this House, as an allowance for employing an assistant during the recess.

To pay to M. Keating, £25.

Resolved, that a sum of one hundred and fifty pounds, currency, be paid to *James Fitz-Gibbon*, Esquire, Clerk of this House, as an allowance for superintending the printing of the English version of the Journals of this House of the last Session, and of the Laws of the last Session, and for his extra services in preparing a copy of the said Laws for the Colonial Office.

To pay the Clerk, £150.

Resolved, that a sum of one hundred pounds, currency, be paid to *Charles deLery*, Esquire, Clerk Assistant of this House, for the year ending 14th June last, for his extra services.

To pay C. de Lery, Clerk Assistant, £100.

Resolved, that a sum of one hundred pounds, currency, be paid to *John Fennings Taylor*, Senior,

To pay J. F. Taylor, Clerk Assistant, £100.

Senior, Esquire, Clerk Assistant of this House, for the year ending 14th June last, for his extra services.

To pay J. Fennings Taylor, Jr. first Office Clerk, £75.

Resolved, that the sum of seventy-five pounds, currency, be paid to Mr. *J. Fennings Taylor*, Junior, first Office Clerk, for the year ending 14th June last, for his extra services.

To pay the Law Clerk, £100.

Resolved, that a sum of one hundred pounds, currency, be paid to *Robert Armour*, Junior, Esquire, Law Clerk of this House, for the year ending 14th June last, for his extra services.

To pay R. Le Moine, French Translator and second Office Clerk, £25.

Resolved, that a sum of twenty-five pounds, currency, be paid to Mr. *Robert Le Moine*, French Translator, and second Office Clerk, for the year ending 14th June last, for his extra services.

Adopted.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House; and,

Ordered, accordingly.

House in Committee, on certain Ordinances continuation bill.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, on the Bill, intituled, "An Act to continue, for a limited time, certain Acts and Ordinances," together with the report of the Select Committee thereon.

After some time the House was resumed;

Amendment reported.

And the Honourable Mr. *J. Dionne* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment.

Which amendment was read by the Clerk, as follows:

Amendment.

Preamble, line 3.—After "Ordinances" leave out all the words to "*Canada*," in the fourth line, inclusive.

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

Third reading to-day.

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read the third time this day.

Montreal King's Bench Ordinance bill, read second time.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, intituled "An Act to continue, for a limited time, the Ordinance to facilitate the despatch of business before the Court of King's Bench for the District of *Montreal*," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill, immediately.

To be committed immediately.

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House upon the said Bill.

House in Committee;

After some time the House was resumed;

And the Honourable Mr. *Sherwood* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Reported;

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill be read the third time, immediately.

The said Bill was then read the third time, accordingly.

Read third time;

The question being put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Passed.

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

Ordered, that the sixty-ninth Rule of this House be in force for the remainder of the present Session.

69th rule to be in force for the rest of the Session.

Ordered, that the twentieth Rule of this House be suspended, in so far as the same regards the following motion:

20th rule suspended; and,

It was then moved to resolve, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, under the provisions of the 42nd Section of the Imperial Act to re-unite the Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, specifying that a certain Bill, passed by this Honourable Council during the present Session, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the management of the Temporalities of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, in this Province," contains provisions respecting some of the purposes in the said Section specially described, connected with endowments, incumbents, dues, rights and discipline of, and pertaining to, the said United Church of *England* and *Ireland*; and respectfully desiring that in order to give effect thereto, such Bill may be transmitted to *England* without delay, for the purpose of being laid before Parliament, previously to the signification of Her Majesty's assent thereto.

An Address to His Excellency on the Church Temporalities bill, moved.

Motion agreed to. The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House; and it was,

Ordered, accordingly.

Ordered, that the Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* do wait upon His Excellency the Governor-General, with the foregoing resolution.

Statement of the receipts, &c., of the Municipal Councils of the Districts of Beauharnois and St. Johns, presented.

The Honourable the Speaker laid before the House a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Council of the Municipal District of *Beauharnois*, for the year ending 31st December, 1841; and also a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Council of the Municipal District of *Saint John's*, for the year ending 5th September, 1842.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Certain Ordinances continuation bill, as amended, read third time;

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to continue, for a limited time, certain Acts and Ordinances," was, as amended, read the third time.

The question was put, whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

Passed.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Petition, Of Adam Thompson, and others, that the tolls on the Galt and Waterloo road, may be more equitably levied, read.

Ordered, that the petition of *Adam Thompson*, and others, residing in part of the townships of *West Flamborough*, the south part of *Beverly* and *Dumfries*, and the north part of *Ancaster*, praying that the toll-gates on the macadamized road leading from *Galt* to *Waterloo*, may be more equitably distributed, and the toll levied in a more equitable manner, be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk, accordingly.

Adjourn.

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

MONDAY.

Monday, 10th October, 1842.

The Members present were :

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,

<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>

There being no quorum, the Speaker, pursuant to the sixty-second Rule, declared this House continued until to-morrow, at one o'clock in the afternoon. Adjourn, there being no quorum.

Tuesday, 11th October, 1842. TUESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,

<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Sherwood,</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	

PRAYERS.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honourable Mr. *Harrison*, and others, with a Bill, intituled, "An Act to remove doubts as to the application of the Act for providing for the freedom of elections, to certain elections held under writs issued during the present Session," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. Election Law explanation Bill.

The said Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the second time, this day.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honourable Mr. *Harrison*, and others, to return the Bill, intituled, "An Act to continue, for a limited time, certain Acts and Ordinances," and to acquaint this House, that they had agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill. Certain Ordinances continuation Bill, returned from the Assembly with the amendment of the Council agreed to.

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* acquainted the House, that he had a message from His Excellency the Governor-General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

And the same was read as follows :

CHARLES BAGOT.

The Governor-General, in compliance with the Address of the Legislative Council, will transmit, without delay, to the Secretary of State, a Bill which has been passed by the Legislature during the present Session, intituled, "An Act to make provision for the management of the Temporalities of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, in this Province," in order that the same may be laid before Parliament, in compliance with the Act of Union, Message from His Excellency on Church Temporalities Bill, presented.

previous

previous to the signification of Her Majesty's assent thereto.

Government House,

Kingston, 10th October, 1842.

Petition from E. P. Gilmour, and others, complaining of the Registration Ordinance, &c. presented.

The Honourable Mr. *deBlaquiere* presented a petition from *E. P. Gilmour*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Brome*, in the District of *Missisquoi*, complaining of the Ordinance 4th *Vic.* cap. 30, as to Registration, and of the operation of the District and Division Courts Act, and praying for the re-enactment of 4th *William IV.* cap. 17, for the establishment of Commissioners' Courts.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

A statement of the affairs of the Gore Bank presented.

The Honourable the Speaker laid before the House a general statement of the affairs of the *Gore Bank*, made up to the 30th September, 1842.

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

(*See Sessional Papers, Letter R.*)

Election Law explanation Bill, read second time;

Pursuant to order, the Bill, intituled, "An Act to remove doubts as to the application of the Act for providing for the freedom of elections, to certain elections held under writs issued during the present Session," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Committed;

The House, according to order, was adjourned during pleasure, and was put into a Committee of the whole House, on the last mentioned Bill.

After some time the House was resumed;

Amendments reported;

And the Honourable Mr. *Washburn* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments.

Which amendments were read by the Clerk, as follow:

Amendment.

Press 2, line 4.—After "issued" insert the following Clauses, marked, A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U; and Schedule A, part first; Schedule A, part second; Schedule B, Schedule C, Schedule D and Schedule E.

CLAUSE A.

"And be it enacted, that for each ward of every city, town or borough, in this Province, entitled to send a Member or Members to the Provincial Parliament, and

"for every township in that part of this Province heretofore forming the Province of *Upper Canada*, two Assessors shall hereafter be appointed or elected, in the same manner as one such Assessor is now by law appointed for any such ward or township.

CLAUSE B.

"And be it enacted, that before the first day of March, in each and every year, the Assessors for each of such wards and townships, and for every township in the counties of *Sherbrooke*, *Stamstead*, *Shefford* and *Missisquoi*, in *Lower Canada*, shall respectively make up in duplicate, an alphabetical list of all the persons residing therein, and qualified to vote at elections of Members to serve in the Provincial Parliament of this Province, in respect of property lying within such wards and townships, respectively, naming the lot, concession, street or locality, in which the property in respect of which such Elector is so qualified, shall be situate; which list shall be made at the time when the assessments of rates are made, and shall be intituled, 'Original list of persons residing in the ward (or township) of ———, in the city, (town or borough, county or riding, as the case may be,) of ———, qualified to vote at the Election for a Member (or Members as the case may be,) to represent the city, (town or borough, county or riding, as the case may be,) of ———, in the Provincial Parliament, in respect of property lying within the said ward (or township, as the case may be,) of ———, in the city, (town or borough, county or riding, as the case may be,) aforesaid;— and such Assessors, of each of such wards and townships, respectively, shall, on or before the first day of March in each year,

(or

" (or if such day be a Sunday, or
 " other holy-day on which no busi-
 " ness is usually transacted, then
 " on the next day which shall not
 " be so,) make oath before some
 " Justice of the Peace, (who is
 " hereby authorised to administer
 " such oath,) that to the best of
 " their knowledge and belief such
 " list is faithful and correct, and
 " that they have not wilfully en-
 " tered therein the name of any
 " person not qualified to vote in
 " the manner therein mentioned,
 " nor omitted therefrom the name
 " of any person qualified to vote,
 " and that they have used due
 " diligence in making the said list;
 " and such oath shall be written at
 " the foot of such list, and shall be
 " signed by the Assessors, and
 " attested by the Justice of the
 " Peace before whom it shall be
 " taken; and copies of such list
 " shall be posted up by the said
 " Assessors, or one of them, in not
 " less than three of the most con-
 " spicuous places in such ward or
 " township, on or before the day
 " aforesaid, in each and every year,
 " and remain so exhibited for pub-
 " lic inspection, until the thirty-
 " first day of the said month of
 " March, inclusive.

CLAUSE C.

" And be it enacted, that one
 " of the duplicates of such original
 " list shall remain at the office or
 " residence of each of the Asses-
 " sors by whom they shall have
 " been respectively made, and
 " shall during the month of March
 " be open to the public at all
 " seasonable hours, and on all days
 " except Sundays, and other holy-
 " days on which no business is
 " usually transacted; and during
 " the month of March, the Asses-
 " sors, and each of them, by whom
 " such original list was made,
 " respectively, shall receive the
 " claims of all persons who, being
 " omitted from such original list,
 " may deem themselves entitled to
 " be entered therein, and the objec-

" tions of all persons to the inser-
 " tion of any name, or names, in
 " such original list, and shall keep
 " a list of such claims and objec-
 " tions, which shall be open to all
 " persons, as aforesaid, during the
 " said month of March; and in
 " case the said Assessors shall have
 " reason to believe, either upon
 " the information of the party in-
 " terested, or otherwise, that they
 " have erroneously inserted or
 " omitted any name in making
 " out such list, it shall and may
 " be lawful for such Assessors, and
 " they are hereby required to
 " amend such list, by inserting or
 " striking out such name in or
 " from such original list, at any
 " time on or before the thirty-first
 " day of the said month of March
 " in each year; and upon that
 " day (or if it be a Sunday, or
 " other holy-day on which no
 " business is usually transacted,
 " then upon the next day there-
 " after which shall not be so,) and
 " whether they shall have made
 " any such amendments or not,
 " such Assessors shall, respectively,
 " make up in duplicate a second
 " alphabetical list of all such per-
 " sons so qualified, as aforesaid;
 " which said second list shall be
 " intituled, 'Amended list of per-
 " sons, residing in the ward (or
 " township) of ———, in the city
 " (town or borough, county or
 " riding, as the case may be,) of
 " ———, and qualified to vote at
 " the election for a Member (or
 " Members, as the case may be,)
 " to represent the said city (town
 " or borough, county or riding,
 " as the case may be,) of ———,
 " in the Provincial Parliament, in
 " respect of property lying within
 " the said ward (or township, as
 " the case may be,) of ———, in
 " the city (town, borough, county
 " or riding, as the case may be.)
 " aforesaid;' which said amended
 " list shall be attested in the same
 " manner as the said original list;
 " and copies of such amended list
 shall

" shall be posted up by the said
 " Assessors, or one of them, in the
 " same places in which copies of
 " the original list were respectively
 " posted in each ward or town-
 " ship, on the first day of April in
 " each year (or if that day be a
 " Sunday, or other holy-day on
 " which no business is usually
 " transacted, then upon the next
 " day thereafter which shall not
 " be so,) and shall remain so ex-
 " hibited for further public inspec-
 " tion, until the thirtieth day of the
 " said month of April, inclusive.

CLAUSE D.

