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HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE CHARLES STANLEY,
VISCOUNT MONCK, GOVERNOR GENERAL, &c., &c., &c.

BEING THE FOURTH SESSION

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

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

A PROCLAMATION.

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

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

By Command.

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

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A PROCLAMATION.

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By Command.

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A PROCLAMATION.

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

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To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Canada*, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Provincial Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the TWENTIETH day of the month of JULY 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 TWENTIETH day of the month of JULY instant, NEVERTHELESS, for certain causes and considerations, We have thought fit further to prorogue the same to TUESDAY, the EIGHTH day of the month of AUGUST next, so that neither you nor any of you, on the said Twentieth day of July instant, at Our said City of *Quebec*, to appear are to be held and constrained, for WE DO WILL that you and each of you be as to Us in this matter entirely exonerated, Commanding and by the tenor of these presents enjoining you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on TUESDAY, the EIGHTH day of the month of AUGUST next, at OUR CITY OF QUEBEC aforesaid, personally you be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act and conclude upon those things which in Our said Provincial Parliament, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may by the favor of God be ordained.

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

By Command.

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

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TUESDAY, the Eighth day of the month of August, in the Twenty-ninth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady *Victoria*, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, Queen, Defender of the Faith, being the Fourth Session of the Eighth Provincial Parliament of *Canada*, as continued by several Prorogations to this day:

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

The Honorable **ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER**, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Shead,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>

His Excellency the Right Honorable **CHARLES STANLEY**, Viscount **MONCK**, Baron **MONCK** of *Ballytramon*, in the County of *Wexford*, Governor-General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the *Island of Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c.; being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Honorable the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to let the Assembly know "It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House;"

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

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

In conformity with the announcement which I made to you at the end of the last Session of Parliament, a Deputation from the Canadian Ministry proceeded to London to confer with Her Majesty's Government on questions of importance to the Province.

I have now called you together at the earliest convenient moment after the return of the Deputation, in order that you may receive the report of their mission, and complete the important business which, at the conclusion of the last Session, was left unfinished.

I have directed that the correspondence referring to the mission to *England* shall be communicated to you for your consideration.

The happy termination of the Civil War which has for the last four years prevailed in the *United States of America*, cannot fail to exercise a beneficial influence on the commercial and industrial interests of this Province, and we may trust that the re-establishment of peace will lead to a constantly increasing development of friendly relations between our people and the citizens of the great Republic.

The circumstances which rendered it necessary to place a portion of the Volunteer Militia of the Province on permanent duty, having ceased to exist, the force has been recalled, and I have to express my feeling of satisfaction at the readiness with which the men responded to the call of duty, and the general good conduct which they exhibited during the period of their service.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

I have directed that the estimates for the current year, and the statement of the expenditure which has been incurred chargeable against the vote of credit of last Session shall be laid before you.

You will find with reference to both that economy has been combined with a due regard to efficiency.

Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen :

I have not failed to transmit to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for presentation to Her Majesty, the Addresses to which you agreed during the last Session, in favor of a Federal Union of the Colonies of *British North America*.

I have desired that the reply of the Secretary of State shall be communicated to you, and I trust that mature examination of the project will, ere long, induce the Legislatures of the other Provinces to concur with you in giving their sanction to a measure which has been adopted as a great feature of Imperial policy, and has been twice noticed with approbation in Her Majesty's Speeches from the Throne.

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

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* presented to the House a Bill intituled: "An Act relative to Common Schools."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

The Honorable the Speaker reported His Excellency's Speech from the Throne, and The same was then read by the Clerk.

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House, that in consequence of the delicate state of health of the Reverend Doctor *Adamson*, the Chaplain and Librarian of this House, he had given him leave of absence during the present Session, and that, pending his absence, the duties of Chaplain will be performed by the Rev. *G. V. Housman*, M.A.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Clerk's Return of Bills before this House at the Prorogation of Parliament on the 18th of March, 1865, in accordance with a Special Order of the House.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

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

The House adjourned.

Wednesday, 9th August, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Eacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaiffers,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
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PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton* (*Kingston*), of the Medical Faculty of the *Kingston* School of Medicine.

By the Honorable Mr. *Currie* ; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lincoln*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Flint* ; of *Andrew Thompson* and others, and of *Robert Bird* and others, of the County of *Hastings*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Armand*; of *J. Beaumont* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Alexander*; of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Wilmot*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*; of *Isabella Penelope Macdonell*, of the City of *Kingston*.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Montreal*, for the year 1864.

Also similar Returns from the Districts of *St. Francis* and *Rimouski*, for the year 1864.

Also a similar Return from the County of *Dorchester*, for the year 1864.

And also Municipal Returns for certain Counties in *Lower Canada*, for the year 1864.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

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

The Speech being read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. *Dumouchel* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Skead*,

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

To express to His Excellency the satisfaction with which this House learns that, in conformity with the announcement which His Excellency made from the Throne at the end of the last Session of Parliament, a Deputation from the Canadian Ministry proceeded to *London* to confer with Her Majesty's Government on questions of importance to the Province.

To thank His Excellency for having called Parliament together at the earliest convenient moment after the return of the deputation in order that it may receive the Report of their mission, and complete the important business which, at the conclusion of the last Session, was left unfinished.

To assure His Excellency that the correspondence referring to the mission to *England*, which he is pleased to say he has directed to be communicated to this House, shall receive our most attentive consideration.

To agree with His Excellency that the happy termination of the Civil War which has for the last four years prevailed in the *United States of America*, cannot fail to exercise a beneficial influence in the commercial and industrial interests of this Province, and that we may trust that the re-establishment of peace will lead to a constantly increasing development of friendly relations between our people and the citizens of the great Republic.

To assure His Excellency that this House learns with the greatest pleasure that the circumstances which rendered it necessary to place a portion of the Volunteer Militia of the Province on permanent duty, having ceased to exist, the force has been recalled; and to join with His Excellency in expressing a feeling of satisfaction at the readiness with which the men responded to the call of duty, and the general good conduct which they exhibited during the period of their service.

To acknowledge, with thankfulness, His Excellency's assurance that he has not failed to transmit to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for presentation to Her Majesty, the Address to which this House agreed during the last Session, in favor of a Federal Union of the Colonies of *British North America*, and that he has desired that the reply of the Secretary of State shall be communicated to this House; and to unite with His Excellency in trusting that mature examination of the project will ere long induce the Legislatures of the other Provinces to concur with that of this Province, in giving their

sanction to a measure which has been adopted as a great feature of Imperial policy, and has been twice noticed with approbation in Her Majesty's Speeches from the Throne.

After debate,

The Honorable Mr. *Christie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, That further debate on the said motion be postponed until to-morrow.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the House divided, and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
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<i>Bureau,</i>			

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Koss,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
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<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>		

So it passed in the negative.

The first paragraph of the said resolution being again read,

The Honorable Mr. *Dumouchel* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Shead*,

That the same be adopted.

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

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

Ordered; That the Honorable Messieurs *Dumouchel*, *Shead*, and the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* be appointed a Committee to draft an Address founded on the said resolution.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* reported an Address prepared by the Committee, as follows :—

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, respectfully thank Your Excellency for Your Gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session.

We learn with satisfaction that, in conformity with the announcement which Your Excellency made from the Throne at the end of the last Session of Parliament, a deputation from the Canadian Ministry proceeded to *London* to confer with Her Majesty's Government on questions of importance to the Province.

We thank Your Excellency for having called Parliament together at the earliest convenient moment after the return of the deputation, in order that it may receive the Report of their mission and complete the important business which, at the conclusion of the last Session, was left unfinished.

The correspondence referring to the mission to *England*, which Your Excellency is pleased to say you have directed to be communicated to this House, shall receive our most attentive consideration.

We agree with Your Excellency that the happy termination of the civil war which has for the last four years prevailed in the *United States of America* cannot fail to exercise a beneficial influence on the commercial and industrial interests of this Province, and that we may trust that the re-establishment of peace will lead to a constantly increasing development of friendly relations between our people and the citizens of the great Republic.

We learn with the greatest pleasure that the circumstances which rendered it necessary to place a portion of the Volunteer Militia of the Province on permanent duty, having ceased to exist, the force has been recalled; and we join with Your Excellency in expressing a feeling of satisfaction at the readiness with which the men responded to the call of duty, and the general good conduct which they exhibited during the period of their service.

We acknowledge, with thankfulness, Your Excellency's assurance that you have not failed to transmit to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for presentation to Her Majesty, the Address to which this House agreed during the last Session, in favor of a Federal Union of the Colonies of *British North America*, and that you have desired that the reply of the Secretary of State shall be communicated to this House; and we unite with Your Excellency in trusting that mature examination of the project will ere long induce the Legislatures of the other Provinces to concur with that of this Province in giving their sanction to a measure which has been adopted as a great feature of Imperial policy, and has been twice noticed with approbation in Her Majesty's Speeches from the Throne.

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

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

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

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

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* reported that he had, according to Order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General, humbly to know what time His Excellency would please to appoint to be attended with the Address of this House, and that His Excellency had appointed Saturday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the Government House in this city.

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

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

MONCK.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council, copies of a correspondence with the Secretary of State for the Colonies, relating to the deputation from the Executive Council which proceeded to England in order to confer with Her Majesty's Government on questions of importance to this Province.

Quebec, August 9th, 1865.

PAPERS relating to the Conferences which have taken place between Her Majesty's Government and a Deputation from the Executive Council of *Canada*, appointed to confer with Her Majesty's Government on the subject of the Defence of the Province.

(Copy.—*Canada*, No. 14.)

DOWNING STREET, 21st January, 1865.

MY LORD,—Her Majesty's Government are unwilling, under the present circumstances, to press upon the Government of *Canada*, any decision which can with prudence be postponed upon a subject of so much importance to the future welfare of the British North American Provinces, as the subject of the defence of *Canada*. They are sensible of the considerations which render it expedient to wait for such a decision, until some further progress shall have been made in the discussion of the proposal for the Union of those Provinces, and until it shall have been ascertained whether the question is to be considered by the Ministers of the United British North American Provinces, or by the Ministers of *Canada* alone.

But without anticipating that any causes of difference are likely to disturb our present friendly relations with the Government of the *United States*, they think it necessary to bear in mind the vast accession which has recently been made, and still continues to be made, to the military Forces of that powerful country. They cannot forget the very small proportion which the numerical strength of British Troops on the North American Continent bears to the Force which might at any moment be brought into the field against them. It would be a cause of just reproach against the British Government if those troops were suffered to remain in a position which, on the outbreak of war, they might not be able to hold until the military and naval resources of the country could be made available for their support.

These considerations seem to Her Majesty's Government to render it absolutely necessary that the defences of *Quebec* should be materially strengthened and without delay. They intend, therefore, on their own part, to include in the Estimates of the present year a vote for improving the defences of *Quebec*.

The proposed defences of *Montreal* are so important as to the general safety of the Province, and to the maintenance of the communication between the districts west of *Montreal*, and the naval and military power of the Mother Country, that Her Majesty's Government trust that they may look with confidence to the Government of *Canada* for the immediate construction of these Works.

Her Majesty's Government will be prepared to provide the armaments for the Works at *Montreal* as well as those at *Quebec*.

I have, &c.,
(Signed,)

EDWARD CARDWELL.

(Enclosure in No. 1.)

COPY of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General on the 24th March, 1865.

The Committee respectfully recommend that four Members of Your Excellency's Council do proceed to *England* to confer with Her Majesty's Government:—

1st. Upon the proposed Confederation of the British North American Provinces, and the means whereby it can be most speedily effected.

2nd. Upon the arrangements necessary for the Defence of *Canada*, in the event of war arising with the *United States*, and the extent to which the same should be shared between *Great Britain* and *Canada*.

3rd. Upon the steps to be taken with reference to the Reciprocity Treaty, and the rights conferred by it upon the *United States*.

4th. Upon the arrangements necessary for the settlement of the North-West Territory and *Hudson's Bay* Company's claims.

5th. And, generally, upon the existing critical state of affairs by which *Canada* is most seriously affected.

The Committee further recommend that the following members of Council be named to form the Delegation, viz. :—Messrs. *Macdonald, Cartier, Brown and Galt.*

Certified,

WM. H. LEE, C.E.C.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Viscount *Monck*, Governor General of *British North America, &c., &c.*

May it please Your Excellency :

The undersigned having, by Order in Council of 24th March, 1865, been appointed a Committee of the Executive Council of *Canada* to proceed to *England* and confer with Her Majesty's Government on certain subjects of importance to the Province, sailed for *England* in April last; and having discharged the duty entrusted to them and returned to *Canada*, we now beg to submit for Your Excellency's information, a statement of our proceedings while in *London*.

The circumstances under which this mission became necessary, are doubtless fresh in Your Excellency's recollection. For a considerable time past, in view of the civil war going on in the *United States*, and the impossibility of anticipating what international questions might at any moment arise, Her Majesty's Government felt it their duty from time to time to direct the attention of the Government of *Canada* to the insecure position of the Province in the event of disturbed relations unhappily resulting, and to urge the adoption of protective measures. In these communications it was not concealed that Her Majesty's Government expected the people of *Canada* to assume more onerous military duties than they had previously borne. Your Excellency's Advisers were always prepared frankly to consider these proposals, and to submit for the approval of Parliament such measures as might be found just and reasonable. But they felt at the same time that to secure the hearty assent of Parliament and the country for any important changes in the military relations between the Parent State and the Colony, an explanation on the whole subject should first be had, so that a clear understanding as to the share of defence to be borne by each might be arrived at, and all ground of irritating and hurtful reproach for alleged neglect of duty by the Colony, entirely removed. In view also of the anticipated early union of all the British North American Colonies—so well calculated to simplify the system of defence—the Government of *Canada* deemed it highly desirable that the settlement of this important question should be reserved for the action of the Government and Legislature of the new Confederation. Her Majesty's Government concurred in these views.

In the early part of this year, however, events occurred that changed the situation of affairs. The conference at *Fortress Monroe* for the cessation of hostilities, the disturbances on the Canadian frontier, the imposition of the Passport system, the notice given by the American Government for a termination of the convention restricting the Naval Armament on the Lakes, and other events, tended to revive and deepen the feeling of insecurity; and Her Majesty's Government urged the immediate erection of permanent works of defence at *Quebec* and *Montreal*—the cost of the former to be borne by the Imperial Treasury, and of the latter by the people of *Canada*. Your Excellency's Advisers were most anxious to meet the wishes of Her Majesty's Government, but they could not feel it their duty to propose to Parliament a vote for defensive works at *Montreal*, while the defence of *Upper Canada*, on land and on the lakes, was unprovided for. The position of affairs was further complicated by the result of the *New Brunswick* elections, which postponed, at least for a time, the union of the Provinces—and by the formal notice given by the American Government for the termination, in March next, of the Reciprocity Treaty. It became evident that the time had arrived, and could no longer be postponed, for a full and frank explanation with Her Majesty's Government on the whole state of affairs; and with that view an immediate mission to *England*, with Your Excellency's assent, was resolved upon. The state of the case was forthwith communicated to the Legislative Council and Assembly, which were then in session; and Parliament was shortly after prorogued on the understanding that it would be summoned to learn the result of the negotiations and complete the business of the session, so soon as the delegates returned from *Great Britain*.

On arriving in *England* we lost no time in placing ourselves in communication with Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies; and a Committee of the Imperial Cabinet, consisting of His Grace the Duke of *Somerset*, the Right Honorable the Earl *De Grey* and *Ripon*, the Right Honorable *Wm. E. Gladstone*, and the Right Honorable *Edward Cardwell*, having been appointed to confer with us, and negotiations were opened and continued at frequent intervals, up to the close of our mission.

The subject to which we first invited the attention of the Conference was the proposed Confederation of the British North American Colonies. We reminded the Imperial Ministers how largely all the questions, with the discussion of which we were charged—and especially those of defence, foreign commercial relations, and internal communication—would be affected by the Union, and how greatly their satisfactory settlement would be facilitated by it. We explained the reasons that existed for obtaining the assent of all the Colonies to the Union at an early date, and the promise to which the Government of *Canada* stood pledged to proceed without delay with Constitutional reforms for *Canada* alone, in the event of the larger measure failing to be obtained. We received at once from the members of the Imperial Cabinet assurances of their hearty approval of the Confederation scheme, and of their anxious desire to promote its early accomplishment, by all the legitimate influence of the Imperial Government. In the discussion of the means to be adopted for effecting Confederation, we trust it is unnecessary to assure Your Excellency that the idea of coercing the Maritime Provinces into the measure, was not for a moment entertained. The end sought was to ascertain in what manner the question of Union, in all its bearings, could be best brought under the full and fair consideration of our fellow Colonists, and the grave responsibility urged upon them, which they would assume by thwarting a measure so pregnant with future prosperity to *British America*, so anxiously desired by the great mass of the people to be affected by it, and which had been received with such marked satisfaction by our fellow-subjects throughout the British Empire. We received assurances that Her Majesty's Government would adopt every legitimate means for securing the early assent of the Maritime Provinces to the Union. In the course of these discussions, the question of the Intercolonial Railway came up as a necessary accompaniment of Confederation, when we sought and obtained a renewal of the promised Imperial guarantee of a loan for the construction of that work.

The important question of the future military relations between the Mother Country and *Canada* received earnest and grave consideration. Before entering on the discussion of details, we referred to the recent debates in the Imperial Parliament on the subject of Canadian Defences, and especially to the assertions confidently made by certain members of the House of Commons, that *Canada* was incapable of efficient protection against invasion from her inland border. We explained the injury such statements tended to produce, and the necessity of our ascertaining, as a preliminary step to our discussions, whether or not they were well founded. We asked that a report on the whole subject of the defence of *Canada*, with plans and estimates, might be obtained from the highest military and naval authorities of *Great Britain*. Such a report was obtained and communicated to us confidentially—and we rejoice to say that it was calculated to remove all doubt as to the security of our country, so long as the hearts of our people remain firmly attached to the British flag, and the power of *England* is wielded in our defence.

On the part of *Canada*, we expressed the desire that this plan for the defence of all parts of the Province should be taken as the basis of arrangement; and that a full and candid discussion should be had as to the share of the cost that ought to be borne respectively by the Imperial and Provincial exchequers. We expressed the earnest wish of the people of *Canada* to perpetuate the happy existing connection with *Great Britain*, and their entire willingness to contribute to the defence of the Empire their full quota, according to their ability, of men and money. But we pointed out that if war should ever unhappily arise between *England* and the *United States*, it could only be an Imperial war, on Imperial grounds—that our country alone would be exposed to the horrors of invasion—and that our exposed position far from entailing on us unusual burdens, should on the contrary secure for us the special and generous consideration of the Imperial Government. We explained, moreover, that though *Canada* continued to progress steadily and rapidly, it was a vast country, sparsely populated—that the difficulties of first settlement were hardly yet overcome—that the profits of our annual industry were to be found not in floating

wealth, but in the increased value of our farms and mines—and that, at this moment especially, from the failure of successive crops, the effects of the American civil war on our commercial relations, and the feeling of insecurity as to our position, (greatly aggravated by statements of the defencelessness of the country in the British Parliament, and by portions of the British press)—*Canada* was laboring under a temporary but serious depression. We pointed out that, while fully recognizing the necessity, and prepared to provide for such a system of defence as would restore confidence in our future at home and abroad, the best ultimate defence for *British America* was to be found in the increase of her population as rapidly as possible, and the husbanding of our resources to that end; and without claiming it as a right, we ventured to suggest that, by enabling us to throw open the north-western territories to free settlement, and by aiding us in enlarging our canals and prosecuting internal productive works, and by promoting an extensive plan of emigration from *Europe* into the unsettled portions of our domain—permanent security would be more quickly and surely and economically secured than by any other means. We did not fail to point out how this might be done without cost or risk to the British exchequer, and how greatly it would lighten the new burden of defence proposed to be assumed at a moment of depression by the people of *Canada*.

Much discussion ensued on all these points, and the result arrived at was, that if the people of *Canada* undertook the works of defence at and west of *Montreal*, and agreed to expend in training their militia, until the union of all the Provinces was determined, a sum not less than is now expended annually for that service, Her Majesty's Government would complete the fortifications at *Quebec*, provide the whole armament for all the works, guarantee a loan for the sum necessary to construct the works undertaken by *Canada*, and in the event of war, undertake the defence of every portion of *Canada* with all the resources of the Empire.

The question having arisen as to the time and order in which these propositions should be submitted for the approval of the Imperial and Provincial Legislatures, it appeared that no action could be taken upon them during the present year; and it was therefore deemed inexpedient to complicate the Confederation question by changing the basis of the *Quebec* Conference resolutions, which might result from the present adoption of these propositions. The further consideration of the defensive works was accordingly deferred for the action of the Government and Legislature of the proposed British North American Confederation—but the assurance of Her Majesty's Government was at the same time given, that if circumstances arose to render an application expedient by *Canada* alone for the immediate prosecution of the works of defence, such application would be received in the most friendly spirit.

On the subject of the American Reciprocity Treaty we entered into full explanations with the Imperial Ministers. We explained how advantageously the Treaty had worked for *Canada* and the desire of our people for its renewal; but we showed at the same time how much more advantageously it had operated for American interests—and we expressed our inability to believe that the *United States* Government seriously contemplated the abolition of an arrangement by which they had so greatly increased their foreign commerce, secured a vast and lucrative carrying trade, and obtained free access to the *St. Lawrence*, and to the invaluable fishing-grounds of *British America*—and that on the sole ground that the Provinces had also profited by the Treaty. We explained the immediate injury that would result to Canadian interests from the abrogation of the Treaty; but we pointed out at the same time the new and ultimately more profitable channels into which our foreign trade must, in that event, be turned, and the necessity of preparing for the change, if indeed it was to come. We asked that the British Minister at *Washington* might be instructed to state frankly to the American Government the desire of the Canadian people for a renewal of the Treaty, and our readiness to discuss and favorably entertain any just propositions that might be made for an extension or modification of its conditions; we requested that the views of the American Government should be obtained at the earliest convenient date—and that His Excellency Sir *Frederick Bruce* should act in concert with the Canadian Government in the matter. The Imperial Government cordially assented to our suggestions.

The important question of opening up to settlement and cultivation the vast British Territories on the north-west borders of *Canada*, next obtained the attention of the Con-

ference. Your Excellency is aware that the desire of the Government of *Canada* for a satisfactory and final adjustment of this matter has been often formally expressed. In Your Excellency's Despatch of 19th January, 1864, to the Colonial Secretary, the anxious desire of the Canadian Government was communicated "for some speedy, inexpensive, and mutually satisfactory plan," for settling definitely "the North-Western boundary of *Canada*," and the claim of *Canada* was asserted to "all that portion of Central *British America*, which can be shewn to have been in the possession of the French at the period "of the cession in 1763."

In reply to this Despatch, Mr. *Cardwell*, on 1st July, 1864, requested to be informed whether the Government of *Canada* was prepared to assist in negotiations with the *Hudson's Bay* Company, with the view of accepting any portion of the Territory now claimed by that Company, and providing the means of local administration therein; and he suggested that if so prepared it would be desirable that some person duly authorized to communicate the views of the Canadian Government should be sent to *England* for that purpose.

On the 11th November, 1864, a Minute of Council was approved by Your Excellency, in reply to Mr. *Cardwell's* Despatch. It set forth that the Government of *Canada* was ready and anxious to co-operate with the Imperial Government, in securing the early settlement of the North-West Territories, and the establishment of local Government in its settled portions; but that in its opinion the first step towards that end was the extinction of all claim by the *Hudson's Bay* Company to proprietary rights in the soil and exclusive rights of trade. It suggested that it was for the Imperial Government, and not for the Government of *Canada*, to assume the duty of bringing to an end a monopoly originating in an English Charter, and exercised so long under Imperial sanction; but that when the negotiations were brought to a close, the Government of *Canada* would be ready to arrange with the Imperial Government for the annexation to *Canada* of such portions of the Territory as might be available for settlement, as well as for the opening up of communications into the Territory and providing means of local administration. Or should the Imperial Government prefer to erect the Territory into a Crown Colony, the Canadian Government would gladly co-operate in the opening up of communication into the Territory, and the settlement of the country. The Minute finally suggested that the Honorable President of the Council while in *England* would communicate more fully to Mr. *Cardwell* the views of the Canadian Government.

The negotiations that followed on this Despatch, satisfied us of the impossibility of enforcing the end sought by *Canada* without long-protracted, vexatious and costly litigation. The *Hudson's Bay* Company were in possession, and if time were their object, could protract the proceedings indefinitely; and Her Majesty's Government appeared unwilling to ignore pretensions that had frequently received quasi recognition from the Imperial authorities. Calling to mind, therefore, the vital importance to *Canada* of having that great and fertile country opened up to Canadian enterprise, and the tide of emigration into it directed through Canadian channels—remembering also the danger of large grants of land passing into the hands of mere moneyed corporations and embarrassing the rapid settlement of the country—and the risk that the recent discoveries of gold on the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains might throw into the country large masses of settlers unaccustomed to British Institutions—we arrived at the conclusion that the quickest solution of the question would be the best for *Canada*. We accordingly proposed to the Imperial Ministers that the whole British Territory east of the Rocky Mountains and north of the American or Canadian lines, should be made over to *Canada*, subject to such rights as the *Hudson's Bay* Company might be able to establish; and that the compensation to that Company (if any were found to be due) should be met by a loan guaranteed by *Great Britain*. The Imperial Government consented to this, and a careful investigation of the case satisfies us that the compensation to the *Hudson's Bay* Company cannot, under any circumstances, be onerous. It is but two years since the present *Hudson's Bay* Company purchased the entire property of the old Company; they paid £1,500,000 for the entire property and assets,—in which were included a large sum of cash on hand, large landed properties in *British Columbia* and elsewhere not included in our arrangement, a very large claim against the *United States* Government under the *Oregon Treaty*—and Ships, Goods, Pelts and business premises in *England* and *Canada* valued at £1,025,569.

The value of the territorial rights of the Company therefore, in the estimation of the Company itself, will be easily arrived at.

The results of our communications with the Committee of Her Majesty's Government were placed, by Mr. *Cardwell*, in the form of a Despatch to Your Excellency; that document bears date the 17th June, 1865, and has already reached Your Excellency's hands. It contains a correct statement of the result of the conference.

Although the subject was not specially referred to us, we did not fail to call the attention of the Colonial Minister to the anomalous position of foreigners who have settled in *Canada* and become naturalized subjects under our Provincial Statutes. Mr. *Cardwell* at once admitted the hardship of the case, and stated that it was the desire of Her Majesty's Government to remedy it, and that with that view he had referred the subject to the Law Officers of the Crown for their opinion as to the best mode of doing so.

It will be gratifying to many devoted subjects of Her Majesty throughout *British America*, whose fears have been excited by the language too often heard of late years, on the subject of Colonial connection, that we received from Her Majesty's Ministers the assurance that the British Government acknowledge the obligation of defending every portion of *Canada* with all the resources at its command.

Such in brief is the outline of our communications with Her Majesty's Government, and we cannot conclude this report without gratefully acknowledging the distinguished consideration extended to us as the representatives of *Canada*, not only by the Minister with whom we were brought more directly in contact, but by many eminent personages with whom we had the honor of conferring on the objects of our mission. To Mr. *Cardwell* we are especially indebted for unremitting kindness and attention. We are happy to believe that the result of our visit to *England* has been to inspire more just views as to the position and feelings of the Canadian people, and to draw closer the ties that have so long and so happily attached our Province to the Mother Country.

JOHN A. MACDONALD,
GEO. ET. CARTIER,
GEO. BROWN,
A. T. GALT.

Quebec, 12th July, 1865.

(No. 2.)

COPY of a Despatch from the Right Honorable *Edward Cardwell*, M.P., to Governor General Viscount *Monck*.

(No. 95.)

DOWNING STREET, 17th June, 1865.

MY LORD,—I have the honor to inform your Lordship that several conferences have been held between the four Canadian Ministers who were deputed, under the Minute of your Executive Council of March 24th, to proceed to *England* to confer with Her Majesty's Government on the part of *Canada*, and the Duke of *Somerset*, the Earl *De Grey*, Mr. *Gladstone*, and myself, on the part of Her Majesty's Government.

On the first subject referred to in the Minute, that of the Confederation of the British North American Provinces, we repeated on the part of the Cabinet the assurances which had already been given of the determination of Her Majesty's Government to use every proper means of influence to carry into effect without delay the proposed Confederation.

On the second point, we entered into a full consideration of the important subject of the defence of *Canada*, not with any apprehension on either side that the friendly relations now happily subsisting between this country and the *United States* are likely to be disturbed, but impressed with the conviction that the safety of the Empire from possible attack ought to depend upon its own strength and the due application of its own resources. We reminded the Canadian Ministers that on the part of the Imperial Government we had obtained a vote of money for improving the fortifications of *Quebec*. We assured them that so soon as the vote had been obtained the necessary instructions had been sent out for the immediate execution of the works, which would be prosecuted with dispatch; and we reminded them of the suggestion Her Majesty's Government had made to them to proceed with the fortifications of *Montreal*.

The Canadian Ministers, in reply, expressed unreservedly the desire of *Canada* to devote her whole resources, both in men and money, for the maintenance of her connection with the Mother Country; and their full belief in the readiness of the Canadian Parliament to make known that determination in the most authentic manner. They said they had increased the expenditure of their Militia from 300,000 to 1,000,000 dollars, and would agree to train that force to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State for War, provided the cost did not exceed the last-mentioned sum annually, while the question of confederation is pending. They said they were unwilling to separate the question of the works of *Montreal* from the question of the works west of that place, and from the question of a naval armament on Lake *Ontario*. That the execution of the whole of these works would render it necessary for them to have recourse to a loan, which could only be raised with the guarantee of the Imperial Parliament. They were ready to propose to their Legislature on their return a measure for this purpose, provided that the guarantee of the Imperial Parliament were given now, and that they were authorized to communicate to the Parliament of *Canada* the assurance that, the occasion arising, *England* will have prepared an adequate naval force for Lake *Ontario*. They thought that if the guarantee were not obtained now, it was probable that the Canadian Government and Parliament would think it desirable that the question of defensive works should await the decision of the Government and Legislature of the United Provinces.

On the part of Her Majesty's Government we assented to the reasonableness of the proposal that if the Provinces undertook the primary liability for the works of Defence mentioned in the letter of Lieutenant Colonel *Jervois*, and showed a sufficient security, Her Majesty's Government should apply to Parliament for a Guarantee for the amount required; and we said that Her Majesty's Government would furnish the armaments for the works. But we said that the desire and decision of the Provincial Legislature ought to be pronounced before any application was made to the Imperial Parliament. On the subject of a Naval Force on Lake *Ontario*, we said that, apart from any question of expediency, the convention subsisting between this country and the *United States* rendered it impossible for either nation to place more than a specified number of armed vessels on the Lakes in time of peace. In case of war it would as a matter of course, be the duty of any Government in this country to apply its means of Naval Defence according to the judgment it might form upon the exigencies of each particular time, and the Canadian Ministers might be assured that Her Majesty's Government would not permit itself to be found in such a position as to be unable to discharge its duty in this respect. This was the only assurance the Canadian Ministers could expect, or we could give.

Upon a review of the whole matter, the Canadian Ministers reverted to the proposal which has been mentioned above, that priority in point of time should be given to the Confederation of the Provinces. To this we, on the part of Her Majesty's Government, assented. In conformity however, with a wish strongly expressed by the Canadian Ministers, we further said that if, upon future consideration, the Canadian Government should desire to anticipate the Confederation and to propose that *Canada* should execute the works, they would doubtless communicate to Her Majesty's Government that decision; and we trusted that after what had passed in these conferences they would feel assured that any such communication would be received by us in the most friendly spirit.

On the third point, the Reciprocity Treaty, the Canadian Ministers represented the great importance to *Canada* of the renewal of that treaty, and requested that Sir *F. Bruce* might be put in communication with the Government of Lord *Monck* upon the subject. We replied that Sir *F. Bruce* had already received instructions to negotiate for a renewal of the treaty, and to act in concert with the Government of *Canada*.

On the fourth point, the subject of the North-West Territory, the Canadian Ministers desired that that Territory should be made over to *Canada*, and undertook to negotiate with the *Hudson's Bay Company* for the termination of their rights, on condition that the indemnity, if any, should be paid by a loan to be raised by *Canada* under the Imperial guarantee. With the sanction of the Cabinet, we assented to this proposal, undertaking that if the negotiation should be successful we on the part of the Crown being satisfied that the amount of the indemnity was reasonable, and the security sufficient, would apply to the Imperial Parliament to sanction the agreement and to guarantee the amount.

On the last point, it seemed sufficient that Her Majesty's Government should accept the assurances given by the Canadian Ministers on the part of *Canada*, that that Province is ready to devote all her resources both in men and money to the maintenance of her connection with the Mother Country, and should assure them in return that the Imperial Government fully acknowledged the reciprocal obligation of defending every portion of the Empire with all the resources at its command.

The Canadian Ministers in conclusion said, that they hoped it would be understood that the present communications did not in any way affect or alter the correspondence which had already passed between the Imperial Government and the Governments of the British North American Provinces on the subject of the Intercolonial Railway. To this we entirely agreed.

I have, &c.,
(Signed,)

EDWARD CARDWELL.

Governor General
Viscount *Monck*, &c., &c.

(Copy.—*Canada*, No. 103.)

DOWNING STREET, 24th June, 1865.

MY LORD,—I have the honor to inclose for Your Lordship's information, a copy of a despatch which I have addressed to-day to the Lieutenant Governors of the Maritime Provinces.

I have, &c.,
(Signed,)

EDWARD CARDWELL.

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

Mr. Secretary *Cardwell* to the Lieutenant Governor of *New Brunswick*.

(Copy.)

DOWNING STREET, 24th June, 1865.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit to you the copy of a correspondence between Viscount *Monck* and myself, on the affairs of *British North America*, which have lately formed the subject of conferences between Her Majesty's Government, and a deputation from the Canadian Government.

This correspondence having been presented to both Houses of the Imperial Parliament by command of Her Majesty, I have to direct you to communicate it also to the Legislature of *New Brunswick*, at its next meeting.

You will at the same time express the strong and deliberate opinion of Her Majesty's Government, that it is an object much to be desired, that all the British North American Colonies should agree to unite in one Government. In the territorial extent of *Canada*, and in the maritime and commercial enterprise of the Lower Provinces, Her Majesty's Government see the elements of power which only require to be combined in order to secure for the Province which shall possess them all, a place amongst the most considerable communities of the world. In the spirit of loyalty to the British Crown, of attachment to British connection, and of love for British Institutions, by which all the Provinces are animated alike, Her Majesty's Government recognize the bond by which all may be combined under one Government. Such an union seems to Her Majesty's Government to recommend itself to the Provinces on many grounds of moral and material advantage, as giving a well-founded prospect of improved administration and increased prosperity. But there is one consideration which Her Majesty's Government feel it more especially their duty to press upon the Legislature of *New Brunswick*. Looking to the determination which this country has ever exhibited to regard the defence of the Colonies as a matter of Imperial concern, the Colonies must recognize a right and even acknowledge an obligation incumbent on the Home Government to urge with earnestness and just authority the measures which they consider to be most expedient on the part of the Colonies with a view to their own defence. Nor can it be doubtful that the Provinces of *British North America*

are incapable, when separated and divided from each other, of making those just and sufficient preparations for national defence, which would be easily undertaken by a Province uniting in itself all the population and all the resources of the whole.

I am aware that this project, so novel as well as so important, has not been at once accepted in *New Brunswick* with that cordiality which has marked its acceptance by the Legislature of *Canada*, but Her Majesty's Government trust that after a full and careful examination of the subject in all its bearings, the Maritime Provinces will perceive the great advantages which, in the opinion of Her Majesty's Government, the proposed Union is calculated to confer upon them all.

I have, &c.,
(Signed,)

EDWARD CARDWELL.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* acquainted the House that he had another Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

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

MONCK.

8th April, 1865. The Governor General transmits, for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council, a Copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, in answer to Addresses transmitted to Her Majesty the Queen during the last Session, on the subject of a Union of the British North American Provinces.

Quebec, August 9th, 1865.

(Copy.—*Canada*, No. 58.)

DOWNING STREET, 8th April, 1865.

MY LORD,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's Despatches, Nos. 73 and 74, of the 15th March, accompanied by Addresses to the Queen, agreed to respectively by the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of *Canada*, praying that Her Majesty will be pleased to cause a measure to be introduced into the Imperial Parliament, for the Union of the Provinces of *British North America*, on the basis of the Resolutions adopted by the Conference of Delegates from those Provinces, who met at *Quebec* in October of last year.

I have not failed to present these Addresses to Her Majesty, who was pleased to receive the same very graciously.

Her Majesty's Government have seen, with great satisfaction, that both branches of the Canadian Legislature have adopted Addresses to the Crown expressive of their desire for the accomplishment of a measure calculated materially to add to the strength and promote the welfare of the Provinces of *British North America*.

I have, &c.,
(Signed,)

EDWARD CARDWELL.

Viscount MONCK, &c., &c.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton* (*Kingston*), seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*,
The House adjourned.

Thursday, 10th August, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Iacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman),</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Campbell,</i>			

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* ; of *F. E. Grafton* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Aikins* ; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Foster* ; of *H. S. Foster* and others, of the Township of *Brome*, in the County of *Brome*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson* ; of the Venerable *Isaac Hellmuth, D.D.*, Archdeacon of *Huron* ; of the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce* ; and of *Alexander Bell* and others, of the Township of *Keppel*, in the County of *Grey*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Currie* ; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lincoln*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Proulx* ; of *Norbert Doucette*, of the Parish of *Bécancour*, in the County of *Nicolet*—of the Reverend Dames *Helwidge Buisson*, Superior, *Mathilde Leduc*, Assistant, and others, Religious Ladies of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin *Mary*, in the Parish of *St. Grégoire*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Bull* ; of the Corporation of the City of *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ryan* ; of the Reverend *Patrick Dowd*, and others, of the City of *Montreal*, and of the *Montreal* Board of Trade.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)* ; of the Board of Trustees of the University of Queen's College at *Kingston*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prud'homme* ; of *Jean Baptiste Pontbriand*, and others, of *Tanneries des Rolland*, in the Parish of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Panet*; of the Municipal Council of *St. Gabriel West*, in the County of *Quebec*.

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

Ordered, That the Resolutions of the last Session, relative to Bills then before this House, be now read.

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

RESOLVED, 1. "That any further proceeding upon every Bill which has been presented to this House in the present Session shall be suspended on the day on which Parliament shall be prorogued, in order that the promoters thereof may proceed with the same Bills in the next Session of Parliament."

2. "That an Alphabetical List of all such Bills, with the statement of the stage at which the same were suspended, shall be prepared by the Clerk of this House, and printed."

3. "That a list of such Bills, with the certificate of the Clerk of the House of the stage at which proceedings were suspended, be laid upon the Table of the House, in the next Session of Parliament, in the order in which they shall stand upon such list."

4. "That in respect of every Bill so laid upon the Table, the Petition for the Bill shall be read, and thereupon such Bill shall be read a first time, and a second time (if the Bill shall have been read a second time previously to its being suspended); and if such Bill shall have been reported by any Committee in the present Session, the order for referring the Bill to a Committee shall be dispensed with, and the Bill ordered to lie upon the Table, to be referred to a Committee of the whole House, or to be read a third time, as the case may be."

5. "That all Petitions presented in the present Session for and against Private Bills, and which stood referred to the Committees on such Bills, shall stand referred to the Committees on the same Bills in the next Session of Parliament."

6. "That all instructions to Committees on Bills, in the present Session, which shall be suspended previously to their being reported by any Committee, be instructions to the Committee on the same Bills in the next Session."

7. "That the said Orders be considered Sessional Orders, to be in force till the end of next Session, and that the same be printed."

Attest.

J. F. TAYLOR,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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

Ordered, That the list of Bills prepared by the Clerk of this House be now read.

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

LIST OF BILLS presented to the Legislative Council, the proceedings whereon were, by the foregoing Resolutions, declared to be suspended on the day on which Parliament was prorogued, to wit; Saturday, the Eighteenth day of March, 1865:—

1.—AGRICULTURAL ABUSES PREVENTION BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Olivier*.

"An Act to amend the Act respecting abuses prejudicial to Agriculture."

Read a first time, 27th February, 1865.

Read a second time, 6th March, 1865, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Olivier, Moore, DeBeaujeau, Armand, Armstrong, E. H. J. Duchesnay, Lacoste, Letellier de St. Just, Bureau, and Sanborn*.

2.—AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Price*.

"An Act to amend Chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, respecting Agricultural Societies, the Board of Agriculture, and the Agricultural Association in Lower Canada."

Read a first time, 8th February, 1865.

Read a second time, 13th February, 1865, and referred to the Standing Committee on Agriculture.

3.—AMHERST ISLAND TO FRONTENAC ANNEXATION BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Campbell*.

“An Act to Separate the Township of *Amherst Island* from the County of *Lennox* and *Addington*, and to annex the same to the County of *Frontenac*.”

Read a first time, 13th February, 1865, and ordered for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day, 6th March, 1865.

Restored to the Orders of the Day, 16th March, 1865.

4.—COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS FACILITY BILL.—Hon. Sir *N. F. Belleau*.

“An Act for granting additional facilities in Commercial Transactions.”

Read a first time, 6th March, 1865.

Read a second time, 14th March, 1865, and referred to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

5.—COMMONS, PROPRIETORS OF, ASCERTAINMENT BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Olivier*.

“An Act to provide for ascertaining who are the Co-proprietors of certain Commons in *Lower Canada*.”

Read a first time, 8th March, 1865, and ordered for a second reading.

Second reading postponed, 16th March, 1865, until “Monday next.”

6.—CONSOLIDATED STATUTES AMENDMENT BILL (U.C.)—Honorable Mr. *Leonard*.

“An Act to amend Chapter fifty-two of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*.”

Read a first time, 6th March, 1865, and ordered for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day, 8th March, 1865.

7.—DOWER ASSIGNMENT AMENDMENT BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Currie*.

“An Act to amend the Act for the better assignment of Dower in *Upper Canada*.”

Read a first time, 26th January, 1865.

Read a second time, 30th January, 1865, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Currie, Boulton, Dickson, Ross, Aikins, and Perry*.

8.—FISH AND FISH OILS INSPECTION BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Campbell*.

“An Act to make better provision for the Official Inspection of Fish and Fish Oils.”

Read a first time, 1st February, 1865, and ordered for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day, 13th, March, 1865.

9.—FISHERIES PROTECTION BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Campbell*.

“An Act to amend Chapter sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and to provide for the better regulation of Fishing and the Protection of Fisheries.”

Read a first time, 1st February, 1865.

Read a second time, 10th March, 1865, and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Considered in Committee, Amendments reported, Committee to sit again, and Bill, with proposed amendments, to be printed in both languages for the use of Members, 13th March, 1865.

10.—LEATHER INSPECTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Price*.

"An Act to amend the Act intituled, 'An Act to regulate the Inspection of Raw
"Hides and Leather.'"

Read a first time, 30th January, 1865.

Read a second time, 10th February, 1865, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Price*, Sir *N. F. Belleau*, *Letellier de St. Just*, and *Panet*.

Reported, with amendments, 20th February, 1865.

Amendments considered, 24th February, 1865, and Bill to be printed as amended, and to be taken into consideration.

Bill, as amended, considered, 2nd March, 1865, and ordered to be further considered on that day three months.

11.—MARMORA AND BELLEVILLE RAILWAY BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Flint*.

"An Act to continue and amend the Act incorporating the *Marmora and Belleville*
"Railway Company."

Read a first time, 16th March, 1865, and ordered for a second reading.

Second reading postponed, 17th March, 1865, until "Monday next."

12.—PETERBOROUGH TOWN DEBT CONSOLIDATION BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Flint*.

"An Act to amend the Act intituled, 'An Act to Consolidate the Debt of the Town
"of *Peterborough*, and to authorize the issue of Debentures on the Security of
"Town Property, and for other purposes.'"

Read a first time, 16th March, 1865.

Read a second time, 17th March, 1865, and referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

13.—ROSSIN HOUSE, TORONTO, TAXES EXEMPTION BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Ross*.

"An Act to relieve the Rossin House Hotel Joint Stock Company (limited) from
"the payment of Taxes."

Read a first time, 17th February, 1865.

Read a second time, 20th February, 1865, and referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

14.—SANBORN'S REAL ESTATE BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Vidal*.

"An Act to authorize the Sale or other disposition of the lands belonging to the late
"William E. Sanborn."

Read a first time, 7th March, 1865.

Read a second time, 13th March, 1865, and referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

15.—SEED LOANS BY COUNTY COUNCILS BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Flint*.

"An Act to enable County Councils to raise money for assisting persons, in certain
"cases, to sow their lands, and for other purposes."

Read a first time, 31st January, 1865, and ordered for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day, 6th February, 1865.

16.—SUMMARY CONVICTIONS BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Currie*.

"An Act relative to Summary Convictions."

Read a first time, 2nd February, 1865.

Read a second time, 13th February, 1865, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Currie*, *Campbell*, *Ross*, *McOrea*, and *Dickson*.

17.—SYLVESTER'S RELIEF BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Simpson*.

"An Act for the relief of the representatives of the late *Boyd Sylvester*."

Read a first time, 6th March, 1865.

Read a second time, 8th March, 1865, and referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

18.—WATER COURSES IMPROVEMENT (L. C.) BILL.—Hon. Mr. *Armand*.

"An Act to amend Chapter fifty-one of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*,
"respecting the improvement of Water Courses."

Read a first time, 21st February, 1865, and ordered for a second reading.

Second reading postponed, 15th March, 1865, until "Monday next."

Attest.

J. F. TAYLOR,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

The Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting abuses prejudicial to Agricultural culture," was then read a first time."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Olivier*, *Moore*, *Armand*, *Armstrong*, *E. H. J. Duchesnay*, *Lacoste*, *Letellier de St. Just*, *Bureau*, and *Sanborn*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting Agricultural Societies, the Board of Agriculture, and the Agricultural Association in *Lower Canada*," was then read a first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Price*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, it was

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

The Bill intituled, "An Act to separate the Township of *Amherst Island* from the County of *Lennox* and *Addington*, and to annex the same to the County of *Frontenac*," was then read a first time, the Petition for the said Bill having been previously read by the Clerk, in accordance with the Resolution of last Session.

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

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

The Bill intituled, "An Act for granting additional facilities in Commercial Transactions," was then read a first time.

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

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

The Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for ascertaining who are the Co-proprietors of certain Commons in *Lower Canada*," was then read a first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, it was

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

The Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter fifty-two of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*," was then read a first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bull*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

The Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act for the better assignment of Dower "in *Upper Canada*," was then read a first time.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

The Bill intituled, "An Act to make better provision for the Official Inspection of "Fish and Fish Oils," was then read a first time.

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

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

The Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes "of *Canada*, and to provide for the better regulation of Fishing and the protection of "Fisheries," was then read a first time, the Petition for the said Bill having been previously read in accordance with the Resolution of last Session.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House this day week.

The Bill intituled, "An Act to continue and amend the Act incorporating the "*Marmora and Belleville Railway Company*," was then read a first time, the Petition for the said Bill having been previously read by the Clerk, in accordance with the Resolution of last Session.

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

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

The Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act intituled, 'An Act to Consolidate "the Debt of the Town of *Peterborough*, and to authorize the issue of Debentures on "the Security of Town Property, and for other purposes," was then read a first time, the Petition for the said Bill having been previously read by the Clerk, in accordance with the Resolution of last Session.

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

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

The Bill intituled, "An Act to relieve the Rossin House Hotel Joint Stock Com-
pany (limited) from payment of Taxes," was then read a first time, the Petition for the said Bill having been previously read by the Clerk, in accordance with the Resolution of last Session.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

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

The Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the sale or other disposition of the lands "belonging to the late *William E. Sanborn*," was then read a first time, the Petition for the said Bill having been previously read by the Clerk, in accordance with the Resolution of last Session.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vidal*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, it was

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Currie*, it was *Ordered*, That the Bill introduced into this House during the last Session, intituled, "An Act to enable County Councils to raise money for assisting persons, in certain cases, "to sow their lands, and for other purposes," be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

The Bill intituled, "An Act relative to Summary Convictions," was then read a first time.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the same Select Committee to whom it was referred last Session, viz:—The Honorable Messieurs *Currie*, *Campbell*, *Ross*, *McDonald*, *McCrea*, and *Dickson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of the representatives of the late *Boyd Sylvester*," was then read a first time, the Petition for the said Bill having been previously read by the Clerk, in accordance with the Resolution of last Session.

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

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Armand*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gingras*, it was

Ordered, That the Bill intituled "An Act to amend Chapter fifty-one of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the improvement of water-courses," be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

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

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

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

The House adjourned.

Friday, 11th August, 1865.

The Members present were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Cornier,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Bennett* ; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hastings*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Archambault* ; two Petitions of *Les Sœurs de l'Aisle de la Providence de Montréal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Currie* ; of *Theophilus Mack, M.D.*, and others, of *St. Catharines*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Price* ; of *Ch. B. Belleville*, of *Malbaie*, Collector of Inland Revenue for the District of *Saguenay* ; and of the *Richelieu* Company.

By the Honorable Mr. *Skead* ; of the Corporation of the Village of *Arnprior*, and of *Joshua Smith* and others, of the City of *Ottawa*.

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

Of the Medical Faculty of the *Kingston* School of Medicine ; praying for the continuance and increase of their annual grant.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lincoln* ; praying for the passing of an Act, to authorize the raising of certain sums of money for the payment of Debentures issued by the said Municipality, and to legalize the By-Laws under which the said Debentures were issued.

Of *Andrew Thompson* and others, of the County of *Hastings* ; praying to be incorporated as "The *Belleville* and *North Hastings* Railway Company," also that a grant of land may be given to the said Company.

Of *Robert Bird* and others, of the said County of *Hastings* ; praying for the renewal and amendment of the Act incorporating the *Marmora* and *Belleville* Railway Company.

Of *S. Beaumont* and others, of the City of *Montréal* ; praying to be incorporated as "La Caisse de Bienfaisance de Tempérance, Section *St. Jacques*."

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Wilmot*; praying for certain amendments to the Municipal and Assessment Acts of *Upper Canada*.

And of *Isabella Penelope Macdonell*, of the City of *Kingston*, widow of *Alexander Macdonell*, late of the Village of *Alexandria*, in the County of *Glengarry*; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing her to wind up the affairs of the estate of her late husband, *Alexander Macdonell*.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Annual Report of the *Toronto University*, for the year 1864.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Currie*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill of last Session, intituled, "An Act relative to Summary Convictions," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bull* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of minor offences."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Archambault* and *Chaffers*, be added to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill of last Session, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting abuses prejudicial to Agriculture."

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Alexander*, *Armand*, *Boulton*, *Christie*, *Lacoste*, *Letellier de St. Just*, *Armstrong*, *McMaster*, *Mills*, *Perry*, *Ross*, *A. J. Duchesnay*, *Shaw*, *Campbell*, *Wilson*, *Bureau*, and *Matheson*, be appointed a Committee to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Aikins*, *Allan*, *Campbell*, *Fergusson Blair*, *Bossé*, *Bureau*, *Panet*, *Moore*, *Currie*, *Ferrier*, *Macpherson*, *McCrea*, *Olivier*, *Ross*, *Samborn*, *Boulton*, *Ryan*, *Lacoste*, and *Dickson*, be appointed a Committee on Standing

Orders and Private Bills, with power to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to the said Committee; to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, and to send for persons, papers and records.

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Cormier*, *Bennett*, *Blake*, *Chaffres*, *Flint*, *Foster*, *Gingras*, *Guévremont*, *Léonard*, *Leslie*, *Read*, and *Shaw*, be appointed a Committee to peruse and perfect the Journals of this and former Sessions of the Provincial Parliament.

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

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

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

Resolved, That the Honorable Messieurs *Allan*, Sir *N. F. Belleau*, *Fergusson Blair*, *Campbell*, *Moore*, *Bossé*, *Letellier de St. Just*, *Quesnel*, and *Ross*, be appointed a Committee to assist His Honor the Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House is concerned, and to act on behalf of this House as members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

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

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

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire and report what measures can be adopted for the advancement of Agriculture in this Province, with power to send for persons, papers and records, and that the said Committee be composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Aikins*, *Alexander*, *Armand*, *Blake*, *Burnham*, *Duchesnay*, *E. H. J.*, *Letellier de St. Just*, *Olivier*, *Sanborn*, *Simpson*, *Christie*, *Moore*, *Proulx*, *Prud'homme*, and *Armstrong*.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Clerk's accounts from the first day of March last, to the thirtieth day of June, 1865, both days inclusive, as numbered from No. 1 to 233.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Price* presented to the House a Bill intituled; "An Act to facilitate the transactions of the *Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road Trustees*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill of last Session intituled, "An Act to amend chapter thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting Agricultural Societies, the Board of Agriculture, and the Agricultural Association in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Price*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Guévremont*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill of last Session intituled, "An Act for granting additional facilities in Commercial Transactions," was read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Campbell*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill of last Session intituled, "An Act to continue and amend the Act incorporating the *Marmora and Belleville Railway Company*."

On motion of the Hon. Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Bull*, it was *Ordered*, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill of last Session intituled, "An Act for the relief of the Representatives of the late *Boyd Sylvester*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Currie*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Church Societies and Incorporated Synods of the Church of *England* Dioceses in *Canada*, to sell the Rectorial Lands "in the said Dioceses."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next, and that it do then stand as the first item upon the Orders of that day.

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

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

Then, on motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

The House adjourned.

Saturday, 12th August, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Moore,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Froula,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Shead,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>

PRAYERS.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

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

Mr. Speaker and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

I have received your Address with much satisfaction.

I now commend to your careful consideration the various important matters that will be laid before you.

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

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

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

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

Monday, 14th August, 1865.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Gutvremont,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Blair Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*; of *S. E. Smith* of *Sherbrooke*.

By the Honorable Mr. *McMaster*; of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Toronto Gore*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Bull*; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Wentworth*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*; of the Corporation of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Bossé*; of the Mutual Assurance Association of the Fabriques of the Dioceses of *Three Rivers* and *Quebec*; of *Thomas Prunéau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Lambert*, in the County of *Lévis*; and of the Reverend Mr. *Casgrain*, Assistant for the Curé, and others, Churchwardens of the Fabrique of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Allan*; of the Corporation of the House of Providence of *Toronto*; and of *Rice Lewis* and others, of the City of *Toronto*.

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

Of *F. E. Grafton* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for certain amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the Homœopathic Association of *Montreal*.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*; praying for the passing of an Act, relieving the County of *Peel* from any liability for the purchase money of the *York Roads*, and making the said Roads the property of the County of *York* alone, and for other purposes.

Of *H. S. Foster* and others of the Township of *Brome*; praying to be incorporated as "The *Knowlton Cemetery Company*."

Of the Venerable *Isaac Hellmuth*, D.D., Archdeacon of *Huron*; praying for an Act of Incorporation for "The *London Collegiate Institute*."

Of the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*; praying for the passing of an Act to repeal the Act respecting the selection of a County Town for *Bruce*, to name the Village of *Walkerton* as such County Town, to legalize the actions of the said Provisional Municipal Council, and to authorize the separation of the said County of *Bruce* from the County of *Huron*, so soon as the County Buildings at *Walkerton* are complete.

Of *Alexander Bell* and others, of the Township of *Keppel*, in the County of *Grey*; praying for aid for the construction of a wharf in the said Township.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lincoln*; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the said Municipal Council to make By-laws for regulating the manner in which the *Queenston* and *Grimsbey Road* shall be kept.

Of *Norbert Doucette*, of the Parish of *Becancour*, in the County of *Nicolet*; praying for aid to re-build the bridge over the river *Godfroy*, in the Parish of *St. Grégoire*.

Of the Reverend Dames *Hedwidge Buisson*, Superior, *Mathilde Leduc*, Assistant, and others, Religious Ladies of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin *Mary*, in the Parish of *St. Grégoire*; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of "Religieuses de l'Assomption de la Bienheureuse Vierge *Marie*."

Of the Corporation of the City of *Hamilton*; praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Law of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Reverend *Patrick Dowd* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated as "The *Montreal St. Bridget's Refuge*."

Of the *Montreal* Board of Trade ; praying for certain amendments to the Act 22 Vic., Cap. 49, regulating the inspection of Pot and Pearl Ashes.

Of the Board of Trustees of the University of Queen's College, *Kingston* ; praying for the continuance and increase of their annual grant.

Of *Jean Baptiste Pontbriand* and others, of *Tanneries des Rollands* ; praying to be incorporated as "*L'Union St. Henri des Tanneries des Rollands*."

Of the Municipal Council of *St. Gabriel West* ; praying for aid to build a bridge at *St. Gabriel Ferry*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Hastings* ; praying that a grant may be given to a Company for the construction of a Railway from *Belleville* to the rear part of the said County of *Hastings*.

Two Petitions from "*Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence, de Montreal*;" praying for aid ; and also praying for aid in favor of "*L'Asile de St. Vincent de Paul*."

Of *Theophilus Mack*, M.D., and others, of *St. Catharines* ; praying to be incorporated as "*The St. Catharine's General and Marine Hospital*."

Of *Ph. B. Belleville*, of *Malbaie*, Collector of Inland Revenue for the District of *Saguenay* ; praying that he may receive a regular salary instead of fees, as at present.

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

Of the Corporation of the Village of *Arnprior* ; praying that aid may be granted to *Abe S. Dowsell*, Esquire, J.P., to pay a certain fine imposed upon him, and for other purposes.

And of *Joshua Smith* and others, of the City of *Ottawa* ; praying to be incorporated as "*The Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company*."

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Law Clerk's Report on expiring Laws.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows;—

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
14th August, 1865.

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

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Isabella Penelope Macdonell*, widow of the late *Alexander Macdonell*, of the Village of *Alexandria*, in the County of *Glengarry*, praying for an Act authorizing her to wind up the affairs of the Estate of her late husband, *Alexander Macdonell*, and find that sufficient Notice has been given in this case.

The Petition of *S. Beaumont* and others, of the City of *Montreal*, praying for an Act of Incorporation as "*La Caisse de bienfaisance de tempérance, section St. Jacques*," is not of a nature to require the publication of a notice under the 53rd Rule.

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

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was

Ordered, That the third Paragraph of the said Report relative to the quorum of the said Committee, he adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Currie*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act for the better Assignment of Dower in *Upper Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same, with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

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

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House, on Thursday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the Town of *Lévis*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Bossé*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armand*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act for more effectually securing the Liberty of the Subject," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to encourage the planting of timber, fruit, shade and ornamental trees, upon the public highways in this Province, and to give a right of property in such trees to the owner of the soil adjacent to such highways," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent the spreading of *Canada Thistles* in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter Seventy-five of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the division of *Lower Canada* into Counties, in so far as it relates to the Counties of *Rimouski* and *Gaspé*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Christie*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of the Militia General Order calling out Volunteers for service in the month of April last, and the instructions to the Officers of such Volunteers in reference to their pay and term of service.

After Debate,

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Honorable Mr. *Olivier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*,

That a Committee be appointed to enquire about the causes of the inundation that took place on the 12th of April last, with the loss of human lives, and great devastation and damage to property, in the Parishes of *Berthier*, *Sorel*, *St. Cuthbert*, *St. Barthélemy*, *Maskinongé*, and other Parishes along the River *St. Lawrence*, with power to call for persons and papers, and upon the whole make their report, with such suggestions as they may think fit, to prevent the recurrence of such sad events; and that the said Committee be composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Lacoste*, *Duchesnay*, *E. H. J. Armand*, *Archambault*, *Bossé*, *Chaffers*, *Dumouchel*, and the mover.

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

Ordered, accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a Return, to be made by the several Sheriffs in Upper Canada, of the amount paid to them respectively, on each lot or piece of land advertised for sale, for arrears of taxes, for the expenses of the advertisement of such sale during the last year.

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Church Societies and Incorporated Synods of the Church of *England* Dioceses in *Canada*, to "sell the Rectorial Lands in the said Dioceses."

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for ascertaining who are the Co-proprietors of certain Commons in *Lower Canada*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act intituled, 'An Act to consolidate the Debt of the Town of *Peterborough*, and to authorize the issue of Debentures on the security of Town Property, and for other purposes.'"

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

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

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of minor offences."

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the transactions of the *Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road Trustees*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Guvremont*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Panet*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to continue and amend the Act incorporating the *Marmora and Belleville Railway Company*."

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

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

The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 15th August, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Trice,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir A. F.,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Sheud,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guévrement,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman),</i>		

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*; of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Kinloss, Carrick, Culross, Brant, Amabel, Albemarle, Huron* and *Kincardine*; and also of the Corporation of the Village of *Kincardine*.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Flint*; of *F. McAnnany* and others, of *Belleville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sanborn*; of *John Doyle* and others, of *Sherbrooke*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*; of *Thomas Richard Johnson*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*; of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Reach*, in the County of *Ontario*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Blake*; of *Susannah Edison* and others, of the Township of *Bayham*, in the County of *Elgin*, holders of Debentures of the *Bayham, Richmond* and *Port Burwell Road Company*.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act for the sale or other disposition of the lands belonging to the Estate "of the late *John Lern Macdougall*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An "Act to amend the Act intituled, 'An Act containing special provisions concerning both "Houses of the Provincial Parliament.'"

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Then on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read a third time.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Dorion (Hochelaga)*, and others, in the following words.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Monday, 14th August, 1865.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, informing their Honors that this House has appointed the Honorable Messieurs Attorney General *Macdonald*, *J. Sandfield Macdonald*, *Dorion (Hochelaga)*, *McGee*, *Alley*, *Brown*, *Langevin*, *McDougall*, and *Rose*, and Messieurs *Dunkin* and *Joly* to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act as Members of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Dorion (Hochelaga)*, do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest.

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

And then they withdrew.

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

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

On motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Leslie* be added to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* informed the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

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

MONCK.

The Governor General transmits, for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council, copies of Documents relating to the North West Territories.

Quebec, 14th August, 1865.

(Copy.)

QUEBEC, 19th February, 1864.

MY LORD DUKE,—I have the honor to enclose a Report of the Executive Council on the proposals of the *Atlantic and Pacific* Transit and Telegraph Company, transmitted to me with Your Grace's despatch, No. 49, of the 1st May, 1863.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

MONCK.

His Grace the Duke of *Newcastle*, &c., &c., &c.

Extract from a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the 18th February, 1864.

The Committee are of opinion that in view of the recent change in the constitution and objects of the *Hudson's Bay* Company, which, from the correspondence laid before the House of Lords, appears to have been effected, and the claims which the new organization have reiterated, with the apparent sanction of His Grace the Duke of *Newcastle*, to territorial rights over a vast region not included in their original charter, it is highly expedient that steps be taken to settle definitely the North-Western boundary of *Canada*.

The Committee therefore recommend that correspondence be opened with the Imperial Government with a view to the adoption of some speedy, inexpensive, and mutually satisfactory plan to determine this important question, and that the claim of *Canada* be asserted to all that portion of Central *British America*, which can be shewn to have been in the possession of the French at the period of the cession in 1763.

Certified,

Wm. H. LEE,

C. E. C.

(Copy.—*Canada*, No. 33.)

DOWNING STREET, 1st July, 1864.

MY LORD,—I have had under my consideration your Lordship's Despatch, No. 18, of the 19th of February, enclosing to the Duke of *Newcastle* the Minute of your late Executive Council on the subject of the pending negotiation between Her Majesty's Government and the *Hudson's Bay* Company, for the cession of the Rights of that Company in the *Hudson's Bay* Territory to the Crown.

In that Minute the Executive Council say they "are of opinion that, in view of the recent change in the constitution and objects of the *Hudson's Bay* Company, which, from the correspondence laid before the House of Lords, appears to have been effected, and the claims which the new organization have reiterated, with the apparent sanction of His Grace the Duke of *Newcastle*, to territorial rights over a vast region not included in their original charter, it is highly expedient that steps be taken to settle definitely the North-Western boundary of *Canada*."

"The Committee therefore recommend that correspondence be opened with the Imperial Government with the view to the adoption of some speedy, inexpensive, and mutually satisfactory plan to determine this important question, and that the claim of *Canada* be asserted to all that portion of Central *British America*, which can be shewn to have been in the possession of the French at the period of the cession in 1763." If the proposed cession shall take place, it will be necessary to make provision for the future government of the *Red River* settlement, and prospectively of such parts of the Territory as may from time to time become the seats of settled occupation and industry.

The Committee of the House of Commons, which in the year 1857 considered the state of the British possessions in *North America* which are under the administration of the *Hudson's Bay* Company, expressed themselves in the following terms:—"Your Committee consider that it is essential to meet the just and reasonable wishes of *Canada*, to be enabled to annex to her territory such portion of the land in her neighborhood as may be available to her for the purposes of settlement, with which lands she is willing to open and maintain communications, and for which she will provide the means of local

administration. Your Committee apprehend that the districts on the *Red River* and the *Saskatchewan* are among those likely to be desired for early occupation. It is of great importance that the peace and good order of those districts should be effectually secured.

“Your Committee trust that there will be no difficulty in effecting arrangements as between Her Majesty’s Government and the *Hudson’s Bay Company*, by which these districts may be ceded to *Canada* on equitable principles; and within the districts thus annexed to her, the authority of the *Hudson’s Bay Company* would, of course, entirely cease.”

Before taking any further steps in the negotiations with the Company, I am desirous of being informed whether your advisers are prepared to assist in these negotiations, with a view of accepting the Government of any portion of the territory and undertaking the duties contemplated by the Committee, in case sufficiently favorable terms can be obtained. If they are prepared to do so, it will be desirable that they should send over to this country some person duly authorized to communicate with me upon the subject, in order that the negotiations may be proceeded with during the Recess, and the necessary measures prepared for obtaining the sanction of the Imperial Parliament and of the Legislature of *Canada*. If they are not prepared to assist in the negotiations, I shall be glad to hear from you their views upon the subject of the North-Western boundary of *Canada*.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

EDWARD CARDWELL.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the 11th November, 1864.

The Committee of Council have had under their consideration the Despatch of the Right Honorable *Edward Cardwell*, Her Majesty’s Secretary of State for the Colonies, of 1st July, 1864, in reply to Your Excellency’s Despatch of 19th February, 1864, transmitting Minute of Council on the subject of the pending negotiations between Her Majesty’s Government and the *Hudson’s Bay Company*, for the cession to the Crown of the rights of that Company in the North-Western Territories.

In the Minute of Council transmitted by your Excellency, the Government of *Canada* recommended that “Correspondence be opened with the Imperial Government with a view to the adoption of some speedy, inexpensive, and mutually satisfactory plan” to “settle definitely the North Western boundary of *Canada*,” and that “the claim of *Canada* be asserted to all that portion of Central *British America* which can be shewn to have been in the possession of the French at the period of the cession in 1763.”

Mr. *Cardwell*, in acknowledging this Minute, remarks, that “if the proposed cession shall take place, it will be necessary to make provision for the future government of the *Red River Settlement*, and prospectively of such parts of the territory as may from time to time become the seats of settled occupation and industry.” He quotes from the Report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons of 1857, in which it is said:—“Your Committee consider that it is essential to meet the just and reasonable wishes of *Canada*, to be enabled to annex to her territory such portion of the land in her neighborhood as may be available to her for the purpose of settlement, with which lands she is willing to open and maintain communications, and for which she will provide the means of local administration.

“Your Committee apprehend that the districts on the *Red River* and the *Saskatchewan* are among those likely to be desired for early occupation. It is of great importance that the peace and good order of those districts should be effectually secured. Your Committee trust that there will be no difficulty in effecting arrangements as between Her Majesty’s Government and the *Hudson’s Bay Company*, by which those districts may be ceded to *Canada* on equitable principles, and within the districts thus annexed to her, the authority of the *Hudson’s Bay Company* would, of course, entirely cease.” And Mr. *Cardwell* concludes by asking, whether the Government of *Canada* are prepared to assist in those negotiations with the view of accepting the government of any portion of the territory, and undertaking the duties contemplated by the Committee, in case sufficiently favorable terms can be obtained; and he suggests that if prepared so to do, it would be desirable that some

person, duly authorized to communicate the views of the Canadian Government, should be sent to *England* for that purpose.

The Committee of Council recommend that Mr. *Cardwell* be informed that the Government of *Canada* is more than ever impressed with the importance of opening up to settlement and cultivation the lands lying between Lake *Superior* and the *Rocky Mountains*. The great extent of these lands and their adaptability for settlement are now established beyond a doubt; and it is not to be contemplated that a region so fertile and capable of sustaining so vast a population, should longer be closed to civilization for the benefit of a trading company, however long established and respectable that company may be. The rapid progress of *British Columbia* adds to the expediency of opening, without delay, an overland route to the *Pacific*, and gives feasibility to the hope long cherished by many, that the *Atlantic* and *Pacific* Oceans, ere many years elapse, may be connected by one direct line of Railway through British territory, from *Halifax* to *British Columbia*. The close relations springing up between the *Red River* settlers and the Americans of *Pembina* and *St. Paul*, and the removal of many Americans into the territory, render it doubly expedient that a settled government, under the British Crown, should be established in the country at an early date. The effort now being made, with every prospect of success, by the governments of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, *Newfoundland* and *Prince Edward Island*, for the Union of all these Provinces under one government, presents another strong reason for settling now the future position of the North-West Country, more especially as the parties to the proposed British American Federation have unanimously agreed that the people of the North-West Territory, and of *British Columbia*, and *Vancouver*, may, at any time, join the Federation on equitable terms, and the whole of *British America* thus become united in one system of Government under the protecting rule of *Great Britain*.

The Government of *Canada* is ready and anxious to co-operate with the Imperial Government in securing the early settlement of the Territory and the establishment of local government in its settled portions. The Government looks forward with interest to the day when the valley of the *Saskatchewan* will become the back country of *Canada*, and the land of hope for the hardy youth of the Province when they seek new homes in the forest; and it anticipates with confidence the day when *Canada* will become the highway of immigration from *Europe* into those fertile valleys. To attain these ends the Government is prepared to render all the aid in its power towards opening up the country.

The Committee of Council are however clearly of the opinion that the first step towards the settlement of the Territory is the extinction of all claim by the *Hudson's Bay* Company to proprietary rights in the soil or exclusive right of trade. The Committee do not deem it necessary now to raise the question of the validity or invalidity of the Company's Charter. Were all the pretensions of the Company as to their title fully admitted for the sake of argument, the necessity of its speedy extinction would still remain. It is not to be entertained for a moment, that half a continent should continue to be shut off from the world on the strength of a parchment title, however good.

The Committee are, however, conscious that it is for the Imperial Government and not for the Government of *Canada* to assume the duty of bringing to an end a monopoly originating in an English Charter, and exercised so long under Imperial sanction; and while acknowledging with thanks the courtesy of Mr. *Cardwell*, in inviting the Government of *Canada* to assist in negotiations with the *Hudson's Bay* Company for the cession to the Crown of their claims, the Committee are of the opinion that the negotiations will be advantageously left in the hands of the Imperial Government; when the negotiations have been brought to a close the Government of *Canada* will be ready to arrange with the Imperial Government for the annexation to *Canada* of such portion of the land in her neighborhood as may be available for settlement as well as for the opening up of communications into the Territory and providing means of local administration, or should the Imperial Government prefer to erect the Territory into a Crown Colony, the Government of *Canada* will gladly co-operate in the opening up of communication into the Territory and the settlement of the country.

The Committee express the hope that until the Government of *Canada* has been communicated with, no cession of large sections of land will be made by the Imperial Government for any purpose or any right of way granted through the Territory. The history of

the American Continent is replete with examples of the great evils resulting from the locking up of extensive tracts of land in the hands of wealthy corporations, whose whole object is the realization of large profits. The existence of such an evil in these North-Western regions would seriously embarrass the efforts of any government for the early and satisfactory settlement of the country.

In suggesting that the negotiations with the *Hudson's Bay* Company should remain in the hands of the Imperial Government, the Committee are anxious that Mr. *Cardwell* should not interpret this as arising from any diminution of interest on the part of *Canada* in the just and speedy settlement of this great question; on the contrary the public interest in the question and the desire for the early occupation of the country, have of late much increased, and the best proof of this is furnished in the desire unanimously expressed by the recent Conference of the *Atlantic* Provinces, for a political union with the great Western Territories. The Government will observe the progress of the negotiations with profound interest, and will most gladly communicate with Mr. *Cardwell* on any point which he may deem proper to submit to it. The Honorable the President of the Executive Council of *Canada* [Mr. *Brown*] sails for *England* on the 16th instant; he has given much attention to the *Hudson's Bay* question, and will be able to communicate more fully to Mr. *Cardwell* the views of the Government on the subject, of which he is fully possessed.

Certified.

WM. H. LEE,
C.E.C.

To His Excellency the Governor General of *Canada* in Council:—

QUEBEC, 26th January, 1865.

MY LORD,—I have the honor to report that while recently in *England*, in compliance with your Excellency's instructions, I placed myself in communication with Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of opening up to settlement the North-Western Territories.

In Your Excellency's Despatch of 19th January, 1864, to the Colonial Secretary, the anxious desire of the Canadian Government was communicated "for some speedy, inexpensive and mutually satisfactory plan, for settling definitely the North-Western boundary of *Canada*," and the claim of *Canada* was asserted to "all that portion of Central *British America*, which can be shown to have been in the possession of the French at the period of the cession in 1763."

In reply to this despatch, Mr. *Cardwell*, on 1st July, 1864, requested to be informed whether the Government of *Canada* was prepared to assist in negotiations with the *Hudson's Bay* Company, with the view of accepting any portion of the Territory now claimed by that Company, and providing the means of local administration therein; and he suggested that if so prepared it would be desirable that some person, duly authorized to communicate the views of the Canadian Government, should be sent to *England* for that purpose.

On the 11th November, 1864, a Minute of Council was approved by Your Excellency, in reply to Mr. *Cardwell's* despatch. It set forth that the Government of *Canada* was ready and anxious to co-operate with the Imperial Government, in securing the early settlement of the North West Territories, and the establishment of local government in its settled portions; but that in its opinion the first step towards that end was the extinction of all claim by the *Hudson's Bay* Company to proprietary rights in the soil or exclusive rights of trade. It suggested that it was for the Imperial Government, and not for the Government of *Canada*, to assume the duty of bringing to an end a monopoly originating in an English Charter, and exercised so long under Imperial sanction; but that when the negotiations were brought to a close, the Government of *Canada* would be ready to arrange with the Imperial Government for the annexation to *Canada* of such portions of the Territory as might be available for settlement, as well as for the opening up of communications into the Territory and providing means of local administration. Or should the Imperial Government prefer to erect the Territory into a Crown Colony, the Canadian Government would gladly co-operate in the opening up of communication into the territory, and the settlement of the country. The minute finally suggested that the undersigned while in *England* would communicate more fully to Mr. *Cardwell* the views of the Canadian Government.

While in *London* I had the honour of several interviews with Mr. *Cardwell*, at which the whole question was fully discussed; and I gratefully acknowledge the courtesy and attention extended to me by that gentleman.

I found that negotiations for the cession to the Crown of the territorial claims of the *Hudson's Bay Company* had been proceeding for a year past between the Colonial Minister and the Company; and it may not be without advantage that I should state here briefly the point to which these negotiations had been brought:—

I. In July, 1863, the whole interests of the *Hudson's Bay Company* were transferred to Mr. *Edward W. Watkin* and certain gentlemen acting with him; and Sir *Edmund Head* was elected Governor of the Company. The capital stock of the old company was £500,000 sterling, but at the time of the sale and for some time previous each £100 share was worth £200 on the London Stock Exchange. The market value of the Company's interests was therefore £1,000,000 sterling. The new company agreed to pay £1,500,000 and did pay that sum for the transference to them of all the interests of the old Company.

II. On the 28th of August, 1863, Sir *Edmund Head*, as Governor of the new *Hudson's Bay Company*, communicated to his Grace the Duke of *Newcastle*, a resolution expressive of the conviction that the time had arrived for introducing into the North-West Territories the direct authority of the Crown.

III. On the 9th of October, 1863, Sir *Frederick Rogers*, by instruction of the Duke of *Newcastle*, informed the Company that his Grace was ready to consider any proposals submitted to him by the *Hudson's Bay Company* with reference to the introduction of the direct authority of Her Majesty's Government in *Rupert's Land*.

IV. On 11th November, 1863, Sir *Edmund Head* acknowledged the receipt of Sir *Frederick Rogers'* communication, and proceeded to explain the views of the company in the following terms:—

“With regard to the extent of the proposed colony, of which the seat of government would be *Red River* (or *Fort Garry*), the Committee presume that His Grace would wish it to include the whole country from the frontier of the *United States* to the north branch of the *Saskatchewan*, and to extend eastward towards *Lake Superior*, as far as the frontier of *Canada*, wherever the precise line of that frontier may be found. Perhaps the most convenient limit for the northern boundary would be either the *Saskatchewan* itself, or a line running from the *Rocky Mountains* eastward through *Edmonton House* and *Fort Cumberland*, and, from the latter, following the *Saskatchewan* down to *Lake Winnipeg*. Nothing would be gained by going further to the northward, nor by including the eastern side of *Lake Winnipeg*, but from the mouth of the *Winnipeg River*, where it enters the lake, the line of demarcation might be run eastward until it cut the Canadian frontier somewhere north of *Lake Superior* or *Lake Huron*.”

After hinting at the purchase by Government of the whole Territorial claims of the Company for a sum of money, payable down or by instalments—but which he admits is probably an impracticable solution—Sir *Edmund Head* goes on to propose as the condition of the Company's consent to the erection of a Crown Colony that “the Company should retain the ownership in fee-simple of one-half of the lands in the Colony and the other half should be conveyed by the Company to the Crown.” And this compromise he explains the Company suggests, only subject to the following stipulations:—

“1st. The *Hudson's Bay Company* should have the sole right to erect and should bind themselves to complete within five years an Electric Telegraph to connect *British Columbia* and *Canada*. The line for this Telegraph should be approved by the Secretary of State, and it should be maintained by the Company, who would, of course, engage to convey the messages of the Imperial and Colonial Governments at a fixed and moderate rate.

“It would be necessary as a condition precedent to the erection of the Telegraph,—
“(a) That the Government of *British Columbia* and *Canada* should pledge their faith respectively to the Secretary of State to pay the yearly sum set forth in the enclosures to the despatch of July 31, 1862, with all the advantages as to lands to be granted by Her Majesty's Government and other terms therein specified.

“(b) That a road should be laid out along the line of Telegraph, but the soil on which the Telegraph stands and the space, say one mile in width, on one side of its course should belong to the *Hudson's Bay Company*, to be reckoned as part of the half of the land which they would retain. The other side of the road might be included in the half belonging to the Crown.

“(c) That the Company, in constructing the Telegraph, should be entitled to use wood or other materials taken from ungranted land.

“2nd. The Crown shall resume the grant of mines, and diggings of gold and silver throughout the Colony, on condition of paying to the *Hudson's Bay* Company one-third of the receipts of all dues, royalties, rents, &c., from such mines or diggings, whether raised by way of export duty or otherwise, but the Company should not be liable for expenses of collection or escort.

“3rd. The buildings required for military or Government purposes at *Fort Garry* or *Red River* should be valued and purchased of the Company.

“4th. The Company should retain as a portion of their half of the lands, all lots already laid out and surveyed as well as five thousand acres round each of their forts or posts.”

V. On 11th March, 1864, Mr. *Chichester Fortescue*, Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, by direction of the Duke of *Newcastle*, rejected the proposal of the Company. In the course of his communication the following passages occur:—

“In an unsettled Colony, there is no effectual mode of taxation for purposes of government and improvement, and the whole progress of the Colony depends on the liberal and prudent disposal of its land. These considerations afford decisive reasons against leaving that land in the possession of a corporation. And I am to observe that these objections, conclusive in any case, are greatly enhanced in the case of the *Hudson's Bay* Company, as I learn from your letter that it has been the ‘unvarying opinion’ of the Committee on whose behalf you speak that the Company would ‘lose fully as much as they would gain by the increase of settlement in the Chartered Territory’—It is therefore (to say the least) a question whether the Company would not be under a direct inducement to use their proprietary rights to thwart the colonizing efforts of the Government *

* * * * * The conclusive objection to the scheme is that it would reproduce in a gigantic shape the inconveniences which, on a far smaller scale, were found intolerable in *Canada*. It is evident as matter of reasoning, and notorious as a matter of fact, that the interposition of large blocks of property between tracts or districts of Crown Land must obstruct the opening up of those districts, unless it fortunately happens that the private proprietor is ready to expend money *pari passu* with the Government in the construction of roads and other improvements, and to conform his land policy to that of the authorities. It is also clear that Colonists of the Anglo-Saxon race look upon the land revenue as legitimately belonging to the community—and that the diversion of half or more than half of that revenue to the purpose of increasing the dividends of a private corporation would cause a continual and growing discontent, which could not be allayed by any abstract argument of right, and the full force of which the Government would be expected by the Company to sustain. His Grace cannot consent to make himself responsible for these consequences, and he is therefore obliged to treat as inadmissible any proposal for the proprietary partition of those territories which may be placed under the Government of the Crown.”

Mr. *Fortescue* then proceeds to state “the only terms which, after very grave consideration, His Grace feels himself able to propose for the acceptance of the Company,” as follows:—

“1. That within certain geographical limits (coinciding more or less with those laid down in your letter) the Territorial rights of the Company should be surrendered to the Crown.

“2. That the sum of 1s. per acre on every acre sold by Government should be paid to the Company, and payment to cease when their aggregate receipts from this source shall exceed £150,000, or on the expiration of 50 years.

“3. That one-fourth of the sum received by the Government as an export duty for gold, or on leases of gold mines, or licenses for gold mining, shall be payable to the Company for 50 years, or until the aggregate receipts shall amount to £100,000.

“4. That on these conditions a Government be established in the ceded Territories—*Great Britain* undertaking the expense and risk of that Government until the Colony is able to support it as in *British Columbia* and other Colonies.

“It must be clearly understood that the payments contemplated in the second and third of these articles are entirely dependent on the Government receipts, and that the Government will not be pledged to any particular form of levying a tax upon Gold.”

Appended to Mr. *Fortescue's* letter was the following postscript:—

“P.S.—Since the above letter was drafted, His Grace has received from the Governor General of *Canada* a despatch, from which it appears that the Canadian Government contemplate the assertion of a claim to all that portion of Central *America* which can be shewn to have been in the possession of the French in 1763. It must, of course, be understood that the above suggestions are made on the supposition that the cession by the Company will place Her Majesty's Government in possession of an indisputable title to the Territory ceded by them.”

VI. On the 14th March, 1864, Sir *Edmund Head* replied to Mr. *Fortescue's* letter of the 11th March—taking strong exception to the postscript of that letter. Among other passages was the following:—

“We believe the title of the *Hudson's Bay* Company to be good, and we are prepared to defend it in any court in which it may be impugned: but we are not prepared to originate any enquiry of the kind, or to undertake to give any guarantee, or to present to the Secretary of State any title other than that which I have already said is as well known to his Grace as it is to ourselves. Such as it is, it must be taken for better for worse, for we have no other to offer, and we believe that to be sufficient. If, therefore, any such guarantee or undertaking is a condition precedent to the completion of an arrangement on the basis now suggested in your letter of the 11th instant, it will, we fear, be wholly useless for us to enter into the consideration of the principle of that offer, or any discussion how far the details involved in it are or are not acceptable to the Company, or how far the amount of compensation would be sufficient. If indeed the question were one only of some few miles, more or less, of boundary, the case would be wholly different. But in the form in which the claim is presented to us in your postscript, it appears to the Committee to make all further action impracticable.”

Sir *Edmund Head* goes on to say:—

“But for this preliminary difficulty arising from the postscript to your letter, it would now be my duty to call your attention to the fact that that letter makes no allusion to a substantive portion of our offer, to which we attach great importance, that, namely, of erecting, on certain terms, an Electric Telegraph across the *Hudson's Bay* Territory. We have ceded to no one the right to do this, and we are perfectly ready, on fair conditions, and as part of the arrangement, to undertake to do it ourselves. Nor is anything said in the counter-proposal made by you as to the portions of land which the Company might be allowed to retain as private property, nor as to the manner in which their buildings and improvements would be dealt with.”

VII. On the 5th April, 1864, Sir *Frederick Rogers* addressed Sir *Edmund Head* in rejoinder to his letter of the 14th March. In reference to the Company's objection to the postscript of Mr. *Fortescue's* letter, he said:—

“It appears to the Duke of *Newcastle* that the Company has somewhat misapprehended the intention with which that postscript was written. It is assumed, for the present purpose, that the grant to the *Hudson's Bay* Company is a valid grant. But it appears to be contended on the part of *Canada* that, whether valid or not, an instrument which only granted to the Company land not in possession of a foreign power in the year 1670, could not, from its very terms, comprehend in 1763 a territory which then belonged to the French, and which it is contended must therefore have then belonged and belong now to *Canada*. If this claim on the part of *Canada* were established, it would be evidently impossible for Her Majesty's Government to secure that land, to which it is extended, should, when sold, be subject to a payment of 1s. an acre to the *Hudson's Bay* Company. It is therefore impossible for His Grace to make any pledge of this kind except as to land which is beyond the scope of the Canadian claim.”

Sir *Frederick Rogers*, however, then went on to modify somewhat this position. He said:—

“As regards the territories west of the *Mississippi*, to which the present negotiation in the main relates, the Duke of *Newcastle*, after a careful examination, is prepared for the purpose of the present negotiation, to assume that the Canadian claim is groundless. And he therefore authorises me to renew the proposals contained in the body of my letter of the 11th, subject to the following stipulation:—That in case it should be found advisable to cede or annex to *Canada* any territory lying eastward of a line passing through Lake

Winnipeg and from thence to and through the Lake of the Woods, Her Majesty's Government should be at liberty to exempt the annexed territory from all payments to the Hudson's Bay Company, which payments would thenceforth be exclusively leviable (without any deduction from their amount) on the territories acquired by the Crown to the west of the above line of demarcation."

In regard to the second part of Sir Edmund Head's letter of 14th March, Sir Frederick Rogers explained that the Duke of Newcastle was quite willing to recognize the transference to the Hudson's Bay Company of the rights and responsibilities of the Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph and Transit Company—"if it is recognized by the Colonies concerned." And he goes on to say, that His Grace "is further willing that on the completion of the Road and Telegraph from the Frontier of Canada to that of British Columbia, lands adjacent to the line shall be granted to the Company at the rate of one square mile for every lineal mile of Road and Telegraph constructed on Crown Lands between the line of demarcation above described and the frontier of British Columbia."

VIII. On the 13th of April, the Company accepted the offer of Government in principle, but considered that the amount of the payments within 50 years out of the land and Gold Revenues should not be limited, or if limited, should be limited to £1,000,000 instead of £250,000. They asked in addition to be allowed—

- (1) To retain as private property "their Posts and Stations" (on which buildings had been erected) "outside the Red River Settlement with an area of 6,000 acres round each such post.
- (2) To retain "all lots set out and occupied by them."
- (3) To receive for every 50,000 acres of land sold by the Crown, "a grant of 5,000 acres of wild land" of their own choice.

They also require exemption from exceptional taxation and relief from every expense of government.

As the basis of an arrangement, for "through communication," they expressed their readiness to adopt Mr. Watkin's plan (modified, as it necessarily would be by the amalgamation of the Hudson's Bay Company, and the Transit and Telegraph Company), but they required five square miles of land per lineal mile of Telegraph and Road, instead of one square mile as offered by Government.