" And be it enacted, that one
 " of the duplicates of such amend-
 " ed list shall remain at the office
 " or residence of each of the
 " Assessors by whom they shall
 " have been respectively made,
 " and shall, during the month of
 " April, be open to the public at
 " all seasonable hours, and on all
 " days, excepting Sundays, and
 " other holy-days on which no
 " business is usually transacted;
 " and during the month of April,
 " the Assessors and each of them
 " by whom such amended list
 " was made, respectively, shall re-
 " ceive the claims of all persons
 " who being omitted from such
 " amended list, may deem them-
 " selves entitled to be entered
 " thereon, and the objections of
 " all persons to the insertion of
 " any name or names in such
 " amended list; and shall keep a
 " list of such claims and objec-
 " tions, as well as of the claims
 " and objections which had been
 " made to the said original list, and
 " not allowed by such Assessors
 " in making up such amended list;
 " which list of claims and objec-
 " tions shall be open to all persons,
 " as aforesaid, during the whole
 " month of April, and copies there-
 " of, attested by the signature of
 " the said Assessors, shall on the
 " first day of May (or if that day
 " be a Sunday, or other holy-day
 " on which no business is usually

" transacted, then upon the next
 " day thereafter which shall not
 " be so,) be posted up by the said
 " Assessors, or one of them, in the
 " same places in which copies of
 " the said amended list to which
 " it relates shall have been posted."

CLAUSE E.

" And be it enacted, that the
 " claims and objections herein-
 " before mentioned, shall in all
 " cases be made in writing, and
 " shall be signed by some Elector
 " of the ward or township to which
 " they relate, and shall state the
 " grounds on which the claim or
 " objection is founded."

CLAUSE F.

" And be it enacted, that on
 " the first day of May in each
 " year, each Assessor shall trans-
 " mit the amended list of voters,
 " and the list of claims and objec-
 " tions aforesaid, as well those
 " made to the said original list
 " and not allowed, as those made
 " to such amended list, as afore-
 " said, attested under his hand,
 " to one of the officers hereafter
 " named, that is to say: In *Canada*
 " *West*, such list shall be trans-
 " mitted to the Clerk of the Divi-
 " sion Court, for the locality in
 " which the ward or township to
 " which they relate shall lie; and
 " in the cities of *Quebec* and
 " *Montreal*, and the town of *Three*
 " *Rivers*, to the Prothonotary of
 " the Court of King's Bench sit-
 " ting in the said cities, respec-
 " tively; in those parts of the Dis-
 " trict of *Montreal* out of the city
 " of *Montreal*, to the Clerk of the
 " Court of Requests for the Dis-
 " trict, at the nearest place at
 " which sittings of such Court are
 " held; in the town of *Sherbrooke*,
 " to the Clerk of the Provincial
 " Court of the District of *Saint*
 " *Francis*; and in those parts of the
 " District of *Saint Francis*, other
 " than the said town, to the Clerk
 " of the circuit of the said Provincial
 " Court, within which the locality
 to

“to which the list relates is situ-
“ate.”

CLAUSE G.

“And be it enacted, that the
“Assessor who shall have received
“any such claims or objections,
“shall, within four days after the
“amended list shall have been
“transmitted by him, as provided
“by the sixth section of this Act,
“give a written notice to the
“claimant or objector, and also to
“the person whose right is ob-
“jected to, that the claim or ob-
“jection, as the case may be, has
“been transmitted for adjudica-
“tion, and of the day and place
“appointed for the hearing and
“adjudging upon the same; and
“such notice shall be served either
“by personally delivering the same
“to the party, or by leaving the
“same at the place of abode of
“such person within the ward or
“township to which such list re-
“lates; or if such person shall have
“no place of abode in such ward
“or township, then by posting the
“same up in the same places in
“which the copies of the amended
“list were posted.”

CLAUSE H.

“And be it enacted, that in
“case of death or incapacity of
“any Assessor, prior to his having
“performed the duties by this Act
“required of him, such duties shall
“be performed or completed by
“the surviving Assessor.”

CLAUSE I.

“And be it enacted, that it
“shall be the duty of the Judge
“of the Division Court, or of one
“of the Judges of the Court of
“King’s Bench, sitting in Inferior
“Term, or of the Commissioner
“of the Courts of Requests, or of
“the Provincial Judge of the said
“District of *St. Francis*, respec-
“tively, at the next sitting of the
“said Courts and Term, respec-
“tively, on or after the first day
“of June in each year, to examine
“and revise the said amended
“lists, and to hear and decide

“upon all such claims and objec-
“tions, as aforesaid.”

CLAUSE K.

“And be it enacted, that upon
“the days upon which such ex-
“amination, as aforesaid, is to
“be had, the Judge or Commis-
“sioner, aforesaid, respectively,
“shall first examine the amended
“list of voters, prepared by the
“Assessors, and shall compare the
“same with the list of objections,
“and opposite to each name, on
“such amended list to which he
“shall find that no objection has
“been made, he shall write the
“word “Admit,” and mark it with
“his initials.”

CLAUSE L.

“And be it enacted, that when
“the Judge or Commissioner,
“respectively, shall have gone
“through all the names to which
“no objection shall have been
“made, he shall proceed in a
“summary manner to hear the
“parties, or their agents, for or
“against whom claims or objec-
“tions have been made, as afore-
“said, and the evidence advanced
“in support of or against each
“claim or objection, and shall in-
“sert, leave, strike out or omit,
“in or from the said amended list,
“the name of any such party, ac-
“cording as he shall be of opinion
“that such party is or is not en-
“titled to be an Elector for the
“place; and the decision of such
“Judge or Commissioner, respec-
“tively, shall be final and con-
“clusive, subject only to the de-
“cision of the Legislative Assem-
“bly, or any Committee thereof,
“appointed to try a contested
“election, upon the right of any
“such voter or voters.”

CLAUSE M.

“And be it enacted, that so
“soon as the Judge or Com-
“missioner shall have finally ad-
“judged upon all such claims and
“objections, it shall be the duty
“of the Clerk of the Court to make

"out three alphabetical lists of
 "such voters, as finally settled by
 "such Judge or Commissioner, re-
 "spectively, which list shall be
 "intituled, 'Register of persons
 "residing in the ward (or town-
 "ship) of ———, in the city
 "(town or borough, county or
 "riding, as the case may be,) of
 "———, and qualified to vote at
 "the election of a Member (or
 "Members, as the case may be,)
 "to represent the city (town or
 "borough, county or riding, as the
 "case may be,) of ———, in the
 "Provincial Parliament, in respect
 "of property lying within the said
 "ward (or township, as the case
 "may be,) of ———, in the city
 "(town or borough, county or
 "riding, as the case may be,)
 "aforesaid; one of the parts of
 "which register shall be kept filed
 "in the office of such Clerk; one
 "of them shall be transmitted by
 "him to the office of the Sheriff
 "of the District in which the city,
 "town, borough, county or riding,
 "to which it relates, shall be situ-
 "ate; and one of them to the
 "Ward or Town Clerk of the
 "ward or township to which it
 "relates, and shall remain in their
 "offices, respectively, for public
 "inspectation, gratis."

CLAUSE N.

"And be it enacted, that in
 "each and every city, town and
 "borough, county and riding, to
 "which the provisions of this Act
 "extend, no more than one day's
 "polling shall be allowed in the
 "several wards or townships in
 "such cities, towns, boroughs,
 "counties and ridings, respec-
 "tively, at any election of a Mem-
 "ber or Members to serve in the
 "Provincial Parliament for such
 "city, town, borough, county or
 "riding, instead of two days for
 "such polling."

CLAUSE O.

"And be it enacted, that if any
 "election shall take place before
 "the first day of January, in the

"year of our Lord, one thousand
 "eight hundred and forty-three,
 "such election shall in all cases
 "be held and conducted, with re-
 "gard to so much of this Act as
 "relates to the list and registra-
 "tion of voters, and as if so much
 "of this Act as relates thereto had
 "not been passed.

CLAUSE P.

"And be it enacted, that in all
 "elections for any of the cities,
 "towns, boroughs, counties and
 "ridings, to which the provisions
 "of this Act extend, which shall
 "take place after the said first
 "day of January, in the year of
 "our Lord, one thousand eight
 "hundred and forty-three, every
 "qualified person, whose name
 "shall appear in the registers
 "made out under the authority of
 "this Act, for the several wards
 "or townships in such city, town,
 "borough, county and riding, next
 "before the day of the teste of the
 "Writ of Election, and none other,
 "shall be entitled to vote at such
 "election; and it shall not be
 "competent to enquire, on that
 "occasion, into any other facts
 "except those of the party ten-
 "dering the vote being truly
 "the individual mentioned in the
 "said register, and of his not hav-
 "ing previously voted at that elec-
 "tion: Provided always, that the
 "inquiry into these facts shall, on
 "such occasion, be confined to
 "the putting to the person so ten-
 "dering his vote, (if the Deputy
 "Returning Officer shall be re-
 "quired to do so, by or on the behalf
 "of any Candidate, or by any Elec-
 "tor of such ward or township,)
 "an oath (or if he be one of those
 "allowed by law to affirm instead
 "of swearing in civil cases, then,
 "a solemn affirmation,) in the form
 "of the Schedule B, to this Act
 "annexed; and it shall not be com-
 "petent at any such poll for such
 "election, to put to any registered
 "voter any other oath or affirma-
 "tion

“tion whatsoever, except only the
 “oath or affirmation against bri-
 “bery, which if required on the
 “part of any Candidate or by any
 “Elector of such ward or town-
 “ship, shall be put by the Deputy
 “Returning Officer, in the form
 “of the Schedule C, to this Act
 “annexed.”

CLAUSE Q.

“And be it enacted, that it shall
 “be the duty of each Clerk of a
 “Court, at which any register of
 “Electors shall have been made
 “under the authority of this Act,
 “to deliver, upon demand made
 “personally at the office of such
 “Clerk, by any Returning Officer,
 “such certified copies of the cor-
 “rected lists of voters for each
 “and every ward and township
 “within the jurisdiction of such
 “Court, as such Returning Officer
 “shall require.”

CLAUSE R.

“And be it enacted, that if any
 “Judge, Provincial Judge, District
 “Judge, Commissioner, Clerk of
 “a Division Court, or other Court,
 “City or Town Clerk, or person
 “acting as such, Returning Officer,
 “Deputy Returning Officer, or any
 “person whatsoever, shall wilfully
 “contravene or disobey the pro-
 “visions of this Act, or any of
 “them, with respect to any matter
 “or thing which they are respec-
 “tively required to do, he shall
 “for such offence, be liable to be
 “sued in any Court of competent
 “civil jurisdiction, by any regis-
 “tered voter, Candidate, Member
 “actually returned, or other party
 “aggrieved, for the penal sum of
 “one hundred pounds; and the
 “Court or Jury before whom such
 “action shall be tried, may award
 “or find a verdict for the full sum
 “of one hundred pounds, or for
 “any less sum which the said
 “Court or Jury, shall think it just
 “that the defendant should pay
 “to such plaintiff; and the de-
 “fendant in such action shall, if
 “judgment be given against him,

“pay the penal sum so awarded,
 “with full costs of suit, to the
 “party who may sue for the same,
 “without prejudice, however, to
 “the right of any party aggrieved
 “by the misconduct of any Re-
 “turning Officer, or Deputy Re-
 “turning Officer, to recover such
 “damages, for a false return, as he
 “may be entitled to at Common
 “Law, or by virtue of any Statute
 “now in force: Provided always,
 “that every action brought under
 “the provisions of this section,
 “shall be commenced within four
 “calendar months next after the
 “cause of action has arisen, and
 “that notice in writing shall be
 “given to the defendant at least
 “one calendar month before the
 “commencement of any such ac-
 “tion, signed by the party bring-
 “ing the same, or his agent, and
 “setting forth the place of abode
 “of the party signing such notice,
 “and of the party bringing such
 “action: Provided also, that any
 “such defendant against whom
 “any judgment shall have been
 “recovered in any such action,
 “shall be allowed to plead such
 “judgment, as a bar to any other
 “action which may be brought
 “against him for the same matter
 “or thing, and such other action
 “being thereupon dismissed, such
 “defendant shall recover his full
 “costs thereof.”

CLAUSE S.

“And be it enacted, that by the
 “word ‘township’ in this Act,
 “shall be understood as well any
 “township as any reputed town-
 “ship or union of townships, enti-
 “tled to elect a township officer;
 “and the word ‘ward,’ shall be
 “understood to mean as well any
 “ward of any city or town, as the
 “whole of any town which shall
 “not be then divided into wards;
 “and in and for the borough of
 “*Three Rivers* and the town of
 “*Sherbrooke*, respectively, Asses-
 “sors shall be elected for the pur-
 “poses of this Act, in the same
 manner

"manner and under the same provisions, in and under which Assessors may be appointed for any township within the Municipal District, within which such borough or town is situate."