IX. On the 6th of June Mr. Cardwell declined to accept these proposals without considerable modifications, but deferred any counter-proposal until after consultation with the Treasury and with the Canadian Government.

This was the position of the negotiation when the undersigned reached London, early in December, 1864, and when Mr. Cardwell placed in his hands the papers of which a summary has been given.

Mr. Cardwell, in explaining verbally the state of the negotiations, added, that in case the Hudson's Bay Company's offer of 13th April, 1864, was accepted by the Government of Canada, as containing in principle a basis on which negotiations might be continued with the hope of a satisfactory solution, he was of opinion that considerable modifications of the terms might be obtained.

That their might be no misunderstanding as to the offer of the Company, I requested that a map might be obtained from Sir Edmund Head, so coloured as to show clearly the Territory now claimed by the Hudson's Bay Company as their property; and also a second map so coloured as to show what portion of the land claimed to be theirs, they now proposed to surrender to the Crown. Two maps, colored in this manner, were accordingly obtained from the Company and are appended to this Report.

Accompanying these maps was a letter from Sir Edmund Head, dated the 7th December, 1864, which without abating his proposal of 13th April, offered as an alternative:—

1. That the Company be paid £1,000,000 sterling.
2. That the Government of British North America acknowledge the Company's right to trade, without exclusive privileges of any kind, within the territory.
3. That the Company should hold in fee-simple all their posts now occupied, with a reasonable area round each post. All previous sales and bargains made by them at Red River shall be confirmed.
4. That the Government of British North America shall impose no exceptional taxes on the Company, its property, or its servants.

5. That the disputed matter of the Company's lands in *Canada* be settled by issuing grants on the footing formerly agreed upon between Mr. *Vankoughnet* and Mr. *Hopkins*.

6. That the Company shall be bound to hand over to the Government of *British North America* all the materials for the construction of the telegraph on the payment of the cost price and expenses already incurred.

In discussing with Mr. *Cardwell* these demands of the *Hudson's Bay Company*, I pointed out what appeared to me the utterly untenable character of their pretensions. I endeavoured to show that they were seeking to sell to Her Majesty's Government, for an enormous sum, territory to which they had no title under their Charter; and I contended that if the solution of the question was to be sought in the purchase of a portion of the Company's territorial claims, the first step was clearly to ascertain what validity there was in those claims—what land the Company really had to sell.

I further stated, as my personal view of the matter, that no solution would be satisfactory to the people of *Canada* short of the entire extinction of the *Hudson's Bay Company's* territorial claims and exclusive rights of trade. I pointed out, that to recognize and maintain the exclusive pretensions of the Company over a large portion of the continent, and to give it thereby a monopoly of the lucrative fur-trade; would be simply erecting a barrier in the way of the rapid settlement of the country, and laying the foundation for serious difficulty when the country became settled, and for a further demand on the part of the *Hudson's Bay Company*, some years hence, for the final extinction of its claims.

I urged that in view of the present unsettled position of the American Continent; it was of the highest importance to attract to *British America* as large a share as possible of the European emigration—that the opening up of the North-West Territories with all their Agricultural, Mineral and Fur-Trading advantages would conduce vastly to that end—and that a further delay of this step would (from the immigration of Americans now going on into the Territory) render the establishment of British institutions in the settled portions of the country much more difficult than if action were taken now.

Denying the claims set up by the *Hudson's Bay Company*, I further contend that, even were all their pretensions admitted for the sake of argument, the sum demanded by the Company—namely, one million sterling—was much more than they are entitled to receive for the entire extinction of their claims from the *Atlantic* to the *Rocky Mountains*, and from the American line to the extreme North. I pointed out, that it was only eighteen months since the rights of the *Hudson's Bay Company* had passed by purchase into the hands of the present proprietors; that they paid £1,500,000 for those rights, which was fifty per cent. above the then market value of the property; and I referred to the official prospectus on which the new company was formed in July, 1863, for proof that the demand now made on Her Majesty's Government by the Company was utterly unreasonable. I drew Mr. *Cardwell's* attention to the fact, that the prospectus declared that the assets of the new *Hudson's Bay Company*, exclusive of the landed territory, had been "recently valued by competent valuers at £1,023,569 sterling," and that these assets were further explained to consist of "goods in the interior, on ship-board, and other stock-in-trade, including shipping, business premises, and other buildings necessary for carrying on the fur trade." I pointed out that in addition to this large amount of convertible property, "a cash balance" derived from the old *Hudson's Bay Company*, was spoken of in the prospectus; and that other large landed possessions besides those to the east of the *Rocky Mountains* and north of the American line, were thus set forth in the prospectus as being part of the property purchased by the new company;

"In addition to its Chartered Territory, the Company possess the following valuable landed property:—Several plots of land in *British Columbia*, occupying most favorable sites at the mouths of rivers, the titles to which have been confirmed by Her Majesty's Government; farms; building sites in *Vancouver's Island*; and in *Canada* ten square miles at *La Oloche*, on *Lake Huron*; and tracts of land at fourteen other places."

In addition to all this, I directed Mr. *Cardwell's* attention to the fact that the *Hudson's Bay Company* held a claim against the American Government, and which was at that moment under consideration by arbitrators, for the surrender of their rights on the *Pacific*, south of the boundary line established under the *Oregon Treaty*. I stated, on information that had reached me, but without personal knowledge of its correctness, that the American Government had expressed its willingness to pay \$1,000,000 for the extinction of that

claim, but that the Company rejected it and were in expectation of receiving a much larger sum.

In view of all these facts, I contended that it was utterly unreasonable on the part of the Company to claim any such sum as one million sterling, even for the entire extinction of their territorial and trade claims east of the *Rocky Mountains*. But I admitted that it was for Her Majesty's Imperial Government to settle with the *Hudson's Bay* Company the consideration to be paid for the extinction of their claims, as it could not be expected that the people of *Canada* should bear the burden of extinguishing a monopoly that they did not create and have never recognized, and the advantages from the extinguishing of which they would only share in common with the rest of Her Majesty's subjects. I urged that the Imperial Government should, without delay, secure the extinction of the Company's claims; and that the Government of *Canada* would be prepared to assume the duty and cost of opening up communications into the country and establishing local government in the settled portions.

I had the honor of interviews with several of Her Majesty's Ministers, who were then in *London*, in which I was permitted to urge these views to a greater or less extent. But the Christmas holidays having intervened, and being compelled to leave *England* in time to be present at the opening of the Canadian Parliament on the 19th January, I was unable to press the matter to a close. I therefore suggested to Mr. *Cardwell* that I would report to Your Excellency the point to which the discussion had been brought, and that when the proposed deputation of Members of the Canadian Government visited *England* in spring, the negotiation might be resumed, and, if possible, brought to a satisfactory termination. Mr. *Cardwell* kindly consented to this arrangement.

I have the honor to be,

My Lord,

Your most obedient servant,

GEO. BROWN.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the 27th March, 1865.

The Committee have had under consideration the report (hereunto appended) of the Honorable the President of the Executive Council, on the subject of his communications with the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, in *London*, in reference to the opening up to settlement the North-West Territories.

The Committee respectfully recommend that the negotiations to be taken up by the deputation of Members of Council now about to proceed to *London*, at the point to which they had been so ably brought by the President of the Council, and carried, if possible, to a successful termination.

Certified,

WM. H. LEE,

C. E. C.

Extract from a Despatch (No. 95) from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor General, dated 17th June, 1865.

"On the fourth point, the subject of the North-Western Territory, the Canadian Ministers desired that that Territory should be made over to *Canada*, and undertook to negotiate with the *Hudson's Bay* Company for the termination of their rights, on condition that the indemnity, if any, should be paid by a Loan to be raised by *Canada* under the Imperial Guarantee; with the sanction of the Cabinet, we assented to the proposal,—undertaking that if the negotiation should be successful, we, on the part of the Crown, being satisfied that the amount of the indemnity was reasonable, and the security sufficient, would apply to the Imperial Parliament to sanction the agreement and to guarantee the amount."

Extract from a Report of the Delegates to *England*, dated 12th July, 1865.

"The important question of opening up to settlement and cultivation the vast British

Territories on the North-west borders of *Canada*, next obtained the attention of the Conference. Your Excellency is aware that the desire of the Government of *Canada* for a satisfactory and final adjustment of this matter has been often formally expressed. In Your Excellency's Despatch of 19th January, 1864, to the Colonial Secretary, the anxious desire of the Canadian Government was communicated "for some speedy, inexpensive and mutually satisfactory plan, for settling definitely the North-Western boundary of *Canada*," and the claim of *Canada* was asserted to "all that portion of Central *British America* which can be shown to have been in the possession of the French at the time of the cession in 1763."

"In reply to this Despatch, Mr. *Cardwell*, on 1st July, 1864, requested to be informed whether the Government of *Canada* was prepared to assist in negotiations with the *Hudson's Bay Company*, with the view of accepting any portion of the Territory now claimed by that Company, and providing the means of local administration therein; and he suggested, that, if so prepared, it would be desirable that some person duly authorized to communicate the views of the Canadian Government should be sent to *England* for that purpose.

On the 11th November, 1864, a Minute of Council was approved by Your Excellency, in reply to Mr. *Cardwell's* Despatch. It set forth that the Government of *Canada* was ready and anxious to co-operate with the Imperial Government, in securing the early settlement of the North-West Territories, and the establishment of local government in its settled portions; but that in its opinion the first step towards that end was the extinction of all claims by the *Hudson's Bay Company* to proprietary rights in the soil, and exclusive rights of trade. It suggested that it was for the Imperial Government, and not for the Government of *Canada*, to assume the duty of bringing to an end a monopoly originating in an English Charter, and exercised so long under Imperial sanction; but that when the negotiations were brought to a close, the Government of *Canada* would be ready to arrange with the Imperial Government for the annexation to *Canada* of such portions of the Territory as might be available for settlement, as well as for the opening up of communications into the Territory, and providing means of local administration. Or should the Imperial Government prefer to erect the Territory into a Crown Colony, the Canadian Government would gladly co-operate in the opening up of communications into the Territory, and the settlement of the country. The minute finally suggested that the Honorable President of the Council, while in *England*, would communicate more fully to Mr. *Cardwell* the views of the Canadian Government.

The negotiations that followed on this despatch, satisfied us of the impossibility of enforcing the end sought by *Canada* without long-protracted, vexatious and costly litigation. The *Hudson's Bay Company* were in possession, and if time were their object, could protract the proceedings indefinitely; and Her Majesty's Government appeared unwilling to ignore pretensions that had frequently received quasi recognition from the Imperial authorities.—Calling to mind, therefore, the vital importance to *Canada* of having that great and fertile country opened up to Canadian enterprise, and the tide of emigration into it directed through Canadian channels—remembering also the danger of large grants of land passing into the hands of mere moneyed corporations, and embarrassing the rapid settlement of the country—and the risk that the recent discoveries of gold on the eastern slope of the *Rocky Mountains* might throw into the country large masses of settlers unaccustomed to British institutions—we arrived at the conclusion that the quickest solution of the question would be the best for *Canada*. We accordingly proposed to the Imperial Ministers, that the whole British Territory east of the *Rocky Mountains* and north of the American or Canadian lines should be made over to *Canada*, subject to such rights as the *Hudson's Bay Company* might be able to establish; and that the compensation to that Company (if any were found to be due) should be met by a loan guaranteed by *Great Britain*. The Imperial Government consented to this, and a careful investigation of the case satisfies us that the compensation to the *Hudson's Bay Company* cannot, under any circumstances, be onerous. It is but two years since the present *Hudson's Bay Company* purchased the entire property of the old Company: they paid £1,500,000 for the entire property and assets,—in which were included a large sum of cash on hand, large landed properties in *British Columbia* and elsewhere not included in our arrangement, a very large claim against the *United States* Government under the *Oregon Treaty*—and ships, goods, pelts, and business premises in *England* and *Canada* valued at £1,023,569. The

value of the territorial rights of the Company therefore, in the estimation of the Company itself, will be easily arrived at."

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

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to relieve the Rossin House Hotel Joint Stock Company (limited) from payment of taxes," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to encourage the planting of Timber, Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees upon the Public Highways in this Province, and to give a right of property in such trees to the owners of the soil adjacent to such highways."

The Honorable Mr. *Flint* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Dissentient:—A. J. *Duchesnay*, J. N. *Bossé*.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Flint*, *Moore*, *Leonard*, *McCrea*, *Letellier de St. Just*, and *Currie*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent the spreading of Canada Thistles in Upper Canada."

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter Seventy-five of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respecting the division of Lower Canada into Counties, in so far as it relates to the Counties of *Rimouski* and *Gaspé*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Sir N. F. *Belleau*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Bossé*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act intituled, 'An Act to Consolidate the Debt of the Town of Peterborough, and to authorize the issue of Debentures on the security of Town Property, and 'for other purposes.'"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the transactions of the *Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road Trustees*."

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to continue and amend the Act incorporating the *Marmora and Belleville Railway Company*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Read*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, The House adjourned.

Wednesday, 16th August, 1865.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Akins,</i>	<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Blair Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Aikins*; of the Provisional Council of the County of *Peel*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*; of *Martin Dunsford*, of the Town of *Lindsay*, in the County of *Victoria*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*; of the *Waterloo* County Mutual Fire Insurance Association.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*; of *F. X. Valade* and others, of *Longueuil, St. Hubert*, and other persons, on the South Bank of the River *St. Lawrence*, in the District of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*; of *Gilbert McMicken*, of the Town of *Windsor*, and others; and of *William Gaspé Hall*, of the Town of *Windsor*, and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Bureau*; of *Donald Alexander Livingston*, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme* in the County of *Chateauguay*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*; of *Hector Russel* and *Catharine Russel*, of *Trinity*, near *Edinburgh, Scotland*.

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

Of *S. E. Smith*, of *Sherbrooke*; praying for the payment of the indemnity due to the late Honorable *Hollis Smith*.

Of the Corporation of the House of Providence of *Toronto*; praying for the increase of their annual grant.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Toronto Gore*; praying to be annexed to the County of *York*, in the event of the separation of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Wentworth*; praying for the passing of an Act, restricting the rate of interest to seven per cent.

Of the Corporation of the City of *Montreal*; praying for certain amendments to the Bill explanatory of the enactments of the Act incorporating the said City.

Of the Mutual Assurance Association of the Fabriques of the Dioceses of *Three Rivers* and *Quebec*; praying to be authorized to establish their office at some other place, and for other purposes.

Of *Thomas Pruneau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Lambert*, in the County of *Lévis*; praying for aid for the improvement of certain roads.

Of the Reverend M. *Casgrain*, assistant for the Curé and others, Churchwardens of the Fabrique of *Notre Dame de Québec*; praying for an Act to authorize the raising of a certain sum of money, and for other purposes.

And of *Rice Lewis* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Act of *Upper Canada*.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Annual Return of the Senate of the University of *Toronto*, for the year 1864.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *S. E. Smith*, of *Sherbrooke*, read this day, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and the same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
16th August, 1865.

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

Your Committee have examined the following petitions, and find that sufficient Notice has been given in each case, viz: Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lincoln*, praying for an Act to authorize the raising of certain sums of money for the payment of Debentures issued by the said Municipality, and to legalize the By-laws under which said Debentures were issued; and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lincoln*, praying for an Act authorizing the said Municipal Council to make By-Laws for regulating the manner in which the *Queenston* and *Grimsbey* Roads shall be kept.

Your Committee have also examined the petition of *F. E. Grafton* and others, of the City of *Montreal*, praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the Homœopathic Association of *Montreal*, and find the notice too general, as no mention is made of the nature of the amendments prayed for, but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd rule.

Your Committee have also examined the petition of the *Richelieu* Company, praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation, and find that the amendments specified in the petition correspond with the notice, with the exception of a provision for empowering shareholders to vote by proxy, which has been omitted in the notice published in *Le Journal de Québec*, *La Minerve* and the *Canada Gazette*, but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any one shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53d Rule.

On the Petition of *Joshua Smith* and others, of the City of *Ottawa*, praying to be incorporated as the *Ottawa* City Passengers Railway Company, Your Committee find that though inserted in the *Ottawa Citizen*, one of the newspapers published in the County of *Carleton*, the notice has not been given in a paper published in the County of *Ottawa*, one of the localities affected, but inasmuch as the *Ottawa Citizen* has a wide circulation throughout the Counties of *Carleton* and *Ottawa*, and as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53d rule.

The petitions of the Reverend *Patrick Dowd*, and others, of the City of *Montreal*, praying to be incorporated as "The *Montreal St. Bridget's* Refuge;" of *Jean Baptiste Pontbriand*, and others, of the *Tanneries des Rollands*, in the Parish of *Montreal*, praying to be incorporated under the name of "*l'Union St. Henri, des Tanneries des Rollands*;" of the Venerable *Isaac Hellmuth*, D.D., Archdeacon of *Huron*, praying for an Act of incorporation for "The *London Collegiate Institute*;" of the Révérendes *Dames Hedwidge Buisson*, and others, in the Parish of *St. Grégoire*, district of *Three Rivers*, praying to be incorporated as "*Les Religieuses de l'Assomption de la Bienheureuse Vierge Marie*;" and of *Theophilus Mack*, M.D., and others, of *St. Catharines*, *C. W.*, praying to be incorporated as "The *St. Catharines* General and Marine Hospital," are not of a nature to require the publication of a notice under the 53d rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of the representatives of the late *Boyd Sylvester*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

The said amendments being read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,
That they be agreed to.

Which being objected to;

After debate,

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
Wednesday, 16th August, 1865.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, requesting that their Honors will unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, and informing their Honors that the Members of the Standing Committee on Printing, namely, Messrs. *Bell*, *Brousseau*, Honorable Mr. *Chapais*, Mr. *Dorion (Drummond and Arthabaska)*, Honorable Mr. *Evanturel*, Messrs. *Jackson*, *McKellar*, *Mackenzie (of Lambton)*, *Perrault*, *Stirton*, and *Webb*, will act as Members of the said Joint Committee on Printing.

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

Attest.

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

And then they withdrew.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ryan* presented to the House, a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal Saint Bridget's Refuge*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sandborn*, it was

Ordered, That when the House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until tomorrow, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate The *St. Catharines* General and Marine Hospital."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize a certain By-law of the County of *Lincoln*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Sanborn* be added to the Committee on Printing.

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

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Printing, appointed on the 10th instant, viz : the Honorable Messieurs *Aikins, Alexander, Burnham, Christie, E. H. J. Duchesnay, Dumouchel, Foster, McDonald, Reesor, and Simpson*, be instructed to act on behalf of this House, with the Committee of the Legislative Assembly, as a Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing, as desired in their Message of this day.

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

On motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Allan* be added to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of Bonds and Securities Recorded between the 19th day of January and the 8th day of August, 1865.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to grant certain additional powers to the *Canada West Farmers' Mutual and Stock Insurance Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Bull*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Blake*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the Town of *Lévis*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for the sale or other disposition of the lands belonging to the estate of the late *John Lorn McDougall*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for more effectually securing the Liberty of the Subject."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act further to amend the Law respecting Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* reported from the said Committee, that they had taken the said Bill into consideration, and had directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the said Committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the transactions of the *Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road Trustees*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Price*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

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

The House adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Thursday, 17th August, 1865.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, That when the House adjourns this day it do stand adjourned until Tuesday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

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

Then the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*,

That the Fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with for a call of the House to-morrow, being the second Friday after the commencement of the Session, and that it be made at the next sitting of the House.

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

Ordered accordingly.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*; of *J. Valentine* and others.

By the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*; of the Sisters of Charity administering the General Hospital, *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Inkerman)*; of *L. J. Papineau* and others, of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Bonsecours*, in the County of *Ottawa*; of *William Greenleese* and others, of the Township of *Lochabar*, in the County of *Ottawa*; and of the Reverend *T. David* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Angeliqze*, in the said County of *Ottawa*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Bureau*; of the Sisters of Charity administering the General Hospital, *Montreal*.

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

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Kinloss*, *Currick*, *Cutross*, *Brant*, *Huron*, *Amabel* and *Albemarle*, and *Kincardine*, and of the Corporation of the Village of *Kincardine*; severally praying for an Act to repeal the Act respecting the selection of a County Town for *Bruce*, and to sanction the proceedings of the Provisional Council of *Bruce*, in reference thereto.

Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*; praying against the amalgamation of the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* and Grand Trunk Railway Companies; and also praying that measures be adopted to establish a more fruitful system of Agriculture, to promote Manufacture, and for other purposes.

Of *F. McAnnany* and others, of the Town of *Belleville*; praying that an Act may be passed, authorizing the construction of a Railway from *Belleville* to the Mineral Districts of the Townships of *Marmorra*, *Madoc* and *Elzwer* and that a grant of land may be given to aid in the construction of said Railway.

Of *John Doyle* and others, of *Sherbrooke*; praying against the granting of any new powers to the British American Land Company.

Of *Thomas Richard Johnson*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act, empowering him as Curator to the Estate of the late *Grace Russel*, to administer the property of the said Estate, to sell and realize the same, and to apply the proceeds thereof.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Reach*, in the County of *Ontario*; praying for certain amendments to the Municipal and Assessment Acts of *Upper Canada*.

And of *Susannah Edison* and others, of the Township of *Bayham*, in the County of *Elgin*, holders of Debentures of the *Bayham*, *Richmond* and *Port Burwell Road Company*;

praying for an Act to legalize By-law No. 116 of the Township of *Bayham*, and the issue of Debentures thereunder.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Statement of the Fee Fund, *Upper Canada*, for the year ended 30th June, 1865.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Wilson* be added to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting abuses prejudicial to Agriculture."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, it was

Ordered, That the quorum of the last mentioned Select Committee be reduced to five Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Olivier* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate prosecutions under the Act respecting Tavern Keepers and the sale of Intoxicating Liquors."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read for the third time.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Skead* be added to the Committee on Agriculture.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* from the Joint Committee on Printing presented their First Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and the same was then read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE ROOM,

17th August, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses, on the subject of the Legislative Printing, beg leave to make the following as their First Report.

The Committee recommend that their quorum be reduced to seven members.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON,

Chairman.

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

Ordered, That the same be adopted.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to make better provision for the Official Inspection of Fish and Fish Oils."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and to provide for the better regulation of Fishing, and protection "of Fisheries"

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act for the better assignment of Dower in *Upper Canada*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bossé*, The House adjourned until Tuesday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Tuesday, 22nd August, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins</i> ,	<i>Christie</i> ,	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman)</i> ,	<i>Panet</i> ,
<i>Alexander</i> ,	<i>Cormier</i> ,	<i>Hamilton (Kingston)</i> ,	<i>Perry</i> ,
<i>Armand</i> ,	<i>Crawford</i> ,	<i>Lacoste</i> ,	<i>Price</i> ,
<i>Armstrong</i> ,	<i>Currie</i> ,	<i>Leonard</i> ,	<i>Proulx</i> ,
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.</i>	<i>Dickson</i> ,	<i>Leslie</i> ,	<i>Read</i> ,
<i>Bennett</i> ,	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.</i> ,	<i>McCrea</i> ,	<i>Reesor</i> ,
<i>Blair, Fergusson</i> ,	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.</i> ,	<i>McDonald</i> ,	<i>Ross</i> ,
<i>Bossé</i> ,	<i>Dumouchel</i> ,	<i>McMaster</i> ,	<i>Ryan</i> ,
<i>Boulton</i> ,	<i>Ferrier</i> ,	<i>Macpherson</i> ,	<i>Sanborn</i> ,
<i>Bull</i> ,	<i>Flint</i> ,	<i>Malhiot</i> ,	<i>Shaw</i> ,
<i>Burnham</i> ,	<i>Foster</i> ,	<i>Matheson</i> ,	<i>Simpson</i> ,
<i>Campbell</i> ,	<i>Gingras</i> ,	<i>Moore</i> ,	<i>Shead</i> ,
<i>Chaffers</i> ,	<i>Gévremont</i> ,	<i>Olivier</i> ,	<i>Vidal</i> .

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* ; two Petitions of *Christian Wurtele* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Bull* ; of *James Horsburgh*, on behalf of "The *Hamilton Co-operative Society*."

By the Honorable Mr. *Foster*; of *Louis Lacroix* and others, of the Township of *Granby*, in the County of *Shefford*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*; of the Corporation of the Town of *Cobourg*; of the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company; of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Hamilton*; and of *Ralph Jones* and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*; of *J. B. Emond* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*; of the Corporation of the Town of *Niagara*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*; of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Greenock*, *Artemesia* and *Arran*, in the County of *Bruce*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Alexander*; of Messrs. *Charles E. Levey* and Co. and others, of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*; of *John Morrison* and others, of the Village of *Huntingdon*.

By the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Guévremont*; of the General Hospital of the District of *Richelieu*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sanborn*; of *R. W. Heneker* and others, occupiers and Agents of land in the Township of *Ely*, in the District of *Bedford*.

By the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*; of *Joseph Anctil*, of *Ste. Anne de la Pocatière*, and of *Auguste Fournier*, of *St. Jean Port Joli*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*; of *Richard Thomas Walkem*, of the City of *Kingston*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*; of the Reverend *William Darrach* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Price*; of the *Tadousac* Hotel and Sea-bathing Company; and of the *DeLéry* Gold Mining Company.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Elair*; of *John S. Macdonald*, of *Cornwall*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Reesor*; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*.

By the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*; of *P. J. Beaudry* and others, members of the Committee of Management of the *St. Roch* Savings Bank, *Montreal*.

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

Of the Provisional Council of the County of *Peel*; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the appointment of Judicial and other Officers for the said County, providing for the separation of the same from the County of *York*, and for other purposes.

Of *Martin Dunsford*, of the Town of *Lindsay* in the County of *Victoria*; praying for an Act to authorize the Courts of Law and Equity, in *Upper Canada*, to admit him to the degree of Barrister-at-law.

Of the *Waterloo* County Mutual Fire Insurance Association; praying for an Act to grant additional powers to the said Association.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry*, praying for the passing of an Act restricting the rate of interest to seven per cent.

Of *F. X. Valade* and others, of *Longueuil* and *St. Hubert*, and other persons on the south bank of the River *St. Lawrence*; praying for the redress of certain grievances respecting the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*, and for other purposes.

Of *Gilbert McMicken*, of the Town of *Windsor*, and others; praying to be incorporated as "The *Windsor and Sandwich Street Railway Company*."

Of *William Gaspé Hall*, of the said Town of *Windsor*, and others; praying to be incorporated as "The *Windsor Ferry Company*."

Of *Donald Alexander Livingston*, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, in the County of *Chateauguay*; praying for an Act to authorize the Provincial Medical Board to issue a license to him to practise Physic, Surgery and Midwifery in *Lower Canada*.

And of *Hector Russel* and *Catherine Russel*, of *Trinity*, near *Edinburgh, Scotland*; praying for an Act empowering *Thomas Richard Johnson*, as curator to the Estate of the late *Grace Russel*, to administer the property of the said estate, to sell and realize the same, and to apply the proceeds thereof.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 14th instant, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a copy of the Militia General Order calling out Volunteers for service in the month of April last, and the instructions to the Officers of such Volunteers in reference to their pay and term of service.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Grand Temple of the Independent Order of Good Templars of *Canada*, made up to the 15th August, 1865.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

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

Ordered, That it be received, and the same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
22nd August, 1865.

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

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions and find that sufficient Notice has been given in each case, viz. : Of the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*, praying for an Act repealing the Act respecting the selection of a County Town, naming the Village of *Walkerton* as such County Town, legalizing the action of the Provisional Council, and authorizing the separation of the said County from the County of *Huron*, so soon as the County Buildings are ready; Of the Corporation of the City of *Montreal*, praying for certain amendments to the Bill explaining the enactments of the Act of Incorporation of the City of *Montreal*; and of *Susannah Edison* and others, of the Township of *Bayham*, in the County of *Elgin*, holders of debentures of the *Bayham, Richmond, and Port Burwell Road Company*, praying for an Act to legalize By-law 116 of the Township of *Bayham*, and the issue of debentures thereunder.

On the Petition of *Thomas Richard Johnson*, of the City of *Montreal*, accountant, praying for an Act empowering him as curator to the Estate of the late *Grace Russel*, to

administer the property of the said Estate, to sell and realize the same, and apply the proceeds thereof, Your Committee find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full time required; but, inasmuch as it will be competent for them as Committee on Private Bills to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the Petition of *Thomas Richard Johnson*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act empowering him as Curator to the Estate of the late *Grace Russel*, to administer the property of the said Estate, to sell and realize the same, and to apply the proceeds thereof.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the separation of the County of *Renfrew* from the County "of *Lanark*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Shead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Shaw*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to provide for the preservation of Standing Timber," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Proulx* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the erection of Towns and Villages in *Lower Canada*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

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

MONCK.

The Governor General informs the Honorable Legislative Council that he has granted leave to the Honorable *James Morris* to be absent from his place in the House during the present Session.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Quebec, 21st August, 1865.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House was called:—

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker, Present.

The Honorable Messieurs

JOHN HAMILTON (<i>Kingston</i>)	- - - -	Present.
PHILIP H. MOORE	- - - -	Present.
GEORGE J. GOODHUE	- - - -	Absent.
JAMES MORRIS	- - - -	Absent, with leave of His Excellency the Governor General.

JAMES FERRIER	Present.
RODERICK MATHESON	Present.
GEORGE S. BOULTON	Present.
JAMES LESLIE	Present.
FREDERICK A. QUESNEL	Absent.
JOHN ROSS	Present.
SAMUEL MILLS	Absent.
LOUIS PANET	Present.
SIR NARCISSE F. BELLEAU	Present.
CHARLES WILSON	Absent.
BENJAMIN SEYMOUR	Absent.
DAVID M. ARMSTRONG	Present.
EBENEZER PERRY	Present.
WALTER H. DICKSON	Present.
JOSEPH F. ARMAND	Present.
JAMES SHAW,	Present.
A. B. FOSTER,	Present.
A. J. FERGUSON BLAIR	Present.
HARCOURT BURLAND BULL	Present.
ALEXANDER CAMPBELL	Present.
JOSEPH NOEL BOSSÉ	Present.
L. A. OLIVIER	Present.
J. O. BUREAU	Absent.
J. BTE. G. PROULX	Present.
LOUIS RENAUD	Absent.
THOMAS BENNETT	Present.
DAVID CHRISTIE	Present.
GEORGE ALEXANDER	Present.
LUC LETELLIER DE ST. JUST	Absent.
JAMES C. AIKINS	Present.
JOHN HAMILTON (<i>Inkerman</i>)	Present.
CHARLES COBBIER	Present.
DAVID REESOR	Present.
ANTOINE JUCHEREAU DUCHESNAY	Present.
DAVID EDWARD PRICE	Present.
ELZEAR H. J. DUCHESNAY	Present.
E. LEONARD	Present.
WM. McMASTER	Present.
LEANDRE DUMOUCHEL	Present.
LOUIS LACOSTE	Present.
ASA A. BURNHAM	Present.
JAMES GEORGE CURRIE	Present.
JOHN SIMPSON	Present.
ROBERT READ	Present.
PIERRE URGEL ARCHAMBAULT	Absent.
JAMES SKEAD	Present.
EUSTACHE PRUD'HOMME	Absent.
WILLIAM HENRY CHAFFERS	Present.
DAVID LEWIS MACPHERSON	Present.
JEAN BAPTISTE GUEVREMONT	Present.
CHARLES MALHIOT	Present.
JEAN ELIE GINGRAS	Present.
ALEXANDER VIDAL	Present.
GEORGE CRAWFORD	Present.
DONALD McDONALD	Present.
OLIVER BLAKE	Absent.
BILLA FLINT	Present.
THOMAS RYAN	Present.

JOHN SEWELL SANBORN	- - - - -	Present.
WALTER MCCREA	- - - - -	Present.
GEORGE WILLIAM ALLAN	- - - - -	Absent.

The Honorable the Speaker, from the Committee appointed to consider of the Orders and Customs of this House and Privileges of Parliament, reported in obedience to the fourth Standing Order of this House that the Honorable *James Gordon*, the Honorable *George René Saveuse de Beaujeu* and the Honorable Sir *Etienne Pascal Taché*, three of the life Members of this House, have departed this life since the last Session of Parliament.

Then the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

That as a mark of respect for the memory of the deceased Members just alluded to, this House do now adjourn.

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

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

Wednesday, 23rd August, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guëremont,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Allan* ; of *William Kingsford*, Civil Engineer ; and of the Bank of *Upper Canada*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste* ; of *E. Lespérance*, and *J. Hurteau*, of *Longueuil*.

By the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*; four Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Essex*.

By the Honorable Mr. *McMaster*; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Victoria*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Read*; of *J. B. Breckenridge* and others, of the Township of *Marmora* in the County of *Hastings*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*; of *Samuel Gooley* and others, of the Village of *Trenton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*; of the International Bridge Company.

By the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*; of *L. H. Ferland* and others, of the Village of *Berthier* in the County of *Berthier*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*; of *W. D. B. Janes*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Sanborn*; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Compton*.

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

Of *J. Valentine* and others; praying against the proceedings of the Provisional Council of *Bruce*, in selecting *Walkerton* to be the County Town and erecting County buildings there, and that no Act to legalize the said proceedings be passed.

Two Petitions of the Sisters of Charity administering the General Hospital, *Montreal*; praying to be relieved from the necessity of building Fish Passes on certain Dams erected in the River *Chateauguay*; and also praying for the continuance of their annual grant.

Of *L. J. Papineau* and others, of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Bonsecours*, in the County of *Ottawa*;—Of *William Greenleese* and others, of the Township of *Lochaber*, in the said County;—and of the Rev. *T. David* and others, of the Parish of *St. Angélique* in the said County; severally praying that the said County may be divided into two parts for Municipal and Registration purposes.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend chapter fifteen of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Education," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *E. H. J. Duchesnay*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *J. Sandfield Macdonald* (*Cornwall*), and others, in the following words:—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
Monday, 21st August, 1865.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, informing their Honors that this House have added the Honorable Mr. *Cauchon* to the Select Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. J. Sandfield Macdonald (*Cornwall*), do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest.

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

And then they withdrew.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and
The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
23rd August, 1865.

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

Your Committee have examined the following petitions, and find that sufficient Notice has been given in each case, viz. : Of *Donald Alexander Livingston*, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, in the County of *Chateauguay* ; praying for an Act to authorize the Provincial Medical Board to issue a License to him to practise Physic, Surgery and Midwifery in *Lower Canada* ; of *Gilbert McMicken*, of the Town of *Windsor*, and others ; praying to be incorporated as "The *Windsor and Sandwich Street Railway Company* ;" and of *William Gaspé Hall*, of the Town of *Windsor*, and others ; praying to be incorporated as "The *Windsor Ferry Company*."

Your Committee have also examined the petitions of the Reverend Mr. *Casgrain*, Assistant for the Curé, and others, Church Wardens of the Fabrique of *Notre Dame de Québec* ; praying for an Act to authorize the Consolidation of the debt of the said Fabrique ; and of *Martin Dunsford*, of the Town of *Lindsay*, in the County of *Victoria* ; praying for an Act to authorize the Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada* to admit him to the degree of Barrister at Law, and find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required, but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53d Rule.

And Your Committee have also examined the petition of the *Waterloo County Mutual Fire Insurance Association* ; praying for an Act to grant additional powers to the said Association, and find the notice too general, but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

On the petition of the Mutual Insurance Association, of the Fabrique of the Dioceses of *Quebec* and *Three Rivers*, praying to be authorised to establish their office at some other place, and for other purposes, Your Committee find that though regularly given in the French papers published in the locality affected, the Notice has not been inserted in a paper published in the English language, but as the parties interested are almost exclusively of French origin, and inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule. And on the Petition of *Louis Roy* and others, of *St. Norbert de Cap Chat* ; praying that the said parish, situated partly in the County of *Gaspé* and partly in the County of *Rimouski*, may be included in its totality in the County and District of *Gaspé*, for all civil purposes, Your Committee find that no local Notice has been given, but as there is no local newspaper in which such Notice could be given, and as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53d Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts incor-

"porating the Town of Lévis," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether the Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to relieve the *Rossin* House Hotel Joint Stock Company (limited) from the payment of Taxes," reported that the Preamble is not proved, as it is not shewn to the satisfaction of the Committee that sufficient cause exists for exempting the Company referred to in the Bill from Municipal assessments.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to revive and amend the Act to incorporate the *Marmora* and *Belleville* Railway Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Read*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Alexander*, from the Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent the spreading of *Canada* Thistles in *Upper Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Alexander*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Blake*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Alexander*, from the Select Committee on Agriculture, presented their First Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and the same was then read by the Clerk as follows:—

COMMITTEE ROOM,
23rd August, 1865.

The Committee on Agriculture beg leave to make the following as their First Report. The Committee recommend that their quorum be reduced to seven members. All which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE ALEXANDER,
Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Alexander*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Blake*, it was

Ordered, That the quorum of the said Committee on Agriculture be reduced to seven members, as recommended in their Report.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter "Seventy-five of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the division of "*Lower Canada* into Counties, in so far as it relates to the Counties of *Rimouski* and "*Gaspé*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to the petition of *L. Roy* and others, of *St. Norbert de Cap Chat*, praying that the said Parish, situated partly in the County of *Gaspé* and partly in the County of *Rimouski*, may be included in the District of *Gaspé* for all civil purposes in conformity with the Report of the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills of this day.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bossé*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to "amend the Gold Mining Act."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Ordered, That the Petition presented yesterday of *R. W. Heneker* and others, occupiers and Agents of land, in the Township of *Ely*, in the County of *Bedford*, praying for the passing of an Act to legalize and confirm the Report and Survey of the said Township made by *Oliver Wells*, Esquire, P.L.S., in the year 1843, be now received and read.

Whereupon the said Petition was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Macpherson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McMaster*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Survey to be made of the Isthmus between Lake *Ontario* and the *Georgian Bay*, with the view of ascertaining the practicability and cost of constructing a Ship Canal to connect these waters so as to afford an additional channel for the rapidly increasing Trade of the vast and fertile Territories bordering on the Great Lakes *Huron*, *Michigan* and *Superior*.

After debate,

On a question of order arising as to whether the said motion should originate in this House on the ground of its involving an expenditure of money.

The Honorable the Speaker declared the motion in order, because the object of the motion was not to ask for a grant of money, but merely to make a representation upon a point connected with the Government and welfare of the country.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bureau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*,

1st. That a Committee be appointed to inquire into the reasons which induced the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal* to raise, to an excessive amount, the dues on farmers' horses and carts, and on their goods and products, and generally on merchandize brought across the river to the *Montreal* markets on the steamers plying between *Longueuil* and the foot of the current.

2nd. To ascertain what dues ought to be levied by the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal* on the above-mentioned articles, so as not to injure the trade or the inhabitants to the south of the *St. Lawrence*, who have to pay the said dues, and that such Committee be composed of the Honorable Messrs. *Wilson, Lacoste, Prud'homme, Archambault, Chaffers, Ryan, Armand*, and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

After Debate,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, it was *Ordered*, That the further Debate on the said motion be postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, it was *Ordered*, That all the Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Currie*, The House adjourned.

Thursday, 24th August, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Lestie,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Slead,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman),</i>		

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Bull* ; of *S. J. Jones* and others, of the Town of *Brantford*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)* ; of *David Torrance* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Flint*; of the *Gaspé Bay Mining Company*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*; of *Henry H. Coyne*, of *London*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Skead*; of the Reverend *J. S. Lauder*, Incumbent, and others, Church-wardens of *Christ's Church, Ottawa*; and of *Edward Griffin*, President, and others, of the *Bytown Consumers' Gas Company*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Bossé*; of *Daniel McCallum* of *Quebec*, and *Ann Helen Williamson Brown*, his wife.

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

Two Petitions of *Christian Wurtele* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for an Act of Incorporation for "*Jeffery Hale's Sunday School*," and also for an Act of Incorporation for "*Jeffery Hale's Hospital*."

Of *James Horsburgh*, on behalf of "*The Hamilton Co-operative Society*"; praying for a general Act of Incorporation for Co-operative Societies.

Of *Louis Lacroix* and others, of the Township of *Granby*, in the County of *Shefford*; praying for aid to open a road in the said Township.

Of the Corporation of the Town of *Cobourg*, and of the *Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company*; severally praying for certain Amendments to the Act to make further Provisions relating to the *Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Hamilton*; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm and establish the Side Line Road Allowances, in the said Township, as they were originally opened up, and for other purposes.

Of *Ralph Jones* and others; praying to be incorporated under the name of "*The Bank of Northumberland*."

Of *J. B. Emond* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated as "*The Montreal Licensed Victuallers' Protection Society*."

Of the Corporation of the Town of *Niagara*; praying against the passing of an Act to legalize and make valid certain Debentures of the County of *Lincoln*.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Greenock* and *Arran*, in the County of *Bruce*; severally praying for an Act to repeal the Act respecting the selection of a County Town for *Bruce*, and to sanction the Proceedings of the Provisional Council of *Bruce*, in reference thereto.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Artemesia* in the County of *Grey*; praying for certain amendments to the assessment of property Act.

Of Messrs. *Charles E. Levy* and Company, and others, of *Quebec*; praying for an Act of Incorporation for "*The Union Bank of Lower Canada*."

Of *John Morrisson* and others, of the Village of *Huntingdon*, and of the Reverend *William Darrach* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; severally praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant education in *Lower Canada*.

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

Of the *Richelieu* General Hospital ; praying for aid.

Of *Joseph Anctil*, of *St. Anne de la Pocatière*, and of *Augustus Fournier*, of *St. Jean Port Joli* ; praying for an Act to authorize the Board of Notaries for *Lower Canada*, to admit them to practice as Notaries after having passed the requisite examinations.

Of *Richard Thomas Walkem*, of the City of *Kingston* ; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the Law Society of *Upper Canada* to admit him to practice as an Attorney and Solicitor, after passing the necessary examination.

Of the *Tadousac* Hotel and Sea Bathing Company ; praying for a Special Act of Incorporation.

Of the *De Léry* Gold Mining Company ; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *John S. Macdonald*, of *Cornwall* ; praying for the passing of an Act declaring all sales of land in arrears for taxes and sold by the Sheriffs under the Act of 1856, to be valid.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel* ; praying that measures may be taken for the renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty.

Of *P. J. Beaudry* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying to be incorporated under the name of "*Société Bienveillante caisse d'Épargne St. Roch de Montréal.*"

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
24th August, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Fifth Report :—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *R. W. Heneker* and others, occupiers and agents of land in the Township of *Ely*, in the District of *Bedford*, praying for an Act to legalize and confirm the Report and Survey of said Township made by *Oliver Wells*, Esquire, Jun., P.L.S., in the year 1843, and find that sufficient notice has been given.

On the Petition of *H. S. Foster* and others, of the Township of *Brome*, in the County of *Brome*, praying to be incorporated as "*The Knowlton Cemetery Company.*" Your Committee find that no notice has been given, but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act intituled, 'An Act respecting County Courts.'"

Also, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act intituled, 'An Act containing Special Provisions concerning both Houses of the Provincial Parliament,'" and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bills without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*, it was

Ordered, That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it

relates to the application for the passing of a Bill to legalize the Survey of *Oliver Wells*, in the Township of *Ely*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to revive and amend the Act to incorporate the *Marmora* and *Belleville* Railway Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned debate on the Honorable Mr. *Bureau's* motion to

Resolve—1st. For the appointment of a Committee to inquire into the reasons which induced the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal* to raise to an excessive amount the dues on farmers' horses and carts, and on their goods and products, and generally on merchandise brought across the River to the *Montreal* markets on the Steamers plying between *Longueuil* and the foot of the current.

2nd. To ascertain what dues ought to be levied by the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal* on the above-mentioned articles, so as not to injure the trade or the inhabitants to the south of the *St. Lawrence*, who have to pay the said dues, and that such Committee be composed of the Honorable Messrs. *Wilson*, *Lacoste*, *Prud'homme*, *Archambault*, *Chaffers*, *Ryan*, *Armand*, and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

After a further long debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to separate the Township of *Amherst Island* from the County of *Lennox* and *Ad-dington*, and to annex the same to the County of *Frontenac*."

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

Ordered, That the same be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the separation of the County of *Renfrew* from the County of *Lanark*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Read*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the Preservation of Standing Timber."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the erection of Towns and Villages in *Lower Canada*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dumouchel*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Report of the Select

Committee on the Bill intituled, "An Act to relieve the Rossin House Hotel Joint Stock Company (limited) from the payment of Taxes."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Thursday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Sale or other disposition of the Lands belonging to the late *William E. Sanborn*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vidal*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bull* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time,

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Bull*, *Ryan*, *Ross*, *Macpherson*, *Ferrier*, *McMaster*, *Fergusson Blair*, and *Simpson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of minor offences," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Bull*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, and the Honorable Messieurs *Foster*, *Panet*, *Ross*, *McCrea*, *Fergusson Blair*, and the mover, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal Saint Bridget's Refuge*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *St. Catharines General and Marine Hospital*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize a certain By-law of the County of *Lincoln*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to grant certain additional powers to the *Canada West Farmers' Mutual and Stock Insurance Company*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act for the Sale or other disposition of the Lands belonging to the Estate of the late *John Lorn McDougall*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act further to amend the Law respecting Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *McCrea*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Crawford*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act for more effectually securing the liberty of the subject," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, and the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson Blair*, *Dickson*, *McCrea*, and the mover, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the transactions of the *Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road Trustees*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to make better provision for the Official Inspection of Fish and Fish Oil."

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

Ordered, That the same be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend chapter sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and to provide for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, " An Act to amend the Act for the better assignment of Dower in *Upper Canada*, and

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

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Christie*,

That when the House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at twelve o'clock noon.

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

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

The House adjourned.

Friday, 25th August, 1865.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins</i> ,	<i>Campbell</i> ,	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman)</i> ,	<i>Panel</i> ,
<i>Alexander</i> ,	<i>Chaffers</i> ,	<i>Hamilton (Kingston)</i> ,	<i>Perry</i> ,
<i>Allan</i> ,	<i>Christie</i> ,	<i>Lacoste</i> ,	<i>Proulx</i> ,
<i>Archambault</i> ,	<i>Cormier</i> ,	<i>Leonard</i> ,	<i>Prud'homme</i> ,
<i>Armand</i> ,	<i>Crawford</i> ,	<i>Leslie</i> ,	<i>Read</i> ,
<i>Armstrong</i> ,	<i>Currie</i> ,	<i>Letellier de St. Just</i> ,	<i>Reesor</i> ,
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.</i> ,	<i>Dickson</i> ,	<i>McCrea</i> ,	<i>Ross</i> ,
<i>Bennett</i> ,	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.</i> ,	<i>McDonald</i> ,	<i>Ryan</i> ,
<i>Blair, Fergusson</i> ,	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.</i> ,	<i>McMaster</i> ,	<i>Sanborn</i> ,
<i>Blake</i> ,	<i>Dumouchel</i> ,	<i>Macpherson</i> ,	<i>Shaw</i> ,
<i>Bossé</i> ,	<i>Ferrier</i> ,	<i>Mathiot</i> ,	<i>Simpson</i> ,
<i>Boulton</i> ,	<i>Flint</i> ,	<i>Matheson</i> ,	<i>Stead</i> ,
<i>Bull</i> ,	<i>Foster</i> ,	<i>Mills</i> ,	<i>Vidal</i> ,
<i>Bureau</i> ,	<i>Gingras</i> ,	<i>Moore</i> ,	<i>Wilson</i> ,
<i>Burnham</i> ,	<i>Guéremont</i> ,	<i>Olivier</i> ,	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *McMaster*; of *Thomas Mills* and others, of the Township of *Albion*.

By the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*; of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Tilbury East*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*; two Petitions of the Committee of management of the *Montreal Corn Exchange Association*, and two Petitions of the *Montreal Board of Trade*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*; of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Brock*.

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

Of *William Kingsford*, Civil Engineer; praying for the purchase of a certain number of volumes of a book, published by him, on the Canadian Canals.

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

Of *E. Lespérance* and of *J. Hurteau*, of *Longueuil*; praying for an Act of Incorporation for "*La Compagnie de Navigation de Longueuil*."

Four Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Essex*; praying for certain amendments to the law respecting the mode of auditing Accounts before Magistrates in Quarter Sessions assembled; also praying against the passing of the Bill respecting the Fisheries, so far as the same applies to the White Fisheries in the *Detroit River*; also praying for certain amendments to the law respecting the collection of Taxes on Wild Lands; and also praying for certain amendments to the Fisheries Act of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Victoria*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize certain *By-laws* of the said County, for the raising of certain sums of money.

Of *J. B. Breckenridge* and others, of the Township of *Marmora*, in the County of *Hastings*; praying for an Act incorporating a Company to construct a Railway from *Belleville* to the northern part of the said County of *Hastings*.

Of *Samuel Gooley* and others, of the Village of *Trenton*, in the County of *Hastings*; praying for an Act annulling the Act incorporating the said Village of *Trenton*, and for other purposes.

Of the International Bridge Company; praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the said Company.

Of *J. H. Ferland* and others, of the Village of *Berthier*, in the County of *Berthier*; praying for an Act to erect the said Village into a Town, under the name of the Town of *Berthier*.

Of *W. D. B. James*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing him to introduce into *Canada* a certain invention called *The Manby Paddle Wheel*.

And of the Municipal Council of the County of *Compton*; praying for certain amendments to the 18th Chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Return of *La Société St. Ignace de Montréal*, from the 24th April, 1864, to the 18th March, 1865.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers*.)

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the International Bridge Company."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Sanborn* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to confirm a Survey of a portion of the Township of *Ely*, in the County of *Shefford*."

The Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
25th August, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Sixth Report:—

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions and find the notice sufficient in each case, viz: Of the *Tadousac* Hotel and Sea Bathing Company, praying for a special Act of incorporation; of *Richard Thomas Walkem*, of the City of *Kingston*, praying for an Act authorizing the Law Society of *Upper Canada* to admit him to practice as an Attorney and Solicitor after passing the necessary examination; of *J. B. Emond* and others, of the City of *Montreal*, praying to be incorporated as the *Montreal* Licensed Victuallers' Protection Society; of *Ralph Jones* and others, praying to be incorporated under the name of The Bank of *Northumberland*; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Hamilton*, praying for an Act to confirm and establish the side line road allowances in the said township, as they were originally opened up, and for other purposes.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of *Charles E. Levy* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying for an Act of incorporation for the Union Bank of *Lower Canada*, and find that the Notice has as yet been published only for a fortnight, but considering the character of the parties who have signed the present application, they recommend the suspension of the 53d Rule.

On the Petition of the *DeLéry* Mining Company, praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation, Your Committee find that the Notice has not yet been published for the full length of time required, but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53d Rule.

On the joint Petition of *Joseph Anctil* and *Auguste Fournier*, of *St. Anne de la Pocatière* and *St. Jean Port Joli*, praying respectively for an Act authorizing Boards of Notaries in *Lower Canada* to admit them to the practice of the Notarial profession, Your Committee find that the French notice in the case of the former has been published only fortnightly instead of weekly as required; and that in the case of the latter, in addition to the above irregularity, no notice has been given in a paper published in the English language; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53d Rule.

The Petitions of *P. J. Beaudry* and others, of the City of *Montreal*, praying to be incorporated under the name of "*La Société de Bienfaisance, Caisse d'Épargne St. Roch de Montréal*"; of *Christian Wurtel* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying to be incorporated as the *Jeffery Hale's* Sunday School; and of *Christian Wurtel* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying to be incorporated as the *Jeffery Hale's* Hospital, are not of a nature to require the publication of a notice under the 53d Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman:

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act for the Incorporation of *Jeffery Hale's* Hospital."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act for the Incorporation of *Jeffery Hale's* Sunday School."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal St. Bridget's* Refuge," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved it the affirmative.

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

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

Ordered, That the Petition of *F. X. Valade* and others, Farmers, of *Longueuil* and *St. Hubert*, and other persons on the south Bank of the River *St. Lawrence*; praying for the redress of certain grievances respecting the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to enquire into certain complaints against the said Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *William Kingsford*, Esq., read this day, be referred to the Joint Committee on the Library of Parliament.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

COMMITTEE ROOM,
25th August, 1865.

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

The Committee have carefully examined the documents referred to in the following motions for printing, viz :—

By Mr. *Mackenzie (Lambton)*,—Report of the Superintendent of Education, *C. W.*, and

Report of the Board of Inspectors of Asylums, Prisons, &c., for the year 1864.

The Committee recommend that the above documents be printed in the usual form and numbers.

By Mr. *Mackenzie (Lambton)*,—Report of the Railway Postal Service Commissioners, and

Report on the Intercolonial Railway Exploratory Survey.

The Committee recommend that these documents be published in the Sessional Papers.

By Mr. *Mackenzie (Lambton)*,—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, shewing in detail all payments made to Receiver General by the Bank of *Upper Canada*,

By Mr. *Mackenzie (Lambton)*,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly; Correspondence since last session between the Government of *Canada* and the Governments of *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, relative to the Confederation of the British North American Provinces.

By Honorable Mr. *Brown*; second Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The Committee recommend that the above three documents be printed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON,
Chairman.

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

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*,

That the Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated the 14th instant, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to lay before this House a copy of the Militia General Order, calling out Volunteers for service in the month of April last, and the instructions to the Officers of such Volunteers in respect to their pay and term of service, be referred to the Standing Committee on Printing.

After Debate,

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

Ordered, accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter fifteen of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Education."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *E. H. J. Duchesnay*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armand*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the preservation of Standing Timber."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the erection of Towns and Villages in *Lower Canada*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *St. Catharine's* General and Marine Hospital," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize a certain By-law of the County of *Lincoln*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

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

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

Monday, 28th August, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman),</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Pricc,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McDonal,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Skeel,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Vidal.</i>

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Dickson* ; of the *Upper Canada Mining Company*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Bureau* ; of *les Sœurs de la Providence*, Directresses of the Deaf and Dumb Institution of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson* ; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Grey*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dumouchel* ; of the Reverend *I. Brissette* and others, of *St. Scholastique* and other Parishes, in the Counties of *Terrebonne* and *Two Mountains*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ryan* ; two Petitions of the *Montreal Board of Trade*.

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

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

Of *S. J. Jones* and others, of the Town of *Brantford* ; praying for certain amendments to the law regulating the election of City Councillors to represent the said Town.

Of *David Torrance* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying against the amalgamation of the Grand Trunk and *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* Railway Companies.

Of the *Gaspé Bay Mining Company* ; praying for an Act bringing them under the provisions of the Joint Stock Companies General Clauses Consolidation Act.

Of *Henry H. Coyne*, of *London* ; praying to be admitted to practice as an Attorney and Solicitor in Her Majesty's Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*.

Of the Rev. *J. S. Lauder*, Incumbent, and others, church wardens of Christ's

Church, *Ottawa*; praying for an Act authorizing them to mortgage the Parsonage Property for the payment of certain debts due thereon.

Of *Edward Griffin*, President, and others, of the *Bytown Consumers' Gas Company*; praying to be incorporated as "The *Ottawa Gas Company*."

And of *Daniel McCallum*, of the City of *Quebec*, and *Ann Helen Williamson Brown*, his wife; praying for an Act to declare that certain immovable property, in their petition described, is the only property subject to a mortgage for the surety of a certain hypothec in favor of *Mrs. J. G. Barthe*.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
28th August, 1865.

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

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that sufficient Notice has been given in each case, viz. :—Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Victoria*, praying for an Act to legalize certain By-Laws of the said Municipal Council, for the raising of certain sums of money thereunder; of *W. D. B. Janes*, of the City of *Montreal*, praying for an Act authorising him to introduce into *Canada* a certain invention called "The *Manby Paddle Wheel*;" and of *L. H. Ferland* and others, of the Village of *Berthier*, praying that the said Village may be incorporated as a Town.

Your Committee have also examined the Petitions of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation; and of *E. L'espérance* and another, of *Longueuil*, praying to be incorporated as "The *Longueuil Navigation Company*;" and find that the Notice, in each case, has not as yet been published for the full length of time required, but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, in regard to the latter, as Committee on Private Bills, and as regards the former, for the Committee on Banking and Commerce, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule in each case.

On the Petition of *Samuel Gooley*, J.P., and others, of the Village of *Trenton*, in the County of *Hastings*, praying for an Act annulling the Act incorporating the said Village of *Trenton*, and for other purposes, Your Committee find the Notice insufficient, inasmuch as no Notice has been given in the locality affected.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the separation of the County of *Renfrew* from the County of *Lanark*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same, with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 1, line 17—After "*Renfrew*" insert "if any such there be."

Page 1, line 20—After "dissolved" insert "upon, from and after a day to be named thereon."

Page 1, line 24—After "*Canada*" insert "and provided further that the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund liabilities of the said Counties, and any agreement relating thereto, if such shall be entered into, shall be regulated by the Provisions of the Statutes in that behalf."

Page 1, line 37—Leave out from “Acts” to “to,” and insert “amending the afore-
“said Acts or in any wise relating.”

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Shaw*, it
was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill as amended read a
third time, to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and
Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “An Act to incorporate the
St. Catherine's General and Marine Hospital,” reported that they had gone through the
said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether the Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)*, from the Committee on Banking and Com-
merce, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “An Act granting additional facilities in
“Commercial Transactions,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had
directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit
whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)*, seconded by the Honorable
Sir *N. F. Belleau*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House on
Wednesday next, and that in the meantime the said Bill, as proposed to be amended, be
printed for the use of Members.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill
intituled, “An Act to extend the time for the completion of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa*
“Railway, and for other purposes,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Shaw*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, it
was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Price* presented to the House a Bill intituled, “An Act specially
“to incorporate the *Tadoussac* Hotel and Sea Bathing Company.”

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Allan* presented to the House a Bill intituled, “An Act to
“amend the Acts relating to the Bank of *Upper Canada*.”

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Olivier* presented to the House a Bill intituled, “An Act to
“incorporate the Village of *Berthier* as a Town.”

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*.

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a Return from the several Sheriffs of *Upper Canada* of the various Executions placed in their hands respectively during the last twelve months, on which poundage has been charged, although no sales took place thereon; and also the amount of such poundage on each of such Executions.

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Gold "Mining Act," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Bel- leau*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An "Act to amend the Acts relating to the International Bridge Company."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act "to confirm a survey of a portion of the Township of *Ely*, in the County of *Shefford*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act for the incorporation "of *Jeffery Hale's* Hospital," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leslie*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act for the Incorporation "of *Jeffery Hale's* Sunday School," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leslie*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter "fifteen of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Education," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *E. H. J. Duchesnay*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messrs. *Sanborn*, *Armand*, and the mover, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the pre- "servation of Standing Timber," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Agriculture.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the erection of Towns and Villages in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, and the Honorable Messieurs *Chaffers*, *Archambault*, *Foster*, and the mover, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize a certain By-law of the County of *Lincoln*."

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Christie*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 29th August, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins</i> ,	<i>Chaffers</i> ,	<i>Hamilton (Kingston)</i> ,	<i>Panet</i> ,
<i>Alexander</i> ,	<i>Christie</i> ,	<i>Lacoste</i> ,	<i>Ferry</i> ,
<i>Allan</i> ,	<i>Cormier</i> ,	<i>Leonard</i> ,	<i>Proulx</i> ,
<i>Archambault</i> ,	<i>Crawford</i> ,	<i>Leslie</i> ,	<i>Prud'homme</i> ,
<i>Armand</i> ,	<i>Currie</i> ,	<i>Letellier de St. Just</i> ,	<i>Read</i> ,
<i>Armstrong</i> ,	<i>Dickson</i> ,	<i>McCrea</i> ,	<i>Reesor</i> ,
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.</i> ,	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.</i> ,	<i>McDonald</i> ,	<i>Ross</i> ,
<i>Bennett</i> ,	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.</i> ,	<i>McMaster</i> ,	<i>Ryan</i> ,
<i>Blair, Fergusson</i> ,	<i>Dumouchel</i> ,	<i>Macpherson</i> ,	<i>Sanborn</i> ,
<i>Blake</i> ,	<i>Ferrier</i> ,	<i>Malhiot</i> ,	<i>Shaw</i> ,
<i>Bossé</i> ,	<i>Flint</i> ,	<i>Matheson</i> ,	<i>Simpson</i> ,
<i>Boulton</i> ,	<i>Foster</i> ,	<i>Mills</i> ,	<i>Skead</i> ,
<i>Buli</i> ,	<i>Gingras</i> ,	<i>Moore</i> ,	<i>Vidal</i> ,
<i>Burcau</i> ,	<i>Guévremont</i> ,	<i>Olivier</i> ,	<i>Wilson</i> .
<i>Burnham</i> ,	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman)</i> ,		

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Allan*; of Messrs. *Brown & Childs* and others, of *Toronto*, Dealers in Raw Hides and Leather.

By the Honorable Mr. *McDonald*; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Perth*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cormier*; of the Municipal Council of the County of *Richmond*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Blake*; of *R. J. McNaughton* and others, of the Township of *Bayham*,—and of the Municipal Council of the said Township of *Bayham*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Bossé*; of the Reverend *Joseph Auclair*, Curé de *Notre Dame de Québec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Blake*; of the Reverend *Elliott Grasett*, M.A., Incumbent of Trinity Church, *Simcoe*, and of the Churchwardens of the said Church.

By the Honorable Mr. *Currie*; of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Louth*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prud'homme*; of *William Tait* and others, of the Island of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *McDonald*; of *Robert Currie*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of *Wawanosh*, in the County of *Huron*.

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

Of *Thomas Mills* and others, of the Township of *Albion*; praying for an Act to separate the said Township from the County of *Peel*, and annex the same to the County of *York*.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Tilbury East* and *Brock*; severally praying for Acts confirming and establishing the Roads in the said Townships respectively.

Of the Committee of Management of the *Montreal* Corn Exchange Association, and of the Board of Trade of the said City; severally praying for the passing of the Bill intitled, "An Act concerning the inspection of Flour and Meal."

Of the said Committee of Management of the *Montreal* Board of Trade, and of the Board of Trade of the said City; severally praying for certain amendments to the Act 26 *Vic.*, cap. 52, respecting the Port Warden of *Montreal*, so as to increase the salary attached to that Office. †

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their Eighth Report:—

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
29th August, 1865.

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

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Reverend *J. S. Lauder*, Incumbent, and others, Churchwardens of Christ Church, *Ottawa*, praying for an Act authorizing them to mortgage the Parsonage property for the payment of certain debts due thereon, and find that sufficient Notice has been given.

Your Committee have also examined the following Petitions:—Of *Henry H. Coyne*, of *London*, praying to be admitted to practice as an Attorney and Solicitor in Her Majesty's

Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*; of *Edward Griffin*, President, and others, of the *Bytown Consumers' Gas Company*, praying to be incorporated under the name of "The *Ottawa Gas Company*;" and of the *International Bridge Company*, praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the said Company, and find that the Notice, in each case, has not as yet been published for the full length of time required, but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd rule.

On the Petition of the *Gaspé Bay Mining Company*, praying for an Act bringing them under the provisions of the Joint Stock Companies' General Clauses Consolidation Act, your Committee find that no Notice has been given in a paper published in the French language, but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd rule.

On the Petition of *Daniel McCallum* and *Dame Ann Helen Williamson Brown*, his wife, of *Quebec*, praying for an Act to declare that certain immovable property, in their Petition described, is the only property subject to a mortgage for the surety of a certain hypothec in favor of *Mrs. J. G. Barthe*, your Committee find that no Notice has been given, but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

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

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the Petition of the *Gaspé Bay Mining Company*.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act for the Incorporation of *Jeffery Hale's Sunday School*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leslie*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act for the incorporation of *Jeffery Hale's Hospital*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leslie*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and

Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to grant certain additional powers to the *Canada West Farmers' Mutual and Stock Insurance Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

Page 1, line 15—After "Act" insert "saving in all cases the rights of parties under legal disability."

Page 1, line 36—After "force" insert "provided that in all future policies to be issued by the Company this section shall be written or endorsed thereon."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

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

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, be read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair* from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act for the sale or other disposition of the Lands belonging to the Estate of the late *John Lorn McDougall*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

Page 1, line 39—Leave out from the first "the" to "support," where it occurs the "second time."

Page 2, line 8—Leave out from "children" to "and" in line 10, and insert "respectively."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

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

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time, to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Flint*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to encourage the planting of Timber, Fruit, Shade, and Ornamental Trees upon the public highways in this Province, and to give a right of property in such Trees to the owners of the soil adjacent to such highways," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

Page 1, line 6—Leave out from "follows" to the end of the Bill, and insert Clauses A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H.

Clause A.

"1. Every tree, shrub, and sapling now growing on any highway in this Province, within feet, if in *Upper Canada*, or feet, if in *Lower Canada*, from either side

“of such highway, shall, upon, from and after the passing of this Act, become and be the property of the owner of the land adjacent to such highway to which such tree, shrub or sapling is nearest.”

Clause B.

“2. Any person owning land adjacent to any highway may plant trees, shrubs or saplings on the portion thereof contiguous to his land, within feet if in *Upper Canada*, or feet if in *Lower Canada*, from such land; but no tree, shrub or sapling shall be so planted at a less distance than eight feet from any other tree, shrub or sapling, or so that the same may be or become a nuisance in the highway, or obstruct the fair and reasonable use of the same.

“Every tree, shrub or sapling so planted in any highway, shall be the property of the owner from time to time of the land whose owner planted the same.”

Clause C.

“3. The Municipal Council having the control of any highway, may cause any tree, shrub, or sapling growing or planted on such highway, to be removed if and when such removal is deemed necessary for any purpose of public improvement in connection with such highway;

“But no such tree, shrub or sapling shall be so removed until after the value thereof, established by arbitration in the manner provided by the law then in force in the municipality, with respect to other property required for public purposes, has been paid or tendered to the owner thereof;

“Nor shall the owner of any tree, shrub or sapling, or any Pathmaster, Inspector of Roads, or other Public Officer, remove or cut down or injure such tree, shrub or sapling, on pretence of improving the highway or otherwise, without the express permission of the Municipal Council having the control of the highway.”

Clause D.

“4. If any person drives any vehicle, or any harnessed or yoked team of horses or oxen between any tree, shrub or sapling growing or planted in any highway, and any fence or wall bounding such highway, or willfully or negligently cuts, breaks or otherwise injures or destroys any such tree, shrub or sapling, such person shall, on conviction thereof before a Justice of the Peace, forfeit and pay, over and above the amount of any injury thereby done to such tree, shrub or sapling, such sum of money not exceeding dollars, as such Justice may award.”

Clause E.

“5. If any person steals, or cuts, breaks, roots up, lops, girdles, or otherwise destroys or damages, with intent to steal or unlawfully carry away, or procures any person or persons to steal, or to cut, break, root up, lop, girdle, or otherwise destroy or damage, with intent to steal or unlawfully carry away any tree, shrub or sapling, the property of any other person under this Act and standing, growing or being on any highway, the injury done to such other person thereby being in amount more than ten dollars, such offender, being convicted thereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished at the discretion of the Court, by fine not exceeding the sum of fifty dollars, or by imprisonment in any common gaol for a term not exceeding three months, or by both; and the said fine, or any portion thereof, the Court may, in its discretion, award to the person injured.

“If the injury caused by so cutting, breaking, rooting up, lopping, girdling, or otherwise destroying or damaging such tree, shrub or sapling shall not be in amount more than ten dollars, such offender shall, on conviction thereof before a Justice of the Peace or a Police Magistrate, be fined in any sum not exceeding twenty dollars, or imprisoned in any common gaol for a term not exceeding one month, or both, at the discretion of the Justice of the Peace or Police Magistrate.”

Clause F.

" 6. If any person receives or purchases any such tree, shrub or sapling, or any timber made therefrom, exceeding in value the sum of ten dollars, knowing the same to have been stolen or unlawfully cut or carried away, such receiver or purchaser shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and may be indicted and convicted thereof, whether the principal offender has or has not been convicted, or be or be not amenable to justice, and shall be liable to the same punishment as the principal offender."

Clause G.

" 7. Nothing in the two next preceding sections of this Act, or either of them contained, shall prevent the adoption of any other criminal proceedings which, before the passing of this Act, might have been had; nor shall anything in the said two sections or either of them contained, nor any proceeding, conviction or judgment to be had or taken thereupon, prevent, lessen or impeach any remedy at Law or in Equity which any party aggrieved by any of the said offences would have had if the said two sections had not been included in this Act; but nevertheless the conviction of the offender shall not be received in evidence in any action at Law or suit in Equity against him; and no person shall be convicted of either of the offences aforesaid by any evidence disclosed by him on oath, in consequence of the compulsory process of a Court of Law or Equity in any action, suit or proceeding instituted by any party aggrieved."

Clause H.

" 8. The word 'highway,' wherever it occurs in this Act, shall be held to mean and include any public highway, street, road, lane, alley or other communication, as well as any public place or square."

In the Preamble of the Bill.

Page 1, line 1—Leave out from "of" to "therefore" in page 1, line 4, and insert "trees, shrubs and saplings upon the highways in this Province, and to provide for the protection thereof, as well as of such trees, shrubs and saplings as are now growing upon such highways, from injury or damage."

In the Title of the Bill.

Line 1—Leave out from "of" to "trees" in line 2, and leave out "public" in line 2.

On the said amendments being read a second time,

The Honorable Mr. *Flint* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Aikins*,

That the said amendments be agreed to.

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr *Bossé*,

To leave out all the words after "said," and insert "Bill be referred back to the Select Committee, in order that it may be so amended as to apply to *Upper Canada* only."

The question of concurrence being put thereon the House divided, and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,
Bossé,

Currie,

Duchesnay, A. J.,

Ross.

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guèvremont,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman),</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	

So it was passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *E. H. J. Duchesnay*, from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter Fifteen, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Education," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *E. H. J. Duchesnay*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armand*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Christie*, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture, presented their Second Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, COMMITTEE ROOM,

29th August, 1865.

The Committee appointed to enquire and report what measures can be adopted for the advancement of Agriculture in this Province, beg leave to present their Second Report.

In view of the alarming spread of contagious and infectious diseases among cattle in *Great Britain* and on the Continent of *Europe* and of the possibility of such diseases being introduced into this Province, Your Committee respectfully suggest that the Government should be authorized by Law to prohibit the importation of cattle and other animals, and to make such other regulations as may be deemed necessary for the purpose of preventing the introduction and spreading of such diseases in this Province.

All which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID CHRISTIE,
Chairman, *pro tem.*

The Honorable Mr. *Christie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sanborn*,
That the said Report be adopted.

After Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing, presented their Third Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

COMMITTEE ROOM,
25th August, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, beg leave to submit, as their Third Report :

The Report of their Sub-Committee on the Printing Accounts, together with the Report of the Clerk of the Committee on the Printing Services of the past Session, the general satisfactory nature of which they respectfully recommend to the consideration of both Houses.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. MACKENZIE,
Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
24th August, 1865.

The Sub-Committee appointed to examine the Printing Accounts of both Houses, and to whom also was referred the Clerk's Report on the transactions of the past year, beg leave to submit the following as the result of their investigations :

They have compared the Printing Account Balance Sheet for 1865, marked A, with the several accounts as filed in the Accountant's Offices, and find it correct. They have also examined the Printing Accounts in detail with the vouchers verifying the same, and have certified them to be correct.

The Sub-Committee again beg to express their entire satisfaction with the manner and system in which the several accounts are kept.

Those accounts show the total cost of the Printing, Binding and Printing Paper for the January Session of 1865 to have been

For the Honorable the Legislative Council.....\$ 2,183 97

For the Legislative Assembly..... .. 18,430 18

Being a total for the Legislature of.....\$20,614 15

The Sub-Committee have to express their gratification that the new Contractors are satisfactorily performing their duties.

One contract period of five years having elapsed, with most economical results, and one year of another period having nearly expired, equally satisfactorily, which together with the small charge for extras during the past year amounting to only a few dollars, proves conclusively that the contract system, under proper contracts and regulations, and with careful supervision, can be made to work well.

The Sub-Committee regret to find from the Clerk's Report, that one of the volumes of Sessional Papers of last Session has not yet been issued, in consequence of the non-receipt in a perfect form, of the Education Report for *Lower Canada*. This document was laid before the House of Assembly, on the 17th March last, and referred to the Printing Committee. The Superintendent appeared before the Committee and stated that his report was not complete, but that he would furnish a perfect copy in three weeks. The last part of the perfect copy has only been received within the past week.

The Sessional Papers are continually required for reference, and the want of the Volume is felt as a serious inconvenience.

The Sub-Committee would respectfully recommend that in future no document should be presented to or received by either House unless in a perfect shape.

The Sub-Committee have also compared the Balance Sheet, marked B, "Debates on Confederation," with the accounts for the several services connected with the publishing of those Debates, as filed in the Accountant's Offices, and have certified it to be correct.

The accounts shew the total cost to have been \$14,490 65. For this sum an English and a French Edition have been obtained.

The cost, though much larger than was anticipated, bears a fair ratio to the much greater length that the Debates reached than was calculated on. They were not expected to extend over 300 pages. The Volumes contain 1032 pages of solid matter, and 11,500 copies were published at a cost of about \$1.26 a copy.

The Sub-Committee also recommend that the sum of \$72 be paid to Mr. *Trudelle*, the Binder, for services performed in connection with the Debates.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. MACKENZIE.
J. SIMPSON.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
8th August, 1865.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee on Printing :

GENTLEMEN,—In accordance with the Standing Order of the Committee, I now present the accounts for Printing, Binding and Printing Paper for the past Session.

For the verification of the Printing Accounts, there is a complete fyle of the several Documents, &c., printed, each endorsed with its cost. They are numbered, those of the Honorable the Legislative Council from 1 to 296, and those of the Legislative Assembly from 1 to 863, inclusively; in all 1,159 Vouchers.

The new Contractors entered upon their several duties with the work of the last Session, and thus far they have performed them very satisfactorily.

The Binding which has been performed under the new contract is, I think, without question, the best that has been furnished to the Legislature under the contract system.

The paper has been regularly furnished, as required, and, though good, is not of the same even quality as that of the late contractor.

The Printing has been well done as usual, and though there was delay in the printing of some of the documents, owing to the "Debates" being printed at the same time, still the Journals and Sessional Papers were finished within the time allowed by the contract, with the exception of the last volume of the Sessional Papers. This volume has not yet been issued, owing to the non-receipt of the perfect copy of the Report on Education for Lower Canada. This document, though imperfect, was laid before the House last Session, doubtless that it might obtain its number and be placed amongst the Sessional Papers.

It was ordered to be printed, but we had to wait for the corrected copy, the last part of which has not yet been received by the Printers, consequently the last Volume of Sessional Papers is not yet issued,—and when I state that that Volume is to contain Returns and Documents which were laid before the two Houses last Session, numbered from 7 to 38, it can at once be seen how very serious the inconvenience is, in a public point of view.

This delay also occasions a serious loss to the Printer and Binder, for they are obliged to keep their establishments open, and waiting, it may be, as in this case, for but one document.

The annexed Balance Sheet marked A, shows that the Parliamentary Printing for the past Session has cost \$20,614.15.

This amount does not include the cost of publishing the Debates, because by the third report of the Printing Committee of last Session, it was recommended, "That the Accountant of each House be directed to open a special account under the head of "Reporting," and that all charges connected therewith be paid by them on the certificate

“ of the Clerk of the Joint Committee on Printing, and in the following proportions, viz.,
 “ the Honorable the Legislative Council paying one-third, and the Legislative Assembly
 “ paying two-thirds.”

The amount thus charged in the Accountant's books of the Legis- lative Council, is	\$ 4,824.43
And in those of the Legislative Assembly.....	9,666.22
Total charge.....	<u>\$14,490.65</u>

Which amount is made up of the following items :—

Reporting.....	\$ 2,818.20
Translation into French.....	1,005.50
Translation into English.....	382.50
Printing.....	4,801.05
Binding.....	209.06
Printing Paper.....	5,261.84
Travelling Expenses of a French Reporter.....	12.50

As is shown in the annexed balance sheet marked B.

The Debates covered 1,032 pages of solid matter, and were printed in both languages.
 The mechanical execution of the work would do credit to any establishment: The number
 of copies published was 11,500. Total cost \$14,490.65, or at the rate of \$1.26 per copy.
 All which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY HARTNEY,
 Clerk, Joint Committee on Printing.

A.—PRINTING ACCOUNT BALANCE SHEET, 1865.

D.R.		L E G I S L A T I V E C O U N C I L.		C.R.	
1865.	To Amount charged in Accountant's Books.....	Vouchers.	\$ cts.		\$ cts.
August 7...		A.	2,183 97	By Printing, Hunter, Rose & Co.....	1,475 17
		B.		By Binding, J. B. Trudelle.....	123 76
		C.		By Paper, G. E. Desbarats.....	\$822 00
				By do unaccounted for and deducted from Printers..	236 95
				Total cost of Paper used.....	585 05
			\$2,183 97	Total cost, Legislative Council.....	\$2,183 97
D.R.		L E G I S L A T I V E A S S E M B L Y.		C.R.	
1865.	To value of Paper on hand from last year.....	Vouchers.	\$ cts.		\$ cts.
August 7...	To Amount charged in Accountant's Books.....	M. 1.	1,660 34	By Printing, Hunter, Rose & Co.....	12,073 52
		M. 2.	18,641 44	By Paid Estate of F. C. Dredge, in accordance with the Fifth Report (last Session) of the Printing Committee.....	300 79
		M. 3.		By Binding, J. B. Trudelle.....	\$76 23
		M. 4.		By do	702 00
		M. 5.		Total Binding.....	838 23
				By Paper, G. E. Desbarats.....	\$5,113 18
				By do on hand from last year.....	1,666 34
				Total value of Paper on hand.....	\$0,779 52
				By do unaccounted for and deducted from Printers.....	\$343 28
				By do on hand for next Session.....	1,777 60
		M. 6.		Total cost of Paper used	4,668 64
				By Lithographing, John Lindsay	550 00
				Total cost, Legislative Assembly.....	\$18,430 18
			\$20,207 78	By Value of Paper on hand.....	1,777 60
August 7, 1865.—	To balance of Paper on hand:—				20,207 78
340 Reams Royal, @ \$3.20.....			\$1,728 00	Total cost, Legislative Council.....	\$2,183 97
32 do Foolscap, @ \$1.55.....			49 60	Total cost, Legislative Assembly.....	18,430 18
			\$1,777 60		\$20,614 16

Examined the above, with the Accounts and Vouchers, and find it correct. 24th August, 1865.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
7th August, 1865.

A. MACKENZIE,
J. B. E. DONOX, } Auditors.
J. SIMPSON, }

HENRY HARTNEY,
Clerk, Joint Committee on Printing.

Dr. **B--BALANCE SHEET--DEBATES ON CONFEDERATION.** *Cr.*

	Vouchers.		Proportion paid by Legislative Council.	Proportion paid by Legislative Assembly.	Total.
	\$	cts.			
To amount charged in Accountant's Books, Legislative Council.....	A.	1	\$ 938 07	\$ 1,880 13	\$ 2,818 20
To amount charged in Accountant's Books, Legislative Assembly.....	B.	2	335 17	670 33	1,005 50
	C.	3	127 50	255 00	382 50
	D.	4	1,600 05	3,201 00	4,801 05
	E.	5	69 69	139 37	209 06
	F.	6	1,753 95	3,507 89	5,261 84
		7	12 50	12 50
			\$4,824 43	\$9,666 22	\$14,490 65

HENRY HARTNEY,
Clerk, Joint Committee on Printing.

Quebec, August, 1865

Note.—The cost of the Debates is charged, one-third against the Honorable the Legislative Council, and two-thirds against the Legislative Assembly, in accordance with the Third Report (last Session) of the Joint Committee on Printing.

* For the Reporting and Translations a regular staff was employed, though the charge is made, in each case, only in the name of one.

Examined the above, with the Accounts and Vouchers, and find it correct. 24th August, 1865.

A. MACKENZIE,
J. B. E. DORION, } *Auditors.*
J. SIMPSON,

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

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into consideration by the House on Thursday next.

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

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

MONCK.

The Governor General informs the Honorable the Legislative Council that he has granted leave to the Honorable *G. J. Goodhue* to be absent from his place in the House during the present Session.

Quebec, 28th August, 1865.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Short Forms of Mortgage in *Upper Canada*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Flint* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the *Gaspé Bay Mining Company*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

On motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)*, it was

Ordered, That the period for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to the tenth day of September next.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the separation of the County of *Renfrew* from the County of *Lanark*," as amended,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Shaw*, it was *Ordered*, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the said Bill, as amended, be read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to extend the time for the completion of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway, and "for other purposes."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Shaw*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, it was *Ordered*, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Bank of *Upper Canada*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Allan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill.

Ordered, That the second reading of the said Bill be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Gold Mining Act."

On motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the International Bridge Company."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-third and Sixty-second Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to confirm a Survey of a portion of the Township of *Ely*, in the County of *Shefford*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

The House adjourned.

Wednesday, 30th August, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sandorn,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guvremont,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Mc Crea*; of the Corporation of the Town of *Chatham*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Armand*; of *J. L. Beaudry*, Mayor, and others, of the City and District of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*; of the Honorable *John A. Macdonald* and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*; of the European Assurance Society.

By the Honorable Mr. *Christie*; of *Hiram Capron* and others, of the Town of *Paris*, in the County of *Brant*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Gingras*; of *W. J. Bickell*, of the City of *Quebec*.

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

Of the *Upper Canada Mining Company*; praying for an enquiry into certain grievances in respect of Mining Locations, unjustly taken from them and patented to other parties.

Of *Les Sœurs de la Providence*, Directresses of the Deaf and Dumb Institution of *Montreal*; praying for the increase of the annual grant in favor of the said institution.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Grey*; praying for certain amendments to the Law respecting the appointment of Deputy Reeves, and for the amendment of the Assessment Act.

Of the Reverend *J. Brissette* and others, of *St. Scholastique*, and other Parishes in the Counties of *Terrebonne* and *Lake of Two Mountains*; praying for the reduction of Tolls during winter, on certain bridges in the said Parishes.

Two petitions of the *Montreal Board of Trade*; praying against the proposed amalgamation of the *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* and *Grand Trunk Railway Companies*; and also praying against the passing of the Bill to amend the Act of incorporation of the Pilots for and above the Harbour of *Quebec*.

And of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize the assessment on certain non-resident lands in the said City, improperly assessed in the year 1857.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
30th August, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Ninth Report :—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Brock*, praying for an Act to establish and confirm certain Roads in the said Township, and find the Notice sufficient.

On the petitions of *William Greenleese* and others, of the Township of *Lochaber*, in the County of *Ottawa*, praying that the said County may be divided for municipal and

registration purposes; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Tilbury East*, praying for an Act confirming and establishing the side Road in the said Township as at present existing, Your Committee find that no Notice has been given.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act relating to the International Bridge Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to confirm a Survey of a portion of the Township of *Ely*, in the County of *Shefford*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendment being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence being put thereon, it was agreed to.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Alexander*, from the Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the Preservation of Standing Timber," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Page 1, line 20—Leave out from "circumstances" to "and" in line 24.

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Alexander*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McDonald*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the erection of Towns and Villages in *Lower Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cormier*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Christie* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to provide against the introduction and spreading of disorders affecting certain animals."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Christie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be now read a second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Christie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bureau*.

That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize a certain By-law of the County of *Lincoln*."

After Debate,

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bull*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for obtaining Statistical Returns from Insurance Companies," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Bull*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Lacoste* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to ex-

"plain the Act providing for the management and improvement of the Harbour of Mont-real."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the sixteenth day of March, 1865, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a Return of all leases granted by the Department of Crown Lands for Fishing purposes, with the dates and conditions of such leases, the names of the lessees, stating those who have fulfilled the conditions of their leases, and of those in default; also a Return of the Number of Stake and Brush Nets and other fixed machinery for catching fish existing within this Province, licensed by the Crown Lands Department.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Christie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Currie*.

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of all the Votes given by the various County and Electoral Division Agricultural Societies, at the recent election of members of the Board of Agriculture, in *Upper* and in *Lower Canada*; and also, copies of all Correspondence between the Bureau of Agriculture and the Secretaries of the said Boards of Agriculture, and of the County and Electoral Division Agricultural Societies, with reference to the said elections.

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act for the sale or other disposition of the Lands belonging to the Estate of the late *John Lorn McDougall*," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and to provide for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of "Fisheries."

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,

That the said Bill be not now committed to a Committee of the whole House, but that it be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Macpherson*, *McCrea*, *Price*, *Letellier de St. Just*, *Read*, *Bull*, *Bossé*, *Vidal*, *Ryan*, *Sanborn*, and the mover, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

Ordered, accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Banking and Commerce to the Bill intituled, "An Act for granting additional facilities in Commercial Transactions."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act specially to incorporate the *Tadousac* Hotel and Sea Bathing Company," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Price*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Panet*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Bank of *Upper Canada*."

The Honorable Mr. *Allan* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Alexander*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Gold Mining Act."

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put, whether the Bill shall pass?

It was resolved that the Bill do pass, and the Title be, "An Act to amend 'The Gold Mining Act,' twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth *Victoria*, Chapter nine."

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

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

The House adjourned.

Thursday, 31st August, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Blair Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guèvremont,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*; of *Samuel Strickland* and others, of the Township of *Smith and Douro*, in the County of *Peterborough*; of *Samuel Strickland* and others, of the Village of *Lakefield*; and of *Walter Sheridan* and others, of the Town of *Peterborough*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Panet*; of *John Childs*, of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Inkerman)*; of the Reverend *G. H. Kenny* and others, of the County of *Argenteuil*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Crawford*; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Leeds and Grenville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Skead*; of the French Canadian Institute of the City of *Ottawa*.

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

Of Messrs. *Brown* and *Childs* and others, of *Toronto*, Dealers in Raw Hides and Leather; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to amend the law relative to the inspection of Raw Hides and Leather, may be so amended as to apply to the City of *Toronto*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Perth*; praying against the expenditure of Public money upon unproductive works.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Richmond*; praying against the granting of any further power to the British American Land Company.

Of *R. J. McNaughton* and others, of the Township of *Bayham*, and of the Municipal Council of the said Township; severally praying against the passing of the Bill to legalize By-law No. 116 of the said Township.

Of the Reverend *Joseph Auclair*, Curé of *Notre Dame de Québec*; praying for an Act to incorporate him and his successors in office, under the name of "*La Corporation du Curé de la Paroisse Notre Dame de la Cité de Québec.*"

Of the Reverend *Elliott Grasett*, M.A., Incumbent of *Trinity Church, Simcoe*, and others, Churchwardens of the same; praying for an Act authorizing the sale of certain lands, and the application of the proceeds towards the purchase of a Parsonage House and Premises.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Louth*; praying against the passing of any measure to compel the Municipalities through which the *Queenston and Grimsby Macadamized Road* passes to keep the said road in repair across their respective limits.

Of *William Tait* and others, of the Island of *Montréal*; praying for the redress of certain grievances complained of in said Petition against the Corporation of *Montréal*.

And of *Robert Currie*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of *Wawanosh*, in the County of *Huron*; praying that the said Township may be divided into two separate Municipalities.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and
The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
31st August, 1865.

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

On the Petition of *S. J. Jones* and others, of the Town of *Brantford*, praying for certain amendments to the Law regulating the election of City Councillors to represent the said Town, your Committee find that no Notice has been given.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to extend the time for the completion of the *Brockville and Ottawa Railway*, and for other purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Price*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Panet*, it was

Ordered, That the 62nd Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates

to the Bill intituled, "An Act specially to incorporate the *Tadouac* Hotel and Sea "Bathing Company."