CLAUSE T.

"And be it enacted, that no misnomer or inaccurate description of any person or place, in any writing made in the form of any Schedule to this Act annexed, or in any list, register or notice, made under the authority of this Act, shall in any way prevent or abridge the operation of this Act, provided such person or place shall be so designated in such writing, list or register, as to be commonly understood as the person or place thereby intended."

CLAUSE U.

"And be it enacted, that the words, 'Governor of this Province,' whenever they occur in this Act, shall be understood to include as well the Governor, as the Lieutenant-Governor or other Person Administering the Government of this Province, for the time being."

SCHEDULE A.—Part First.

"County (riding, city, borough or town,) of ——. I, E. F., object to the claim of A. B. to be admitted (or to continue on the roll) as a voter for the county (riding, city, borough or town,) of —, on the following grounds: (here may be stated shortly the ground, as property or occupancy not of sufficient value; that the party is not or has ceased to be proprietor, tenant or occupant; that he is personally disqualified, as being a minor, an officer of the customs, &c.) and I crave to be heard on the said objection before the District Judge (or as the case may be.)

"(Signed) E. F.

"Date."

SCHEDULE A.—Part Second.

"Objections to the insertion of the name of —, on the list of voters, lodged with me, G. H. Assessor, this — day of —.
"(Signed) G. H."

SCHEDULE B.

"I, A. B., do swear (or solemnly affirm,) that I am the individual described in the register for —, as a voter for —, (here insert a description in the same words as contained in the register,) and that I have not already voted at this election, either at this polling place or any other."

SCHEDULE C.

"I, A. B., do solemnly swear (or solemnly affirm) that I have not received or had by myself, or any person for my use or benefit, any sum or sums of money, office, place or employment, gift or reward, or any promise or expectation of any money, office, gift, place, employment or reward, in order to give my vote at this election."

SCHEDULE D. No. 1.—For Counties or Ridings.—Form of a Register or List of Voters. County (or Riding) of—

No.	Date of Registering	Name.	Calling.	Proprietor or Tenant.	Description of Property, Land, House, &c.	Remarks.

SCHEDULE E. No. 2.—For Cities or Boroughs.—Form of a Register or List of Voters. City (Town or Borough) of—

No.	Date.	Name.	Calling.	Proprietor or Tenant.	Description of the Property.	Street, Lane, or other place of Residence.	Ward, or other Division.

Preamble, line 23.—After "Session" insert, "And whereas it is expedient and indispensable, to provide for the registration of the names of persons"

"sons having the right by law to
 "vote at the election of Members
 "of the Provincial Parliament for
 "the several cities, towns and
 "boroughs, in this Province, en-
 "titled to send Members to such
 "Parliament, and also of those
 "having the right in the several
 "counties and ridings in that part
 "of this Province heretofore com-
 "posing the Province of *Upper*
 "*Canada*, and in some of the
 "counties in that part of this Pro-
 "vince heretofore composing the
 "Province of *Lower Canada*, and
 "being in like manner entitled to
 "send Members to such Parlia-
 "ment."

Title, line 4th.—After "Session" insert, "and
 "to provide for the enregistration
 "of persons entitled to vote at
 "certain elections of Members of
 "the Legislative Assembly of this
 "Province."

The said amendments being read a second
 time, and the question of concurrence put on
 each, they were severally agreed to by the
 House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be en-
 grossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read
 the third time, immediately.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read
 the third time, accordingly.

The question was put, whether this Bill,
 as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do
 go down to the Legislative Assembly, and ac-
 quaint that House, that the Legislative Coun-
 cil have passed this Bill, with certain amend-
 ments, to which they desire their concurrence.

A message was brought by the Honourable
 Mr. *Draper*, and others, to return the Bill, inti-
 tuled, "An Act to confirm certain Rules and
 "Regulations, made by the Chief Justice and
 "Judges of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's
 "Bench for *Canada West*," and to acquaint
 this House, that the Legislative Assembly
 have passed this Bill without any amend-
 ment.

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

Wednesday, 12th October, 1842. WEDNESDAY.

The Members convened were :

The Honourable, the *Vice Chancellor*, Speaker.

The Honourable Messieurs, The Honourable Messieurs,

<i>DeBlaquiere,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>
<i>Sullivan,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Sherwood.</i>
<i>Macaulay,</i>	<i>Washburn.</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	

PRAYERS.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir His Excellency comes to the House, and commands the attendance of the Assembly.
Charles Bagot, Knight Grand Cross of the
 Most Honourable Order of the Bath, one of
 Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Coun-
 cil, Governor-General of British *North Ame-*
rica, being seated in the chair on the Throne,
 the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher
 of the Black Rod to let the Assembly know,
 it is His Excellency's pleasure they attend
 him immediately, in this House.

Who being come, with their Speaker, the Bills assented to;
 Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the
 titles of the Bills to be passed, severally, as
 follows :

An Act to provide for the freedom of Elections Election Bill.
 throughout this Province, and for other
 purposes therein mentioned.

An Act to make the Law for vacating the Members' seats vacation Bill.
 seats of Members of the Legislative
 Assembly, accepting office, uniform
 throughout this Province.

An Act for the qualification of Justices of the Justices' Qualification Bill.
 Peace.

An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned, Seamens' deser- tion Bill.
 relative to the desertion of Seamen and
 others, in the sea service.

An Act for better proportioning the punish- Offences punish- ment Bill.
 ment to the offence, in certain cases,
 and for other purposes therein men-
 tioned.

An Act to regulate the Inspection of Pot and Pot and Pearl Ash Bill.
 Pearl Ashes.

An Act to regulate the Inspection and mea- Timber inspec- tion Bill.
 surement of timber, masts, spars, deals,
 staves and other articles of a like na-
 ture, intended for shipment and ex-
 portation from this Province, and for
 other purposes relative to the same.

An

Bill, as amended,
 read third time.

Passed.

Queen's Bench
 (U. C.) Rules
 Bill, passed by
 the Assembly.

Adjourn.

- English loan Bill. An Act to authorise the raising, by way of loan, in *England*, the sum of one million five hundred thousand pounds, sterling, for the construction and completion of certain Public Works in *Canada*.
- Rolph's remuneration Bill. An Act to appropriate a certain sum, to enable Her Majesty to remunerate Doctor *Thomas Rolph*, for his past services as Emigration Agent.
- Montreal King's Bench Ordinance Bill. An Act to continue, for a limited time, the Ordinance to facilitate the despatch of business before the Court of King's Bench, for the District of *Montreal*.
- Certain Ordinances continuation Bill. An Act to continue, for a limited time, certain Acts and Ordinances.
- Winter roads Bill. An Act to amend two certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to Winter Roads, in that Part of the Province formerly called *Lower Canada*.
- Judicature Ordinances repeal Bill. An Act to repeal certain Ordinances of the Governor and Special Council of the late Province of *Lower Canada*, relative to the administration of Justice.
- Police Ordinances repeal Bill. An Act to repeal certain Ordinances therein mentioned, relative to the establishment of a system of Police in *Canada East*.
- Registration Ordinance postponement Bill. An Act to extend the time allowed by the Ordinance therein mentioned, for the registration of certain charges or incumbrances on Real Estates, and to repeal certain parts thereof.
- Quebec and Montreal limits Bill. An Act to restore, for purposes relative to the election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, the ancient boundaries and limits of the cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*.
- Rivers obstruction prevention Bill. An Act for better preventing the obstruction of rivers and rivulets, in *Canada East*.
- Mutual Insurance (L. C.) Bill. An Act to amend certain Acts therein mentioned, relative to the establishment of Mutual Insurance Companies, in *Canada East*.
- Queen's Bench (U. C.) Rules Bill. An Act to confirm certain Rules, Orders and Regulations, made by the Chief Justice and Judges of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, for *Canada West*.
- Cobourg Harbour Bill. An Act to extend the time for the payment of the loan to the *Cobourg Harbour Company*.
- Middlesex Registry Office Bill. An Act to change the place of the Registry Office for the county of *Middlesex*.
- An Act to grant further powers to the *Montreal Fire Assurance Company*, and to change the name of the said Corporation.
- An Act to incorporate a Company under the style and title of the *Quebec Gas-light and Water Company*.
- An Act to incorporate the Charitable Association of the Roman Catholic Ladies of *Quebec*.
- An Act to extend the powers of the *British America Fire and Life Assurance Company* to Marine Assurances.
- An Act to extend the Charter of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland District*, and to increase its capital stock.
- An Act to extend the Charter of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, and to increase the capital stock thereof.
- An Act to afford relief to the estate of the late *Thomas Clark*.
- An Act to authorise the Court of Chancery to admit *William Vynne Bacon*, to practise therein as an Attorney and Solicitor.
- To these Bills the Royal Assent was severally pronounced, by one of the Clerks Assistant to this House, in the words following:
- "In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor-General doth assent to this Bill."
- Then the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of two Bills to be passed, as follows:
- An Act to impose a duty upon foreign Wheat imported into this Province.
- An Act to make provision for the management of the Temporalities of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, in this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned.
- Then to each of these Bills, one of the Clerks Assistant to this House, by His Excellency's command, did thereupon say:
- "His Excellency the Governor-General doth reserve this Bill for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon."
- Then the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, on presenting the Supply Bill, made the following Speech:

Montreal Fire Assurance Company's Bill.

Quebec Gas Company's Bill.

Quebec Ladies' Charitable Association Bill.

British America Assurance Company's Bill.

Commercial Bank Bill.

Upper Canada Bank Bill.

Clark's estate relief Bill.

Bacon's Attorney Bill.

Bills reserved;

Foreign Wheat duty Bill.

Church Temporalities Bill.

Speech of the Speaker of the Assembly, on presenting the Supply Bill.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY ;

We, Her Majesty's loyal and faithful Subjects, the Commons of *Canada*, have taken into our serious consideration the message of your Excellency, accompanying the estimates for the public service of the present year.

The anticipated shortness of the Session has rendered it impracticable to investigate, in a full and complete manner, the whole financial affairs of the Province, and to examine with sufficient care, the several items of which the said estimates are composed ; but in order to enable Her Majesty to meet the necessary and unavoidable expenses of the Government, up to the close of the first quarter of the ensuing year, Her Majesty's faithful Commons, the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, have voted a supply, under the full reliance that it will be applied to the exigencies of the Province, as set forth in the said estimates, with all due regard to economy, and to the state of its finances and resources.

We therefore pray that your Excellency will be pleased, in Her Majesty's name, to give the Royal Assent to this Bill.

The said Bill was then delivered to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, who read the title as follows :

An Act to grant certain sums to Her Majesty, for defraying certain indispensable expenses of the Civil Government, during the periods therein mentioned.

To this Bill the Royal Assent was then pronounced, by one of the Clerks Assistant to this House, in the words following :

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor-General thanks Her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

Then His Excellency the Governor-General was pleased to deliver the following Speech :

*Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,
And Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :*

Although I anticipated, when I called you together, that your consideration might have

been given at the present season to such public business of importance as seemed to require your early attention, yet I am induced, by reasons of public convenience, and with a view to an early resumption of our joint labours, to put a close to the present Session.

I have to thank you for the zeal and assiduity with which you have considered and perfected the various measures in which the short period of the Session has been occupied. These, I trust, will be an earnest to the Country of the principles by which I am guided, and of the advantages which may be expected from the cordial and united efforts of the several branches of the Provincial Legislature.

Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :

I thank you, in the name of Her Majesty, for the liberality with which you have voted the supplies requisite for the public service ; and for your ready co-operation in carrying out the views of Her Majesty's Government.

Honourable Gentlemen and Gentlemen ;

In relieving you, for the present, from further attendance in your Legislative capacity, I would express my confident hope, that when you return to your homes, you will use your just influence in promoting, in your several Districts, that unanimity and good feeling which it has been my endeavour to establish ; and in diffusing those hopes of permanent peace and prosperity, in which, I trust, you will unite with me in believing that we may now, under Providence, be permitted to indulge.

Then the Speaker of this House said,

*Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and
Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :*

It is His Excellency the Governor-General's will and pleasure, that this Provincial Parliament be prorogued until Friday, the eighteenth day of November next, to be here held ; and this Provincial Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Friday, the eighteenth day of November next.

Parliament prorogued until the 18th November next.

Supply Bill assented to.

Speech of His Excellency.

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OF THE

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EXTRACT from a Despatch from the Right Honourable C. POULETT THOMSON, late Governor-General of the Province of Canada, dated Government House, Montreal, 26th May, 1840, to the Right Honourable Lord JOHN RUSSELL, Secretary of State for the Colonies, in as far as relates to an Address from the Legislature of the late Province of Upper Canada, praying for the introduction of Canadian Corn into Great Britain, free from duty, and to empower the Legislature of this Province to originate measures relating to the Colonial Trade generally.

“THE House of Assembly have transmitted another Address, praying for the introduction of *Canada Corn* into *Great Britain*, free of duty; and they further pray that the local Legislature may be empowered hereafter to alter the Trade regulations of the Colony, in those cases in which they may be affected by the Imperial Laws relating to Colonial Trade generally, subject however to the restriction, that such Laws shall not receive the assent of the Crown, until they have been laid before both Houses of Parliament, and shall have been suffered to pass without address from either.

“Upon the first of these objects it is needless for me to offer any remark. The question can only properly be considered with reference to the whole subject of the Corn Laws, and I certainly do not think, that looking to the average price of Corn in ordinary years in *Great Britain*, the Colonies have any right to complain of the footing on which they now stand.

“The second point is an extremely important one. I am undoubtedly of opinion, that the regulation of the principles on which Colonial Trade is to be conducted, ought to be reserved entirely to the Imperial Parliament. The power of regulating it is one of the principal advantages resulting from Colonial possessions, and if justly exercised, affords one of the main compensations for the expenditure which the Mother Country is compelled to incur for the defence and protection of the Colony. But whilst I admit this to its fullest extent, I have, at the same time, been obliged to observe the great inconvenience, and even loss, which results to the Colony, from the necessity which now exists for all changes in this respect origi-

nating in *England*. There are a vast number of small points, seriously affecting the interests of Colonial Trade, and not at all disturbing the general principle or objects sought to be established by Imperial Legislation, in which a change is frequently found to be desirable. Great difficulty exists, in the first place, in explaining these points at Home, and next, in proving that they are of sufficient importance to demand Legislation there; but even if this be done, I know myself from experience in that Department, too much difficulty and delay unavoidably arise in carrying such measures through Parliament. I am therefore very much disposed in favour of the middle course now suggested by the Assembly. If the local Legislature be permitted to originate measures of this description, I entertain no doubt that they would be able to introduce many improvements very beneficial to the trade of the Colony, and not at all injurious to Imperial interests. These, when sent Home, could receive the assent of the Crown and Parliament; whilst if they meddle improperly with matters affecting the general interests of trade, their work would be without effect, and be open to immediate rejection. If your Lordship shall concur in this view of the case, and shall be inclined to grant this extension of power to the Colony, subject to the restriction I have stated, it would be better, perhaps, to pass an Act specially for the purpose, than to incorporate it in the Union Bill.”

EXTRACT from a Despatch from the Right Honourable the Lord John Russell, Secretary of State for the Colonies, to the Right Honourable C. Poulett Thomson,

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son, late Governor-General of *Canada*, dated, *Downing Street*, 1st July, 1840, No. 171, in as far as relates to the Address on the subject of the introduction of *Canada Corn* into *Great Britain*.

“With regard to the Address on the subject of the introduction of *Canada Corn* into *Great Britain*, and regarding the proposal to invest the Provincial Legislature with the power of regulating, under certain restrictions, the Trade of the Empire at large, so far as it affects *Canada*, I have, in obedience to Her Majesty’s commands, communicated that Address, with your remarks upon it, to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, for their Lordship’s consideration.”

(Copy.)

No. 267.

Downing Street,
1st December, 1840.

MY LORD,

I enclose the copy of a letter which I have received, in which a suggestion is offered with respect to the admission into this Country, free of duty, of *Canada Wheat*, Flour and other agricultural produce; and I request that you will give this subject your conderation.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) J. RUSSELL.

The Right Honourable
LORD SYDENHAM,
&c. &c. &c.

(Copy.)

No. 220.

Montreal, 21st January, 1841.

MY LORD,

In reply to your Lordship’s Despatch of the 1st December, No. 267, I have the honour to state, that there can be no doubt of the great effect which would be produced in these Colonies, if Parliament would be prevailed upon to admit the agricultural produce of the *Canadas*, free of duty, for consumption in the *United Kingdom*.

The Lower Province does not produce more than enough, if enough, for its own consumption, and the growth of Wheat has been greatly diminished of late years, owing to the prevalence of the Fly; but *Upper Canada* is, as you are aware, entirely dependant upon the sale of its agricultural produce, and espe-

cially of Wheat, for the production of which it is eminently calculated.

Great excitement prevails in that Province at the present time, with regard to this subject. The abundant harvest, both there and in the Western States, has greatly increased the quantity for exportation, but the prices are so low, that the farmers and labourers are unable to derive the advantage which they expected. The consequence is, that there is an outcry raised for what is termed, “Agricultural protection,” in the shape of duties upon the produce of the *United States* imported into *Canada*—a scheme, it is scarcely necessary to observe, which would, even if it were not objectionable in principle, be utterly useless to an exporting Country for the end sought, namely, to raise the price, whilst it would diminish, if it did not destroy, one great branch of trade, the grinding *United States Corn* for consumption, in lieu of the native grown, which is exported or even for importation.

The real means of affording an advantage to *Upper Canada*, would be to permit the importation of its produce, free of duty, into the *United Kingdom*, and the feeling which prevails upon the subject, certainly renders it at this moment a matter of the utmost importance.

As such I trust that it will meet the best consideration on the part of Her Majesty’s Government.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) SYDENHAM.

The Right Honourable
The Lord JOHN RUSSELL,
&c. &c. &c.

(Copy.)

No. 320.

Downing Street,
3rd March, 1841.

MY LORD,

Adverting to your Lordship’s Despatch, No. 115, of the 26th May, 1840, in which was enclosed an Address to the Queen from the House of Assembly of *Upper Canada*, respecting the Trade Regulations of the Province, and the repeal of the duties levied upon agricultural produce imported from *Canada* into the *United Kingdom*, to my answers thereto of the 1st July, No. 171, and to your Lordship’s recent proposition for altering the clause of the Royal Instructions, which prohibits the Provincial

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Provincial Legislature from legislating on subjects connected with the Trade of the British Empire, I have to inform your Lordship, that the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have considered the recommendations contained in your Despatch, and the Address, and I shall communicate to your Lordship, by the first opportunity, the decision of Her Majesty's Government thereupon.

The President of the Board of Trade will bring before the House of Commons, on Friday, the 12th instant, several propositions connected with this subject, and I regret that they are not sufficiently matured to enable me to transmit them to you by the present mail.

It will be the object of the Queen's Government to free the Trade of *Canada* from restrictions which are unnecessary, and at the same time to do justice to the industry and manufactures of the *United Kingdom*.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) J. RUSSELL.

The Right Honourable
Lord SYDENHAM,
&c. &c. &c.(Copy.)
No. 82.Government House,
Kingston, 25th June 1841.

MY LORD,

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith, in order that it may be laid at the foot of the Throne, a Memorial to Her Majesty from certain Merchants at *Montreal*, praying that certain articles of Canadian produce therein specified, may be admitted into the *United Kingdom*, free of duty.

Similar Memorials, proceeding from the same parties have, I understand, been forwarded to Members of the Houses of Lords and Commons for presentation.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) SYDENHAM.

The Right Honourable
The Lord JOHN RUSSELL,
&c. &c. &c.(Copy.)
No. 404,Downing Street,
19th July, 1841.

MY LORD,

I have received your Lordship's Despatch, No. 82, of the 25th June, enclosing a Petition

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to the Queen from various Merchants at *Montreal*, praying the repeal of the duties at present levied on Canadian Wheat, and other produce, when imported into the *United Kingdom*, to compensate for the injury to Canadian Commerce, which is apprehended from the proposed alteration of the duties on Foreign produce imported into *British North America*, and the *West Indies*.

You will have the goodness to inform the Petitioners, that I have had the honour to lay their Petition before the Queen, who was pleased to receive it very graciously.—By Her Majesty's Commands, it has been referred for the consideration of the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) J. RUSSELL.

The Right Honourable
Lord SYDENHAM,
&c. &c. &c.(Copy.)
No. 421Downing Street,
8th August, 1841.

MY LORD,

With reference to my Despatch, No. 404, of the 19th July, acquainting your Lordship that the Memorial from the Merchants of *Montreal*, transmitted in your Despatch of the 25th June, had been referred, by the Queen's commands, to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, I have now to inform you, that their Lordships, having had your Despatch and the Memorial under their consideration, have been pleased to state, that the Memorial will be again referred to, when the Bill relating to duties upon articles imported from the British North American Colonies shall hereafter be brought forward in Parliament.

Your Lordship will be pleased to apprise the Petitioners of this answer to their Memorial.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) J. RUSSELL.

The Right Honourable
The Lord SYDENHAM,
&c. &c. &c.

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No. 7.*Government House,
Kingston, 27th September, 1841.*

MY LORD,

I have the honour to transmit to your Lordship herewith, in order that they may be laid at the foot of the Throne, Addresses to Her Majesty, from the Legislative Council and the House of Assembly of this Province, praying for the admission of the produce of *Canada* into the Ports of *Great Britain*, duty free. I need scarcely state to your Lordship that this subject is viewed with the most lively interest by all the inhabitants of *Canada*, and I feel confident, therefore, that it will receive the attentive consideration of Her Majesty's Government.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) R. D. JACKSON.

The Right Honourable
The Lord STANLEY,
&c. &c. &c.(Copy.)
No. 10.*Downing Street,
22nd October 1841.*

SIR,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of Sir *Richard Jackson's* Despatch of the 27th of September, No. 7, in which he transmits Addresses to Her Majesty from the Legislative Council and the House of Assembly of *Canada*, praying for the admission of the produce of the Province into the Ports of *Great Britain*, duty free.

I have to direct you, in answer, to acquaint the Legislative Council, and the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*, that I have laid these Addresses before the Queen, and that Her Majesty, deeply impressed with the importance of the subject to which they relate, has been pleased to command that the Addresses should be referred for consideration to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, and that when Her Majesty shall be in possession of their Lordships' report and advice on the subject, Her Majesty will cause a further communication to be made to you, for the information of the Legislative Council, and the Legislative Assembly.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) STANLEY.

The Right Honourable
Sir CHARLES BAGOT, G. C. B.
&c. &c. &c.(Copy.)
No. 39.*Government House,
Kingston, 21st February, 1842.*

MY LORD,

I have the honour to transmit to your Lordship herewith, Petitions from the Board of Trade of *Montreal* to the Throne, and to the two Houses of the Imperial Parliament, praying the repeal of the duties now levied on the importation into the *United Kingdom* of certain articles of provision, the produce of *Canada*. I also enclose, for your Lordship's information, a copy of the Memorial to myself, which accompanied these Petitions, and of the answer which I returned to it.

I have to request that your Lordship would lay at the foot of the Throne the Address to Her Majesty, and would entrust to Members of the Houses of Lords and Commons the Petitions addressed to those Houses, respectively.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) CHARLES BAGOT.

The Right Honourable
The Lord STANLEY,
&c. &c. &c.(Copy.)
No. 115.*Downing Street,
3rd April, 1842.*

SIR,

I have received your Despatch, No. 39, of the 21st of February, enclosing Petitions to the Queen and to the two Houses of Parliament, from the Board of Trade of *Montreal*, praying the repeal of the duties now levied on the importation into the *United Kingdom* of certain articles of Canadian produce.

I have to instruct you to inform the Petitioners, that I have had the honour to lay their Petition to the Queen before Her Majesty, and that Her Majesty was pleased to receive it very graciously, and to direct it to be referred for the consideration of the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade.

The Petition to the House of Lords will be entrusted to the Earl of *Ripon* for presentation—that to the House of Commons will be presented by myself.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) STANLEY.

The Right Honourable
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Downing Street,
2nd March, 1842.

SIR,

In the anxious consideration, which it has been the duty of Her Majesty's Government to give to the important and complicated question of the importation of Corn into this Country, they have, of course, not overlooked the interest which is felt in this question by the Province of *Canada*, and which has been expressed in memorials from the Legislative body, and from other parties, addressed to Her Majesty, and to the Legislature of this Country; and although, in present circumstances, Her Majesty's Government have not felt themselves justified in recommending to Parliament a compliance with the general request of the various Memorialists, that Canadian Corn and Flour should be imported, at a nominal duty, into the United Kingdom, I trust that the steps which we have taken, and the grounds upon which we have declined to advance further in the same direction, will convince the people of *Canada*, that the course which we have pursued has been dictated by no unfriendly feeling towards the interests of *Canada*, and especially of Canadian agriculture.

The steps which have been taken, so far as they go, have been decidedly in favour of those interests. By the Law, as it has hitherto stood, Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour have been admissible into *Great Britain* at a rate of duty estimated at 5s. per quarter, until the price in the English Market reached 67s. at which amount the duty fell to 6d. By the Bill which is now before Parliament, the duty of 5s. is leviable only while the price is below 55s. and at 58s. falls to 1s. only. But in addition to this reduction in the amount of price at which the lower duty becomes payable, it is proposed to take off the restriction which has hitherto been imposed upon the importation of Canadian Flour into *Ireland*, and thus to open a new market to that which may justly be considered as one of the manufactures of *Canada*.