The Honorable Mr. *Bossé* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to limit the application of a certain general hypothec created by *Daniel McCallum* and his "wife to a certain lot of land."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

The Honorable Mr. *Bossé* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sanborn*, That the 62nd Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill. After Debate,

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

Ordered, That the 53rd Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Bossé* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Curé and *Marguiliers* of the *Œuvre* and *Fabrique* of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Québec* to borrow a certain sum of money on the security of the property of "the said *Fabrique*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the 53rd and 62nd Rules of this House be dispensed with, in so far as they relate to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Municipalities in *Lower Canada*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bull*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the punishment of persons repeatedly convicted of "minor offences," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Bull*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the sale or other disposition of the lands belonging "to the Estate of the late *John Lorn McDougall*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society called *l'Union St. Henri des Tanneries des "Rollands*, of the Parish of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prud'homme*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armand*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate 'The London Collegiate Institute,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate '*les Sœurs de l'Assomption de la Sainte Vierge*,' of the Parish of *St. Grégoire*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cormier*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Christie*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Correspondence between the Corporation of the Town of *St. Catharines* and the Department of Public Works, or the Officers of that Department; and all Petitions and other Documents, since the first day of January, 1862, relative to the Bridge across the *Welland Canal*, on *St. Paul* street, in the Town of *St. Catharines*.

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Honorable Mr. *Macpherson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Alexander*,

To *Resolve*, That in the opinion of this House the settlement of our unoccupied public lands is of the utmost importance. That further effort should be made to attract to *Canada* a larger proportion of the vast number of Emigrants who annually leave the British Isles and the Continent of *Europe* for *America*, many of whom pass through this Country on their way to the neighboring States, there to avail themselves of the free grants of land offered to all actual settlers under the provisions of an Act of Congress "for securing 'homesteads to actual settlers on the public domain.'" That the introduction of such a system into *Canada* would lead to the more rapid occupation of our wild lands, the increase of our population, and the advancement of the general interests of the Province.

That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that any person being the head of a family or of the age of twenty-one years, upon establishing a claim to pre-emption in conformity with such regulations as the Department of Crown Lands may prescribe, and upon furnishing satisfactory evidence that such claim is made for the exclusive use and benefit of the applicant; and that the entry upon the land is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and upon payment of ten dollars, such applicant shall be permitted to enter upon the quantity of land specified (not more than 200 acres), and that after the expiration of five years, upon proof of residence continuously upon, and cultivation of the land for that period, such person shall be entitled to a patent therefor.

That in some sections of the Province the Public Lands, during a period of inflated prices, were sold to settlers at high rates; that from many causes the purchasers have been unable to pay the purchase money, and in some instances have had to vacate their lands, while many of those who continue to occupy them do so with little hope of ever becoming the owners thereof. That such a state of things is discouraging to the Settler, retards the improvement of the Country, and is detrimental to the public interests.

After a long Debate,

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

Ordered, That further Debate on the said motion be postponed until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the preservation of Standing Timber," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Bill intituled, "An Act to relieve the *Rossin House Hotel Joint Stock Company (limited)* from payment of "Taxes," and the Report of the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills thereon.

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the transactions of the *Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road Trustees*."

The Honorable Mr. *Price* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Panet*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, That when this House adjourns this day it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at half-past eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to appoint Trustees to wind up the Estate of the late *Alexander MacDonell*, according to the terms of his last will and testament."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Attorneys."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Price*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, it was

Ordered, That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the transactions of the *Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road Trustees*."

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the third Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing.

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Short Forms of Mortgages in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Bill intituled, "An Act granting additional facilities in Commercial transactions," and the amendments proposed by the Committee on Banking and Commerce thereto.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill and amendments be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

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

The House adjourned until to-morrow at half-past eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Friday, 1st September, 1865.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Fruel'homme,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*; of *F. X. Duval* and others, of part of the Seigniori of *Terrebois*, in the County of *Kamouraska*.

By the Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay*; of the Reverend *P. G. Clarke* and others, of the Parish of *St. Bazile*, in the County of *Portneuf*.

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

Of the Corporation of the Town of *Chatham*; praying for the amendment of the Municipal Laws of *Upper Canada*, in so far as they relate to the elections of Reeves and Deputy Reeves.

Of *J. L. Beaudry*, Mayor, and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying against the passing of the Bill to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbour of *Montreal*, and deepening the ship channel between *Montreal* and *Quebec*, and for other purposes.

Of the Honorable *John A. Macdonald* and others; praying to be incorporated as "The *Rideau Club*."

Of the European Assurance Society; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *Hiram Capron* and others, of the Town of *Paris*; praying against the amalgamation of the *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* and Grand Trunk Railway Companies.

Of *W. J. Bickell*, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for authority to build a Toll Bridge over the River *St. Charles*.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
1st September, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Eleventh Report:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Robert Currie*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of *Wawanosh*, in the County of *Huron*, praying that the said township may be divided into two separate Municipalities, and find the Notice sufficient.

On the Petition of the Reverend *J. Brissette* and others, of *Ste. Scholastique*, in the Counties of *Terrebonne* and *Two Mountains*, praying for an Act to reduce the Tolls on the *Lachapelle* and *Vieux* Bridges, and compel the inhabitants of said parishes to cross over the said Bridges during all seasons of the year. Your Committee find that no Notice has been given.

The Petition of Reverend *Joseph Anclair*, *Curé de Notre Dame de Québec*, praying for an Act to incorporate him and his successors in office under the name of "*La Corporation du Curé de la paroisse Notre Dame de Québec*," is not of a nature to require the publication of a Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the transactions of the *Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road Trustees*," reported that they had examined the said Bill, and had directed him to report that as it appears to be of a public character, they recommend that it be referred to a Select Committee, or be otherwise considered as the House may direct.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Price*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Panet*, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Panet*, *A. J. Duchesnay*, *Bossé*, and the mover, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act specially to incorporate the *Tadoussac Hotel and Sea-Bathing Company*," reported that they had gone through

the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)*, from the Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Bank of *Upper Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the house would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put thereon, they were severally agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. *A. Lan* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Alexander*,

That the said Bill be now read a third time.

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Christie*,

That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize a certain By-law of the County of *Lincoln*."

After Debate,

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bossé* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Curé* of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Québec*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Berthier* as a Town."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cormier*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the *Gaspé Bay* Mining Company."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain the Act providing for the management and improvement of the Harbour of *Montreal*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to limit the application of a certain general hypothec created by *Daniel McCallum* and his wife to a certain lot of land."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Curé* and *Marguilliers* of the *Ceuvre* and *Fabrique* of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Québec*, to borrow a certain sum of money on the security of the property of the said *Fabrique*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society called *l'Union St. Henri des Tanneries des Rollands*, of the Parish of *Montreal*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prud'homme*, seconded by the Honorable Mr *Proulx*, it was

Ordered, That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate 'The London Collegiate Institute,'" was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bull*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate '*Les Sœurs de l'Assomption de la Sainte Vierge*,' of the Parish of *St. Grégoire*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dumouchel*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting short forms of Mortgages in *Upper Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same, with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act granting additional facilities in Commercial Transactions."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Wilson*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter Sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of "Canada, and to provide for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, That the said Bill be now read a third time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

Monday, 4th September, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Shead,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Guèvremont,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Campbell,</i>			

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Perry* ; of *Albert Dumble* and others, of *Cobourg*, Stockholders of the *Peterborough* and *Chemong* Lake Railway Company.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson* ; of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Elderslie*, in the County of *Bruce* ; and of *J. Maughan*, Sheriff, and others, of *Owen Sound*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ryan* ; of the Royal *Victoria* Temple of the Independent Order of Good Templars, *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* ; of the Grand Lodge, British American Order of Good Templars ; of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance, *Canada East* ; of the St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 1, British American Order of Good Templars ; of the *Howard* Division, No. 1, Sons of Temperance ; of the Prince *Alfred* Lodge, British American Order of Good Templars ; and of the *Victoria* Lodge, No. 5, British American Order of Good Templars.

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

Of *Samuel Strickland*, J. P., and others, of the Townships of *Smith* and *Druro*, in the County of *Peterborough* ; praying that a grant may be made for the construction of a Lock at *Young's*, at the head of *Ketchawanook* Lake.

Of *Samuel Strickland*, J. P., and others, of *Lakefield*, and of *Walter Sheridan* and others, of the Town of *Peterborough* ; severally praying for an Act for the completion of the *Peterborough* and *Chemong* Lake Railway.

Of *John Childs*, of the City of *Quebec* ; praying that a further delay be granted for the satisfaction of the claims of the Members of the Incorporated Militia of *Lower Canada* who served during the War of 1812-15, and for other purposes.

Of the Reverend *G. H. Kenney* and others, of the County of *Argenteuil*; praying for the passing of such an Act as will prevent Sunday labour on the Canals in this Province.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville*; praying for an Act to restrict the rate of interest to seven per cent.

And of the French Canadian Institute of the City of *Ottawa*; praying to be incorporated.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the Commissioner of Crown Lands, shewing that no commutations have been effected in the Crown Seigniories between the 1st January and the 31st August, 1865.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
4th September, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Twelfth Report :—

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions of the European Insurance Society, praying for an Act of Incorporation; and of the Provisional Council of the County of *Peel*, praying for the separation of the said County from the County of *York*; and find that sufficient notice has been given in each case.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of *W. J. Bickell*, Lumber Merchant, of the City of *Quebec*, praying for power to build a Toll-bridge over the River *St. Charles*; and find that the Notice has not as yet been published for the full length of time required, but as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

The Petition of the Honorable *John A. Macdonald* and others, praying for an Act of Incorporation as “*The Rideau Club*,” is not of a nature to require the publication of Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “*An Act to incorporate the Society called ‘L’Union St. Henri des Tanneries des Rollands, of the Parish of Montreal,’*” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prud’homme*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armand*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put, whether the Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “*An Act to incorporate the London Collegiate Institute*,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had

directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follows :

P. 1, L. 15, leave out "the Reverend."

P. 1, L. 30, leave out "eight" and insert "five."

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society called *La Caisse de Bienfaisance de Tem-pérance, Section St. Jacques*, of the City of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the preservation of Standing Timber," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the Civil Code of *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Seymour* be added to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Seymour* be added to the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting the Bureau of "Agriculture and Agricultural Societies."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Guvremont* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Panet*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House copies of the accounts presented by the Proprietor of the Newspaper published under the name of "*Le D fricheur*," in the village of *L'Avenir* in the Eastern Townships, for notices and other matters published for the Government in the said newspaper, called "*Le D fricheur*," showing amount of each of these accounts of which payment was claimed by the said Proprietor of the said newspaper, for the publication thereof, and the amount paid to him by the Government for such publication.

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*,

That the following words be added to the said motion, "and the respective amounts paid to and claimed by the newspapers of the Province, for advertisements and printing, since the 1st day of January, 1863, and the names of such Papers."

After Debate,

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

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Municipalities in *Lower Canada*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson's* Resolutions, viz :

To Resolve, That in the opinion of this House the settlement of our unoccupied public lands is of the utmost importance. That further effort should be made to attract to *Canada* a larger proportion of the vast number of Emigrants who annually leave the *British Isles* and the Continent of *Europe* for *America*, many of whom pass through this Country on their way to the neighboring States, there to avail themselves of the free grants of land offered to all actual Settlers under the provisions of an Act of Congress "for securing homesteads to actual Settlers on the public domain." That the introduction of such a system into *Canada* would lead to the more rapid occupation of our wild lands, the increase of our population, and the advancement of the general interests of the Province.

That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that any person, being the head of a family or of the age of twenty-one years, upon establishing a claim to pre-emption in conformity with such regulations as the Department of Crown Lands may prescribe, and upon furnishing satisfactory evidence that such claim is made for the exclusive use and benefit of the applicant; and that the entry upon the land is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and upon payment of ten dollars, such applicant shall be permitted to enter upon the quantity of land specified (not more than 200 acres), and that after the expiration of five years, upon proof of residence continuously upon, and cultivation of the land for that period, such person shall be entitled to a patent therefor.

That in some sections of the Province the Public Lands, during a period of inflated prices, were sold to Settlers at high rates; that from many causes the purchasers have been unable to pay the purchase money, and in some instances have had to vacate their lands, while many of those who continue to occupy them do so with little hope of ever becoming the owners thereof. That such a state of things is discouraging to the Settler, retards the improvement of the Country, and is detrimental to the public interests.

After a further Debate, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until half-past seven o'clock this evening.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to enable Aliens to transmit and take real property in this Province "by descent," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter 75 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada* " intituled, 'An Act respecting Master and Servant,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurances on the lives "of their Husbands and Parents," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to appoint Trustees "to wind up the Estate of the late *Alexander MacDonell*, according to the terms of his "last will and testament," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Currie*, *Fergusson Blair*, *Ross*, *McCrea*, and the mover, to meet and adjourn^{as} they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Third Report of the Joint Committee on Printing.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*,

That the said Report be adopted.

After Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

At six o'clock, P.M., the Honorable the Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past seven.

Half-past seven o'clock in the Evening.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* arose in his place and informed the House that if the Public Business will permit, it is His Excellency's intention to Prorogue Parliament during the ensuing week.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson's* Resolutions, viz:

To Resolve, That in the opinion of this House the settlement of our unoccupied public lands is of the utmost importance. That further effort should be made to attract to *Canada* a large proportion of the vast number of Emigrants who annually leave the *British Isles* and the Continent of *Europe for America*, many of whom pass through this Country on their way to the neighboring States, there to avail themselves of the free grants of land offered to all actual Settlers under the provisions of an Act of Congress "for securing homesteads to actual Settlers on the public domain." That the introduction of such a system into *Canada* would lead to the more rapid occupation of our wild lands, the increase of our population, and the advancement of the general interests of the Province.

That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that any person, being the head of a family or of the age of twenty-one years, upon establishing a claim to pre-emption in conformity with such regulations as the Department of Crown Lands may prescribe, and upon furnishing satisfactory evidence that such claim is made for the exclusive use and benefit of the applicant; and that the entry upon the land is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and upon payment of ten dollars, such applicant shall be permitted to enter upon the quantity of land specified (not more than 200 acres), and that after the expiration of five years, upon proof of residence continuously upon, and cultivation of the land for that period, such person shall be entitled to a patent therefor.

That in some sections of the Province the Public Lands, during a period of inflated prices, were sold to Settlers at high rates; that from many causes the purchasers have been unable to pay the purchase money, and in some instances have had to vacate their lands, while many of those who continue to occupy them do so with little hope of ever becoming the owners thereof. That such a state of things is discouraging to the Settler, retards the improvement of the Country, and is detrimental to the public interests.

After a further long Debate,

The said Resolutions were, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the "Curé of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Québec*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the *Gaspé Bay* Mining Company."

The Honorable Mr. *Flint* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Blaise*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain the Act providing for the management and improvement of the Harbour "of *Montreal*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to limit the application of a certain general hypothec created by *Daniel McCallum* and his wife to a certain lot of land."

The Honorable Mr. *Bossé* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,
That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Curé* and *Marguilliers* of the *Ceuvre* and *Fabrique* of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Québec*, "to borrow a certain sum of money on the security of the property of the said *Fabrique*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Allan*,
The House adjourned.

Tuesday, 5th September, 1865.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Guevrément,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>		

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Gingras*; of *La Caisse d' Economie (Banque d'épargnes) de Notre Dame de Québec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Allan*; of the Honorable *William Cayley* and others, of the City of *Toronto*.

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

Of *F. X. Duval* and others, of part of the Seigniorship of *Terrebois*, in the County of *Kamouraska*; praying for an Act to annex the said portion of the Seigniorship to the Parish of *St. Antonin*, in the County of *Temiscouata*, for Municipal and other purposes.

And of the Rev. *P. G. Clarke* and others, of *St. Bazile*; praying for aid for the completion of certain roads.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
5th September, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Thirteenth Report :—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Reverend *Elliot Grasett*, Incumbent of Trinity Church, *Simcoe*, and others; praying for an Act authorizing the sale of certain lands, and the application of the proceeds towards the purchase of a Parsonage house and premises, and find that sufficient Notice has been given.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*; praying for an Act to legalize the assessment on certain non-resident lands in the said City, improperly assessed in 1857, and find that no Notice has been given in the *Canada Gazette*, but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

The Petition of the French Canadian Institute, of the City of *Ottawa*; praying to be incorporated, is not of a nature to require the publication of Notice under the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Curé* and *Marguilliers* of the *Œuvre* and *Fabrique* of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Québec*, to borrow a certain sum of money on the security of the property of the said *Fabrique*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Bossé*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chaffers*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize a certain By-Law of the County of *Lincoln*," reported that they had examined the said Bill, and had directed him to report that the Preamble is not proved, and no sufficient cause shewn to the Committee for Legislative interference in the matter.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate '*Les Sœurs de l'Assomption de la Sainte Vierge*,' of the Parish of *St. Gregoire*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

Page 1, line 35—Leave out "eight" and insert "five."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Archambault*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the *Gaspé Bay* "Mining Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bureau*, from the Committee appointed to enquire into the reasons which induced the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal* to raise, to an excessive amount, the dues on Farmers' horses and carts, and on their goods and products, and generally on merchandize brought across the River to the *Montreal* markets on the Steamers plying between *Longueuil* and the foot of the current; and also to ascertain what dues ought to be levied by the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal* on the above-mentioned articles, so as not to injure the trade or the inhabitants to the south of the *St. Lawrence*, who have to pay the said dues, presented their Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,
COMMITTEE ROOM,
5th September, 1865.

The Committee appointed to enquire into the reasons which induced the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal* to raise to an excessive amount the dues on Farmers' horses and carts, and on their goods and products, and generally on merchandize brought across the river to the *Montreal* markets on the steamers plying between *Longueuil* and the foot of the current,—and also to ascertain what dues ought to be levied by the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal* on the above-mentioned articles, so as not to injure the trade or

the inhabitants to the south of the *St. Lawrence*, who have to pay the said dues, have the honor to report,

That the Honorable *John Young*, Chairman of the Corporation of the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*, admits that the dues imposed by the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal* on Farmers' horses and carts are too high, and that the said Commissioners were, therefore, unanimous in making a reduction of fifty per cent. thereon; but that the said Commissioners, after having consulted their legal adviser on the subject of the interpretation of the Act 18 *Vic.*, c. 143, re-imposed *in toto* the excessive dues of which the farmers complain by their petition; that the Honorable Mr. *Young* declared that of late years he had commuted these dues, and that the Commissioners have still a legal right so to do.

That *A. M. Delisle* and *M. Marchand*, Esquires, of the City of *Montreal*, ex-Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*, are of opinion that the dues in question, levied by the said Commissioners, are excessive, and that the said Commissioners have not the right, under the Act above cited, to levy rates or dues on the horses and carts of Farmers and others used for the conveyance of their produce and other effects.

That *J. L. Beaudry*, Esquire, Mayor of the City of *Montreal*, and *ex-officio* one of the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*, is also of the same opinion as Messieurs *Delisle* and *Marchand* as to the interpretation of the said Act, and Mr. *Beaudry* is also of opinion that the dues imposed on the horses and carts of farmers and others are excessive.

That it has been ascertained that the dues which will be levied on a single steamer plying between *Longueuil* and *Montreal* at the foot of the current during the present season will amount to five or six thousand dollars for about two hundred days, which sum is in part the amount of a tax levied on the horses and carts of farmers and others by the said Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*, as above mentioned.

Wherefore, Your Committee is of opinion, after mature deliberation, that the Act 18 *Victoria*, cap. 143, ought to be amended or explained in such manner as to remove all doubts as to its interpretation and not to expose Farmers and others to the payment in future of the excessive dues imposed by the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal* as above mentioned, whether they have that right or not.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. O. BUREAU,
Chairman.

(For Evidence, Vide Appendix No. 2.)

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

Ordered, That the said report and the evidence taken before the said Committee be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

Ordered, That the 62nd Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the Bill intituled, "An Act to appoint Trustees to wind up the Estate of the late *Alexander MacDonell*, according to the terms of his last will and testament."

The Honorable Mr. *Bossé* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the ordinary Procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts of *Lower Canada*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Allan* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*, That the 53rd Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the application for the passing of a Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize certain assessments within the City of *Toronto*, and to enable the said City to recover the taxes rated and charged."

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Allan* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize certain assessments within the City of *Toronto*, and to enable the said city to recover the Taxes rated and charged."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Ordered, That the period for presenting Private Bills to the Legislative Council be extended to the 15th September, 1865.

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

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vidal*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, it was

Ordered, That the Fees paid on the Bill to authorize the sale of the lands belonging to the late *William E. Sanborn* be remitted.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return, shewing that no commutation of Tenure has been effected in any of the Censives belonging to the late Order of Jesuits, nor in the Seignior of *Lauzon*, nor Censives of the Crown Domain, *Quebec*, or *Three Rivers*, from the 1st January to the 31st August, 1865.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 30th August, 1865, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of all the votes by the various County and Electoral Division Agricultural Societies at the recent Election of Members of the Board of Agriculture in *Upper* and in *Lower Canada*; and also, copies of all correspondence between the Bureau of Agriculture and the Secretaries of the said Boards of Agriculture, and of the County and Electoral Division Agricultural Societies, with reference to the said elections.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *London Collegiate Institute*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*,

That when the House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned to the usual hour on to-morrow, and then to be continued in session until six o'clock P.M., unless otherwise sooner adjourned, and to meet again at half-past seven o'clock P.M., of the same day; and that every sitting upon each such meeting shall be considered as a distinct sitting of this House, as though such sittings had been had on different days.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Bill intituled, "An Act to relieve the *Rossin House Hotel Joint Stock Company*, (limited,) from payment of "Taxes," and the Report of the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills thereon.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred back to the said Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Berthier* as a Town."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cormier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society called '*La Caisse de Bienfaisance de Tempérance, Section St. Jacques*,' of the City of *Montreal*" was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the Civil Code of *Lower Canada*."

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Municipalities in *Lower Canada*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable Aliens to transmit and take real property in this Province by descent."

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter 75 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled, 'An Act respecting Master and Servant,'" was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Dikson, Fergusson Blair, Currie*, and the mover, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurance on the lives of their Husbands and Parents," was read a second time.

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

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain the Act providing for the management and improvement of the Harbour of *Montreal*."

The Honorable Mr. *Lacoste* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bureau*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

A question of Order was raised as to whether this Bill does not come within the Fifty-third Rule of the House.

The Honorable the Speaker decided that the Bill being a Public Bill it does not come within the scope of the said Rule.

Ordered, That the second reading of the said Bill be postponed until to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting abuses prejudicial to Agriculture, chapter twenty-six of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act Twenty-seventh *Victoria*, chapter eleven, respecting the collection of School rates," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Notarial Profession," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

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

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*,

The House adjourned.

Wednesday, 6th September, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Mathiot,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>		

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Vidal* ; of *Malcolm Cameron* and others, of the United Canadian Alliance for the total suppression of the Liquor Traffic.

By the Honorable Mr. *Alexander* ; of *A. C. Ramsay* and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Campbell* ; of the Reverend *John McMorine*, Minister, and other Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of the Township of *Ramsay*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* ; of the *St. Charles* Division, No. 61, Sons of Temperance, of the Prince Consort Temple, No. 2, Independent Order Good Templars *Montreal*, and of the *Montreal* Temperance Society.

By the Honorable Mr. *McDonald* ; of *Wm. Smith*.

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

Of *Albert Dumble* and others, of *Coboury*, Stockholders of the *Peterborough* and *Chemong Lake* Railway Company ; praying that the Charter of the said Company may not be revived, but that the management of the affairs of the said Company may be left with the Court of Chancery, and for other purposes.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Elderslie*, in the County of *Bruce* ; praying against the passing of the Bill to make *Walkerton* the County Town of *Bruce*, and for other purposes.

Of *J. Maughan*, Sheriff, and others, of *Owen Sound* ; praying for an Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of Intoxicating Liquor on the *Manitoulin* and other Islands in *Lake Huron* and *Georgian Bay*, and for other purposes.

Of the Royal *Victoria* Temple of the Independent Order of Good Templars, *Montreal*; of the Grand Lodge, British American Order of Good Templars; of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance, *Canada East*; of the St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 1, British American Order of Good Templars; of the *Howard* Division, No. 1, Sons of Temperance; of the Prince *Alfred* Lodge, British American Order of Good Templars; and of the *Victoria* Lodge, No. 5, British American Order of Good Templars, severally praying against the passing of the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* Licensed Victuallers' Protection Society.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
6th September, 1865.

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

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company, praying for such amendments to their Act of incorporation as will allow them to build a railway to connect with the *Marmora* Iron Works, and find that sufficient Notice has been given.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of *F. X. Duval* and others, inhabitants of a certain portion of the Seigniorship of *Terrebois*, County of *Kamouraska*, praying that the said portion of Seigniorship may be detached from the said County of *Kamouraska* and annexed to the Parish of *St. Antonin*, forming part of the County of *Temiscouata* for Educational, Municipal and Registration purposes, and find that no local Notice has been given; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to appoint Trustees to wind up the Estate of the late *Alexander Macdonell*, according to the terms of his last will and testament," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society called '*La Caisse de Bienfaisance de Temperance, Section St. Jacques*,' of the City of *Montreal*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to limit the application of a certain general hypothec created by *Daniel McCallum* and his wife, to a certain lot of land," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendment being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Bossé*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred back the Bill intituled, "An Act to relieve the "Rossin House Hotel Joint Stock Company (limited), from payment of Taxes," reported that they had again gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendment was then twice read by the Clerk.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* then moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*,

That the said amendment be now agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Christie*,

To leave out the word "now," and after "to" to insert "this day three months."

After a long Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the House divided, and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Sunborn,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Vidal.—27.</i>
<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Iacoste,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Shead,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Wilson.—25.</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>			

The Honorable Mr. *McMaster* having been required to declare whether he had any pecuniary interest in the present question or not.

And he having answered in the affirmative,

A question of Order arose as to whether the Honorable Mr. *McMaster* should have a right to vote on account of his having such interest so declared by him in his place.

Whereupon the Honorable the Speaker ruled that for the reason aforesaid the Honorable Mr. *McMaster* has not the right to vote upon the question now before the House, and it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *McMaster's* name be left out of the said Division list.

The said name being struck out, the Division stands as follows :

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NON-CONTENTS. 25.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Les Sœurs de l'Assomption de la Sainte Vierge*, "of the Parish of *St. Grégoire*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Aikins*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid before this House, a statement of all loans and advances made by the Province to the Grand Trunk Railway Company since the first day of August, 1860, with the date of such advances, and a statement of moneys repaid by the said Company on such loans or advances; also a statement of the sums paid or credited by the Government to the said Company, on account of Postal Services or otherwise, since the first day of August, 1860, to the present time, with the dates of such payments respectively; Also the date at which the Sterling Bonds for £12,500 sterling, given by the said Company to secure a certain advance of \$172,830.67, made in the month of August, 1860, were surrendered or given up by the Government; Also, a copy of the application by the said Company for such advance, and the copy of the Order in Council or other authority authorizing such advance; also a statement of the amount due upon said loan on the 9th of June, 1862, and the amount the said Company was entitled to for Postal Service under the then existing Order or Orders in Council respecting such service.

After Debate,

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General, with the said Address.

It being six o'clock, the Speaker left the Chair, to be resumed at half-past seven o'clock this evening, pursuant to the Order of the House made yesterday.

At half-past seven o'clock P.M., the House met, and

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>B'ake,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Guéremont,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Skoad,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>			

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *McCrea* ; of *Joseph White*, Chief, and others, of the *Wyandottes*, an Indian Band residing in the Township of *Anderdon*, County of *Essix*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Armand* ; of *J. L. Beaudry*, Mayor, and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

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

Of la Caisse d'Economie (Banque d'épargnes) de Notre Dame de Québec ; praying to be exempt from special taxation proposed by the Act to amend the Acts incorporating the City of *Quebec*.

And of the Honorable *William Cayley* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, praying against the passing of the Bill to amend the Act making further provisions relating to the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company, and for other purposes.

The Honorable Mr. *Guéremont* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armand*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a copy of the correspondence which has taken place between *J. B. Eric Dorion*, Esquire, Member of the Legislative Assembly of this Province, from the County of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, and the Government, respecting the Commissioners for the summary decision of small causes in the Parish of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*, from the 1st of November, 1864, to this day ; and also a copy of the correspondence which has taken place, from the 1st of November, 1864, to this day, between the said Commissioners and the Government.

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General, with the said Address.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

COMMITTEE ROOM,
5th September, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, beg leave to make the following as their Fourth Report:—

The Committee have carefully examined the following documents and recommended that they be not printed.

General statement of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, in certain Districts, for the year 1864.

Return of Bonds and Securities recorded in the Provincial Registrar's office to the 8th August.

Return to Address, respecting Military Schools at *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

Return to Address, for certain statement relative to Military Schools.

Return to Address, copies of Militia General Order of April, 1865, and the Instructions to Officers of Volunteers.

Return to Address, correspondence since beginning of last Session, relative to the Reciprocity Treaty with the *United States*.

Return to Address, correspondence respecting *Metapedia* and *Temiscouata* roads.

Return to Address, certain documents respecting *Matawin* road.

Return to Address, Mr *Baillarge's* Report and correspondence in relation to damages caused by the *Beauharnois* Canal.

Return from the Registrar of *Stormont*.

Return of *la Société St. Ignace de Montréal*, to August, 1865.

Return to Address, correspondence relative to the appointment and salary of Deputy Shipping Master since 1860.

Return to Address, relative to Mr. Consul General *Potter's* speech at *Detroit* and letter of Mr. *Wood* to Mr. *Potter*.

Return to Address, respecting change of Post Office from *Irish Creek* to *Jasper*.

Return to Address, Documents respecting system now followed or hereafter to be adopted in Supervisor of Cullers' office.

Return to Address of the Legislative Assembly, respecting votes cast for Members of the Board of Agriculture in 1865.

Return to Address, respecting Custom House Officers in Districts of *Montmagny*, *Kamouraska*, *Saguenay* and *Rimouski*.

The Committee also recommend that the following Documents be printed in the Sessional Papers:—

Reports of the Council of University College and Senate of ditto, for 1864.

Accounts, Trinity House of *Quebec*, to 30th June, 1865.

Return to Address, Statement of Salaries, &c., &c., paid to Judges, Junior Judges and Recorders in *Upper Canada*, &c. (*Tabular Statement only*).

Statement of Fee Fund, *Upper Canada*, for the year ending 30th June, 1865.

The Committee also recommend that the following Documents be printed for distribution:—

Return to Address, Report of *P. Fortin*, Esquire, for 1864, Fisheries Protection Service.

Return to Address, relative to Deputy Clerks of the Crown, Deputy Masters and Deputy Registrars in Chancery and County Attorneys in arrears for fees, with a statement showing length of time such fees remained in their hands in arrears.

Return to Address, of the Honorable the Legislative Council, information respecting recent election of Members of Boards of Agriculture. (*Distribution only*)

Report of the Select Committee of the Honorable the Legislative Council, on the charges imposed by the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*. (*Selections only to be printed, and for distribution only.*)

The Committee also recommend that a further edition of 5,000 copies of the Report on the Intercolonial Railway Exploratory Survey be published.

The Committee also recommend that thirty additional copies of the Public Accounts, be in future printed for the use of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON,
Chairman.

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

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into consideration by the House on Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter "Thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting the Bureau of Agriculture "and Agricultural Societies," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leslie*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* and the Honorable Messieurs *Letellier de St. Just*, *Ryan*, *Christie*, *Olivier*, *Alexander*, *Ross*, and the mover, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Ordinary Procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts for *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Bossé*, *Olivier*, and the mover, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize "certain Assessments within the City of *Toronto*, and to enable the said City to recover "the Taxes rated and charged," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the Civil Code "of *Lower Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Bureau* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An "Act to amend the Act respecting Municipalities in *Lower Canada*."

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leslie*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate, it was

Ordered, That the second reading of the said Bill be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable Aliens to transmit "and take real property in the Province by descent."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their Husbands and Parents."

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain the Act providing for the management and improvement of the Harbor of Montreal."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Friday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting abuses prejudicial to Agriculture, Chapter twenty-six of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada."

The Honorable Mr. *Armand* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Guvremont*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Agriculture.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act twenty-seventh Victoria, chapter eleven, respecting the collection of School Rates," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Bureau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Notarial Profession," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the

Honorable Messieurs *Letellier de St. Just, Bureau, Panet*, and the mover, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act for quieting Titles to Real Estate in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the English and Canadian Mining Company (Limited)," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was

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

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

The House adjourned.

Thursday, 7th September, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRICO JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Guévreumont,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Pru d'homme,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Shead,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Allan*; of *Henry Covert* and another, Bondholders of the *Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company*.

By the Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay*; of *Charles Petitclair*, of the City of *Quebec*

Of the Honorable Mr. *Cormier*; of *Edouard Bourassa* and others, of the Townships of *Inverness* and *Halifax*, in the County of *Megantic*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*; of *J. Lewis Metsalabanbethe*, Chief, and others, of the *Abenakis* Tribe of Indians, settled at *Becancour*.

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

Of *A. C. Ramsay* and others, engaged in the business of Fire, Life and Marine Insurance in this Province; praying that the Bill to provide for obtaining Statistical Returns from Insurance Companies, be not passed, but that the subject be referred to a Committee for the purpose of taking evidence thereon.

Of the Reverend *John McMorine*, Minister, and others, Trustees, of the Presbyterian Church of the Township of *Ramsay*; praying for an Act to authorize them to sell the Glebe property of the said Church, and to apply the proceeds to the purchase of a site and the erection of a Manse at the Village of *Almonte*.

Of the Honorable *Malcolm Cameron* and others, of the United Canadian Alliance for the Total Suppression of the Liquor Traffic,—of the *St. Charles* Division, No. 61, Sons of Temperance,—of the Prince Consort Temple, No. 2, Independent Order of Good Templars, *Montreal*,—and of the *Montreal* Temperance Society; severally praying against the passing of the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* Licensed Victuallers' Protection Society.

And of *William Smith*; praying against the amalgamation of the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* and Grand Trunk Railway Companies.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
7th September, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Fifteenth Report:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company, praying for certain amendments to the Act to make further provisions relating to the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company, and find the Notice too general; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Curé* of "the Parish of *Notre Dame de Québec*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize certain assessments in the City of *Toronto*, and to enable the said City to recover the Taxes rated and "charged," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Allan* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*.

That the said amendments be now adopted.

After Debate,

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

Ordered, accordingly.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter Thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of "Canada, respecting the Bureau of Agriculture and Agricultural Societies," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leslie*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Bossé*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Ordinary Procedure in the Superior "and Circuit Courts for *Lower Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendment being then twice read by the Clerk and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, from the Select Committee appointed by this Honorable House to enquire about the causes of the inundation that took place on the 12th of April last, with the loss of human lives, and great devastation and damage to property, in the Parishes of *Berthier*, *Sorel*, *St. Outhbert*, *St. Barthélemy*, *Maskinongé*, and other Parishes along the River *St. Lawrence*, with power to call for persons and papers, and upon the whole make their report, with such suggestions as they may think fit, to prevent the recurrence of such sad events, presented their Report together with the evidence taken by said Committee.

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,
COMMITTEE ROOM,

7th September, 1865.

The Select Committee appointed to enquire about the causes of the inundation that took place on the 12th April last, with the loss of human lives, and great devastation and

damage to property, in the Parishes of *Berthier*, *Sorel*, *St. Cuthbert*, *St. Barthélemy*, *Maskinongé*, and other Parishes along the River *St. Lawrence*, with power to call for persons and papers, and upon the whole make their report, with such suggestions as they may think fit, to prevent the recurrence of such sad events, have the honor to report.

Your Committee, after having procured a map shewing the course of the River *St. Lawrence* between *Montreal* and *Quebec*, which was laid before the Committee by order of the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works, as well as obtained much information in writing from the Public Works Department, and after having heard several witnesses, whose depositions accompany this report, have come to the following conclusion :

1st. That the immediate cause of the inundations which occur in spring on the breaking up of the ice, in the Parishes of *Berthier*, *Sorel*, *St. Cuthbert*, *St. Barthélemy*, and *Maskinongé*, and in other Parishes on the River *St. Lawrence*, such as *Gentilly*, *Bécancour*, *St. Grégoire*, *Nicolet*, *La Baie du Fèveure*, *St. François du Lac*, *Yamaska*, *La Rivière du Loup*, *Yamatchiche*, *La Pointe du Lac*, *Three Rivers*, *Batiscan*, and *St. Anne de la Pérade*, appears to be the formation of dams of ice in the River *St. Lawrence*, at the head of the *Richelieu* Rapids near *la Poinle des Grondines*, and that such was the cause of the inundation of the 12th of April last, in the above named Parishes.

2nd. That the pier built (without any authority whatever) in the River *St. Lawrence*, on the north side and nearly opposite to the mouth of the River *Chaudière*, has the effect of assisting the taking or fastening of the ice in that locality at an early period of the winter, and that it was built for that purpose.

3rd. That the formation of an ice bridge at the place where this pier is built, which is one of the narrowest parts of the River, has the effect of assisting the taking of the ice on the River upwards as far as above the *Richelieu* Rapids; and that thereby the danger of dams of ice being formed at the head of or above the *Richelieu* Rapids is increased, as well as the danger of inundations in spring which are their usual consequence.

4th. That it is dangerous to build any wharves or piers in the narrow or naturally obstructed portions of the River *St. Lawrence*, between *Three Rivers* and *Quebec*, and the more so in that the melting of the snow and the flow of water from other Rivers into the *St. Lawrence* take place more rapidly now than formerly, owing to the land being more extensively cleared.

5th. That the piers or wharves which have been built in the River *St. Lawrence*, either opposite to the Parish of *St. Anne de la Pérade*, or at the Falls of the *Chaudière*, ought to be removed.

6th. That it would be desirable also that a competent person should examine the River *St. Lawrence*, from the place where piers were built, opposite the Parish of *St. Anne de la Pérade*, in the year 1856, downwards, in order to ascertain whether, when portions of these piers were carried away by the ice, the ruins may not have grounded in some place where they may obstruct the channel of the River.

In support of the assertion above made by your Committee, "That it is dangerous to build any wharf or pier in the narrow and obstructed parts of the River between *Three Rivers* and *Quebec*," your Committee deem it their duty to point out the remarkable coincidence between the dates at which piers have been built in the River between *Three Rivers* and *Quebec*, and those of the inundations which have taken place since.

The piers at *St. Anne de la Pérade* were built before the close of the navigation in the year 1856, and immediately, in the following spring (1857) there was a great inundation in the Parishes near the river, above that place.

The pier at the *Chaudière* was built during the autumn of 1862. During the following winter an ice-bridge was formed opposite the mouth of the *Chaudière*, and before the City of *Quebec*; and during the following spring (1863) there was one of the greatest inundations that had been known until then.

During the winter of 1863-'4, no ice-bridge was formed in front of *Quebec*, and then there was no inundation in the spring (1854).

Lastly, an ice-bridge having been formed early last winter at the *Chaudière* and in front of *Quebec*, the greatest inundation ever known, that of the month of April last, caused the loss of thirty-four human lives in the Islands between *Berthier* and *Sorel*, and enormous injury to property in the Parishes along the River above the *Richelieu* Rapids, as far as *Berthier* and *Sorel*.

In view of the disastrous consequences resulting from inundations in the above-mentioned Parishes, your Committee thinks proper to suggest that it would be desirable to draw the attention of the Government of this Province to the danger there is in permitting the construction or tolerating the existence of obstacles to the descent of the ice in the River *St. Lawrence* between *Three Rivers* and *Quebec*; and further, that the Government would do an act of justice to the populations which suffer from these inundations, as well as one of public utility, in order to prevent the abandonment or the deterioration of the finest alluvial lands in *Lower Canada* (forming an area of about 140 to 150 square miles), in having it ascertained whether it would not be possible to remove the natural obstacles to the descent of the ice in spring, either near *Grondines Point* or in the *Richelieu Rapids*, or elsewhere down the River.

Two of the Members of your Committee, the Honorable Messieurs *Bossé* and *E. H. J. Duchesnay*, while declaring that they are not convinced by the evidence adduced before the Committee, that the pier built at the mouth of the *Chaudière* River has even an indirect influence on the formation of dams of ice above the *Richelieu Rapids*, still deem it right to concur in the recommendation that the pier in question should be removed, because they think that everything that is even supposed to cause the jams of ice which occasion these inundations ought to be removed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

L. A. OLIVIER,
Chairman.

Ordered, That the said Report and evidence be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, it was

Ordered, That the said Report together with the evidence appended thereto, be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing.

(For Evidence Vide Appendix No. 1.)

The Honorable Mr. *Alexander*, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting abuses prejudicial to Agriculture, chapter twenty-six of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report that the same be not further proceeded with.

The Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the 'Notarial Profession,'" reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and the said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows:—

Page 1, line *ult.*—After "examination" insert, "and after he has thus selected the Board before which it is his intention to present himself, it shall not be lawful for him to present himself before any other Board until after having presented himself before such Board nor until after the lapse of at least three months, if such Board have refused to admit him."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill, as amended, be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Currie*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend chapter seventy-five of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*," intituled, "An Act respecting Master and Servant," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Currie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Christie*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* informed the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under his Sign Manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

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

MONCK.

The Governor General transmits, for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council, copies of a correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor General, relative to the Union of the British North American Provinces and the construction of the Intercolonial Railway.

Quebec, 6th September, 1865.

Mr. Cardwell to Viscount Monck.

(Copy—Canada—No. 124.)

DOWNING STREET, 29th July, 1865.

MY LORD,—I have the honor to transmit to your Lordship, for your information, the copies of two Despatches which I have addressed to the Lieutenant Governors of *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, apprising them of the purport of the interviews which I have had with the gentlemen composing the Deputations from the Governments of these Provinces respectively.

I have, &c.,

EDWARD CARDWELL.

The Viscount *Monck*, &c., &c., &c.

Mr. Secretary Cardwell to the Honorable A. H. Gordon.

(Copy—New Brunswick—No. 88.)

DOWNING STREET, 28th July, 1865.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 53, of the 20th of June, reporting that, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of Assembly, the Honorable *A. J. Smith*, President of the Council, and the Honorable *J. C. Allan*, Attorney General, had been appointed delegates on behalf of *New Brunswick*, to represent to Her Majesty's Government the views and feelings of the House and of the people of that Province on the subject of the Union of *British North America*. Having had the honor to confer with these gentlemen, I have answered them in entire accordance with the Despatches I have addressed to you, explaining the views of Her Majesty's Government on the subject of Confederation. I also observed to the Deputation that, as regards an union of the Maritime Provinces, Her Majesty's Government can give no countenance to any proposals which would tend to delay the Confederation of all the Provinces, which they are so desirous to promote, and can only aid in the promotion of a closer union between *New Brunswick* and *Nova Scotia* if that closer union be ancillary to and form part of the scheme for general union.

I have, &c.,

EDWARD CARDWELL.

Lieutenant Governor

The Hon. *A. H. Gordon*, C.M.G., &c., &c., &c.

Mr. Cardwell to Lieutenant Governor Sir R. MacDonnell.

(Copy—*Nova Scotia*—No. 39.)

DOWNING STREET, 28th July, 1865.

SIR,—I have received your Despatch of the 21st June, No. 89, announcing that the Honorable Dr. *Tupper*, Provincial Secretary, and the Honorable *W. A. Henry*, Attorney General, had been appointed Delegates on behalf of *Nova Scotia*, to confer with Her Majesty's Government on the subject of the Reciprocity Treaty, and on other topics affecting the interests of the Colony.

I have had the honor to receive, and have conferred with these gentlemen, and have read to them the Despatches which I have addressed to you on this subject.

I have also spoken with them on the proposed union of the Maritime Provinces, and have taken the opportunity of expressing myself to them on the subject of Confederation, in accordance with the Despatches in your possession, in which the views of Her Majesty's Government have been conveyed.

I have stated that Her Majesty's Government can give no countenance to any proposals which would lead to delay the Confederation of all the Provinces, which they are so desirous to promote, and can only aid in the promotion of a closer union between *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick* if that closer union be ancillary to and form part of the scheme for General Union.

I have, &c.,

EDWARD CARDWELL.

Lieutenant Governor Sir *R. G. MacDonnell*, C.B., &c.

Mr. Cardwell to Viscount Monck.

[Copy—*Canada*—No. 127.]

DOWNING STREET, 5th August, 1865.

(No. 58), July 15th, 1865.

MY LORD,—I have the honor to transmit to your Lordship a (No. 91), August 4th, 1865. copy of a Despatch from the Lieutenant Governor of *New Brunswick*, enclosing a Resolution of the Executive Council of that Province, expressive of their opinion on the subject of Confederation, together with a copy of my reply.

I have, &c.,

EDWARD CARDWELL.

Governor Viscount *Monck*, &c.

Honorable A. H. Gordon to Mr. Cardwell.

[Copy—No. 58.]

FREDERICTON, 15th July, 1865.

SIR,—I received, by the last mail, your Despatch, No. 81, of the 24th June. I thought desirable that its contents should be immediately made public, and I accordingly directed it to be published in the last issue of the *Royal Gazette*.

2. I, of course, lost no time in communicating a copy of the Despatch and its enclosures to my Executive Council, and I have now the honor to transmit to you the copy of a Minute of that body with reference thereto.

I have, &c.,

ARTHUR H. GORDON.

Right Honorable *Edward Cardwell*.

[Copy.]

To His Excellency the Honorable *Arthur Hamilton Gordon*, C. M. G., Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Province of *New Brunswick* :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

The Executive Council in Committee have had under consideration a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 24th June, lately communicated to them by Your Excellency.

From the language of this Despatch it would be natural to infer that it related to some scheme for effecting an entire Legislative and Administrative Union of the British North American Provinces, which has not yet been made public, but words used in the concluding paragraph, taken in connection with various other circumstances, lead the Committee to conclude that it is intended to refer to the Resolutions in favor of a Federation of the various Provinces of *British North America*, agreed to by the Canadian Parliament at the last Session. These Resolutions have already been submitted to the people of *New Brunswick*, at the time and in the manner which the advocates of the scheme themselves selected. The Legislature was dissolved, and the people were enabled to pronounce their decision on this most important subject in the regular constitutional mode, and, after ample consideration, refused, by an overwhelming majority, to adopt the scheme; not because it was novel, as Mr. *Cardwell* has been led to suppose, but because they were unable to discover anything in it that gave promise of either moral or material advantage to the Empire or to themselves, or that afforded a prospect of improved administration or increased prosperity.

The spirit of loyalty which has always animated the people of *New Brunswick* and of which they have on many occasions given proof, is still as ardent as ever, and whenever it becomes necessary they are prepared to place all their means and resources at the absolute disposal of the Imperial Government, but they cannot believe that the contemplated Confederation would either increase their strength or render it more available.

A large majority of the people of this Province are opposed to any closer political connection with *Canada* than that afforded by the tie of a common allegiance to the British Crown, and consider that such a Union would have a decided tendency to weaken that dependence on the British Empire which they so highly prize, and would lead to the neglect and injury of their local interests: in which opinion the Committee believe that the people of the other Maritime Provinces fully concur, but even those who desire a union must fail to discover in the Resolutions adopted at *Quebec* any provision whatever for the accomplishment of a fusion, which, in the words of Mr. *Cardwell's* Despatch, would unite in one Government all the British North American Provinces, and form a Province uniting in itself all the population and all the resources of the whole.

The Committee of course cannot suppose that the British Government share the ignorance with regard to the history and character of the Federal scheme which appears to prevail among the British public, and which induces the *Times* newspaper, of the 20th June, to observe that "the two *Canadas* have put aside their ancient jealousies and are ready to meet in a common Legislature," in apparent forgetfulness of the fact that they have so met for the last five and twenty years, and very probably without any consciousness on the part of the writer of the article that the jealousies between the *Canadas*, said to have been put aside, are avowedly the cause of the late proposal, and that its authors, in the event of its failure, are pledged to restore to *Upper* and *Lower Canada* a great measure of the local independence surrendered by them in 1840.

The Resolutions agreed to by the leading Canadian politicians in the month of June, 1864, as the basis of the formation of the existing Cabinet, and adopted solely under the pressure of local exigencies contain the statement that "on consideration of the steps most advisable for the final settlement of *sectional difficulties*, the remedy must be sought in the adoption of the Federal principle," and provide that if such negotiations were unsuccessful, they would be "prepared to pledge themselves to legislation during the next session of Parliament, for the purpose of remedying existing difficulties, by introducing the Federal principle for *Canada* alone."

It is perfectly clear that the "existing difficulties" were the motive and groundwork of the scheme, and that the Federal union was only sought as a means of separating the *Canadas*, a separation which the Canadian Government are pledged in all events immediately to effect, a fact which perhaps sufficiently accounts for the eagerness for which they seek to force its immediate adoption upon unwilling communities, for they are well aware that did the plan avowedly contemplate only the separation of the *Canadas*, it would be impossible, even speciously, to present it to the Imperial Government as in any manner a scheme of union.

Mr. *Cardwell* is perfectly right in supposing that the views and wishes of *Great Britain* are entitled to great weight, and they will ever be received with respectful attention

in this Province, but the Committee feel certain that if there be one view with regard to the Colonies which is more clearly and distinctly held than another by Her Majesty's Government and the people of *England*, if there be one wish on their part with respect to which there can be neither hesitation nor doubt, it is that the people of this Province, and of others, enjoying, through the wise liberality of *England*, Parliamentary Institutions and free self-government, should act in reference to their own affairs as seems to themselves most consistent with their duty to their Sovereign and most conducive to their own interests.

To confer on this Province a right of self-government would have been mockery if, in consequence of its claims to deference as a protector, the wish of the Mother Country was in all cases to be followed whenever expressed, whatever the opinion of those to whom the power of judging has been solemnly intrusted by the Sovereign and Legislature of *Great Britain*, and who, being on the spot, and fully conversant with the subject, considered themselves not unable to judge with respect to their own affairs when a wish is expressed by Her Majesty's Government it will be received with the deference which is due to suggestions emanating from so high a source, and will be considered with an anxious desire to meet the views of Her Majesty's advisers; but if such views should unfortunately, not coincide with the views of those on whom alone the responsibility of action in the Province falls, the Committee feel assured that Her Majesty's Government will expect and desire that the Government of this Province should act according to their own convictions of right, and in conformity with the sentiments of the people they represent.

R. D. WILMOT,
J. W. ANGLIN,
GEORGE L. HATHEWAY,
BLISS BOTSFORD,
W. H. ODELL,
R. HUTCHISON,
A. H. GILLMOR, Jr.

Fredericton, July 12th, 1865.

Mr. Cardwell to Lieutenant Governor, The Hon. A. H. Gordon.

[Copy—No. 91.]

DOWNING STREET, 4th August, 1865.

SIR,—I have received your Despatch, No. 52, of the 15th July, in answer to mine of the 24th of June.

It might perhaps have been well that that portion of the Executive Council who were in *New Brunswick* should have allowed the communication made to the Colony by Her Majesty's Government to be generally known, and considered in the Colony, before they returned so decided a reply.

The first paragraph of the Minute seems to me to require no other notice than the observation that by Despatch enclosed for the information of the Legislature of *New Brunswick*, the record of what had passed between Her Majesty's Government and the Ministers of *Canada*, on the subject of Confederation, and it was therefore impossible for any one to misunderstand the reference, or to suppose that it applied to another and different scheme.

Notwithstanding, therefore, your Despatch and its enclosure, I still confidently anticipate that the serious consideration of the Province of *New Brunswick* will be given to the earnest and friendly suggestions which, on the part of Her Majesty's Government, it has been my duty to convey to them, through you.

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

Lieutenant Governor
The Hon. A. H. Gordon,
&c., &c., &c.

Mr. Cardwell to Lord Monck.

(Copy—*Canada*—No. 120.)

DOWNING STREET, 22nd July, 1865.

MY LORD,—I think it right to apprise Your Lordship that I receive communications which lead to the conclusion that more positive assurances from *Canada* than have yet been given to the Maritime Provinces on the subject of the readiness of *Canada* to ensure the prompt completion of the Intercolonial Railway in the event of Confederation being adopted, would be very satisfactory to the friends of the measure in those Provinces; and encourage their efforts to recommend the scheme of Confederation to those of their countrymen by whom it has not hitherto been supported.

I have, &c.,

Governor Viscount *Monck*.

EDWARD CARDWELL.

Lord Monck to Mr. Cardwell.

(Copy—No. 165.)

QUEBEC, August 14th, 1865.

SIR,—Referring to your Despatch No. 120 of July 22, I have the honor to transmit a copy of an approved Minute of the Executive Council of this Province on the subject to which your Despatch refers.

I may add the expression of my own personal conviction that there exists amongst the Ministers and Members of the Legislature of this Province not only the determination to construct the Intercolonial Railway so soon as the Union of the British North American Provinces shall have taken place, but the strongest desire for the early completion of that most important work.

I have, &c.,

MONCK.

The Right Honorable *Edward Cardwell*, M.P., &c., &c., &c.

(Copy.)

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Executive Council approved by His Excellency the Governor General, 14th August, 1865.

The Committee of Council have had under consideration the Despatch No. 120 of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 22nd July, 1865, suggesting the propriety of some more positive assurance being given by the Government of *Canada* to the Maritime Provinces on the subject of the readiness of *Canada* to ensure the prompt completion of the Intercolonial Railway in the event of Confederation of all the British North American Provinces being accomplished.

The Committee can only reiterate the declaration of the Government and Parliament of *Canada* that they regard the construction of the Intercolonial Railway as a necessary accompaniment and condition of Confederation, and that not a day will be unnecessarily lost after the accomplishment of Confederation in commencing the work and prosecuting it to completion.

Certified,

W. A. HIMSWORTH,
Asst. C. E. C.

The Honorable Mr. *Sanborn* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chaffers*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a Statement shewing the amount due the Townships of *Lower Canada* from the Seigniorial Indemnity Fund, under the provisions of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, c. 83, sections 98 and 99; what Municipalities have been paid any and what amounts on account of principal or interest of such Fund; what sums have been applied in payment of Municipal Loan Fund Debentures; for what Municipalities, and how much to each Municipality owning such debentures and when the same was so applied.

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the Civil Code of *Lower Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the motion for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Municipalities in *Lower Canada*."

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Sanborn*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Sanborn*, *Letellier de St. Just*, Sir *N. F. Belleau*, and *Bureau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for quieting Titles to Real Estate in *Upper Canada*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the English and Canadian Mining Company (Limited)," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the Sixty-second rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

The House adjourned until this Evening at half-past seven o'clock.

At half-past seven o'clock P.M., the House met, and

The Members convened were:

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Pruel'homme,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Mc Orea,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>Mathiot,</i>	<i>Seymour.</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guëremont,</i>		

The following Petition was brought up and laid on the Table:—

By the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*; of *Ed. J. LeBlois* and others, Trustees of the *Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road*.

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

Of *J. L. Beaudry*, Mayor, and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying against the passing of the Bill further to amend the Act to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbour of *Montreal*, and deepening the Ship Channel between *Montreal* and *Quebec*, and for other purposes.

And of *Joseph White*, Chief, and others, of the Wyandottes, an Indian Band residing in the Township of *Anderson*, in the County of *Essex*; praying that measures may be taken to prevent the manufacture and sale of Intoxicating Liquors upon the *Manitoulin* and other Islands in Lake *Huron* and *Georgian Bay*.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter 53 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada* respecting Weights and Measures," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to explain certain enactments of the Acts of Incorporation of the City of *Montreal*, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leslie*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Wilson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Allan*, That when the House adjourns this evening it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

After debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter "Thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting the Bureau of Agriculture "and Agricultural Societies," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Ordinary Procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts for *Lower Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act "respecting the Notarial Profession," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

The House adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Friday, 8th September, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Ferry,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Letclier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Burcau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Christie*; of *Charles Watts* and others, of the Town of *Brantford*.

By the Honorable Mr. *McDonald*; of the Corporation of the Village of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Perth*; and of the Municipal Council of the said County of *Perth*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*; of *Alexander McEwen*, and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Allan*; of *James Arthur*, of the City of *Glasgow, Scotland*, and others, Bondholders of the *Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company*.

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

Of *Henry Covert* and another, Bondholders of the *Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company*; praying against the passing of the Bill to authorize the said Railway Company to construct a Tramway or Railway from the *Marmora Iron Works* to the River *Trent*, or *Rice Lake*.

Of *Charles Petitclair*, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for a pension, in consideration of his services as a Clerk in the Adjutant General's office during forty years.

Of *Edouard Bourassa* and others, of the Townships of *Inverness* and *Halifax*, in the County of *Megantic*; praying that certain lots, in their Petition mentioned, may be detached from the said Townships and erected into a distinct Township.

And of *J. Louis Metsalabanbethe*, Chief, and others, of the *Abenakis* Tribe of Indians, settled at *Becancour*, praying for redress for loss of their lands in *Becancour*.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
8th September, 1865.

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

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Reverend *John McMorine* and others, Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of the Township of *Ramsay*, praying for an Act to authorize them to sell the Glebe property of said Church, and apply the proceeds to the purchase of a site and the erection of a Manse at the Village of *Almonte*, and find that sufficient Notice has been given.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the English and Canadian Mining Company" (Limited), reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

Page 1, line 43—Leave out “hundred” and insert “thousand.”

Page 2, line 3—Leave out “provisional.”

Page 2, line 4—Leave out “open” and insert “keep.”

Page 2, line 14—After “of” insert “new.”

Page 2, line 50—After “association” insert “with all their present rights and preferences.”

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. *Ryan* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That the said amendments be agreed to.

After Debate,

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

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

The said Bill as amended was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments being then twice read by the Clerk and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leslie*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Statement respecting the Jesuit Estates.

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

(*vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*,

That when the House adjourns this day it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon.

After Debate.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Lacoste* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House copies of any correspondence which may have taken place between *Thomas Austin*, Esquire, heretofore Registrar of the County of *Chambly*, and *Napoleon Mignault*, Esquire, and the Government, on the subject of the appointment of the latter as Registrar of that County, and of any documents relating thereto.

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize certain assessments within the City of *Toronto*, and to enable the said City to recover the Taxes rated and charged," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House proceeded to the consideration of the Fourth Report of the Joint Committee on Printing.

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

Ordered, That the same be adopted.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain the Act providing for the management and improvement of the Harbour of *Montreal*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for quieting Titles to Real Estate in *Upper Canada*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter Fifty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting Weights and Measures."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain certain enactments of the Acts of incorporation of the City of *Montreal*, and for other purposes," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leslie*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

The House adjourned until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Saturday, 9th September, 1865.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. I',</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. F. J.,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Blair, Ferguson,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Mathiot,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Hills,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Guevrément,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>			

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson* ; two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ontario*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Price* ; of *Charles Rhéaume*, Mayor, and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petition was read :—

Of *Ed. J. DeBlois* and others, of the *Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road Trustees* ; praying against the passing of the Bill to authorize the construction of a Toll Bridge over the River *St. Charles*.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill, intituled : " An Act to incorporate the *Montreal St. Bridget's Refuge* " and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 1, line 21—After " Church " insert " in the said City of *Montreal*."

Page 1, line 38—Leave out from " clected " to " the " in line 39, and insert " in conformity with the By-laws of the Corporation."

Page 1, line 39—Leave out from " shall to " be " in page 2, line 6.

Page 2, line 21—Leave out from " thereto " to " all " in line 22.

Page 2, line 22—Leave out from " in " to " where " in line 23, and insert " the office of Trustees."

Page 2, line 25—Leave out " same " and insert " said."

Page 2, line 26—After " resignation " insert " shall be filled up in such manner as shall be provided by the By-laws of the said Corporation."

Page 2, line 32—Leave out " Governor " and insert " Auditor General."

The said amendments being again read

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

Ordered, That the same be agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

A Message was received from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled : " An Act to grant certain additional powers to the Canada West Farmers' Mutual and Stock Insurance Company," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Mutual Assurance Associations " of the Fabriques of the Dioceses of *Quebec* and *Three Rivers*, and of *Montreal* and *St. Hyacinthe*" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled : " An Act for the relief of the Representatives of the late *Boyd Sylvester*," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : " An Act in reference to the qualification of Justices of the Peace," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : " An Act to abolish the punishment of death in certain cases," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Insolvent Act of 1864," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Christie*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of the Petition of the Township of *Thorold*, in the County of *Welland*, respecting a certain

Bridge in the said Township constructed by the Board of Works, and copies of all correspondence on the subject of such Bridge between the Department of Public Works and the said Township, and other parties, and all officers of the said Department, and the report of such officer or officers, made during the present year.

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

Ordered, That such members of the Executive Council as are members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Honorable Mr. *Christie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Currie*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence which may have taken place since the beginning of last Session, between the Government of this Province and the British Government with Her Majesty's Representative at *Washington* in relation to the Reciprocity Treaty.

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

Ordered, That such members of the Executive Council as are members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend chapter fifty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting "Weights and Measures."

The Honorable Mr. *Bureau*, moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Guévremont*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the House divided, and the names being called for they were taken down as follow:—

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Panel,</i>	<i>Simpson.—16.</i>

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Price,</i>	<i>Vidal.—28.</i>

So it passed in the negative.

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

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

Monday, 11th September, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIQ JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Samborn,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Mailhot,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>

PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up and laid on the Table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Gingras* ; of the Reverend Z. *Charest* and others, of the Parish of *St. Roch de Québec*.

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

Of *Charles Watts* and others, of the Town of *Brantford* ; praying against the amalgamation of the *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* and Grand Trunk Railway Companies.

Of the Corporation of the Village of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Perth* ; praying for an Act separating certain lots from the limits of the said Village of *Mitchell*, and annexing them to the Township of *Logan*, and for other purposes.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Perth* ; praying for an Act to consolidate the Debt of the said County, and to extend the time for the redemption thereof to a period of twenty-five years, and for other purposes.

Of *Alexander McEwen* and others ; praying to be incorporated as "The *Bothwell* (C. W.) Land and Petroleum Company (limited).

And of *James Arthur*, of the City of *Glasgow, Scotland*, and others, Bondholders of the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company ; praying that certain amendments may be made to the Bill now before Parliament amending and extending the Acts relating to the said *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, That the time limited for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to the fifteenth day of September instant.

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

Ordered accordingly.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
11th September, 1865.

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

Your Committee have examined the petition of *S. Strickland* and others, of the village of *Lakefield*, praying for an Act for the completion of the *Peterborough* and *Chemong Lake* Railway, and find that sufficient notice has been given.

On the petition of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*, praying for an Act for the relief of the County of *Peel* from any liability for the purchase money of the *York* Roads, and to make the said Roads the property solely of the County of *York*, Your Committee find that no notice has been given, but in as much as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain certain enactments of the Acts of incorporation of the City of *Montreal*, and for other purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leslie*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the sale and management of timber on public lands."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Report of the Select Committee on the causes of the inundation at *Berthier*, *Sorel* and adjoining Parishes, and the evidence taken before the said Select Committee.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act for quieting Titles to Real Estate in *Upper Canada*" was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,

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

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *McCrea* reported from the said Committee that they had gone

through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Mutual Assurance Association of the Fabriques of the Dioceses of *Quebec* and *Three Rivers*, and of *Montreal* and *Saint Hyacinthe*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act in reference to the qualification of Justices of the Peace," was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,

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

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act for abolishing the punishment of Death in certain cases."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *McMaster* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Insolvent Act of 1864," was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,

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

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just* reported from the said Committee that they

had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to enable *Joseph Anctil*, of *St. Anne la Pocatière*, and *Auguste Fournier*, of *St. Jean Port Joli*, to be admitted to practice as Notaries in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act for the erection of the Municipality of *Kingsey Falls*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bennett*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to enable *Donald Alexander Livingston* to be admitted to practise "Medicine, Surgery, and Midwifery," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Bureau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to change the name of 'The *Bytown Consumers' Gas Company*,' and "to confirm, amend and extend their corporate powers, under the name of 'The *Ottawa Gas Company*,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Read*, it was *Ordered*, That the Forty-fourth and Sixty-second Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the '*Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company*,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Read*, it was *Ordered*, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the separation of *Huron* and *Bruce*, and to appoint *Walkerton* the County Town of *Bruce*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth and Sixty-second Rules of this House be dispensed with, in so far as they relate to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to confirm the existing survey of the Township of *Bulstrode*, County "of *Arthabaska*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dumouchel*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Village of *Mitchell*, in the County "of *Perth*, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *McDonald*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Alexander*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth and Sixty-second Rules of this House be dispensed with, in so far as they relate to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize certain By-laws and Debentures of the County of *Victoria*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth and Sixty-second Rules of this House be dispensed with, in so far as they relate to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

Ordered, That the Sixty-second Rule of this House be dispensed with for the remainder of the present Session.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

That this House do now adjourn, and stand adjourned until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

After Debate,

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

The Honorable the Speaker then declared this House continued until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Tuesday, 12th September, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Vidal.</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>			

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Guévremont* ; of *Edouard Crépeau*, of *Sorel*, in the District of *Richelieu*.

By the Honorable Mr. *McDonald* ; of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce* ; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Culross*, in the County of *Bruce*.

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

Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ottawa* ; praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Laws of *Upper Canada*, and also praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*.

And of *Charles Rhéaume*, Mayor, and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg* ; praying against the passing of the Bill to authorize *William John Bickell* to construct a Bridge over the River *St. Charles*.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
12th September, 1865.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their Eighteenth Report :—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Alexander McEwan* and others, praying to be incorporated as "The *Bohacell (C. W.) Land and Petroleum Company (limited)*," and find that sufficient Notice has been given.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Perth*, praying for an Act to consolidate the Debt of the said County, and to extend the time for the redemption thereof to a period of twenty-five years, and find the Notice sufficient, with the exception of the provision to extend the time for the redemption of their debt omitted in the said Notice ; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

On the Petition of the Corporation of the Village of *Mitchell*, County of *Perth*, praying for an Act separating certain lots from the limits of the said Village of *Mitchell*, and annexing them to the Township of *Logan*, your Committee find the Notice too general ; but inasmuch as it will be competent for them, as Committee on Private Bills, to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom, they recommend the suspension of the 53rd Rule.

On the Bill from the Legislative Assembly, intituled, "An Act to confirm the existing Survey of the Township of *Bulstrode*, County of *Arthabaska*," and which has come before the Committee in terms of the 56th Rule, Your Committee find that though the Notice has been regularly given, no Petition was presented to Your Honorable House, in accordance with the 58th Rule.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same, with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

Page 1, line 19—Leave out from "within" to "from" in line 20, and insert "one year."

Page 1, line 21—Leave out "three" and insert "two."

Page 2, line 28—Leave out "*William McNaughton*" and insert "the Honorable *James Shead*."

Page 2, line 29—Leave out from "*Starnes*" to "*E.*" and insert "*W. F. Powell*, *Rinaldo McConnell*, and."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Shead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Reed*, it was *Ordered*, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put, whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and

Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Mutual Assurance Associations of the Fabriques of the Dioceses of Quebec and of Three Rivers, and of Montreal and Saint Hyacinthe," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the separation of Huron and Bruce, and to appoint Walkerton the County Town of the County of Bruce," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Macpherson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize certain By-laws and Debentures of the County of Victoria," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Village of Mitchell, in the County of Perth," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. McDonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Alexander, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable Donald Alex-

"*ander Livingston*, to be admitted to practise medicine, surgery and midwifery," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to change the name of 'The *Bytown* Consumers' Gas Company,' and to confirm, amend and extend their corporate powers, under the name of 'The *Ottawa* Gas Company,'" reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Read*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

COMMITTEE ROOM,
12th September, 1865.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature, beg leave to make the following as their Fifth Report:—

The Committee have carefully examined the following documents and recommend that they be not printed, viz.:

Return to Address, respecting Fishing Leases and Stake Nets, and other fixed Machinery for catching Fish.

Return to Address, respecting appointment of *R. Pope*, Esquire, as Mining Agent *St. François de la Beauce*.

Return to Address, Report of Commissioners who investigated into the causes of the loss of Vessels in the *St. Lawrence* during last year.

Return to Address, Detailed Statement of all expenses connected with the Commission from *Canada* to the International Exhibition, held at *Dublin*, during the present year.

Return to Address, relative to the *St. Albans* Raiders' affair, and report of *W. W. Torrance* on case of *C. J. Courso*, Esquire, Judge of Sessions of the Peace, *Montreal*.

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be printed, viz.:

Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly appointed to consider and report as to the means to be adopted for securing a better system of registering births, marriages and deaths in *Upper Canada*.

The separate reports of the Inspectors of Prisons, Asylums, &c.

Return to Address, Statement of all moneys expended on Colonization Roads in the *Algoma* District (certain portions only to be printed, and also in the English language only).

The Committee also recommend that the Statement respecting the Jesuits' Estates be printed in the Sessional Papers.

The Committee also recommend that the Resolution, as contained in their Eighteenth

Report, made on the 15th May, 1860, be revived and considered in force from 1st January last, substituting the sum of \$200 for that of \$350, therein mentioned, such sum to be paid equally out of the Contingencies of both Houses.

The Committee also deem it advisable to recommend that, in anticipation of the removal of the Government to *Ottawa* this fall, the Printers, being bound by their contract to finish the Printing work of this Session within two months after the prorogation, they be required to finish the work of the Session in *Quebec*; this not in any manner to affect that provision of the contract which provides that the Contractors shall execute their work where the Legislature shall hold its sittings for the time being.

The Committee having in their preceding Report recommended a further edition of 5,000 copies of the Report on the Intercolonial Exploratory Survey, beg now to recommend that a corresponding number of maps be obtained to accompany the same.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*,
That the said Report be adopted.

After Debate, it was

Ordered, That the consideration of the said Report be postponed until to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the English and Canadian Mining Company ("limited)," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *St. Catharines* General and Marine Hospital," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:—

Page 1, line 16—After "Province" insert "which they may require for their actual use and occupation," and after "the" insert "annual."

Page 1, line 18—Leave out "twenty" and insert "five."

Page 2, line 5—Leave out from "to" to "both."

Page 2, line 5—After "Parliament" insert "and to the Auditor General."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the last-mentioned Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the *Gaspé Bay* Mining Company," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

Page 2, line 10—Leave out "five" and insert "twenty."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendment made to the last-mentioned Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled, "An Act for the Incorporation of *Jeffery Hale's* Sunday School," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:—

Page 1, line 22—After “school” insert “of the City of *Quebec*.”

Page 2, line 2—Leave out from “by” to “either,” and alter “Legislature” insert “or by the Auditor General.”

Page 2, line 5—Leave out from “as” to the end of the clause, and insert “may be required.”

In the Title—After “school” insert “of the City of *Quebec*.”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled, “An Act for the incorporation of *Jeffery Hale’s* Hospital”, and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:—

Page 1, line 24—After “Hospital” insert “of the City of *Quebec*.”

Page 2, line 15—Leave out from “by” to “either” in line 16.

Page 2, line 16—After “Legislature” insert “or by the Auditor General.”

Page 2, line 18—Leave out from “as” to the end of the clause, and insert “may be required.”

In the Title—After “Hospital” insert “of the City of *Quebec*.”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled, “An Act to confirm a survey of a portion of the Township of *Ely* in the “County of *Shefford*” and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled, “An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Bank of *Upper Canada*” and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armand*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency may be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a statement containing the name of the Chairman of the “Board of Steamboat Inspection,” also the name of the Secretary of the said Board and the places where their offices are kept: the several places in the Province where yearly meetings of the Board are held, and the periods of such meetings—also copies of their rules and regulations approved by the Governor in Council, for the uniform inspection of Steamers, the selection of Ports of Inspection, the granting Licenses to Engineers and for such purposes as they may have deemed necessary.

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, “An Act in reference to the “qualification of Justices of the Peace,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act for abolishing the Punishment of Death in certain cases," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Insolvent Act of 1864," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the sale and management of Timber on Public Lands."

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* then moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,

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

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be now read a third time.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act for the erection of the Municipality of *Kingsey Falls*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable *Joseph Ancil*, of *Ste. Anne la Pocatière*, and *Auguste Fournier*, of *St. Jean Port Joli*, to be admitted to practise as Notaries in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to confirm the existing Survey of the Township of *Bulstrode*, County of *Arthabaska*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cormier*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the admission of *Henry Hart Coyne* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor in the Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to enable *Richard Thomas Walkem* to be examined by the Law Society of *Upper Canada* for admission as an Attorney and Solicitor," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Allan*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Homœopathic Association, and to change the name thereof to 'The College of Homœopathic Physicians and Surgeons of *Montreal*,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*, it was

Ordered. That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Mortgaging of certain Property belonging to Christ Church, in the City of *Ottawa*, acquired for the erection thereon of a Parsonage," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Shaw*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Knowlton* Cemetery Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Incumbent of Trinity Church, in the Town of *Simcos* to

“sell and convey a certain parcel of land therein mentioned,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Blake*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Leonard*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

Then on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton* (*Kingston*), seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,

The House adjourned until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 13th September, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>			

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair* ; of the Corporation of the Town of *Guelph*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vidal* ; of the Reverend *Francis Bury*, and others of the *Oneida* Indian Band.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read :—

Of the Reverend *Z. Charest*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* ; pray for the passing of the Bill to authorize *W. J. Bickell* to construct a Bridge over the River *St. Charles*.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
13th September, 1865.

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

On the petition of *Edouard Bourgeois* and others, of the Townships of *Inverness* and *Halifax*, County of *Megantic*, praying that certain lots of lands may be separated from the said Townships and erected into a new Township. Your Committee find that no notice has been given.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act for the erection of the Municipality of *Kingsey Falls*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bennett*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable *Joseph Anctil* "of *Ste. Anne la Pocatière*, and *Auguste Fournier* of *St. Jean Port Joli*, to be admitted to "practise as Notaries in *Lower Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable *Sir N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Union Bank of *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Alexander*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McDonald*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time, accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Curé* and *Marguilliers* of the *Œuvre* and *Fabrique* "of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Québec* to borrow a certain sum of money on the security "of the property of the said *Fabrique*," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the

Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled: "An Act to facilitate the separation of the County of *Renfrew* from the County of *Lanark*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to grant certain powers to the *Waterloo County Mutual Fire Insurance Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the *International Bridge Company*," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to provide more fully for the punishment of offences against the person, in respect to the crime of Kidnapping," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Longueuil Navigation Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An Act to explain the Act providing for the management and improvement of the Harbour of *Montreal*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Saturday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the fifth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McCrear*,

That the said Report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Perry* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Shaw*,

To leave out all the words after "the" and insert "paragraph relative to Mr. *Hartney* be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the "Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session."

Which being objected to.

After Debate.

The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was, *on a Division*, resolved in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, the same was, *on a Division*, resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : " An Act to confirm the existing Survey of the Township of *Bulstrode*, County of *Arthabaska*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cormier*, it was

Ordered, That the Fifty-eighth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : " An Act to authorize the admission of *Henry Hart Coyne*, to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor in the Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : " An Act to enable *Richard Thomas Walkem* to be examined by the Law Society of *Upper Canada* for admission as an Attorney and Solicitor," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Montreal Homœopathic Association*, and to change the name thereof to " The College of Homœopathic Physicians and Surgeons of *Montreal*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : " An Act to authorize the mortgaging of certain Property belonging to *Christ Church*, in the City of *Ottawa*, acquired for the erection thereon of a Parsonage House," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Shead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Shaw*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : " An Act to incorporate the *Knowlton Cemetery Company*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : " An Act to enable the Incumbent of *Trinity Church*, in the Town of *Simcoe*, to sell and convey a certain parcel of land therein mentioned," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Blake*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bull*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the twenty-eighth day of August last, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a Return from the several Sheriffs of *Upper Canada* of the various executions placed in their hands respectively during the last twelve months, on which poundage has been charged, although no sales took place thereon; and also the amount of such poundage on each of such executions.

And also a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the fourteenth day of August last, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a Return, to be made by the several Sheriffs of *Upper Canada*, of the amount paid to them respectively, on each lot or piece of land advertised for sale for arrears of taxes, for the expenses of the advertisement of such sale during the last year.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

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

The House adjourned.

At half-past seven o'clock P.M., the House met, and

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Guévremont,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cornier,</i>	<i>Letélier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Panel,</i>	<i>Vidul,</i>

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

Of *Edward Crépeau*, of *Sorel*; praying that measures be taken to protect the public against the illegal proceedings of *Pierre Remy Chevallier*, in his capacity as Sheriff of *Richelieu*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Culross*, and of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*; severally praying that a certain portion of the

Township of *Greenock* may be detached from the remainder of the said Township and annexed to the Township of *Culross*.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the Court of Queen's Bench in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House at the next sitting thereof.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Acts respecting the building and repairing of Churches, "Parsonage houses, and Church-yards," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* and the Honorable Messieurs *A. J. Duchesnay* and *Armand* to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Bothwell, C. W.*, Land and Petroleum Company." (Limited,) to which they desired the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled: "An Act specially to incorporate the *Tadousac* Hotel and Sea Bathing "Company," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:—

Page 1, line 33—After "aforesaid" insert "and upon and after the passing of this "Act, the said Company, incorporated under the said chapter sixty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, shall cease to exist, and the same and its several rights, powers, "privileges and property, is and are hereby merged as in this Act provided, into the Company incorporated by this Act."

Page 2, line 12—After "each" insert "and the stock of the said Company, incorporated under the said chapter sixty-three of the said Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, "shall be taken to be and shall be entered upon the books of the Company incorporated by "this Act, as stock in the Company incorporated by this Act, and the holders of such "stock shall have credit thereon for whatever sums they have paid thereon, and shall only "be liable further upon and to the amount still unpaid at the passing of this Act upon "the said stock by them respectively held in the Company so incorporated under the said "chapter sixty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*."

Page 7, line 9—After “the,” where it occurs the first time, insert “fifth.”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: “An Act to incorporate the Village of *Berthier* as a Town,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cormier*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: “An Act to extend the time for the completion of the *Canada Central Rail-way*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Stead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: “An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto and Georgian Bay Canal Company*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

The Honorable Mr. *McMaster* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Aikins*,

That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: “An Act further to amend an Act intituled: ‘An Act to incorporate “certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu Company*,’” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

Ordered, That the Returns presented to the House this day to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, relative to the Sheriffs of *Canada West*, be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to grant certain powers to the *Waterloo County Mutual Fire Insurance Company*," was read a second time

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide more fully for the punishment of offences against the person, in respect of the Crime of Kidnaping," was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*.

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

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Perry* The House adjourned.

Thursday, 14th September, 1865.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Kingston),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Archambault,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Sandborn,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Burcau,</i>	<i>Guevrémont,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>			

PRAYERS.

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that he had appointed the Reverend *George M. Innis* to act as Chaplain during the absence of the Reverend Doctor *Adamson*, from this day.

The following Petition was brought up and laid on the Table :—

By the Honorable Mr. *McDonald*; of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Stanley*, in the County of *Huron*.

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

Of the Reverend *Francis Bury* and others, of the *Oneida* Indian Band; praying for an Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of Intoxicating Liquors upon the *Manitoulin* and other Islands in *Lake Huron* and *Georgian Bay*.

And of the Corporation of the Town of *Guelph*; praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*.

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

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

PRIVATE BILL OFFICE,
14th September, 1865.

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

Your Committee have examined the petition of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*, praying for an Act to separate part of the Township of *Greenock* from the rest of the Municipality, and annex the same to the Township of *Culross*, and find that sufficient notice has been given.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair* from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to confirm the existing "Survey of the Township of *Bulstrode*, County of *Arthabaska*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

Page 1, line 10—After "Surveyor" insert "in the year 1837."

Page 1, line 11—Leave out "fifteen" and insert "sixteen."

Page 1, line 14—Leave out "and," and after "14" insert "and 15."

Page 1, line 18—After "whatsoever" insert Clause A.

Clause A.

"2. Nothing contained in the present Act shall be construed as to give to any of the "proprietors of the territory so surveyed and ratified, a right to claim compensation from "the Government for any deficiencies in the areas of the lots."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. *Proulx* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cormier*,

That the said Bill, as amended, be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,

To leave out all the words after "be" and insert "referred back to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills."

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

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly,

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts respecting the building and repairing of Churches, Parsonage-houses and Church-yards," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

Page 3, line 9—Leave out from "be" to "it," where it occurs the second time in line 13.

Page 3, line 21—After "usage" insert "provided that this Clause shall have no retro-active effect, import or meaning, but the rights of all parties shall be determined by the Courts of Justice, according to law, so that this Clause shall not in any way affect or influence such determination."

Page 3, line 32—After "notwithstanding" insert Clauses A, B, C, D.

Clause A.

"If, within the said period, no opposition is made to the said civil recognition of the said Canonical Decree, the said Secretary shall transmit the said Canonical Decree to the Governor, together with a certificate signed by him to the effect that no opposition has been filed with him within the said period."

Clause B.

"On receipt of such decree and certificate, the Governor may, without any *procès-verbal* or report from the Commissioners, issue a Proclamation under the great seal of the Province, as provided for in section fifteen of the said chapter, which Proclamation shall have and produce the same effects as a Proclamation issued in virtue of a *procès-verbal* and report of the said Commissioners."

Clause C.

"From and after the passing of this Act the Parish of *Saint Norbert du Cap Chat*, comprising parts of the Townships of *Cap Chat* and *Romieux*, the limits and extent of which were established by a Canonical Decree of the Bishop of *Tloa*, Administrator of the Diocese of *Quebec*, dated the tenth day of May of the year 1864, as follows, that is to say, towards the North East, by the Parish of *Ste. Anne des Monts*; towards the North West, by the River *Saint Lawrence*; towards the South West, by the line of division between the twentieth and twenty-first lots in the six first ranges of the said Township of *Romieux*; towards the South East, by the seventh ranges of the said Township, and of the Township of *Cap Chat*; and comprising a tract of land of about eight miles in front, by about five miles in depth, shall be and is hereby recognized and erected as a Parish, for all civil and political purposes whatever, in the same manner as if it had been erected by Proclamation according to law; and the said part of the Parish of *Romieux*, comprised within the limits of the said Parish, shall, from and after the passing of this Act, in compliance with the prayer of the Petition of freeholders of the said Parish of *Saint Norbert*, form part of the County and District of *Gaspé*, for all parochial, electoral, judicial, municipal, school and registration purposes;

"2. But nothing herein contained shall be construed to discharge the said part of the

"Township of *Romieux* from any municipal, school or other debt contracted by the said Township before the passing of this Act."

Clause D.

"And whereas, the whole of the freeholders of a certain part of the Seigniori of *Terrebois*, in the County and District of *Kamouraska*, have by their Petition represented that by a Canonical Decree dated the tenth day of April, of the year 1865, rendered by the said Bishop of *Tloa*, administrator of the Diocese of *Quebec*, in compliance with the request by them made to that effect, the said part of the said Seigniori was annexed to the Parish of *Saint Antouin*, in the County of *Temiscouata*, in the said District, and that it is very inconvenient for them, in their civil and political relations, to belong to different civil divisions, it is hereby enacted that from and after the passing of this Act the said part of the said Seigniori, described in the said Decree as follows, that is to say, bounded towards the North and North East by the Parish of *Saint Antouin*; towards the West and North West by the River called "*Grande Rivière du Loup*;" towards the South West partly by the line dividing the land of *Pierre Caron* from the land of Mrs. Widow *Jean-Charles Taché*, in the fifth concession of the said Seigniori of *Terrebois*, and partly by the South West line of the land of *Cajetan Dubé*, situated in the sixth concession of the said Seigniori, and the prolongation thereof in a straight line as far as the Township of *Parke*, and towards the West by the said Township of *Parke*, shall form part of the said Parish of *Saint Antouin* and of the said County of *Temiscouata*, for all civil, electoral, municipal, school and registration purposes;

"2. But nothing herein contained shall be construed to release the said part of the said Seigniori from liability for the payment of any debt contracted for municipal, parochial or other purposes before the passing of this Act."

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

Ordered, That the said Bill, and amendments, be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session presented their first report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,
Committee Room, 13th Sept., 1865.

The Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session, beg leave to make their First Report.

Your Committee have examined the Clerk's Accounts from the first day of March last, being the date to which the last audit of his accounts extended, to the 30th June last.

On the first mentioned day there was a balance in the Clerk's hands to the credit of Your Honorable House of thirty-three thousand seven hundred and six dollar twelve cents (\$33,706.12), in addition to which he has since received forty-six thousand seven hundred and eighty-six dollars, nineteen cents (\$46,786.19), making in all the sum of eighty thousand four hundred and ninety-two dollars, thirty-one cents (\$80,492.31), which form the debit side of the Clerk's Accounts for the period above referred to.

The credit side of the same account is composed of sums disbursed by the Clerk to the amount of sixty-six thousand four hundred and seventy-eight dollars, fifty-five cents (\$66,478.55), for the expenditure of which he has accounted to the satisfaction of Your Committee by vouchers numbered from 1 to 233, inclusive, leaving a balance of fourteen thousand and thirteen dollars, seventy-six cents (\$14,013.76) on the 30th June last.

Your Committee have also examined the Clerk's Accounts from the first day of July last to the 31st day of August last.

During that period the Clerk received a sum of ten thousand and forty dollars, eighty

cents (\$10,040.80), making, with the balance to the credit of Your Honorable House on the 30th June last, a total of twenty-four thousand and fifty-four dollars, fifty-six cents (\$24,054.56), and paid, as per satisfactory vouchers numbered from 234 to 343, inclusive, a sum of twenty-three thousand one hundred and thirty-nine dollars, sixty cents (\$23,139 60), leaving to the credit of Your Honorable House a balance of nine hundred and fourteen dollars, ninety-six cents (\$914.96) on the 31st August last.

A Petition has been presented to Your Committee from Mr. S. E. Smith, claiming a balance of indemnity due to the estate of the late Honorable Hollis Smith for his attendance as a Member of the House during part of the Session of 1863. On this Petition Your Committee recommend that a sum equal to the Sessional indemnity, including mileage, be paid to the estate of the late Honorable Hollis Smith, deducting the number of days on which he was absent from his seat in the House, prior to the adjournment of the 19th day of March, 1863, and such sums as he may have received on account for his sessional indemnity or mileage.

Petitions have been presented to your Committee from the Law Clerk to your Honorable House, from Messrs. *W. A. Maingy*, additional clerk assistant, *J. Adamson*, clerk of the English Journals, *R. G. Belleau*, clerk of the French Journals, *A. A. Boucher*, assistant French Translator, and clerk of Committees, *A. Garneau*, assistant French Translator, severally praying to be put on the same footing with regard to salary, as the corresponding officers in the Legislative Assembly.

Petitions have also been presented from Messrs. *C. Taylor*, assistant accountant, and *John Walsh*, writing clerk to your Honorable House for increase of salary.

A petition has also been presented from Mr. *J. Garon*, sessional clerk, praying to be appointed as a permanent clerk.

Petitions have also been presented from *Pierre Ratley*, messenger to his honor the Speaker, praying for an increase of salary, from *Richard Greer*, sessional messenger, praying to be appointed permanent messenger; from *James Wingfield*, sessional messenger, praying to be granted an allowance equal to that received by the other sessional messengers; from *James Doherty*, sessional messenger, praying to be appointed as assistant door-keeper; from *Augustin Douaire*, page to your Honorable House; from *Arthur Grubert* and *Louis Rohitaille* watchmen to your Honorable House, praying to be put on the same footing as the corresponding servants in the Legislative Assembly.