In the measures which they have adopted, not without the most anxious attention to the various interests involved, Her Majesty's Government have been desirous, while they gave

a general facility of admission to the British market, of disturbing, as little as possible, the relative advantages possessed by the Colonial and Foreign supplies of that market. In this sense, while they have continued to the Channel Islands the facilities which they have heretofore enjoyed of a free importation of their own produce (limited as it necessarily is in extent) into *Great Britain*, together with the means which they at present enjoy of having their own supplies furnished from the neighbouring and cheaper market, they have not felt themselves called upon to remove from the *Isle of Man* the restrictions which have been recently imposed on that Island, as to its Foreign imports, while it possesses the advantages of an unrestricted commerce with *Great Britain*. The same principle has guided Her Majesty's Government in the course which they have felt it their duty to pursue with regard to *Canada*.

It is impossible to be more fully convinced, than are the Members of Her Majesty's Government, of the importance to the interests, both of the Colony and of the Mother Country, of maintaining between the two the most unrestricted freedom of commercial intercourse. Even a cursory examination of facts and figures must demonstrate the value to be attached, in a commercial, and much more in a moral and political point of view, to the continuance and improvement of that rapidly increasing intercourse; and Her Majesty's Government would have had much less difficulty in approaching the question of an unrestricted admission of Canadian Wheat and Flour into the British markets, if it had been in their power to look at that question as one of intercourse between *Great Britain* and her most important Colony, and independent of all considerations of Foreign trade.

But it was impossible for Her Majesty's Government so to regard it. It was impossible that they should not advert to the geographical position of *Canada*, in reference to the great corn-growing States of the West of *America*. It was impossible not to see, that however desirable it might be, even to encourage the transit through *Canada* of the produce of those States, with the advantage to *Canada* of any manufacturing process which it might undergo in the transit, a relaxation of duty, to the extent of free, or nearly free, admission, would have been a relaxation not limited,

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limited, as in this case it ought to be, to the produce of a British Colony.

It is true that the Imperial Parliament, at the time that they admitted Canadian produce at a nominal duty, might constitutionally have imposed a corresponding duty upon the import of American Wheat into *Canada*, and might thus have placed a check upon the undue influx of Foreign, under the name of Canadian produce; but whatever might be the view taken by Her Majesty's Government, under a different state of circumstances in which a tax imposed by Colonial authority, and of course receivable into the Colonial Treasury, upon Wheat imported from the *United States*, might secure the agriculturists of *England* against the competition of Foreign growers, they have been unwilling to impose such a tax, by the authority of Parliament, upon a raw article which might be required for Home consumption in *Canada*, and in the absence of such a tax, have felt it impossible to propose to Parliament a further reduction than that which they have submitted, in favour of Wheat and Wheat Flour shipped from the ports of *Canada*.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) STANLEY.

The Right Honourable
Sir CHARLES BAGOT, G. C. B.
&c. &c. &c.

(Copy.)

No. 80.

*Government House,
Kingston, 14th April, 1842.*

MY LORD,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's Despatch of the 2nd ultimo, No. 83, explaining the course which Her Majesty's Government have felt it their duty to adopt with reference to Canadian produce, in the measures which they have submitted to the Imperial Legislature for an alteration of the Laws affecting the importation of Corn into the United Kingdom. In obedience to your Lordship's commands, I shall communicate the substance of this Despatch to the Legislature, at their next meeting.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) CHARLES BAGOT.

The Right Honourable
The Lord STANLEY,
&c. &c. &c.

(Copy.)

No. 93.

*Government House,
Kingston, 28th April, 1842.*

MY LORD,

I have the honour to transmit to your Lordship herewith, in order that it may be laid at the foot of the Throne, a Petition from the Merchants, Millers, Agriculturists and others, of the *Home* District, of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, praying for the admission into the United Kingdom, duty free, of Canadian Corn, and the imposition of the foreign duty upon American Corn, upon its importation into *Canada*. This Petition is very numerously signed, and was presented to me on my late visit to *Toronto*. Although I fear that it will arrive too late to receive the consideration of Her Majesty's Government before the measures now before the Imperial Parliament, for the alteration of the Corn Laws, shall have become Law, I have not felt myself at liberty to refuse the request of the Petitioners that it might be transmitted to your Lordship.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) CHARLES BAGOT.

The Right Honourable
The Lord STANLEY,
&c. &c. &c.

(Copy.)

No. 153.

*Downing Street,
29th May, 1842.*

SIR,

I have received your Despatch, No. 93, of the 28th April, enclosing a Petition to the Queen, from the Merchants, Millers, Agriculturists and other inhabitants of the *Home* District, of *Western Canada*, praying for the admission into the United Kingdom, duty free, of Canadian Corn, and the imposition of the foreign duty upon American Corn, on its importation into *Canada*.

I have to instruct you to acquaint the Petitioners, that I have had the honour to lay their Petition before the Queen, and that Her Majesty was pleased to receive it graciously.

Previously, however, to the arrival of this Petition, the Bill for amending the Acts regulating the Corn Trade, had passed into a law.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) STANLEY.

The Right Honourable
Sir CHARLES BAGOT, G. C. B.
&c. &c. &c.

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No. 138.

Downing Street,
30th April, 1842.

SIR,

I have the honour to transmit to you the accompanying copy of the Petition, which I have laid before the Queen, from certain inhabitants of the townships of *Western Canada*, praying for a remission of duties on Canadian produce coming into this Country, and for your co-operation with the Provincial Parliament in imposing duties on the agricultural produce of the *United States* imported into *Canada*; and I have received the Queen's commands to instruct you to give this latter prayer your deliberate consideration.

I have, &c.

(Signed.) STANLEY.

The Right Honourable

Sir CHARLES BAGOT, G. C. B.

&c. &c. &c.

(Copy.)

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN:

We, your Majesty's most faithful Subjects, inhabitants of *Canada*, beg leave to approach your Majesty with our earnest and humble Petition, and while making known the difficulties under which we are labouring, we beg to assure your Majesty, that the chief object of our solicitude is the continuance of the happy union which exists between this Colony and the Parent State.

Your Petitioners, Most Gracious Sovereign, deeply regret the necessity which compels them to renew their supplications for relief, but notwithstanding the disposition frequently manifested to encourage their exertions, a variety of causes have combined to prevent their realizing the fair value of their labour. The great distance from the ocean, and heavy charges for transportation, so enhance the cost of British manufactures necessary for the farmer's use, and so reduce the value of his produce, as to limit his means of contributing to the support of the wealth and industry of the British Empire.

Grateful as we must ever be for the kind interest your Majesty has shewn for our wel-

fare, in recommending such aid as will not only relieve us of a part of our burthens, but will enable us to complete those extensive improvements, tending to benefit the trade and to develop the resources of the Province; yet, aware of the heavy responsibility it attaches to the landed interest, we cannot but feel alarmed lest any change in the commercial policy of the Empire, should prevent a just preference being given to our staple produce, without which the Province can never prosper, and upon which our trade and industry almost entirely depend.

As nine-tenths of the population of *Canada* can only be profitably employed in agriculture, the source of their prosperity must be derived from its encouragement and support, as the commerce we possess arises from their industry, and is based on their success. The inhabitants of this Province feel, therefore, a deep interest in the approaching discussion on the Corn Laws in *Great Britain*, their substance being dependent on the maintenance of such protection as will prevent the present prices from being materially depressed.

The unfair competition which your Petitioners have to sustain with the *United States* of *America*, whose agricultural productions are obtruded upon this Province free of duty, while heavy duties are levied upon our products at their ports, has, from the year 1834, formed a subject of repeated Petitions to the Provincial Legislature; but although successive Houses of Assembly have concurred in the necessity of protection, and have passed Bills imposing a duty on the products of the *United States*, sufficient to protect the British and Canadian Agriculturist, without depriving British ship-owners of the carrying trade, their efforts have been invariably defeated, and the evil not only continues to exist, but has been recently aggravated by new protective duties imposed by the last tariff of the *United States*. It is not for your Petitioners to discuss the policy of Free Trade, but even the advocates of that policy must admit that its advantages are dependant upon reciprocity.

Your Petitioners humbly submit, that under the peculiar circumstances in which *Canada* is placed, its agriculture being burthened both by heavy charges for transport, and by the protection afforded to the shipping, commercial

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cial and manufacturing interests of *Great Britain*, by the Imperial Government, the want of agricultural protection is felt to be an insupportable grievance.

We therefore earnestly pray, that your Majesty will take this our humble Petition into your most serious consideration, and that your Majesty will be pleased to recommend to your Imperial Parliament to remit the duties now levied at British ports upon Grain, Flour, Oatmeal, Beef, Pork, Butter, Pease and such other of the staple products of this Province as may to your Majesty seem fit; and further, that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to instruct your Representative in this Province to co-operate with the Provincial Parliament in imposing such duties as may be thought advisable upon the agricultural products of the *United States of America*, on importation into this Province.

That Providence in its wisdom may grant your Majesty a long, glorious, happy and prosperous reign, is the fervent prayer of your Majesty's loyal and devoted Canadian subjects.

Canada, 3rd February 1842.

[Then follow the signatures.]

(Copy.)

No. 149.

Downing Street,
17th May, 1842.

SIR,

Her Majesty's Government having had under their consideration the Petition of the *Montreal* Board of Trade, transmitted in your Despatch, No. 39, of the 21st of February, urging the repeal of all duties levied in the United Kingdom upon Beef, Pork, Cheese, Butter, Lard, as well as upon Wheat, Grain and Flour, imported from *Canada*, I have to make to you the following communication, for the information of the Petitioners:

Although the alteration of the duties on Corn and Flour, by the Act which has just received the Royal Assent, does not amount to an entire fulfilment of the wishes of the Petitioners, Her Majesty's Government feel assured that they will nevertheless perceive, that by lowering the prices of each sort of Grain, at which the import duty on Colonial produce becomes nominal, and by preventing, by a gradual scale, the abrupt transition from the nominal to the maximum duty, the producer and importer of Canadian Grain will derive considerable advantage, both as regards prices and steadiness of trade, and will still enjoy a large measure of protection as against Foreign importations; and if the proposed diminution of duties on provisions should receive the sanction of Parliament, no doubt can be entertained that a large additional source of profitable agriculture, and of advantageous commercial intercourse with the United Kingdom, will be created. I believe that if the attention of the Petitioners is called to the encouragement thus given to the importation of the agricultural produce of *Canada*, and also to the intended reduction in various other articles of Colonial industry, amongst which, as affecting *Canada*, the duties on Furs will be found to deserve particular notice, the Petitioners will be satisfied that Her Majesty's Government, amongst the multifarious considerations which are necessarily involved in the commercial and fiscal arrangements of the British Empire, have not neglected the wishes or disregarded the interest of British *North America*; but have endeavoured to develop its resources, and to preserve unimpaired the intimate commercial connexion which has so long, and so beneficially existed between these important Provinces and the Mother Country.

I have, &c.

(Signed) STANLEY.

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No. 12.

Downing Street,

1st October, 1841.

Sir,

I have received Lord *Sydenham's* Despatch, No. 110, of the 26th August, enclosing joint Addresses to the Queen, the House of Lords and the House of Commons, from the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, on the subject of the Timber Duties.

I have had the honour to lay before the Queen the Address to Her Majesty, and Her Majesty has commanded me to instruct you to inform the Council and Assembly, that it will be referred for the consideration and report of the Lords of the Committee of Her Privy Council for Trade. The result of their Lordships' deliberations on this important subject, when notified to me, will be communicated to you, for the information of the Provincial Legislature.

The Petition to the House of Lords will be presented by the Earl of *Ripon*, that to the House of Commons has already been presented by Mr. *Hope*.

I have, &c.

(Signed,) STANLEY.

*The Officer administering
the Government of Canada.*

Extract of a Despatch from Lord *Stanley* to the Governor-General, dated, *Downing Street*, 30th June 1842.

No. 186.

"It is the belief of Her Majesty's Government, confirmed by the discussions in Parliament, and with the Trade, that the new

"arrangement of duties is one which will not
"inflict on the capital and trade of the Merchants and Lumberers of *Canada*, generally,
"the injuries which they appear to apprehend.

"The prices of Colonial Timber in this Country, before the publication of the Tariff, not being such as to pay the expenses of the importer, or as to permit the Trade to be carried on upon its late scale, Her Majesty's advisers judged that nothing was so desirable for the producing interest in *Canada*, as a revival of demand through the general improvement of Trade.