With reference to the foregoing petitions, your Committee recommend that the consideration of the matter be postponed until the next session of Parliament, but in the mean time that the report of the Committee on contingent accounts of the 14th June, 1864, adopted by the House to the following effect, be adhered to; "Your Committee having carefully considered the whole subject referred to them, traced the various increases made from time to time and taking into account the amount of service rendered, the average time employed, as well as the responsibility attached to the various offices have come to the conclusion that with a very few exceptions, the scale of salaries at present paid is too high, and that ample room exists for making considerable reductions from time to time, as new appointments require to be made", and your Committee recommend in consequence that the prayer of the above petitions be not entertained.

Your Committee have caused to be prepared a list of the Officers, Clerks and Servants of Your Honorable House, with the amounts of their salaries and the dates of their appointment, which they have appended to this report.

The whole respectfully submitted.

B. SEYMOUR,
Chairman.

LIST of the Officers, Clerks and Servants of the Legislative Council of Canada, with the amounts of their salaries and the dates of their appointments in such Legislative Council, since the Union of the Provinces of *Upper and Lower Canada*.

NAMES	OFFICES.	Salaries from all sources.	Date of Appointment.
		\$ cts.	
John F. Taylor.....	Clerk of the House, Master in Chancery, Cash. & Acct....	2,400 00	1841
Robert LeMoine.....	Deputy Clerk, Clerk assistant Master in Chancery, Chief French Translator.....	2,600 00	1841
Fennings Taylor.....	Deputy Clerk, Clerk assistant, Master in Chancery and acting chief office clerk.....	2,600 00	1841
Joseph E. Doucet.....	Additional Clerk assistant, French translator and Clerk of Private Bills.....	1,800 00	1842
W. Anstruther Maingy....	Add. Clerk assistant, and second office clerk.....	1,800 00	1842
James Adamson.....	Clerk of the English Journals.....	1,390 00	1842
R. G. Belleau.....	Clerk of the French Journals.....	1,390 00	1859
A. A. Boucher.....	Clerk of Committees and additional French translator....	1,400 00	1857
A. Garneau.....	Additional French translator.....	1,200 00	1861
C. W. Taylor.....	Assistant Accountant.....	600 00	1862
Neil W. McLean.....	Eng. writing clerk and assistant clerk of Committees....	600 00	1862
John Walsh.....	English writing clerk.....	500 00	1862
Jos. Garon.....	Sessional clerk at \$4.00 per diem		1865
Rev. W. Agar Adamson, D.C.L.....	Chaplain and Librarian.....	2,400 00	1841
E. L. Montizambert, A.M.	Law Clerk, acting as English translator.....	2,600 00	1846
René Künber	Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod	1,350 00	1852
Octave Cyrille Fortier....	Sergeant at arms	1,000 00	1865
J. B. Myrand.....	Postmaster.....	850 00	1859
E. Botterell.....	Door keeper.....	600 00	1854
M. Keating.....	Chief messenger.....	1,120 00	1841
S. Skinner.....	House keeper and messenger.....	800 00	1843
L. J. Casault.....	Permanent messenger.....	700 00	1856
P. Rattey.....	Speaker's messenger.....	700 00	1859
A. Lachance.....	Permanent messenger....	700 00	1841
P. Dunn.....	Assistant house keeper and messenger.....	700 00	1856
Frederick Gilbert.....	Permanent messenger.....	500 00	1858
N. Boulet	do do	500 00	1863
J. Doherty.....	do Sessional messenger.....	380 00	1852
R. Greer.....	do do do	380 00	1860
S. Fraser.....	do do do	380 00	1863
Z. Mondor.....	do do do	380 00	1864
A. Miller.....	do do do	380 00	1864
J. Wingfield.....	do do do	200 00	1865
A. Douaire.....	Page at \$1.50 per diem during Session.....		1857
C. Young.....	do do do		1859
Arthur Grubert.....	Night watch at \$1.50 per diem.....		1858
Louis Robitaille.....	do do do		
John Madigan.....	Porter at \$1.00 per diem during Session.....		
Adolphe Boucher.....	Mail Carrier at \$2.00 do do		

(Attest,)

J. F. TAYLOR,
Clerk, Legislative Council.

Legislative Council Office,
Quebec, 13th Sept. 1865.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay*, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into consideration by the House, at the next sitting thereof.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to extend the time for the completion of the *Canada Central Railway*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Read*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable *Richard Thomas Walkem* to be examined by the Law Society of *Upper Canada*, for admission as "an Attorney and Solicitor," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the admission "of *Henry Hart Coyne* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor in the Courts of Law "and Equity, in *Upper Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Montreal Homœopathic Association*, and to change the name thereof to 'The "College of Homœopathic Physicians and Surgeons of *Montreal*,'" reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Flint*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to enable the Incumbent of Trinity Church, in the Town of *Simcoe*, to sell and convey a parcel of land therein mentioned," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Blake*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bull*, it was *Ordered*, that the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize the mortgaging of certain property belonging to Christ Church, in the City of *Ottawa*, acquired for the erection thereon of a Parsonage House," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Read*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act further to amend an Act intituled: An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu* Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto* and *Georgian Bay* Canal Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate 'The *Bothwell, C. W., Land and Petroleum Company (Limited)*,'" reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Knowlton Cemetery Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Longueuil Navigation Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to grant certain powers to the *Waterloo County Mutual Fire Insurance Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair* from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Berthier* as a Town," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Olivier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ryan* from the Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Union Bank of *Lower Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

Page 1, line 31—Leave out "twenty thousand."

Page 1, line 33—After "assigns" insert "Provided always, that if within the period of four years from and after the passing of this Act it be resolved at any annual general meeting of the Shareholders of the said Bank, that the capital stock thereof be reduced to the amount thereof then actually subscribed, or to the sum of one million of dollars, if the amount of stock then subscribed thereon be less than one million of dollars, and if notice of such resolution be forthwith thereafter given in the *Canada Gazette*, then and thereupon the capital of the said Bank shall be held to be reduced to one million of dollars, or to such sum exceeding one million of dollars as may then have been subscribed, and this Act shall be construed and enforced as if the capital of the said Bank had been herein fixed at the sum named in such resolution."

Page 1, line 43—After "soon" insert "within one year from and after the passing of this Act."

Page 1, line ult—After "thereupon" insert "to some one of the present Chartered Banks of this Province."

Page 2, line 24—After "banking" insert "unless nor."

Page 2, line 25—After "subscribers" insert "to some one of the present Chartered Banks of this Province within one year from and after the passing of this Act."

Page 2, line 27—Leave out from "within" to "from" in line 28, and insert "eighteen months."

Page 2, line 30—Leave out "three" and insert "two."

Page 2, line 31—Leave out "four" and insert "three."

Page 2, line 32—Leave out "five" and insert "four."

Page 2, line 33—Leave out "stock when" and insert "said capital, if the same have not been reduced as aforesaid to one million of dollars, at such time or times not later than the first day of June which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy, as."

Page 7, line 32—After "discounted" leave out "be paid or satisfied," and after "thereon" insert "be paid or satisfied."

Page 12, line 15—After "banking" insert "unless nor," and leave out "five" and insert "ten."

Page 12, line 16—After "debentures" insert "within one year from and after the passing of this Act."

Page 12, line 18—After "Banks" insert "as amended by the Act of the Parliament of this Province, passed in the twenty-fourth year of Her Majesty's Reign, chapter twenty-three, and the said Act amending the same, and any Act amending the said chapter and the said Act that may be passed during the present Session of the said Parliament."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Alexander*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, it was

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

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that

House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Flint* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Aikins*,

That the fee of Sixty dollars paid under the Sixtieth Rule of this House on the Bill intituled: "An Act to continue and amend the Act incorporating the *Marmora and Belleville* Railway Company," be refunded.

After Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Bank of *Northumberland*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Read*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Mount Royal* Railway Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society called '*La Caisse d'Epargne de St. Roch de Montréal*,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to make further provisions for the management of Permanent Building Societies in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act for the better protection of Game in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act passed in the Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth years of Her Majesty's Reign, respecting the granting of Charters of Incorporation to "Manufacturing, Mining and other Companies," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at the next sitting thereof.

The Honorable Mr. *Currie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a Copy of the Memorial of certain inhabitants of *Port Colborne*, to the Commissioner of Public Works, asking for the enlargement of the Harbour accommodation, and the deepening of the entrance of the Harbour at that place, and Copies of all Correspondence between the Department and any of its officers and other persons on the subject, and Copies of all reports on the subject made by any officer of the Government since the first day of January, 1863.

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General, with the said Address.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide more fully "for the Punishment of Offences against the Person in the Crime of Kidnapping," was read a third time.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the Court "of Queen's Bench in *Lower Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

Page 1, line ult—After “absence” insert “and no Judge of the Court of Queen’s Bench who has been incompetent to sit in any case, and the cause of whose incompetence has ceased, shall be disqualified from sitting in such case by reason of his having been recused or having declared himself incompetent therein.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

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

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: “An Act to amend the Law of Property and Trusts in *Upper Canada*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was

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

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Leslie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*,

The House adjourned.

At half-past seven o’clock, the House met, and

The Members convened were:

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins</i> ,	<i>Campbell</i> ,	<i>Letellier de St. Just</i> ,	<i>Price</i> ,
<i>Armand</i> ,	<i>Chaffers</i> ,	<i>McCrea</i> ,	<i>Proulx</i> ,
<i>Armstrong</i> ,	<i>Cormier</i> ,	<i>McDonald</i> ,	<i>Prud’homme</i> ,
<i>Belleau</i> , Sir <i>N. F.</i> ,	<i>Currie</i> ,	<i>McMaster</i> ,	<i>Read</i> ,
<i>Bennett</i> ,	<i>Dickson</i> ,	<i>Macpherson</i> ,	<i>Reesor</i> ,
<i>Blair</i> , <i>Fergusson</i> ,	<i>Duchesnay</i> , <i>E. H. J.</i> ,	<i>Malhiot</i> ,	<i>Ross</i> ,
<i>Blake</i> ,	<i>Dumouchet</i> ,	<i>Matheson</i> ,	<i>Ryan</i> ,
<i>Boulton</i> ,	<i>Ferrier</i> ,	<i>Olivier</i> ,	<i>Sanborn</i> ,
<i>Bull</i> ,	<i>Flint</i> ,	<i>Panet</i> ,	<i>Seymour</i> ,
<i>Bureau</i> ,	<i>Leslie</i> ,	<i>Perry</i> ,	<i>Shead</i> .
<i>Burnham</i> ,			

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: “An Act to facilitate the transactions of the *Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road Trustees*,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

Page 1, line 2—After “ follows ” insert “ the following Debentures issued under the authority of the Act 12, *Vic.*, cap. 115, viz. : numbers nine and eleven, for three hundred pounds each, and number one hundred and twenty-six, for one hundred pounds, having been destroyed or stolen from the rightful owner.”

Page 1, line 3—Leave out “ any,” and after “ mentioned ” insert “ the above-mentioned Debentures only.”

Page 1, line 10—After “ than ” insert “ six.”

Page 1, line 26—After “ for ” insert “ ten,” and leave out from “ years ” to “ and ” in line 27, and insert “ at the option of the said Trust.”

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

Ordered, That the said Bill and amendments be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Honorable Mr. *McMaster*, from the Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom was referred the Bill intituled : “ An Act to make further provisions for the management of Permanent Building Societies in *Upper Canada*,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair* from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to amend the Acts respecting the building and repairing of Churches, Parsonage houses and Church yards,” together with the amendments proposed by the Select Committee thereto, reported that they had gone through the said Bill and amendments and had directed him to report the same to the House without any further amendment.

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

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*

That the said Bill, as amended, be now read a third time.

The Honorable Mr. *Sanborn* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr.

Aikins,

To leave out all the words after “ Bill ” and insert “ be further amended as follows : ”
“ Page 1. Line 22. After “ enacted ” insert “ that no assessment imposed under the said Act on the supposed owner of any land belonging *bonâ fide* to a party, not liable to assessment under the 23rd Section of said Act be a charge on *hypothec* upon the said land and ”

The question of concurrence being put thereon the House divided and the names being called for they were taken down as follow :

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So it passed in the negative.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,

That the said Bill be further amended, as follows:—

Page 2, line 41—After “Parish” insert “all petitions in opposition to any such application and.”

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

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed.

The question being then put on the third reading of the said Bill, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put, whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “An Act to incorporate the *Mount Royal Railway Company*,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same, with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

Page 2, line 15—After the first “shall” insert “to him.”

Page 4, line 14—After “securities” insert “in sums of not less than one hundred dollars.”

Page 5, line 49—Leave out “and” and insert “or.”

Page 6, line 8—After “enter” insert “into.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put, whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: “An Act for the better protection of Game in *Upper Canada*,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:—

Page 1, line 7—Leave out “January” and insert “December in any year.”

Page 1, line 8—Leave out “any year” and insert “the following year, excepting in the Counties of *Essex, Kent, and Lambton*, which shall be from the first day of February to the first day of September in each year.”

Page 1, line 16—Leave out from “wild” to “duck.”

Page 1, line 22—Leave out from “taking” to “No” in line 29.

Page 2, line 1—After the word “periods” insert “and places.”

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*,

That the said amendments be adopted.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was, on a Division, resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the First Report of the Select Committee, appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session;

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled; “An Act to amend the Act passed in the Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth years of Her Majesty’s Reign, respecting the granting of Charters of Incorporation to Manufacturing, Mining, and other Companies.”

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether the Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: “An Act to establish certain Road Allowances and Highways in the Township of *Hamilton*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*,

The House adjourned.

Friday, 15th September, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Guévreumont,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Chafers,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Bennett,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Flint,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Shead,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Vidal.</i>

PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up and laid on the Table :—

By the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*—Of *Gottlieb Tobias* and others, of the Moravian Indian Band.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petition was read :—

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Stanley*, in the County of *Huron*; praying for aid for the completion of *Bayfield Harbor*.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society called 'La Caisse d'Épargne de St. Roch de Montréal,'" reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to confirm the existing Survey of the Township of *Bulstrode*, County of *Arthabaska*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

Page 1, line 10—After "Surveyor"—insert "in the year 1837."

Page 1, line 11—Leave out "fifteen" and insert "sixteen."

Page 1, line 14—Leave out “and,” and after “fourteen” insert “and fifteen.”
 Page 1, line 18—After “whatsoever” insert Clause A.

Clause A.

“2. Nothing contained in the present Act shall be so construed as to give to any of the proprietors of the territory so surveyed and ratified, a right to claim compensation from the Government for any deficiencies in the areas of the lots.”

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cormier*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *McMaster*, from the Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “An Act to incorporate the Bank of *Northumberland*,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

Page 1, line 37—Leave out “with power to add any other two to their number.”

Page 1, line 44—After “soon” insert “within one year from and after the passing of this Act.”

Page 2, line 1—After “in” insert “to some one of the present Chartered Banks of this Province.”

Page 2, line 26—After “Banking” insert “unless nor.”

Page 2, line 27—After “subscribers” insert “to some one of the present Chartered Banks of this Province within one year from and after the passing of this Act.”

Page 2, line 29—Leave out from “within” to “provided” in line 30, and insert “eighteen months from and after the passing of this Act.”

Page 2, line 32—Leave out “three” and insert “two.”

Page 2, line 33—Leave out “four and insert “three.”

Page 2, line 34—Leave out “five” and insert “four,” and after “years” insert “from and after the passing of this Act, under penalty of the forfeiture of this Charter.”

Page 2, line 35—After “appoint” insert “but not later than the first day of June, which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy.”

Page 7, line 23—After “discounted” leave out “be paid or satisfied,” and after “thereon” insert “be paid or satisfied.”

Page 12, line 6—After “banking” insert “unless nor,” and leave out “five” and insert “ten.”

Page 12, line 7—After “Debentures” insert “within one year from and after the passing of this Act.”

Page 12, line 9—Leave out from “Banks” to “shall” in line 10, and insert “as amended by the Act of the Parliament of this Province, passed in the twenty-fourth year of Her Majesty’s Reigu, chapter twenty-three, and the said Act amending the same, and any Act amending the said chapter and the said Act that may be passed during the present Session of the said Parliament, save and except section three of the said chapter.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Mount Royal Railway Company," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Curé of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Québec*," and to acquaint this House that they have possess the said Bill with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows :

Page 2, line 15—Leave out from "possess" to "and," and insert "all real or immoveable estate being and situated in *Lower Canada* necessary for the actual use and occupation of the said Corporation."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendment made to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act granting additional Facilities in Commercial Transactions," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide against the introduction and spreading of disorders affecting certain animals," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Rideau Club," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to regulate the Qualifications of Practitioners in Medicine and Surgery in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House at the next sitting thereof.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the financial year ending thirtieth of June, 1866, and for other purposes connected with the Public Service," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

After Debate,

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

Ordered, That further debate on the said motion be postponed until the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly to return the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the Court of Queen's Bench in Lower Canada," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Short Forms of Mortgages in Upper Canada," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow:—

Page 1, line 8—After "therin" insert the following as Clause 2.

Clause 2.

"The form of words numbered fourteen in column number two of the second Schedule of the English version of the said Act is hereby amended, by striking out the word 'or' after the word 'assigns' in the twenty-third line of such form of words, and substituting therefor the word 'of.'"

Page 1, line 9—Leave out "2" and insert "3."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the last mentioned Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend the Acts relating to the *Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act for the prevention of Contagious Diseases at certain Military and Naval Stations in this Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

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

intituled "An Act to regulate the Costs of Arbitrations in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the Congregation of *St. Andrew's Church* in the Township of *Ramsay*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, to dispose of the Glebe thereto belonging, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to extend and amend the Acts respecting Public Works to and with respect to Works connected with the Defence of the Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Gold Mining Act," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows :

Page 1, line 9—After "therefor" insert the following as Clause A.

Clause A.

"Any complaint or dispute for or in respect of wages between persons engaged in mining within any Gold Mining Division, or their Agents or Representatives, and the labourers or servants employed by them, may be heard and determined before the Officer of such Division, who may by summons require the attendance of the Defendant before him, and upon proof of the service of such summons, may, either in the absence or presence of the defendant, determine such complaint in a summary manner, on the oath of any one or more credible witness or witnesses to be sworn before him, and may levy such sum as he may adjudge to be due by such person or his agent or representative, to such labourer or servant, together with the costs of service, by warrant of distress and sale of the Defendants goods and chattels."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendment made to the last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the ninth day of September, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence which may have taken place since the beginning of last Session between the Government of this Province and the British Government with Her Majesty's Representative at *Washington* in relation to the Reciprocity Treaty.

Also, a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the sixth day of September, praying His Excellency will please cause to be laid before this House, a Statement of all loans and advances made by the Province to the Grand Trunk Railway Company since the first day of August, 1860, with the date of such advances, and a Statement of moneys repaid by the said Company on such loans or advances; also, a Statement of the sums paid or credited by the Government to the said Company on account of Postal services or otherwise since the first day of August, 1860, to the present time, with the dates of such payments respectively; also, the date at which the Sterling Bonds for £42,500 sterling, given by the said Company to secure a certain advance of \$172,830.67, made in the month of August, 1860, were surrendered or given up by the Government; also, a copy of the application by the said Company for such advance, and the copy of the Order in Council or other authority authorizing such advance; also, a Statement of the amount due upon said loan on the 9th of June, 1862, and the amount the said Company was entitled to for Postal Service under the then existing Order or Orders in Council respecting such service.

And also a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the eighth day of September, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any correspondence which may have taken place between *Thomas Austin*, Esquire, heretofore Registrar of the County of *Chambly*, and *Napoleon Mignault*, Esquire, and the Government, on the subject of the appointment of the latter as Registrar of that County, and of any documents relating thereto.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, That the time limited for receiving Petitions for Private Bills, and for presenting Private Bills to the Legislative Council be extended to Monday, the 18th September, 1865.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Seymour* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armand*,

That the first Report of the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present session, presented yesterday, be printed with the Minutes of this House.

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

Ordered accordingly.

Then on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Lettelier de St. Just*,

The House adjourned.

At half-past seven o'clock P.M., the House met, and

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto and Georgian Bay Canal Company.*"

The Honorable Mr. *McMaster* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St Just,*

That the said Bill be now read a third time.

After a long Debate

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau,*

To leave out all the words after "now" and insert "committed to a Committee of the whole House presently, with an instruction to amend the fourth clause."

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon the House divided, and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Skead.—15</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Currie</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Vidal.—17.</i>
<i>Cormier,</i>			

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for the better protection of Game in *Upper Canada*," as amended,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be discharged from the Orders of the Day.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act for the further improvement of Grammar Schools in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*

That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was, on a division, resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to confirm the existing Survey of the Township of *Bulstrode*, County of *Arthuraska*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend Chapter Thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting the Bureau of Agriculture and Agricultural Societies," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Duties of Excise," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the motion for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the financial year ending thirtieth June, 1866, and for other purposes connected with the Public Service."

After a further long Debate,

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

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

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

Ordered, That when the House adjourns this day it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Law of Property and Trusts in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,

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

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the First report of the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session.

The Honorable Mr. *Seymour* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armand*, that the said report be adopted.

After Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to extend and amend the Acts respecting Public Works to and with respect to Works connected with the Defence of the Province," was read a second time.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to establish certain Road allowances and Highways in the Township of *Hamilton*," was read a second time. On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Rideau Club of the City of *Ottawa*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to regulate the qualifications of Practitioners in Medicine and Surgery in *Upper Canada*,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend and extend the Acts relating to the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company,"

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Perry*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act for the prevention of Contagious Diseases at certain Military and Naval Stations in this Province," was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,

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

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to regulate the costs of Arbitrations in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,

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

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of the Congregation of St. *Andrew's* Church in the Township of *Ramsay*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, to dispose of the Glebe thereto belonging, and for other purposes," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*,

The House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Saturday, 16th September, 1865.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Alexander,</i>	<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Sanborn,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Mathiot,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Dumouchel,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Vidal.</i>

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read :—

Of *Gotlieb Tobias* and others of the Moravian Indian Band; praying for an Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of Intoxicating Liquors, upon the *Manitoulin* and other Islands in *Lake Huron* and *Georgian Bay*.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act respecting the erection of Towns and Villages in *Lower Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled: "An Act to facilitate prosecutions under the Act respecting Tavern-keepers and the sale of Intoxicating Liquors," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Union Bank of *Lower Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Bank of *Northumberland*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Acts respecting the building and repairing of Churches, Parsonage Houses, and Churchyards," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Notarial Profession," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to vest the *York* Roads in the County of *York*, and to relieve the County of *Peel* from all liability therefor," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company to construct a Tramway or Railway from the *Marmora* Iron Works to the River *Trent*, or to *Rice Lake*, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to provide for the deepening of the Ship Channel between *Montreal* and *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *N. P. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House at the next sitting thereof.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act further to amend the Act respecting the Militia," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered. That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to extend the Act to impose Duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, to all Notes and Bills of whatever amount and otherwise to amend the said Act," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House at the next sitting thereof.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair* from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Rideau Club of the City of *Ottawa*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair* from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the Congregation of *St. Andrew's* Church in the Township of *Ramsay*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, to dispose of the Glebe thereto belonging, and for other purposes." reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair* from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to establish certain Road Allowances and Highways in the Township of *Hamilton*," reported that they had

gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Law "of Property and Trusts in *Upper Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled: "An Act for the prevention of "Contagious Diseases, at certain Military and Naval Stations in this Province," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the costs of "Arbitrations in *Upper Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An "Act to explain the Act providing for the management and improvement of the Harbour "of *Montreal*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ietellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend chapter sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of "Canada, and to provide for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 4, line 18—Leave out from "the" to "of," and insert "thirty-first."

Page 4, line 27—Leave out "six" and insert "five."

Page 5, line 22—Leave out from "same" to "for" in line 25.

Page 5, line 32—Leave out from "to" to "in" in line 33, and insert "fifteenth day "of September and the fifteenth day of December."

Page 5, line 38—After “trout” insert “and it is further provided that this kind shall not be taken in any way whatever in such waters between the twentieth day of September and the first day of April.”

Page 5, line 41—After “waters” insert “nor subject them to penalty if, by accident in *bona fide* fishing for Herrings or Whitefish by means of nets, trout shall become enclosed or taken.”

Page 6, line 3—Leave out from “destroyed” to “these” in line 4, and insert “but the Governor General in Council may by regulations extend or vary.”

Page 6, line 18—Leave out from “the,” where it occurs the first time, to “in,” where it occurs the first time in line 19, and insert “thirtieth day of April and the first day of June.”

Page 6, line 20—Leave out from “established” to “to” in line 21, and insert “by regulations of the Governor General in Council.”

Page 6, line 37—Leave out “river” and insert “water.”

Page 7, line 11—After “vessels” insert “and no boats or vessels shall be permitted to destroy or injure in any way any seine nets or other fishing apparatus.”

Page 8, line 21—Leave out “six” and insert “five.”

Page 9, line 10—Leave out “or,” and after “trout” insert “Pickerel or Bass.”

Page 10, line 2—After “lease” insert the following as Sub-section A.

Sub-section A.

“The Commissioner of Crown Lands may authorize to be expended annually a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, for the formation of oyster beds in various bays and waters found adapted for that purpose, and transplanting oysters, and towards restocking exhausted fisheries by natural or artificial means, and to improve streams where natural obstructions exist, and may authorize the construction, erection, or placing of any artificial barrier or grating in any stream or river, or in any water course, and in the channels or beds thereof.”

Page 10, line 15—After “shall” insert “during the salmon fishing season.”

Page 10, line 19—Leave out “Sunday” and insert “Monday.”

Page 10, line 43—After “Magistrate” insert the following as Sub-sections A. and B.

Sub-section A.

“Fines and forfeitures, and proceeds derived from the sale of confiscated articles under this Act, shall be paid into the Department of Crown Lands, and applied towards the expenses incurred for the protection of Fisheries.”

Sub-section B.

“One half of every fine levied by virtue of this Act shall belong to Her Majesty and the remaining moiety thereof shall be paid to the prosecutor, together with costs taxed to him for attendance as a witness or otherwise.”

Page 12, line 4—After “qualification” insert “and the said officers and all fishery overseers shall exercise the same powers under the Game Acts in *Upper* and *Lower Canada* respectively, as under the present Act.”

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

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled “An Act to appoint Trustees to wind up the Estate of the late *Alexander Macdonell*, according to the terms of his last will and testament,” and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 2, line 34—Leave out from “Esquire” to “in” in line 35, and insert “and their successors to be appointed as hereinbefore mentioned.”

Page 2, line 40—Leave out from “Macdonell” to “the,” and insert “or.”

Page 2, line 46—Leave out from “Macdonell” to “and” in line 47.

Page 2, line 53—After “accountable” insert the following as Clause 2.

Clause 2.

“In case of the death of any or either of the said Trustees hereby appointed, before the final execution of the powers and trusts above mentioned, or of his or her becoming incapable of continuing to execute the said powers and trusts, it shall be lawful for the Judge of the County Court then being or having jurisdiction within the County of *Glen-garry*, on the application of any person entrusted in the said Estate, or of the surviving Trustee, one or more of the children or creditors of the said late *Alexander Macdonell*, to nominate and appoint some fit and proper person to act in the place of each such Trustee or Trustees so dying or becoming incapable as aforesaid, as Trustee of the Estate of the said late *Alexander Macdonell*, under this Act, with the survivor or survivors, and in like manner to appoint another in case of the death or incapacity as aforesaid of the person so appointed, when and so often as occasion may require.”

Page 3, line 1—Leave out “2” and insert “3.”

Page 3, line 2—Leave out from “Macdonell” to “and,” where it occurs the second time, and insert “and their successors.”

Page 3, line 7—After “Will” insert the following as Clause 4.

Clause 4.

“This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.”

In the Preamble.

Page 1, line 1—After “Whereas” insert “it has, by the Petition of *Isabella Penelope Macdonell*, relict of the late.”

Page 1, line 2—After “Merchant” insert “been represented that the said *Alexander Macdonell*.”

Page 1, line 5—Leave out from “Testament” to “real” in line 13, and insert “whereby he devised and bequeathed his.”

Page 1, line 19—Leave out “my” and insert “his.”

Page 1, line 20—Leave out from “thereof” to “and” where it occurs the second time in page 2, line 10, and insert “and upon further trust to apply the proceeds thereof as directed in and by the said Will.”

Page 2, line 10—Leave out “whereas” and insert “that.”

Page 2, line 13—Leave out “whereas” and insert “that.”

Page 2, line 18—Leave out “whereas” and insert “that.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intitled: “An Act to amend the Act respecting the ordinary Procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts for *Lower Canada*,” and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:—

Page 1, line 12—Leave out from “law” to the end of the Bill, and insert “It shall be lawful for any Judge of the Superior Court, in term or in vacation, in any cause then pending either in the said Court or in the Circuit Court, or for the Prothonotary of the said Superior Court in vacation, and in the absence of a Judge on motion or petition,

“ and on good cause shewn to his satisfaction, to relieve any party in such cause from any default to file an answer to the statement of facts filed in such cause, by ordering that such party leave (on previously paying any costs the opposite party may have incurred in consequence of such default) forthwith to file an answer to the statement of facts of such opposite party; provided always that if the party who filed such statement of facts, shall, at the hearing of such motion or petition, demand the postponement of the en-
 quête or trial for reasons satisfactory to the Judge or Prothonotary, such postponement may be granted, with any costs to be incurred by reason of such postponement, by the party having filed such statement of facts, such costs to be paid him by the party applying for leave to file the answer thereto, before such leave shall be granted.”

In the Preamble.

Page 1, line 1—Leave out from “whereas” to “doubts” in line 8, and insert “it is expedient to make further provision respecting answers to statements (articulations) of facts under the eighty-seventh section of chapter eighty-three of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada.”

Page 1, line 10—Leave out “declares and.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the last mentioned Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled: “An Act to limit the application of a certain general hypothec created by Daniel McCallum and his wife to a certain lot of land,” and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows:—

Page 2, line 26—Leave out “is worth” and insert “has been shewn to be worth.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendment made to the last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the continuation of the adjourned Debate on the motion for the second reading of the Bill intituled: “An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the financial year ending thirtieth June, 1866, and for other purposes connected with the Public Service.”

After further Debate,

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

Ordered, That further Debate on the said motion be postponed until the next sitting of the House.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell,

The House adjourned until three o'clock, P.M.

At three o'clock P.M., the House met, and

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSLER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Chafers,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Price,</i>
<i>Billeau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Mc Crea,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Blair, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>Malhiot,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Skead.</i>
<i>Campbel,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>		

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize the "Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company to construct a Tramway or Railway from "the Marmora Iron Works to the River Trent, or to Rice Lake, and for other purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend and extend "the Acts relating to the Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, presented their Sixth Report.

Ordered. That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows :

COMMITTEE ROOM,
September 16, 1865.

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

The Committee have carefully examined the following Document and recommend that a condensed statement of the contents be published, for distribution, in the English language only, viz. :—

Return to an Address, for Statement of grants and sales of Lands in the *Algoma* District

The Committee also recommend that the following Documents be not printed, viz. :—

Return to Address, respecting the poundage which has been charged by Sheriffs in *Upper Canada*.

Return to Address, respecting charges made by Sheriffs in *Upper Canada*, for advertising lands for sale for arrears of taxes.

Return to Address, relative to the nomination of a Post Master at *Roxton Falls*, in the County of *Shefford*.

The Committee also recommend that certain portions of the return to an Address relative to Free Ports, be printed, viz.—The Official Reports bearing upon the working of the Free Ports, and certain Statistical Tables of Imports at the Free Ports.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ASA A. BURNHAM,
Chairman, *pro tem*.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Currier* and others, in the following words :—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Saturday, 16th September, 1865.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council to inform their Honors that the Amendments made by them to the Bill sent up from this House, intituled : “ An Act to incorporate the *Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company*,” were concurred in by this House in error, and requesting their Honors to return the Bill with the said Amendments, in order that they may be re-considered.

Ordered, That Mr. *Currier* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

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

And then they withdrew.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bull* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chaffers*,

That the Order just made for the passing of the Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize the *Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company* to construct a Tramway or Railway from the *Marmora Iron Works* to the *River Trent*, or to *Rice Lake*, and for other purposes,” and for acquainting the Legislative Assembly thereof, be rescinded, and that the Bill be now restored to the Order of the Day.

Which being objected to.

After Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* then moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Perry*,

That the said Bill be now read a third time.

The Honorable Mr. *Bull* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*,

That the said Bill be amended by adding to the third clause, the following words “ the said *Cobourg Trust Debentures* shall be deposited in the Court of Chancery within nine months from the passing of this Act, and in the event of their not being deposited at the period, then the said Railway, its works and franchises, shall be sold under the direction of the Court of Chancery, and the proceeds applied, rateably in payment of the claims for unpaid right of way, and of the Bondholders, and the balance, if any, among the general creditors of the Company.”

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon the House divided and the names being called for they were taken down as follow :

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>	<i>Seymour.—8.</i>

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.</i>	<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Fergusson Blair.</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Vidal.—15.</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	

So it was passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and the said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled : " An Act to authorize the Town of *St. Mary's* to issue debentures for redeeming their outstanding debentures, for which no sinking fund has been provided," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled, " An Act further to amend the law respecting Mutual Insurance Companies " in *Upper Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow :—

Page 1, line 16—After " repealed" insert the following as Clauses A, B, C, and D.

Clause A.

" No action or suit either at law or in equity, shall be brought against such Company upon any policy or contract of Insurance already granted or entered into, or that may hereafter be granted or entered into by such Company after the lapse of one year next after the happening of the loss or damage in respect of which such action or suit is brought, or in the event of such loss or damage having happened before the passing of this Act, then within one year next after the passing of this Act, saving in all cases the rights of parties under legal disability ; provided that in all future policies to be issued by such Company this section shall be written or endorsed thereon."

Clause B.

“ Any suit cognizable in a Division Court upon or for any premium or deposit note or notes, or any sum assessed or to be assessed thereon, or upon or for any note or notes given or to be given for cash premiums of Insurance to such Company, or to any of the Officers or Agents thereof, may be entered and tried and determined in the Court for the division wherein the head office of such Company is situate.

Clause C.

“ In case any note given or to be given for a cash premium of Insurance to such Company, or to any Agent or Officer thereof, or any sum that may hereafter be assessed upon a premium or deposit note given or to be given to such Company, or to any Agent or Officer thereof, shall remain in arrear and unpaid for thirty days after the same shall be payable, the policy of Insurance held by the persons in default shall thereupon become absolutely null and void; provided always that in such case such person shall remain liable to such Company for the amount so in arrear and unpaid; and provided further, that it shall be lawful for the Directors of such Company in their discretion, upon payment of such sum and on such terms and conditions as they shall think proper, to waive the said forfeiture of such policy, and thereupon the said policy and the premium or deposit notes shall again be in full force; provided that in all future policies to be issued by such Company, this section shall be written or endorsed thereon.”

Clause D.

“ Section 43 of the said Act is hereby amended by inserting after the word ‘ resignation,’ on the second line thereof, the words ‘ ceasing to have the necessary qualification ‘ under Section 38, Insolvency or being four months continuously absent from Board ‘ Meetings without leave of the Board.’ ”

In the Preamble.

Page 1, line 1—Leave out from “Whereas” to “Mutual,” and insert “it is expedient to amend the law relating to the.”

Page 1, line 2—Leave out from “Canada” to “therefore” in line 5.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, “An Act to amend and consolidate the provisions contained in the Acts and Ordinances relating to the incorporation of and supply of water to the City of Quebec,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, “An Act to amend section thirty-nine of chapter thirty-seven of the Consolidated

“Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the authentication of Certificates of Discharge, “executed before witnesses,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, that the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, “An Act to incorporate the *Windsor and Sandwich Street Railway Company*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, “An Act to amend chapter eighty-eight of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, intituled, “An Act concerning the protection and enforcement of Corporate “Rights,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *E. H. J. Duchesnay* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: “An Act to amend Chapter Sixty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting Joint Stock Manufacturing, and other Companies,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that he had received a communica-

tion announcing the intention of His Excellency the Governor General to prorogue Parliament on Monday the 18th instant, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, To Resolve, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Assembly to inform that House that inasmuch as a Message received from that House informs the Legislative Council that certain amendments to a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company," were concurred in by that House in error and requesting that the said Bill be returned to them with the said amendments, the Legislative Council will return the said Bill with the amendments presently.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was, on a Division, resolved in the affirmative, and it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Railway Postal Subsidies," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying "certain expenses of the Civil Government for the financial year ending thirtieth June, "1866, and for other purposes connected with the Public Service,"

And after further Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Registrars, Registry Offices, and the Registration of "Instruments relating to Lands in Upper Canada," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House at the next sitting thereof.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the tenth Chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Seditious and unlawful Associations and Oaths," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Bull*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*, it was *Ordered*, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Law respecting the Inspection of Leather and Raw "Hides," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

The Honorable Mr. *Reesor* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bull*,

That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *McCrea* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*,

To leave out all the words after "That the," and insert "said Bill be read a second time this day three months."

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

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The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Belleau Sir N. F.</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Duchesnay A. J.</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Sleed.—16.</i>

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The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Bull,</i>	<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Price,</i>	<i>Reesor.—4.</i>
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So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The question being put on the main question, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate *L'Institut Canadien Français de la Cité d'Ottawa*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to amend An Act to provide for the appointment of a Port Warden for the Harbour of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*, it was *Ordered*, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at the next sitting thereof.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Attorneys" and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled: "An Act to legalize certain Assessments within the City of *Toronto*, and to enable the said City to recover the Taxes rated and charged" and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 1, line 45—After "1866" insert "provided also that this Act shall not affect any lands which have been sold or conveyed by the owners thereof after the assessment as aforesaid, and before the passing of this Act."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendment made to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Act respecting Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled: "An Act to extend and amend the Acts respecting Public Works, to and with respect to Works connected with the Defence of the Province."

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled: "An Act to regulate the Qualification of Practitioners in Medicine and Surgery in *Upper Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *McCrea*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Then, on motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*,

The House adjourned.

At half past seven o'clock P.M., the House met, and

The Members convened were :

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Chaffers,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>	<i>Vidal,</i>
<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>		

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the provisions contained in the Acts and Ordinances relating to the Incorporation and the Supply of Water to the City of *Quebec*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Wind-sor* and *Sandwich* Street Railway Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Reesor*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bull*, it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Town of *St. Mary's* to issue Debentures for redeeming their outstanding Debentures for which no Sinking Fund has been provided," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate *L'Institut Canadien Français de la Cité d'Ottawa*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Skead*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend section thirty-nine of chapter thirty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the authentication of Certificates of Discharge executed before witnesses," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend Chapter eighty-eight of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, 'An Act concerning the protection and enforcement of Corporate Rights'" was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the tenth

“chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respecting seditious and unlawful Associations and Oaths,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled : “An Act further to provide for the deepening of the Ship Channel between *Montreal* and *Quebec*.”

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Gingras* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled : “An Act further to amend the Act respecting the Militia,” was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*,

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

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled : “An Act to extend the Act to impose duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, to all Notes and Bills of whatever amount, and otherwise to amend the said Act.”

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Bull* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend Chapter sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, and to provide for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries."

And the said amendments being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendments made to the last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend chapter sixty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, respecting Joint Stock, Manufacturing and other Companies," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend an Act to provide for the appointment of a Port Warden for the Harbor of *Montreal*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Reesor* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting Railway Postal Subsidies" was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, it was

Ordered, That the Fourty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was adjourned during pleasure and

put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Registrars, Registry Offices, and the Registration of Instruments relating to Lands in Upper Canada."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *McDonald* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize the formation of companies or co-operative associations for the purpose of carrying on in common any trade or business," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The House was then, according to order, adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Ryan* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to impose a tax on dogs, and to provide for the better protection of sheep in Upper Canada," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *McDonald*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Reesor*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, presently.

The House was then, according to Order, adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* reported from the said Committee that they had gone

through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *McDonald*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Reesor*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to declare valid certain Sales of Lands in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *McCrear*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The House was then, according to order, adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Armand*, reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Act respecting Joint "Stock, Companies," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McCrear*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put, whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend chapter nineteen of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada* respecting the Division Courts," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to provide for the appointment of Commissioners to enquire into the

“affairs of the *St. Roch's Savings Bank, Quebec*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The House was then according to order, adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled “An Act to authorize *William John Bickell* to construct a Bridge over the River *St. Charles*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Reesor*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Reesor*,

The House adjourned until Monday next at twelve o'clock noon.

Monday, 18th September, 1865.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Just,</i>	<i>Prud'homme,</i>
<i>Belleau, Sir N. F.,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Bisvir, Fergusson,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, A. J.,</i>	<i>McDonnell,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Bossé,</i>	<i>Duchesnay, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Shead,</i>
<i>Bull,</i>	<i>Leshie,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Vidal.</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>			

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to vest the *York Roads* in the County of *York*, and to relieve the County of *Peel* from all liability therefor," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Burnham*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Committee of Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize *William John Bickell* to construct a Bridge over the River *St. Charles*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, That the said Bill be now read a third time.

Which being by the Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay* objected to, because the Bill was not printed in the French language, and that, therefore, the Sixtieth Rule of this House had not been complied with in that respect;

Whereupon the Honorable the Speaker being appealed to, maintained the objection, as every Member is entitled to this privilege by the Law, Usage, and Rule of the House.

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* then moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*,

That the said Sixtieth Rule be dispensed with as regards the said Bill.

Which being objected to by the Honorable Mr. *A. J. Duchesnay*.

The Honorable the Speaker was again appealed to, and ruled that the right of any Member to have any Bill in the French language is not only derived from the Rules of this House, but also from Imperial and Provincial Laws, and that such privilege cannot, therefore, be set aside by the adoption of a mere motion, otherwise a minority would be at the mercy of a majority.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson Blair*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses for the direction of the Library of Parliament, presented their First Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows:—

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT,
30th August, 1865.

The Members, on the part of the Legislative Council, of the Joint Committee on the Library of Parliament, beg leave to present a First Report.

The Committee have considered the Petition of *William Kingsford*, Esq., soliciting the purchase of copies of a work recently published by him, on the Canals of *Canada*, for distribution to Members of the Legislature and Public Institutions, but they have been unable to recommend a compliance with the application.

The attention of the Committee has been directed to the expediency of authorising the compilation of a General Index to the Journals of the Legislative Assembly, from the year 1852 (up to which date a printed Index Volume already exists), to the close of the present Parliament. They have recommended that the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be empowered to contract with the compiler of the former Index Volume for a continuation of the same, upon the terms agreed upon in regard to that work. When compiled, the

Committee advise that the Index be printed and distributed, under the direction of the Speaker and the Printing Committee.

A Synoptical Index to the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and of *Upper Canada*, by *J. W. Hancock, Esq.*, has been submitted to the Committee. Viewing this work as a very useful and timely publication, they have authorised the purchase, out of the Contingencies of the Assembly, of Twenty copies, for the use of the Library and of the principal Offices of the Legislature.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,

M. L. C.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend Chapter "Nineteen of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, respecting the Division "Courts," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the same be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act Supplementary to the Act of this Session, intituled: 'An Act to regulate the Qualifications of Practitioners in Medicine and Surgery in *Upper Canada*,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau*, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Whereupon, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a third time.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with the French version of the Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize *William John Bickell* to construct a "Bridge over the River *St Charles*."

The Honorable Sir *N. F. Belleau* then moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*,

That the said Bill be now read a third time.

After much Debating,

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that the time had arrived for receiving His Excellency the Governor General, and

His Excellency the Right Honorable CHARLES STANLEY, Viscount MONCK, Baron MONCK of *Ballytrammon*, in the County of *Wexford*, Governor General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c., being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Honorable the Speaker

commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House "It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately "in this House."

Who being come with their Speaker,

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the Titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follow:—

An Act to enable aliens to transmit and take real property in this Province by descent.

An Act to incorporate the Society called "*La Caisse de Bienfaisance de Tempérance, section St. Jacques,*" of the City of *Montreal*.