"With this view, these producers have, in common with other producers, been called upon to surrender a part of their protection, but they are favourably distinguished from other producers in the compensation they will receive from the simultaneous reduction of the duty on their wood to a nominal rate, being thereby virtually freed from many expenses and restrictions upon importation, and also admitted to an equal competition with the wood-grower of this Country.

"With respect to the delay prayed for in making the alteration, I have to observe, that Her Majesty's Government have been exposed to continual and urgent solicitations, that they would give yet more speedy effect to the change than they have proposed; and that in the actual state of commerce, they are convinced that the result of any longer delay would infallibly have been to paralyze the Trade, and limit employment in this Country, without any benefit to *Canada*, by the maintenance of prices, which would still, in all probability, have tended steadily downwards."

B.

Dr. The Clerk, in account with the Legislative Council of Canada, for their Contingencies, First Session, First Parliament.

Cr.

	1500 0 0	£			
To warrant from the Governor General, as per Address of this House.....	1362 13 10½	£	By cash paid H. & W. Rowsell, as per receipt.....	286 6 7	
Amount paid by the Clerk			T. O. Butler,	82 3 6	
Balance carried to next sheet.....	137 6 1½	£	" Hilton & Baird,	19 0 0	
			" Adam Main,	13 0 0	
			" Chronicle Office,	3 11 10½	
			" Herald Office,	26 6 9	
			" R. Channonhouse,	1 15 10	
			" Robt. Stanton,	1 2 0	
			" News Office,	18 10 10	
			" Whig Office,	5 9 7	
			" Thomas Overend,	6 0 5	
			" Charles J. Birch,	90 0 7½	
			" John Bright,	11 5 0	
			" Post Office, Toronto,	0 15 0	
			" George Desbarats,	13 12 1½	
			" Post Office, Kingston,	29 13 9	
			" George Mink,	172 0 10	
			"	4 15 7	
			" Morley & Jenkins,	18 9 10½	
			" Maria McCrae,	3 0 0	
			" Richard Hall,	5 7 9	
			" Ann Hunter,	2 8 3	
			" J. W. Brent,	0 4 4½	
			" John F. Taylor, Jr. half year's salary, to 14th December, 1841	112 10 0	
			" Charles Smith	112 10 0	
			" Robert LeMoine	112 10 0	
			" John F. Taylor, Senr. per Resolution	101 12 6	
			" John F. Taylor, Junr.	79 0 0	
			" John Bright	10 0 0	
			" John Healy	10 0 0	
			" Antoine Lachance	9 10 0	
				£ 1362 13 10½	

Gentleman's
account, paid by
the Clerk.

JAMES FITZGIBBON,
Clerk, Legislative Council.

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C.

The Clerk, in account with the Honourable the Legislative Council of Canada, for the Contingencies of the Recess following the First Session, First Parliament, 1841-2.

Dr.

Cr.

To balance from last sheet..... £	137	6	1½						
Cash from the Receiver-General, on Special Warrant from His Excellency the Governor-General.....	750	0	0						
May 9th.....				1841.	Nov'r....16	By cash to M. Keating, to pay for scrubbing rooms, &c..... £	1	1	3
					Sept'r....25	" to the Librarian, to defray his expenses to Quebec.....	29	0	0
					October.. 27	" to Charles Hale's bill, presented after Session to M. Keating, scrubbing rooms, &c.....	1	0	0
					Nov'r.... 5	" to Librarian, for forwarding books from Quebec to M. Keating, cutting fire-wood.....	0	5	2½
					Dec'r....30	" " washing rooms.....	10	16	2
					" ..18	" " and cleaning stoves.....	0	3	9
				1842.	Feb'y....12	" to Hooker and Henderson, for carting books..	0	15	0
					March... 2	" M. Keating, sundries.....	1	12	0
					" .. 4	" to J. F. Taylor, Junior, half-years salary, from 14th December, 1841, to 13th June, 1842	2	9	6
					May.... 9	" William FitzGibbon, extra copying Clerk, on account.....	112	10	0
					"10	" to Robert LeMoine, a quarter's salary, to 13th March.....	50	0	0
					"13	" advance to Messrs. Fisher and Kemble, on account of printing.....	56	5	0
					"14	" M. Keating, cutting and carrying fuel.....	200	0	0
					"15	" Robert Stanton, on account of printing.....	0	5	9
					""	" Robert LeMoine, a quarter's salary, to 13th June.....	200	0	0
					June.....23		56	5	0

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June.....23	By cash William FitzGibbon, extra Copying Clerk, balance of his account.....	37	15	0
" ..22	" M. Keating, cutting and carrying fuel.....	0	12	6
" ..28	" J. Murphy, for sweeping chimneys.....	0	12	6
July.....16	" John Noon and John Kay, carrying books...	1	10	0
" .."	" J. F. Taylor, Junior, one month's salary, to 13th July.....	18	15	0
" ..25	" John Kay, working in the Library and Yard	1	0	0
August..16	" Freight of two boxes to Gannanoque.....	0	5	0
" .."	" " fifteen boxes to other places.....	1	5	0
" ..19	" John Noon, three day's labour.....	0	11	3
" ..30	" James Murphy, sweeping chimneys.....	0	12	6
" ..31	" J. F. Taylor, Junior, one month's salary, to 13th August.....	18	15	0
Sept'r... 3	" Macpherson and Crane, freight and cartage..	2	3	9½
" .. 7	" do. do.....	0	13	9
" .."	" M. Keating, scrubbing, &c.....	2	15	5
" .."	" " washing towels.....	0	4	0
" ..17	" Charles Hales, Insurance on books and furniture in Library, value £2500.....	13	15	0
	Balance in hand.....	62	16	9½
		£	887	6
	To balance in hand.....	£	62	16
			9½	1½

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DETAILED STATEMENT of the Accounts, &c. referred to in the foregoing Paper, lettered C.

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THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

To M. Keating, Chief Messenger.

For various charges on account of services rendered during the Recess, in
and about the Offices of the Legislative Council, and which are enu-
merated in the bills from time to time rendered..... £13 13 7½

Received from James FitzGibbon, twenty-eight pounds nineteen shillings and nine pence
half-penny, for travelling expenses, advertizing, &c. &c. in conveying the Libraries of the
Legislative Council, from Montreal and Quebec.

W. AGAR ADAMSON.

£28 19 9½

October 1st, 1841.

Kingston, October 1841.

MR. FITZGIBBON,

To Charles Hales, Dr.

July 19th.—1 dozen tumblers, 20s..... £1 0 0

Received payment.

C. HALES.

22nd September, 1842.

Cash paid the Rev. W. A. Adamson, 16th November, 1841, for forwarding
books from Quebec..... £10 16 2

REV. W. A. ADAMSON,

To Hooker, Henderson and Co. Dr.

1842.

To cartage of 10 loads from our store to Government House, at 2s. £1 0 0
To 1 day each, 3 men assisting to arrange 48 cases in the Government House, 4s. 0 12 0
£1 12 0

Kingston, 2nd March, 1842.

Received payment.

For Hooker and Henderson.

JOHN BARRY.

£112 10 0

9th May, 1842.

Received from James FitzGibbon, Clerk of the Legislative Council, the sum of one
hundred and twelve pounds ten shillings, being the amount of my half year's salary, to the
13th June, 1842.

J. FENNINGS TAYLOR, JUNR.

£50 0 0, c'y.

10th May, 1842.

Received from James FitzGibbon, Clerk of the Legislative Council, the sum of fifty
pounds, currency, being on account of my services as an extra copying Clerk in his office.

WILLIAM FITZGIBBON.

Received from J. FitzGibbon, Esq. Clerk Legislative Council, fifty-six pounds five
shillings, currency, amount of my wages for the quarter ended on the 13th March last.

13th May, 1842.

ROBERT LEMOINE.

£200

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£200 0 0, c'y.

Quebec, 14th May, 1842.

Received from James FitzGibbon, Esq. Clerk of the Legislative Council, the sum of two hundred pounds, currency, being on account of work done for that body, in printing the Journals of the past Session.

For J. C. Fisher and Self,

WM. KEMBLE.

£200 0 0, c'y.

Kingston, 14th May, 1842.

Received from James FitzGibbon, Esq. Clerk of the Legislative Council, the sum of two hundred pounds, currency, being on account of the work done for that body, in printing the Journals of the past Session.

ROBT. STANTON.

Received from James FitzGibbon, Esq. fifty-six pounds five shillings, currency, being the amount due for my quarter's salary, ending on the 13th instant.

23rd June, 1842.

ROBERT LEMOINE.

£37 15 0

25th June, 1842.

Received from James FitzGibbon, Clerk of the Legislative Council, the sum of thirty-seven pounds fifteen shillings, currency, being the balance of my account for services as an extra copying Clerk in his office.

WILLIAM FITZGIBBON.

Kingston, 16th July, 1842.

Received from James FitzGibbon, Esq. Clerk of the Legislative Council, the sum of eighteen pounds fifteen shillings, currency, being one month's salary, from the 14th June to the 13th July, inclusive.

£18 15 0

J. FENNINGS TAYLOR, JUNR.

THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

To Steamer Brockville, Dr.

1842		
August 16th..	To transport from Kingston, for the Honourable John McDonald, Gananoque..... 1 box c. £	0 2 6
	The Honourable Alexander Fraser, Glengarry, 1 do.	0 2 6
	£	0 5 0

Received payment.

WM. MENEILLY,
Agent.

CLERK LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Dr. to Macpherson and Crane, for the freight of 15 boxes of Journals, at 1s. 8d. £1 5 0

16th August, 1842.

Paid. M. and C.

J. ADAM.

Kingston, 31st August, 1842.

Received from James FitzGibbon, the sum of eighteen pounds fifteen shillings, currency, being one month's salary, from the 14th July to the 13th August, 1842, inclusive.

£18 15 0

J. FENNINGS TAYLOR, JUNR.

Kingston,

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Kingston, 3rd September, 1842.

JAMES FITZGIBBON,

To Macpherson and Crane, Dr.

For freight from Montreal, per Steamer Meteor, 4 cases, weighing 10c. 0qr. 0lb. 3s.	£1	10	0
Steamer, Lord Sydenham's charges.....	0	10	3
Cartage	0	1	8

	2	1	11
Cartage.....	0	1	10½

£2	3	9½
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Received payment.

For Macpherson & Crane.

J. ADAM.

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Kingston, 7th September, 1842.

JAMES FITZGIBBON,

To Macpherson and Crane.

For freight from Montreal, per Barge Shamrock, 2 cases, 5c. 2qrs. 0lb. 12s. 6d. . .	£0	13	9
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Received payment.

For Macpherson & Crane.

J. ADAM.

Agency for the Montreal Fire Assurance Office.

Kingston, 17th September, 1842.

Received from James FitzGibbon, the sum of thirteen pounds fifteen shillings, being the premium on an Assurance to the extent of £2500, on property described in the order of this date, for twelve months, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors in Montreal, the said party to be considered insured until the determination of the Board be notified; if approved of, a Policy will be delivered; or if declined, the amount received will be refunded, less the premium for the time so insured.

£13 15 0

CHARLES HALES,

Agent.

Montreal Fire Assurance Company.

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132. — ENRIGHT, E. H. and others, Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Eastern Division of the County of Bonaventure, complaining of the Judicature and administration of Justice in the Inferior District of Gaspé, and praying for relief in the premises, presented, 45.
171. — EYRE, THOMAS, and others, Inhabitants of the Town of Cobourg, praying for the adoption of such Legislative measures as will afford relief to the agricultural and commercial interests of the Province, presented, 60.
135. — FERGUSON, ROBERT, and others, Freeholders and Inhabitants of Ristigouche, in the County of Bonaventure, in the District of Gaspé, complaining of the Judicature and administration of Justice in the Inferior District of Gaspé, and praying relief in the premises, presented, 45.
86. — FORSYTH, J. BELL, and others, Inhabitants of the City of Quebec, praying to be incorporated as a Joint Stock Company for erecting a Bridge across the River St. Charles, connecting Beauport and the adjoining Parishes to the North side of the said City of Quebec, presented, 40.
56. — FRASER, R. D. and others, Freeholders of the District of Ottawa, praying for an Act granting relief to the owners of Lands in certain cases where the same were sold by the Sheriff for taxes, presented, 37.
149. — FREDERICKSBURGH, certain individuals residing on Lots Nos. 17 and 25, in the Township of, praying for the establishment and confirmation of a certain boundary line recently surveyed under the direction of the Boundary Line Commissioners, presented, 50.
159. — FROST, WASHINGTON, and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Granby, in the District of Missisquoi, complaining that the proceedings under the Registry Ordinance, 4 Vic. chap. 30, are both expensive and complicated, and praying that it may be superseded by re-enacting the former Act establishing Registry Offices in the Counties of Drummond, Sherbrooke, Stanstead, Shefford and Missisquoi; and also for the revival of the Commissioners' Courts, and the re-enactment of the Law for the summary trial of small causes, presented, 53.

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150. — GAGE, NATHAN, and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Dumfries; of the Town and Township of Brantford; of a newly surveyed Township on the Grand River; of the Township of Oakland, and of the East halves of the Townships of Blenheim and Burford, in the County of Oxford, praying that the aforesaid Townships may be erected into a new District, having Brantford for the District Town, presented, 50.
93. — GEORGEN, THEODORE WRIGHT, of the Township of Hull, District of Sydenham, praying that his claim for a grant of land may be recognized, notwithstanding his having omitted to make application for the same, presented, 41.
95. — GIBB, JAMES, and others, praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the style and title of the City of Quebec Gas Light and Water Company, presented, 41.
78. — GILCHRIST, JOHN, of the Town of Peterborough, praying for compensation for damages caused by the Dam at the Public Works at Crooks' Rapids, on the River Trent, presented, 39.
189. — GILMAN, E. P. and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Bromc, in the District of Missisquoi, complaining of the Ordinance 4 Vic. cap. 30, as to Registration; and of the operation of the District and Division Courts Act; and praying for the re-enactment of 4 William IV. cap. 17, for the establishment of Commissioners' Courts, presented, 91.
55. — GLASFORD, PAUL, and others, Inhabitants of the Town of Brockville and its vicinity, praying for the enactment of a Bankrupt Law, presented, 37.
35. — GOODFELLOW, ADAM, and others, of the Township of West Gwillimbury, in the County of Simcoe, praying against the passing of any Law for the stopping up of that portion of the public Highway commonly called the West Gwillimbury Road, presented, 31.
107. — HARRIS, HENRY WILLIAM, Captain in Her Majesty's 24th Regiment of Foot, praying for the passing of a Bill to declare null and void his marriage with his present wife, Eliza Lock Walker, and that he may be divorced from her accordingly, presented, 43. Read, 51.
167. — HART, AARON PHILIP, on behalf of Henry William Harris, praying that certain forms and services may be dispensed with in respect of the proceedings now pending before the Legislative Council upon the subject of the Petition of the said Henry William Harris, praying to be divorced from his wife, Eliza Lock Walker, presented, 57. Same read, and referred to a Select Committee, 57.
168. — HART, AARON PHILIP, Counsel for Henry William Harris, praying to be heard at the Bar of the House in support of the Petition of the said Henry William Harris, presented, 57. Same read, and referred to a Select Committee, 57.

PETITIONS—*continued.*

181. — HOYLE, HENRY, and others, Inhabitants and Proprietors of the Seigniorie of Lacole and deLéry, praying for the removal of certain burthens, and the redress of certain alleged wrongs, presented, 77.
62. — HUOT, C. P. and J. M. POTIOW, of the County of Saguenay, in the District of Quebec, praying to be reimbursed a certain sum of money expended by them as Commissioners appointed to superintend the construction of a Bridge over the River du Gouffre, in the Parish of La Baie St. Paul, presented, 38.
63. — HUOT, C. P. of the County of Saguenay, praying that he may be reimbursed a certain sum of money expended by him as a Commissioner of Internal Communications for the County of Northumberland, presented, 38.
75. — HYNDMAN, CAREY McCLELLAN, Keeper of the Court House at Sherbrooke, and Crier of the Courts of Judicature for the Inferior District of Gaspé, praying for relief, presented, 38.
91. — INEE, HENRY, of the City of Dublin, praying for the passing of an Act authorising the Courts of Law and Equity to admit him to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor therein, presented, 41.
131. — JAQUE, PETER, and others, Inhabitants and Freeholders of the County of Gaspé, praying for enquiry into the constitution of the Courts of Justice in Lower Canada; also, into the manner in which Justice hath hitherto been administered throughout the Counties of Gaspé and Bonaventure, and for other purposes therein mentioned, presented, 45.
108. — JARVIS, FREDERICK STARR, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, and OLIVIER VALLERAND, Sergeant-at-Arms to the Legislative Council, praying for an increase of salary, presented, 43.
71. — JESUITS ESTATES; Divers Landholders in the Fiefs and Seigniories belonging to, complaining of the accumulation of arrears of *feus et rentes*, and *lots et ventes*, and praying for relief, presented, 38.
152. — KEELER, ALICE ANN, of the Township of Brantford, in the District of Gore, praying to be divorced from her husband, presented, 51. A certain notice on the subject of the Petition read, 57. The Petition read, 57. Motion to refer the same to a Select Committee, 57. Question put and negatived, 58.
54. — KINGSMILL, W. and others, Inhabitants of the Town of Niagara, praying against the removal of the District Town, as recommended by a Petition of the Municipal Council of the Niagara District, presented, 37.

PETITIONS—*continued.*

44. — KINGSTON, the Mayor and Commonalty of the Town of, praying for an Act incorporating the said Town, under the name and style of the City of Kingston, presented, 35.
102. — LABRADOR, the Inhabitants of the Coast of, praying for an Act to prevent certain depredations therein mentioned committed by various foreign navigators, presented, 43.
22. — LACROIX, PIERRE AND JOSEPH BOLDOC, of the City of Quebec, praying that they may be allowed a retiring Pension for life, as former Messengers of the Legislative Council of the late Province of Lower Canada, presented, 26. Referred to the Select Committee upon the Petitions of A. W. Cochrane, and Dr. Thomas Phillips, 60. Their Report, 64. Committed, 68. Reported, 68. Adopted, 68. An Address to His Excellency on the subject ordered, 68. A Committee appointed to present same, 68. Message from His Excellency in reply to the Address, 79.
69. — LANDRY, JEAN BAPTISTE, Crier of the Court of Queen's Bench, in Quebec, praying for relief, presented, 38.
121. — LAPRAIRIE DE LA MADELAINE, the Episcopal Protestant Inhabitants of, in the District of Montreal, praying for a grant of £150, to aid in erecting a house for the Minister, and other purposes, presented, 41.
90. — LAROCHE, THE REVEREND JOSEPH, Principal of the College of St. Hyacinthe, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 40.
92. — L'ASSOMPTION, the Trustees, and others, Inhabitants of the Roman Catholic Parish of L'Assomption, in the Town of Sandwich, in the Western District, praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to sell a certain tract of land, and of applying the proceeds to the erection and finishing of a Church, presented, 41.
133. — LEBELAND, J. and other Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Townships of Carleton and Maria, in the County of Bonaventure, and District of Gaspé, complaining of the Judicature and administration of Justice in the Inferior District of Gaspé, and praying relief in the premises, presented, 45.
77. — LEFEVRE, S. and others, Inhabitants of the County of Lotbiniere, praying for the repeal of certain Ordinances passed by the Governor and Special Council, and for the amendment of certain Acts passed during the first Session of the first Provincial Parliament, presented, 38.
65. — LEGARE, ROSALIE, and others, Members of the Quebec Female Orphan Association, praying for an Act of Incorporation, presented, 38.

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173. — LYONS, JAMES, and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Hamilton, in the District of Newcastle, praying for the passing of an Act to compel individuals farming Land to take measures to destroy the Canada Thistle, and other noxious weeds; and also, that a tax of five shillings may be levied upon dogs, presented, 60.
70. — MACLARNON, JAMES, Keeper of the Common Gaol and House of Correction of Quebec, praying for an increase of salary, presented, 38.
99. — MCCRAE, WILLIAM, Collector of Her Majesty's Customs at the Port of St. John's, praying for an Act granting him such an increase of salary as may be deemed adequate to the great responsibility of his office, and the length of his services, presented, 43.
23. — McDONELL, GEORGE, and others, Inhabitants of the Eastern and Ottawa Districts, praying for an Act removing any doubts which may exist as to the expenditure of the sum of fifteen hundred pounds, granted during the last Session of the Legislature, for completing the Military Road from the Ottawa near L'Original to the St. Lawrence, presented, 27. Read, 34.
41. — MCGILLIVRAY, ANGUS, and others, Inhabitants of the Eastern District, praying that certain Concessions in the Townships of Lochiel and Kenyon, in the Eastern District, may be transferred to the adjoining District of Ottawa, presented, 35.
38. — MCGINNIS, R. B. and others, Inhabitants of the County of Huntingdon, praying to be indemnified for losses sustained during the Rebellion, &c. presented, 31.
46. — MCGORY, THOMAS, and others, praying for an Act requiring the duties of measuring and culling of Lumber to be performed by Cullers under the Head of a Department properly examined and commissioned, who shall be independent of buyers and sellers, and sufficiently remunerated by a Tariff of Fees, properly regulated, to render them respectable and responsible, presented, 37. Read, 37.
166. — McMAHON, OWEN, and others, of the Town of Picton, praying for the grant of a sum of money to remove the obstructions in the Harbour of Picton, presented, 53.
110. — MIGNAULT, REV. P. Founder and President of the College of Chambly, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support of the said Institution, presented, 44.
29. — MILLER, CHARLES, of St. Armand, praying for an Act indemnifying him against certain losses occasioned by the acts of incendiaries from the United States, presented, 30.

PETITIONS—*continued.*

68. — MINEE, FREDERICK, Tipstaff of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of Quebec, praying for relief, presented, 38.
153. — MISSISQUOI, Inhabitants of the County of, praying for protective duties on all articles of agricultural produce imported into this Province from the United States, presented, 51.
106. — MONTREAL FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY, praying for Legislative authority for enabling the said Institution to extend its business to the making and effecting insurances on lives, and for other purposes therein mentioned, presented, 43.
120. — MONTREAL AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY, praying for the passing of an Act to give effect to former Acts of the Legislature, for the admission of the Holy Scriptures into the Province free of duty, and complaining that they are still subject to said duty, presented, 45.
122. — MONTREAL MEDICAL SCHOOL, in connexion with McGill College, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 45.
142. — MONTREAL, the Mayor and Corporation of, praying for an amendment to the Ordinances incorporating the said City, and that such additional powers may be granted to the Corporation as will better enable them to promote the health and prosperity of the Inhabitants, presented, 49.
170. — MONTREAL LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 60.
175. — MONTREAL BOARD OF TRADE, praying that vessels trading from the Western to the Eastern parts of Canada, (or otherwise, as the case may be,) may no longer be compelled to report at the Custom House of Coteau du Lac, except they unload there, presented, 66.
98. — MORRIS, WILLIAM, and others, Inhabitants of the Eastern Townships of that part of the Province formerly Lower Canada, praying for the imposition of a duty upon agricultural products when imported from foreign countries, presented, 42. Read, 46.
158. — MORRIS, WILLIAM, and others, Inhabitants of the Eastern Townships, praying for a grant of money to make various Highways and Bridges, to enable the Inhabitants of the said Townships more readily to get to market, presented, 53.
8. — MOUNTCASHEL, the Right Honourable the Earl of, and others, Members of the North American Committee of the Colonial Society, praying for the adoption of such Legislative measures by the Provincial Parliament as may best promote the most intimate union of interest between Great Britain and the North American Colonies, presented, 22. Read, and ordered to be printed, 28.

PETITIONS—*continued.*

140. — MULHOLLAND, HENRY, and others, of the City of Montreal, praying for the institution of an inquiry into the cause and extent of the vice of intemperance, with the view to the application of a suitable remedy, presented, 48.
134. — MURRAY, M. and others, Freeholders and Inhabitants of Shoolbred, &c. in the County of Bonaventure, complaining of the administration of Justice in the District of Gaspé, and praying for relief, presented, 45.
183. — ODELL, LEWIS, and others, Inhabitants of the Seigniorship of Lacolle, in the County of Huntingdon, praying for the re-establishment of Commissioners' Courts, for the trial of Small Causes, presented, 77.
64. — PAINCHAUD, M. G. P. and others, Members of the Female Orphan Asylum of Quebec, praying for pecuniary aid, presented, 38.
33. — PAQUIN, J. and others, Inhabitants of the Parish of St. Eustache, praying for pecuniary aid to enable them to re-build the Parish Church and Convent, destroyed by Her Majesty's Troops in 1837, presented, 30.
50. — PATTON, H. N. AND E. DELAIRE, on behalf of the Municipal Council of the District of Dorchester, praying that the Municipal Council Act may be so amended as to permit the Councils, within their respective limits, to grant Licenses to Tavern-keepers and Retailers of Spirituous Liquors; to receive the fees arising therefrom; and to make regulations for their management, presented, 37.
51. — PEMBERTON, THE HON. GEORGE, and others, Merchants of Quebec, praying for the remission of one-half the amount of Timber Duties, in consequence of the alteration effected in those Duties by a late Act of the Imperial Parliament, presented, 37.
136. — PERCE, the Inhabitants of, and parts adjacent, in the County of Gaspé, complaining of the Municipal Ordinance, and representing other matters for the consideration of the House, presented, 45.
84. — PHILLIPS, THE REV. THOMAS, of the Township of Etobicoke, in the Home District, praying that the salary formerly received by him as Chaplain to the late Legislative Council of Upper Canada, may be continued to him during the remainder of his natural life, presented, 40. Referred to the Select Committee upon the Petition of A. W. Cochrane, 56. Their Report, 64. Committed, 68. Reported, 68. Adopted, 68. An Address to His Excellency on the subject ordered, 68. A Committee appointed to present same, 68. Message from His Excellency in reply to the Address, 79.

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148. — PHILLIPS, WILLIAM, and others, representing the Creditors of the Estate of Wolfred Nelson and Co. praying to be reimbursed for losses occasioned to them by the destruction of the property of the said Wolfred Nelson and Co. by Her Majesty's Troops, in 1837, presented, 50.
180. — PLANTE, JOSEPH, and others, Pilots for and belonging to the Harbour of Quebec, praying for amendments in the Laws which now regulate them, presented, 75.
82. — QUEBEC, the Mayor and Corporation of, praying for an Act to incorporate certain persons for supplying the City of Quebec with water, and lighting the said City with Gas, presented 40.
94. — QUEBEC FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY, praying for an amendment of their Act of Incorporation, presented, 41.
103. — QUEBEC, certain Citizens of, praying for an Act incorporating James Gibb, and others, under the style and title of the Quebec Gas Light and Water Company, presented 43.
104. — QUEBEC, the Ladies conducting the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum of the City of, praying for a grant of money in aid of the said Institution, presented 43.
109. — QUEBEC, the Ladies conducting the Male Orphan Asylum of the City of, praying for pecuniary aid, presented 43.
123. — QUEBEC, the Ladies conducting the Infant School of, praying that the sum of money granted by the Legislature to the Montreal Infant School may be transferred to the Quebec Infant School aforesaid, presented 45.
125. — QUEBEC, the Committee managing the National School of, praying for pecuniary aid, presented 45.
97. — REA, ALEXANDER, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the District of St. Francis, praying for relief for losses incurred by him in the execution of his duty as a Magistrate in the Indian Stream difficulties, presented, 42.
83. — REID, J. and others, interested in the Institution called the Friendly Union of Montreal, praying for an Act of Incorporation, presented, 40.
151. — RICHARDSON, Z. S. W. and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Bayham, in the London District, praying that the said Township may be annexed to and form part of the District of Brock, presented, 51.
141. — RITCHIE, WILLIAM, Registrar of the District of Sherbrooke, praying that compensation may be granted to him in the event of his preparing an Index to the volumes belonging to the late Registry Office of the County of Sherbrooke, presented, 48.

PETITIONS—*continued.*

9. — ROBERTSON, ALEXANDER, and others, School Teachers in Esquesing, in the District of Gore, praying that measures may be taken to secure to School Teachers a competent income and permanent employment, presented, 22.
47. — ROBINSON, HEZEKIAH, and others, Landholders, &c. of the Counties of Chambly, Rouville, and St. Hyacinthe, and the Townships of Granby, Shefford, Milton, &c. praying that the Longueil and Chambly Turnpike Road may be continued to the Village of Granby, and that a Bridge may be erected over the River Richelieu, at Chambly aforesaid, presented, 37.
60. — ROE, WILLIAM, and others, Freeholders of the Townships of East and West Gwillimbury, praying for the passing of an Act authorising a certain tract or section of country known as the old survey of the Township of West Gwillimbury, to be included in the Home District when the County of Simcoe shall be declared a separate District, or sooner if it should appear more advisable, presented, 38.
155. — ROUVILLE, the Protestant Inhabitants residing in the Southern part of the County of, praying for pecuniary aid towards completing a building for an Academy, and other purposes; and also, for an annual grant of £100 to assist in defraying the salary of a Classical and Mathematical Teacher, presented, 38.
126. — RYALL, EDWARD, and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Oro, in the District of Simcoe, praying that the Township of West Gwillimbury may not be detached from the said District, presented, 45.
127. — RYALL, EDWARD, and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Oro, and District of Simcoe, praying for the imposition of equitable duties on the products of foreign countries when imported into Canada, presented, 45. Read, 46.
66. — SAGUENAY, the Inhabitants of the County of, praying for the repeal or alteration of certain Acts and Ordinances passed by the Governor and Special Council, and at the last Session of the Provincial Parliament, establishing District Councils and Registry Offices, and other Ordinances therein mentioned, presented, 38.
87. — SUAVAGEAU, ALEXIS, and others, representing the majority of the Censitaires of the Seigniorship of Laprairie de la Madeleine, praying for an Act to authorise the Corporation of the Common of Laprairie to convey a portion of the said Common to the Fabrique of the Parish of Laprairie de la Madeleine, to enable them to erect a College; and also, that the Act incorporating the persons interested in the said Common may be continued, presented, 40.

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5. — SEXTON, ALEXANDER, and others, of the Township, of Bayham, praying that the said Township may be attached to and form part of the District of Brock, presented, 21.
156. — SENIVEN, JOHN, and others, Proprietors of Land in the Townships of Hemmingsford, Russeltown, Edwardstown and Williamstown, in the County of Beauharnois, praying for the imposition of a duty upon foreign agricultural products when imported into Canada, presented, 52.
157. — SENIVEN, JOHN, and others, Inhabitants of Hemmingsford, Edwardstown, and the Eastern parts of Williamstown, in the County of Beauharnois, praying for such alteration in the Laws establishing Division Courts as that one of the said Courts may be held at Russeltown Flats, being a central part of that section of the County, presented, 52.
172. — SHEPPARD, WILLIAM, and others, Trustees of the Quebec Turnpike Roads, praying for authority to raise, by way of loan, a further sum of £15,000, to complete the Roads comprehended in the Quebec Turnpike Trust Act, and to Macadamize the Charlesbourg Road; and also, the further sum of £10,000, to complete certain other Roads therein mentioned, presented, 60.
76. — SHERBROOKE ACADEMY, the Trustees of, praying for the usual annual grant towards the support of the said Academy, presented, 76.
81. — SIMCOE, the Freeholders of the County of, praying that no portion of the Township of West Gwillimbury may be separated from the County of Simcoe, presented, 40.
185. — SISSONS, JONATHAN, and others, Inhabitants of the County of Simcoe, praying that the Militia Law may be revised and amended, presented, 79.
57. — SKINNER, SYLVESTER, of the Town of Brockville, praying that a Patent may be granted to him for the invention of a machine for the trashing and cleaning grain, presented, 37.
105. — SMART, DAVID, and another, of the County of Durham, praying for the imposition of a duty on agricultural products when imported into this Province from the United States, presented, 43.
25. — SMITH, HENRY, Warden of the Provincial Penitentiary, praying for relief, presented, 28. Read, 31.
27. — SPARKS, NICHOLAS, of Bytown, praying that certain property which was taken from him by the Ordnance Department for the use of the Rideau Canal, may be restored to him, presented, 28. Read, and referred to a Select Committee, 31.
118. — STANSTEAD ACADEMY, the Trustees of the, praying for a pecuniary grant of £150 in aid of the said Institution, presented, 45.

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58. — STREET, SAMUEL, of the Township of Stamford, in the Niagara District, praying for an Act authorising him to use a commission in proving the will of the late Thomas Clark, deceased, presented, 37. Read, and referred to a Select Committee, 48. A Member added thereto, 52. Their Report, 55. Same adopted, 56.
100. — ST. ROCH and ST. VALLIER, the Inhabitants of, in the Suburbs of Quebec, praying that the Petition of John G. Clapham, and others, for a new Bridge near the mouth of the River St. Charles may not be favourably entertained, and that Dorchester Bridge may be thrown open to the public free of toll, presented, 43.
101. — TASCHEREAU, THOMAS JACQUES, Collector of the Customs at Port au Beauce, praying for various amendments in the Act 6 Geo. IV. Chap. 24; and also, for an augmentation of his salary, presented, 43.
160. — THOMPSON, ADAM, and others, Inhabitants of the Townships of West Flamborough, the South part of Beverley and Dumfries, and the North part of Ancaster, praying that the Toll Gates on the Macadamized Road leading from Galt to Waterloo may be more equally distributed, and the toll levied in a more equitable manner, presented, 53. Read, 90.
169. — THOMPSON, J. and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Brock, in the Home District, praying for the imposition of a duty upon foreign agricultural products imported into Canada, presented, 57.
119. — TOWNSEND, M. and others, Inhabitants of the County of Rouville, praying for the imposition of a duty upon agricultural products when imported into this Province from foreign countries, presented, 45.
188. — TREADWELL, C. P. Sheriff of the District of Ottawa, praying that the duties of the office of Sheriff may be more clearly defined, and that the Sheriffs in the Province be paid by annual salary instead of fees, presented, 81.
67. — TURGEON, CHARLES, of Quebec, praying for reimbursement of a sum of money advanced by him and due to him on account of the Municipal Council of the District of Quebec, presented, 38.
43. — VAN VLIET, TRAVER, and JOHN ODELL, of Lacolle, praying to be indemnified for losses sustained by them from the acts of Incendiaries, presented, 35.
138. — WALKER, WILLIAM, and others, Merchants, Ship Owners, Traders and Citizens, of Quebec, and of Masters of Vessels trading thereto, praying that measures may be taken for the erection of a new Custom House for the Port of Quebec, and that the Building formerly occupied as a Custom House be converted into a Marine Hospital, presented, 46.

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89. — WEST, AMOS, of the Township of West Gwillimbury, and County of Simcoe, praying for an Act to authorise his shutting up a certain Road in the first Concession of the aforesaid Township, presented, 40.
116. — WHEELER, CHARLES, and others, Inhabitants of the Townships of Barnston and Barford, praying for the repeal of the present Judicature Act in relation to the Division Courts, and to substitute in lieu thereof the late Commissioners' Courts, presented, 45.
115. — WHITE, E. S. and others, Inhabitants of Barnston, Barford, and vicinity, praying for a grant of £1500 to aid in making a Market Road, presented, 45.
31. — WILKINS, ROBERT C. and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Ameliasburgh, in the District of Prince Edward, praying for the passing of an Act confirming the survey made of the said Township in the year 1816, presented, 30.
88. — WILSON, WALTER, and others, Inhabitants of the Town of Niagara, praying for an Act incorporating the said Town, presented, 40.
74. — YOUNG, BARNARD, of the Township of Compton, and District of St. Francis, praying that a Pension may be granted to him in consequence of the severe injuries received by him while performing his duty as a Peace Officer, presented, 30.
- PHILLIPS, THE REV. DR.; Petition of, referred to a Select Committee, 56. Their Report, 68. *Vide Committees*, No. 18.
- POPULATION AND ASSESSMENT RETURNS; Presented to the House, 42. *Vide Sessional Papers, letter O.*
- POLICE ORDINANCES AMENDMENT BILL; *Vide Bills*, No. 20.
- POST OFFICE; Clerk of this House instructed to open an account with the, for the postage of letters, 19.
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- PRINCE OF WALES, His Royal Highness the; *Vide Addresses*, Nos. 2 and 4.
- PRINTED DOCUMENTS of the Legislative Assembly, ordered to be secured for this House, 26.
- PRINTING ORDERED; Of the answer to the Speech from the Throne, and His Excellency's reply thereto, 27.
- Of the Petition from the Earl of Mountcashell, and others, 28.
- Of the Message from His Excellency in answer to the Address of the House, praying that the prorogation may be delayed in order to consider the question of agricultural protection, 61.
- Relating to Bills, *Vide Bills*.
- PRIVILEGE; *Vide Committees*.

- PROCLAMATIONS; Promulgating the Royal Assent to Stuart's relief Bill, 5.
- Proroguing Parliament to the 4th December 1841, 5.
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- Promulgating the Royal Assent to Flour and Meal Inspection Bill, 10.
- do. do. to Quebec Board of Trade Incorporation Bill, 10.
- do. do. to Beef and Pork Inspection Bill, 10.
- do. do. to Montreal Board of Trade Incorporation Bill, 10.
- do. do. to Officers' Security Bill, 10.
- do. do. to City Bank Charter extension Bill, 10.
- do. do. to Niagara District Bank Incorporation Bill, 10.
- do. do. to Montreal Bank Charter renewal Bill, 10.
- do. do. to Currency Bill, 10.
- do. do. to the Bill for permitting the business of the Bank of Upper Canada to be carried on in Toronto, as usual, 10.
- do. do. to the Bill for authorising the Chartered Banks to carry on their business throughout the Province, 10.
- Proroguing Parliament to the 18th June 1842, 11.
- Promulgating the Royal Assent to Public Lands disposal Bill, 12.
- Proroguing Parliament to the 27th July 1842, 12.
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- Convening Parliament at the Township of Kingston, on the 8th September 1842, 14.
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