An Act to incorporate *Les Sœurs de l'Assomption de la Sainte Vierge* of the Parish of *St. Gregoire*.

An Act to amend Chapter Fifteen of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Education.

An Act for the sale or other disposition of the Lands belonging to the Estate of the late *John Lorn McDougall*.

An Act to extend the time for the completion of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway and for other purposes.

An Act to provide for the Preservation of Standing Timber.

An Act to incorporate the Society called *l'Union St. Henri des Tanneries des Rolands*, of the Parish of *Montreal*."

An Act to incorporate "The *London* Collegiate Institute."

An Act to amend Chapter Seventy-five of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the division of *Lower Canada* into Counties, in so far as it relates to the Counties of *Rimouski* and *Gaspé*.

An Act to prevent the spreading of *Canada* Thistles in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the Town of *Lévis*.

An Act to amend the Act, intituled, "An Act containing special Provisions concerning both Houses of the Provincial Parliament."

An Act to amend the Act twenty-seventh *Victoria*, chapter eleven, respecting the collection of School Rates.

An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurances on the Lives of their Husbands and Parents.

An Act to amend the Act, intituled, "An Act respecting County Courts."

An Act to incorporate "The *Montreal St. Bridget's* Refuge.

An Act respecting the Civil Code of *Lower Canada*.

An Act to amend Chapter 75 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Master and Servant."

An Act to grant certain additional powers to the *Canada* West Farmers' Mutual and Stock Insurance Company.

An Act for the relief of the Representatives of the late *Boyd Sylvester*.

An Act to explain certain enactments of the Acts of incorporation of the City of *Montreal*, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the English and Canadian Mining Company (limited).

An Act to legalize certain By-laws and Debentures of the County of *Victoria*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Village of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Pertth*.

An Act to change the name of "The *Bytown* Consumers' Gas Company," and to confirm, amend and extend their corporate powers, under the name of "The *Ottawa* Gas Company."

An Act to enable *Donald Alexander Livingston* to be admitted to practise Medicine, Surgery and Midwifery.

An Act to confirm a Survey of a portion of the Township of *Ely*, in the County of *Shefford*.

An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Bank of *Upper Canada*.

An Act respecting the *Gaspé* Bay Mining Company.

An Act to incorporate "The *St. Catharines* General and Marine Hospital.

- An Act for the incorporation of *Jeffery Hale's Hospital* of the City of *Quebec*.
- An Act for the incorporation of *Jeffery Hale's Sunday School* of the City of *Quebec*.
- An Act specially to incorporate the *Tadousac Hotel and Sea-Bathing Company*.
- An Act to facilitate the separation of the County of *Renfrew* from the County of *Lanark*.
- An Act to enable *Joseph Anctil*, of *Ste. Anne la Pocatière*, and *Auguste Fournier*, of *St. Jean Port Joli*, to be admitted to practise as Notaries in *Lower Canada*.
- An Act to amend the Act for the erection of the Municipality of *Kingsey Falls*.
- An Act to incorporate "The *Bothwell, C. W., Land and Petroleum Company*" (limited).
- An Act to grant certain powers to the *Waterloo County Mutual Fire Insurance Company*.
- An Act to provide more fully for the punishment of Offences against the person, in respect to the crime of Kidnapping.
- An Act to extend the time for the completion of the *Canada Central Railway*.
- An Act farther to amend An Act, intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu Company*."
- An Act to incorporate the Village of *Berthier* as a Town.
- An Act to enable the incumbent of *Trinity Church*, in the Town of *Simcoe*, to sell and convey a certain parcel of land therein mentioned.
- An Act to make further provisions for the management of Permanent Building Societies in *Upper Canada*.
- An Act to amend the Act passed in the twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth years of Her Majesty's Reign, respecting the granting of Charters of Incorporation to Manufacturing, Mining and other Companies
- An Act to incorporate the *Longueuil Navigation Company*.
- An Act to incorporate the *Knowlton Cemetery Company*.
- An Act to enable *Richard Thomas Walkem* to be examined by the Law Society of *Upper Canada* for admission as an Attorney and Solicitor.
- An Act to authorize the Mortgaging of certain Property belonging to Christ Church, in the City of *Ottawa*, acquired for the erection thereon of a Parsonage House.
- An Act to authorize the admission of *Henry Hart Coyne* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor in the Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*.
- An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Montreal Homœopathic Association*, and to change the name thereof to "The College of Homœopathic Physicians and Surgeons of *Montreal*."
- An Act to authorize the *Curé and Marguilliers* of the *Œuvre and Fabrique* of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Québec* to borrow a certain sum of money on the security of the property of the said *Fabrique*.
- An Act to amend the Acts relating to the *International Bridge Company*.
- An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Mutual Assurance Associations of the *Fabriques* of the Dioceses of *Quebec* and of *Three Rivers*, and of *Montreal* and *Saint Hyacinthe*.
- An Act to facilitate the separation of *Huron and Bruce*, and to appoint *Walkerton* the County Town of the County of *Bruce*.
- An Act to amend the Insolvent Act of 1864.
- An Act for quieting Titles to Real Estate in *Upper Canada*.
- An Act in reference to the qualification of Justices of the Peace.
- An Act for abolishing the punishment of death in certain cases.
- An Act to amend Chapter thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting the Bureau of Agriculture and Agricultural Societies.
- An Act to confirm the existing survey of the Township of *Bulstrode*, County of *Arthabaska*.
- An Act respecting the Court of Queen's Bench in *Lower Canada*.
- An Act to amend "The Gold Mining Act" twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth *Victoria*, chapter nine.
- An Act to incorporate the *Mount Royal Railway Company*.

- An Act to amend the Act respecting Short Forms of Mortgages in *Upper Canada*.
- An Act granting additional facilities in Commercial Transactions.
- An Act to provide against the introduction and spreading of disorders affecting certain animals.
- An Act to incorporate the *Curé* of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Québec*.
- An Act to incorporate the Society called *La Caisse d'Épargne de St. Roch de Montréal*.
- An Act respecting the erection of Towns and Villages in *Lower Canada*.
- An Act to amend the Act respecting the Notarial Profession.
- An Act to facilitate the prosecutions under the Act "respecting Tavern-Keepers and the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors."
- An Act to limit the application of a certain general hypothec created by *Daniel McCallum* and his wife to a certain lot of land.
- An Act to amend the Act respecting the ordinary Procedure in the Superior and Circuit Courts for *Lower Canada*.
- An Act to incorporate the Union Bank of *Lower Canada*.
- An Act to incorporate the Bank of *Northumberland*.
- An Act to amend the Acts respecting the building and repairing of Churches, Parsonage-houses and Church-yards.
- An Act to appoint Trustees to wind up the Estate of the late *Alexander Macdonell*, according to the terms of his last Will and Testament.
- An Act to amend and extend the Acts relating to the *Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company*.
- An Act to amend the Act respecting Duties of Excise.
- An Act to enable the Trustees of the Congregation of *St. Andrew's Church*, in the Township of *Ramsay*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, to dispose of the Glebe thereto belonging, and for other purposes.
- An Act to incorporate the *Rideau Club* of the City of *Ottawa*.
- An Act to establish certain Road Allowances and Highways in the Township of *Hamilton*.
- An Act to regulate the Costs of Arbitration in *Upper Canada*.
- An Act for the further improvement of Grammar Schools in *Upper Canada*.
- An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto and Georgian Bay Canal Company*.
- An Act to authorize the *Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company* to construct a Tramway or Railway from the *Marmora Iron Works* to the River *Trent*, or to *Rice Lake*, and for other purposes.
- An Act for the prevention of Contagious Diseases at certain Military and Naval Stations in this Province.
- An Act to amend the Law of Property and Trusts in *Upper Canada*.
- An Act to amend chapter sixty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and to provide for the better regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries.
- An Act further to amend the Law respecting Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*.
- An Act to amend and consolidate the provisions contained in the Acts and Ordinances relating to the incorporation of and the supply of Water to the City of *Quebec*.
- An Act further to amend the Act respecting the Militia.
- An Act to extend and amend the Acts respecting Public Works, to and with respect to Works connected with the Defence of the Province.
- An Act to extend the Act to impose duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange to all Notes and Bills of whatever amount, and otherwise to amend the said Act.
- An Act to incorporate *L'Institut Canadien Français de la Cité d'Ottawa*."
- An Act to amend section thirty-nine of chapter thirty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the authentication of Certificates of Discharge, executed before witnesses.
- An Act to amend "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Port Warden for the Harbor of *Montreal*."
- An Act to amend the *Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act*.

An Act respecting Railway Postal Subsidies.

An Act further to provide for the deepening of the Ship Channel between *Montreal* and *Quebec*.

An Act to amend chapter eighty-eight of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, "An Act concerning the protection and enforcement of Corporate Rights."

An Act to amend chapter sixty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting Joint Stock, Manufacturing and other Companies.

An Act to authorize the town of *St. Mary's* to issue Debentures for redeeming their outstanding Debentures, for which no Sinking Fund has been provided.

An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Act respecting Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to authorize the formation of companies or co-operative associations for the purpose of carrying on, in common, any trade or business.

An Act to incorporate the *Windsor* and *Sandwich* Street Railway Company.

An Act to declare valid certain Sales of Lands in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to impose a tax on Dogs, and to provide for the better protection of Sheep in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Attorneys.

An Act to legalize certain Assessments in the City of *Toronto* and to enable the said City to recover the Taxes rated and charged.

An Act to vest the *York* Roads in the County of *York*, and to relieve the County of *Peel* from all liability therefor.

An Act to amend the tenth chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting seditious and unlawful Associations and Oaths.

An Act to provide for the appointment of Commissioners to enquire into the affairs of the *St. Roch's* Savings Bank, *Quebec*.

An Act to regulate the Qualifications of Practitioners in Medicine and Surgery in *Upper Canada*.

An Act respecting Registrars, Registry Offices, and the Registration of Instruments relating to Lands in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to amend chapter nineteen of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, respecting the Division Courts.

An Act supplementary to the Act of this Session, intituled, An Act to regulate the Qualification of Practitioners in Medicine and Surgery in *Upper Canada*.

To these Bills the Royal Assent was severally pronounced by the Clerk of this House in the words following:—

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General doth assent to this "Bill."

The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly then addressed His Excellency as followeth:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

In reviewing the measures which have engaged the attention of Parliament during the past Session, the chief place must be assigned to the Bill respecting the Civil Code of *Lower Canada*. This enactment reflects the highest credit upon the skill and learning of the Codificators; and will assuredly obtain for the jurisprudence of *Lower Canada* the distinguished approbation of the learned profession abroad.

Other Bills for the improvement of the Law in *Upper Canada*, in relation to the Quieting of Titles, the Law of Property and Trusts, and the Registration of Instruments relating to Lands, which have received the sanction of the Legislature, are calculated to prove highly beneficial, in their operation, to the landed interest in that section of the Province.

Contrasted with the amount of public Legislation, the number and variety of Private Bills which have been entertained by Parliament on this occasion, is very remarkable.

The promotion of agricultural and commercial enterprise, the encouragement of manufacturing industry, and the development of the mineral wealth which lies hidden beneath our soil in every direction, are all matters of vital importance to the community at large.

The increasing frequency with which Petitions for Private Bills have been submitted to Parliament, of late years, is undoubtedly a striking indication of the growing prosperity of the country, its enlarged resources and progress in industrial pursuits, and affords a hopeful prospect of continued improvement for the time to come.

The important Despatches which have been presented to Parliament by Your Excellency's command concerning the Confederation of the British North American Provinces will, doubtless, contribute to enlighten and instruct the public mind of this country upon the momentous topics to which they relate. Although the time has not yet arrived for further legislative action upon the subject, it may, nevertheless, be confidently anticipated that the discussions which have taken place in Parliament during the present Session will help forward the accomplishment of this great project, upon the success of which the future career of *British North America* must wholly depend.

I have now the honor to present for Your Excellency's acceptance a Bill, intituled, "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the financial year ending thirtieth June, 1866, and for other purposes connected with the public service."

The Clerk of this House did thereupon say:—

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

His Excellency the Governor General was then pleased to deliver the following Speech:—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

I am happy to be able to release you from further attendance on your duties in Parliament.

The Act which you have passed for the Codification and Consolidation of the Civil Law of *Lower Canada*, cannot fail to be attended with beneficial results to those who are to live under the provisions of that Law.

The Acts which you have passed for the abolition of the punishment of death in certain cases, and for the improvement of the registration system, and the Grammar School law of *Upper Canada* will also, I doubt not, contribute to the prosperity and good Government of the people of this Province.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

I thank you for the provision you have made for the public service of the Province, and I assure you that it will be the earnest desire of myself and my advisers to administer it with economy.

Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen :

I congratulate you on the abundant harvest with which it has pleased a beneficent Providence to bless our country, and I trust that on your return to your homes you will use your influence amongst the people you represent, so as to cause them to evince their gratitude to the Almighty, by a conscientious discharge of their social obligations, on which, no less than on the performance of political duties, the general well-being of the community depends.

Then the Honorable the Speaker of this House said :

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

It is His Excellency the Governor General's will and pleasure that this Provincial Parliament be prorogued until Saturday, the twenty-eighth day of October next, to be here holden, and this Provincial Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Saturday, the Twenty-eighth day of October next.

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THURSDAY, 24th August, 1865.

P R E S E N T :

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| Hon. Mr. Olivier, (Chairman), | Hon Mr. Bossé, |
| “ Dumouchel,                  | “ Chaffers,    |
| “ Duchesnay,                  | “ Lacoste,     |
| “ Armstrong,                  | “ Armand.      |

Mr. Charles Armstrong of Sorel, Superintendent of Works of deepening the River St. Lawrence, examined.

*Question.* Can you define with exactitude the spot, where the pier, erected a few years ago in the North channel of the River, and nearly opposite the mouth of the River Chaudière, is situated.

*Answer.* I cannot. I am not well acquainted with that locality.

*Question.* If you visited the spot where this pier is erected, could you form a more exact idea of the influence it might have in forming ice dams, or in obstructing the passage of the ice flowing down the river in the spring and autumn, or any general influence it might have in obstructing the flow of water.

*Answer.* I think it is necessary that I should see the pier, and I should not like to give an opinion without having seen it.

James Digman of Berthier, Surveyor, examined.

*Question.* Do you know the exact position of the pier, which was erected a few years ago on the North Channel of the River, and nearly opposite the mouth of the Chaudière?

*Answer.* No. I am not well acquainted with that locality.

*Question.* If you visited the spot where this pier is erected, could you form an exact idea of the influence it might have in forming ice dams, or in obstructing the passage of the ice flowing down the river in the spring and autumn, or any general influence it may have in obstructing the flow of water?

*Answer.* I would not like to offer an opinion upon this subject without first seeing the pier in question.

FRIDAY, 25th August, 1865.

P R E S E N T :

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| Hon Mr. Olivier, (Chairman), | Hon Mr. Armand, |
| “ Armstrong,                 | “ Lacoste,      |
| “ Duchesnay,                 | “ Bossé,        |
| “ Chaffers,                  | “ Archambault.  |

Mr. John Ross, M.P.P., examined.

I have lived in the parish of St. Anne de la Pérade, since my birth.

*Question.* Can you state if, in the month of April last, there formed in the River St. Lawrence, some place above the Richelieu rapids, an accumulation of ice, that would cause a damming of the waters of the river, above the point where this accumulation took place?

*Answer.* At the place called Grand Point at Grondines above the Richelieu rapids, there formed ice dams or accumulations of ice, which had the effect of causing an inundation in the different parishes below that spot.

*Question.* Do you not reside a short distance from the spot where these accumulations were formed?

*Answer.* I reside five miles from that place.

*Question.* Is it true that it was during the storm of the 12th April last that these ice dams broke up.

*Answer.* Yes, it was during the storm of the 12th April last that these formations of ice broke up.

*Question.* Is it to your knowledge that whenever these formations of ice broke up, the waters above them commenced to lower immediately?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* Do you consider that these accumulations of ice took place, because the ice coming from above was obstructed in its passage by the blocking of the river by ice below this point, and which had the effect of resisting the floating ice on its passage down.

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* Do you think that by constructing piers in the channel of the river, and below the Richelieu rapids, it would have the effect of facilitating the formation of an ice bridge in the winter, which would obstruct the passage of the ice flowing from above in the spring time?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* Is it not to your personal knowledge, that when the ice stops in the winter season and accumulates in a narrow part of the river, obstructing the flow of the waters, the ice extends itself upwards, in an inverse direction to that of the current?

*Answer.* Yes, it is in that way the bridge takes.

*Question.* Do you think that a construction in a narrow part of the river, such as the pier built at the mouth of the Chaudière, would have the effect of facilitating the formation of an ice bridge there during the winter season?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* If the ice stopped at this narrow part of the river, and formed upwards, as you have already stated, are you of opinion, that the fact of the ice being stationary at this narrow part, opposite the mouth of the Chaudière, would facilitate the formation of ice from that spot up to the Richelieu Rapids, and even in them?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* Is it not to your personal knowledge that when the ice is fixed and stationary in the Richelieu, that is one of the causes which most frequently produce inundations on lands bordering the river above that point.

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* Is it to your knowledge that during the inundation which occurred in the month of April last, caused by the accumulated ice heretofore spoken of considerable damage was done in the Parish of St. Anne de la Pérade, and can you give us an estimate of the damage so suffered by the residents of that Parish?

*Answer.* Damages were suffered to a great extent, and I estimate them at from ten to twelve thousand dollars.

*Question.* Can you give an idea of the extent of territory covered by water in your Parish during the inundation?

*Answer.* A large extent was covered by water. Nearly one half of our Parish was so covered from the effect of the inundation, and in some places we could sail in bateaux in Queen's highway.

*Question.* From your experience, are you of opinion that instead of erecting constructions in that section of the river, from the head of the Richelieu Rapids down to the City of Quebec, to facilitate the formation of an ice bridge, it would be better to free the course of the river as much as possible, and to take away any erection that might interfere with the free course of the waters,

*Answer.* Yes; for when there is no ice-bridge in the lower parts of the river, ice dams cannot form. Consequently we can have no inundations.

We have had to my knowledge four or five inundations which caused considerable damage. The most disastrous of all was the inundation of last spring; the others were ordinary inundations. It happens sometimes, that the ice takes at St. Anne's before stopping in the Richelieu, but we never have an inundation if there is no ice-bridge below.

Whatever, I should add, tends to form an ice-bridge in that part of the river from the Richelieu downwards, has the effect of increasing the risks of formation of ice-dams, either at the head of the Richelieu or higher up, and must consequently in the spring time cause considerable damage by inundations in the lower parts of the river. And this obstruc-

tion would be even more dangerous if it should cause the formation of an ice-bridge early in the winter season, for as the ice would grow thicker, it would offer stronger resistance to the floating ice coming down in the spring time, from the upper part of the river.

There is no doubt that when the snow melts rapidly in the spring, and there is consequently a great accumulation of water flowing down the river, it is more dangerous than ever for the water and ice to find obstacles in their passage in the lower parts of the river.

FRIDAY, 25th August, 1865.

P R E S E N T :

Hon. Mr. Olivier (Chairman),  
 “ Dumouche!,  
 “ Armstrong,  
 “ Bossé.

Hon. Mr. Archambault,  
 “ Lacoste,  
 “ Armand,  
 “ Chaffers.

Mr. Charles Armstrong further examined.

*Question.* Have you, during a certain number of years, commanded vessels on the river between Montreal and Quebec, and do you know the river between those two places?

*Answer.* I was Captain of a Steamboat, running between those cities, for about twenty-nine years. I commanded tow-boats that brought up and down large vessels from each of those places. I have also made soundings of different parts of the river, and, therefore, can say I have a knowledge of the river and its currents between those two cities.

*Question.* Have you been to examine the spot where the pier is constructed on the north side of the river, nearly opposite the mouth of the Chaudière river? and please give us every information about this pier?

*Answer.* This pier is only visible at low water; the wooden portion of it has been broken off; there remains only the stonework, which forms a square of the height of about five or six feet above the water at low tide, which would leave below the visible portion a depth of seven or eight feet under water; and between the pier and the shore there is, close to the pier, a depth of water of about eight feet; and the distance from the pier to the shore is about one hundred and twenty feet; that is to say, at low water there is a space of water of one hundred and twenty feet between the pier and the shore. This pier seemed to me, on looking at it, and without having measured it, to be about twenty-five feet square. This pier is on the north side of the river, at a spot about two acres above the mouth of the River Chaudière which is on the other side of the river.

*Question.* Do you consider that a pier constructed at this spot can have the effect of impeding the passage of the ice in winter, so as to facilitate its stoppage and taking at this spot?

*Answer.* When the tide is high, there is less danger that the ice, floating down the river in the autumn or winter, should stop at this pier; but when the tide is low, ice of about seven or eight inches thick, sticking in the narrow passage above the pier, having its speed thereby lessened, might, in my opinion, stop easily when it would come in contact with this pier. If this ice was of a great thickness, and of a certain extent, I believe that it should, either at high or low tide, find, in this pier, an obstacle capable of stopping it. Apart from this pier, there are enormous boulders, which might have the effect of stopping the ice, even at high tide. The pier itself, forming an obstacle to the flow, as well as the ebb of the tide, forms an eddy, which has the effect of diminishing the force of the current and, consequently, retaining the ice.

*Question.* Is it not true that at this place at low tide, the channel of the river is very narrow? and tell us its width.

*Answer.* I see that according to the soundings and measurements made by Captain Bayfield, at this place at low tide, the river is only two cables and three-quarters wide, that is to say, about eleven *arpents*.

*Question.* Do you not think that the construction of piers or other works in these narrow parts of the river, lower down than the Richelieu Rapids, may have the effect of facilitating the stopping and taking of the ice during winter, so as to impede and stop the descent of the ice, which in the spring comes from the higher parts of the river?

*Answer.* Yes; piers constructed either above or below the Richelieu Rapids in a narrow part of the river would have that effect.

*Question.* It is not to your knowledge that when in winter the ice stops and is stationary in a narrow or obstructed part of the river, it increases in extent in a contrary direction to that of the current?

*Answer.* Yes, it is in that way the ice takes.

*Question.* Would a pier constructed in a narrow part of the river, such as the one at the mouth of the Chaudière River, have the effect of facilitating the stopping and taking of the ice during the winter at that place.

*Answer.* Yes, I suppose the pier in question was constructed for that purpose.

*Question.* The ice stopping and taking and extending up the river, as you have stated, do you think that the circumstances of its taking and becoming stationary at that narrow part of the river opposite the mouth of the Chaudière River, would facilitate the ice taking upwards as far as the Richelieu Rapids, and even in them?

*Answer.* Yes, and even higher up.

*Question.* Is it not to your knowledge that when the ice is thus taken and stationary in the Richelieu Rapids, it is one of the causes that most often produce inundations in those parts of the country bordering on the river above this point?

*Answer.* Yes, and it occurs when the dam is formed on Cap à la Roche and La Grande Pointe des Grondines.

*Question.* Is it to your knowledge that during the inundation which took place in the month of April last, several persons who reside on the islands between Berthier and Sorel, lost their lives in consequence of that inundation?

*Answer.* Yes, I know that no less than thirty-four persons were drowned.

*Question.* Do you know that that inundation caused great damage in the Parish of Sorel?

*Answer.* Yes, and I can without the least exaggeration state the amount of the damage to be about one hundred thousand dollars.

*Question.* Is it not to your knowledge that several persons who lived at these inundated places declared that if these inundations were repeated, they would be obliged to leave their farms?

*Answer.* Yes, a great many already have ceased to live on those lands, and have come to the Town of Sorel to reside.

*Question.* Is it not true that those lands so inundated were among the finest and the most fertile in the country?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* From the experience you possess are you of opinion that instead of constructing works in the river in that section of the river from the head of the Richelieu Rapids down to Quebec to cause the ice to take along that line, it would be better to open as much as possible the channel of the river and remove the obstructions that might impede it?

*Answer.* I am of opinion that instead of trying to impede the passage of the ice in that part of the river from Pointe du Lac down to the City of Quebec, and making in that part of the river piers or other works to facilitate the stopping and taking of the ice, it would be better to open the channel of the river as much as possible, and remove the obstructions that may impede it.

*Question.* Do you not know that in the Spring of 1863, the water of the river was very high and inundated part of the parish of Berthier, the Islands and other parishes along the river?

*Answer.* Yes, I know that the water was then very high, but it was two feet less than this year. I remember that in 1857 also, the water was very high, and we could not commence the work of deepening Lake St. Peter before the fifth of June; but I cannot say that during the years following 1857, up to 1863, the Spring freshet was any greater than it had ordinarily been in previous years.

*Question.* Do you think that the great inundation that took place in the spring of the year 1863, were owing to the quantity of water which had come down from the

upper part of the river rather than the obstacles and dams of ice which had formed in the section of the river between Three Rivers and Quebec?

*Answer.* I could not say what was the cause of the great height of water at the time of the breaking up of the ice during the spring of 1863. I know, however, that later in the season of that year, at Montreal, the water rose high enough to overflow the wharves facing the town. This freshet was attributed to the abundance of water coming from above; but then that water was several feet lower than when the ice broke up. As to the inundation of the month of April last, it cannot be attributed to the water coming from above, but to a dam of ice which had been formed in the section of the river between Three Rivers and Quebec; and I know that the water was less high at Montreal than at Sorel.

*Question.* Can you state how many inundations have taken place at Sorel and on the Islands during the last eight years?

*Answer.* I can state that the low lands are covered with water nearly every year; but those inundations never caused any damage to property, but delayed the inhabitants from sowing their low lands.

*Question.* During those eight years, how often did any of the inundations cause damage to property?

*Answer.* The only one, to my knowledge, that caused any damage is that of this spring.

*Question.* During these eight years, how often, to your knowledge, did the ice bridge take at the Chaudière?

*Answer.* I do not remember.

*Question.* Do you know that, on one occasion, there was an inundation caused by dams of ice formed above Three Rivers?

*Answer.* In 1859 a dam of ice was formed, extending from the *batture* before Sorel to Lanoraie. That was about the end of December or beginning of January; it had the effect of raising the water above the place where it had formed and inundating the Bouchard Islands and other places along the river, above Lanoraie. Having had occasion to measure the depth of the water above this dam of ice, I found there were thirty-one feet of water where there were ordinarily only sixteen feet.

Mr. James Digman examined.

The witness, having heard the evidence given by Mr. Armstrong, and having, with him, visited the pier built at the North side of the river, nearly opposite to the Chaudière River, corroborates all that has been said by Mr. Armstrong, respecting the site and description of this pier; as also its effects on the taking of the ice at that place, the influence the ice at that place may have to make the ice take up to the Richelieu Rapids, and even higher up, and the consequent increase of the danger; that when dams of ice form, either at the head of the Richelieu Rapids or at la Grande Pointe des Grondines, inundations may take place at the breaking up of the ice in the spring; and, generally, everything answered by Mr. Armstrong to the questions six, seven, eight, nine, ten and thirteen of the series of questions put to Mr. Ross, M.P.P., and to which Mr. Armstrong answered.

And then he added as follows:—

I have been residing at Berthier for forty-two years. I know that, during the inundation of the month of April last, and more particularly the 12th of that month, great damage was caused by the inundation in the Parish of Berthier, as well as in the neighboring parishes of Isle du Pads, St. Cuthbert, St. Barthelemi, Maskinongé, and even lower down. I know that many persons were drowned by this inundation, in the Islands between Berthier and Sorel, to the number of at least thirty-four. I believe that the damage caused by the inundation in the Parish of Berthier may be estimated at about \$20,000.

I am of opinion that the water that comes from above, from the thawing of the snow and the breaking up of the ice in the spring—even in its greatest abundance—could never cause an inundation similar to that we had in the month of April last, unless there be some obstacle to their passage, or a dam of ice in that section of the river between Three Rivers and Quebec; and those waters alone, without any obstacle in that part of the river, could never cause a freshet such as that we had at our place at the breaking up of the ice during the spring of the year 1863.



I know that the water of the River St. Lawrence was very high at our place at the breaking up of the ice in the spring of 1863, and that its height was only two feet less than last spring. Four times have we had very high water since the year 1856. This occurred at the breaking up of the ice in the years 1857, '61, '63, and '65.

If inundations such as those of last spring were to be repeated, they would diminish, for more than half its value, an extent of about 140 to 150 square miles of the finest alluvial lands to be found in Lower Canada. In making this calculation I only take from the upper part of the Parish of Berthier down to the lower end of the Parish of St. Anne de la Pérade, including the low lands on both sides of the river and the Islands in that section of the river.

WEDNESDAY, 30th August, 1865.

P R E S E N T :

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| Hon. Mr. Olivier (Chairman), | Hon. Mr. Archambault, |
| “ Armstrong,                 | “ Dumouchel,          |
| “ Bossé,                     | “ Chaffers,           |
| “ Duchesnay,                 | “ Lacoste.            |
| Hon. Mr. Armand.             |                       |

*Jesse Dunn Armstrong*, Harbour Master of Quebec, and residing at Quebec, aged sixty-nine years, examined.

I have been a resident of Quebec for twelve years, during which time I have always been Harbour Master. From 1810 up to my appointment as Harbour Master, I always navigated in the Gulf of the St. Lawrence, the Leeward Islands, and up to Montreal. I know the river from Quebec to Montreal very well. Since I have been residing in Quebec the ice bridge has taken in front of the city, I believe three times. When the bridge takes in smooth ice it ought to break up sooner in the spring than when it takes with rough pieces of ice. When the bridge forms with clear ice its depth never exceeds three feet or three feet and a half. I never saw the pier which has been built opposite the River Chaudière. I think it should have the effect of assisting to stop the ice, and I am aware that it has been placed there for that purpose. I believe that when the bridge takes at the Chaudière Falls it has the effect of causing a rising of the river, up to the foot of the Richelieu Rapids, and even in the Richelieu Rapids; I do not think it would cause it to rise any higher up. I attribute the inundation itself which took place last spring, at St. Anne's and at the other parishes, to the dams of ice which formed at Grondines and St. Anne's. I have no personal knowledge as to the formation of these dams, but it generally occurs. From the extraordinary rising of the water last spring I believe it is owing to local causes; and those local causes, in my opinion, are the great quantities of snow that thawed so rapidly, either by heat or rain. The clearing of the lands facilitates the running of water from land to the river. The ice bridge at the Chaudière generally leaves after the ice from above and at Grondines. At the Chaudière the ice never forms smooth, at least I am not aware of it. The ice takes at the Chaudière from the accumulation of floating ice descending the river. The shore ice, in the Bays of St. Croix and St. Nicholas, that becomes detached at high tides and is thrown crosswise at the Chaudière sometimes aids the ice bridge to form. The current runs at the rate of about six miles and a half an hour, at spring tides, at the Chaudière. I think, from Portueuf to Batiscan, there is a difference of level of ten feet, but I have not measured it. Starting from the head of the Richelieu Rapids to a distance of seven or eight miles, the declivity of the river is perceptible to the naked eye.

*Question.* Are the inundations that occur in the spring caused by dams of ice and by the abundance of water proceeding from the disappearance of the forests and the enlarging of the water courses; but is it not true that when they occur in the winter, at the end of December or the beginning of February, they cannot be attributed to the thawing of the snow and the disappearance of the forests, but by the dams of ice and other obstacles in the river?

*Answer.* The piers at St. Anne's may be the cause of the dams which occasion the inundations at those seasons of the year; and the same causes produce the same effects in the spring.

*Question.* You stated that, seeing the extraordinary rise of the river which took place

at Berthier and Sorel last spring, you were inclined to attribute it to local causes particular to those places; you are aware that the water was just as high at Three Rivers and Bécancour?

*Answer.* I heard that the water was as high at Three Rivers and Bécancour, and I know there was a good deal of suffering. I meant to say that if the rise of the river could not be attributed to the waters coming from the upper part of the River St. Lawrence, it must be attributed to local causes. If the river had been free from Three Rivers down to Portneuf, I do not believe that a similar inundation to that of last spring could have occurred in those parishes.

*Question.* Is it not true that when the ice takes in a narrow or obstructed place, it then accumulates and stops and takes in a contrary direction to the current?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* Is it not true that when the ice takes and becomes fixed in the narrow spot where the pier is constructed opposite the Chaudière, it facilitates the ice taking up the river towards the Richelieu Rapids?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* Is it not true that when the rise of the water is very great in the spring the dams of ice formed in the lower parts of the river are very dangerous and increase the risk of the lower parts of parishes along the river above such dams of ice being inundated?

*Answer.* Certainly; I believe that the dams of ice that form above the head of the Richelieu Rapids, either at Grondines or St. Ann, have that effect; but I deny that a dam of ice at the Chaudière would have that effect. My reason for saying so is that when a dam of ice takes place either at St. Ann's or at Grondines, the river not being deep, the water stops until it effects a passage or the dam of ice gives away; but at the Chaudière, on the contrary, the river being very deep, it takes its own level, increasing in rapidity along its course. The dams of ice that take place at St. Ann and Grondines have nothing to do with the Chaudière. I do not think that the ice of the Richelieu Rapids has anything to do with the dam of ice; I think that it is the shore ice of the Grondines and St. Ann's when there is but little water, that causes the dam of ice to form.

*Question.* From the knowledge you possess of the river, do you not think that to impede or stop the passage of the ice and the water in narrow or already obstructed places between Three Rivers and Quebec, has the effect of increasing the risk of the parishes above Three Rivers and at Three Rivers and other parishes below being inundated?

*Answer.* My opinion is, that in doing anything that would impede the passage of the water and ice, if such work was done above the Richelieu Rapids, it would increase the risk of inundation in the spring; but I do not think that anything done below the Richelieu would have the same effect, because the basin at Portneuf is too large, and there is too great a depth of water at the Chaudière; and this is my well-considered opinion.

*Question.* Is it not true that the ice that becomes stationary opposite the Chaudière acquires great thickness during the winter?

*Answer.* I never measured it, but I have heard that its thickness may be from twenty-five to thirty feet, of which part in the water and a greater part above. I also know that on the shore on each side, there are large boulders, which tend to impede the passage of the ice at high tide. The ice takes at St. Ann's and at Grondines before taking at the Chaudière and opposite Quebec. I have no knowledge of this fact personally, but from public rumor.

*William Gerard Ross*, of St. Nicholas Merchant, aged 40 years. I have resided at St. Nicholas for twelve years past, and in the spring I pay attention to the rise of the river, because I own mills, mill-dams and wharves. I live about four or five miles above the mouth of the Chaudière. I know the pier that was built opposite the Chaudière River to make the ice take. This pier helps to make the ice stop at that place. The object of the pier was to increase the *batture* on the north side, nearly opposite the mouth of the Chaudière river. The pier has the effect of narrowing the space between the two *battures*. This has no effect on the water coming down, but it stops the large floating ice coming down from places above the river, and that helps to cause the ice to take at that place. When the ice takes early at the Chaudière, it is less thick than when it takes late, on account of

the accumulation of the ice. The pier in question has the effect of forming a *batture*, and narrowing the space, and stopping the floating ice. Before the said pier was built, the ice at the Chaudière only took from the accumulation of large ice, being at least ten feet under water, and about twenty feet above water at low tide. When the bridge takes on account of accumulation of large ice, it is much stronger than when it takes with the assistance of the pier, and being so strong, it takes a longer time to break up in the spring. The pier does not prevent the breaking up of the ice in the spring. Last spring the ice broke up at the Sault on the 15th or 16th April, and on the 16th the river was clear opposite the town. Before the pier was made I have seen the ice remain until May. From what I heard, the ice takes at Grondines and at St. Ann's generally before it takes at the Sault. Last spring, during the inundation above, the river was not higher at my place than other years. I live just above the beach and I never observed that the ice-bridge caused the river to rise.

*Question.* Are you one of the contributors to the subscription made to build the pier opposite the Chaudière River?

*Answer.* Yes. I must remark that last winter notwithstanding that the ice had taken at the Chaudière River, there were above it large openings in it of many miles in extent, and they remained open all winter, which leads me to believe that the ice had stopped farther up, as the opening would not have remained at low water. At each side of the river there were several acres of ice along the openings, that is to say, the channel of the river was nearly clear, and there was a great deal of shore ice of several acres in extent. Spring tides at my place rise about eighteen feet.

*Mr. David Mathieu, Pilot, of the Town of Three Rivers.* I have been living in Three Rivers nineteen years; previous to that time I resided at Grondines, from my infancy, that is to say about twenty-four years. I have been a licensed Pilot for seven years, and I have navigated the river between Quebec and Montreal since I was twelve years of age. I have remarked that when the ice took at and above Quebec, the river would be much higher in the spring in the upper parts of the river, that is to say, from Grondines up the river. I know the pier that was built on the north side of the river, namely, opposite the Chaudière River, about two acres farther up than the mouth of the river. The place where it is built is one of the narrowest in the river. This pier, in my opinion, ought to facilitate the taking of the ice in the winter at that place. I know that when the ice takes at a narrow or obstructed part of the river, it continues to take along up the river. I am of opinion that when the ice takes at the Chaudière River, where the pier is, it facilitates its taking farther up the river, and even above the Richelieu Rapids, particularly when it takes early. I think the cause of the dams of ice that take place above the head of the Richelieu Rapids may be attributed partly to the fact of the ice taking and stopping at the Chaudière. I remember the ice taking only once at Grondines without taking at Quebec. Every other time that I know of there having been a dam of ice above the Richelieu, with high-water in the spring in consequence of such dams of ice in the parishes above, it was because the ice had taken at Quebec. As I said before, I lived at Grondines near the place where these dams of ice generally take place, causing inundations, and I have carefully observed the causes and effects of these inundations. I know that the river was very high at Three Rivers almost all last winter, that is to say, from the beginning of January until the spring. I cannot say if the piers built nearly opposite the River St. Ann had the effect of stopping the ice at that place because during the winter following the construction of the piers the current of the river was very strong, and they were afterwards carried away, that is to say, they were not to be seen. I think that the pier built opposite the Chaudière, notwithstanding the worn state it may now be in, can stop the passage of the ice at this narrow place of the river, because the ice seems to move slower when coming near the pier. It is my opinion that the high water we have had this spring in those places was partly owing to the ice having taken at Quebec, and more particularly because it took early; consequently the ice up the river increases and thickens, and in the spring offers a stronger resistance to that coming from above. My opinion is that all piers built in the River St. Lawrence have the effect of increasing the risk of inundations. I know that it was only when a storm broke up the ice that had accumulated at Grondines last spring, the water began to decrease immediately at our place. The river is much

deeper at the Sault than at any other place. When the ice takes evenly, it leaves sufficient room for the passage of the water; but when the ice breaks up in the spring, the ice coming down and trying to pass over that fixed on the surface causes an accumulation of ice. I cannot say exactly where the accumulation of ice above the Richelieu took place. Opposite Grondines the river varies in depth from six to seven fathoms, and has less depth above that, towards *Cap à la Roche*. The ice last winter took at the Sault before it took at Grondines. I was not near enough to the river to see if the ice had taken from one end to the other without having any openings.

THURSDAY, 31st August, 1865.

P R E S E N T :

Hon. Mr. Olivier (Chairman),  
 “ Armstrong,  
 “ Dumouchel,  
 “ Bossé.

Hon. Mr. Archambault,  
 “ Lacoste,  
 “ Armand,  
 “ Chaffers.

Mr. *Edouard Boudreau*, of Three Rivers, Pilot. examined.

I reside at Three Rivers, and have resided there for thirty years. Before that time I resided at Montreal for several years. I am a native of Deschambault, where I reside, until I was eighteen years old. I am and have been a branch pilot for thirty-five years and I have sailed on the river between Montreal and Quebec for about 58 years. I have remarked that when the ice takes at Quebec and above we have much higher water in the spring on the upper parts of the river—that is, from Grondines upwards. I know the pier which was built on the north side of the river, almost opposite the River Chaudière, that is to say, about a couple of arpents higher up than the mouth of that river; it is situated in one of the narrowest parts of the river. This pier, in my opinion, must facilitate the taking of the ice, at that locality, in the winter. I know that when the ice takes at a narrow and obstructed part of the river, the bridge thus formed gradually extends up the river. I am of opinion, that the taking of the ice at the Chaudière Falls, where this pier is situated, facilitates its taking up the river, higher up even than the rapids of the Richelieu; above all, when it takes early. I think that the cause of the dams, which are formed above the head of the Richelieu, may be attributed partly to the fact that the ice takes and remains stationary at the Chaudière Falls. I know of but two or three occasions on which there was an ice-bridge formed at Grondines, without there being one at Quebec. On every other occasion, when, to my knowledge, dams were formed above the Richelieu, and when, by reason of these dams, we had high water in the spring, in the parishes above, the ice had taken at Quebec; for the taking of the ice at the Chaudière Falls causes the water to flow back, deadens the current, and facilitates the taking of the ice higher up,—that is to say, even in the Richelieu and above. I know that the water was very high at Three Rivers during almost all last winter,—that is to say, from about the commencement of January until the spring. The date at which the water commenced to rise corresponded, or thereabouts, with that of the taking of the ice at the Chaudière Falls. I cannot say whether the piers which were erected almost opposite the River St. Ann had the effect of stopping the ice at that spot; for, during the winter following their construction the current of the river was very strong, and later they were carried away,—that is to say, they are no more seen. I think that the pier erected opposite the River Chaudière, notwithstanding its dilapidated condition, may still, in its present state, impede the passage of the ice at this narrow part of the river; for when it arrives at this pier the movement of the ice is already slackened. I have remarked that whenever there is an ice bridge at the Sault, we have one in Three Rivers later on in the winter. I am of opinion that the high water which we had this spring in our neighborhood was due partly to the fact that the bridge took at Quebec; and above all because it took early, the effect of which was that the ice higher up the river became much thicker, and consequently offered in the spring more resistance to that coming from above. I am of opinion that any pier erected in the River St. Lawrence, more especially in the lower part, between Three Rivers and Quebec, must have the effect of increasing the danger of inundations

in the spring. I know that when the dam that formed last spring at Grondines was broken up during the storm, the water commenced immediately to fall, in our neighborhood. As to the fact of the formation of this Dam at Grondines, I cannot speak from my personal knowledge, but persons who had seen it told me that it had formed at that locality. The water is deeper at the Sault than at any other place. The ice taking evenly affords sufficient room for the passage of the water; but when it breaks up in the spring, the ice which descends endeavours to effect a passage underneath that fixed at the surface, and a heaping up of the ice is the result. Opposite Grondines the water varies in depth from six to seven fathoms; the depth decreases going up towards *Cap à la Roche*. Last year the ice took at the Chaudière Falls before taking at Grondines. I cannot say that from the Falls upwards the ice took without there being any unfrozen pools; there are always, or almost always, pools where the ice does not take, more or less, from the Falls to the Richelieu. I know that during the spring of 1863, the water was very high in our neighborhood, it was only about two feet less than last spring (1865), when it was the highest that we have ever had.

Cross Examined:—Since I left Deschambault I have never resided during the winter anywhere except at Three Rivers and Montreal. I went down but once to Quebec in winter during my residence at Montreal, and that was about forty years ago. During sixteen of these forty years I resided at Montreal. The channel at Cape Charles is only about an arpent wide at high water, in the rest of the river at this locality there are shoals (*battures*) crossing one another. There is also opposite the *batture* of St. Ann, at the spot where the piers were erected, a very narrow channel not more than half an arpent wide; the rest of the river is flat *battures*.

From St. Agustin upwards to the *Pluton* there are always pools where the ice does not take of some arpents in extent. These pools are caused by the eddies. I attribute the taking of the ice at Three Rivers to its taking at the Chaudière Falls, when the cold continues after its taking at the Falls. I cannot say what is the difference of level between the Chaudière Falls and the head of the Richelieu. The effect of the progress of the ice being arrested at the Chaudière Falls is, as I said before, to cause the water to flow back to deaden the current, and this flowing back must be felt at St. Nicholas, going up. I cannot say how many feet the water rises in consequence at St. Nicholas, but I know that it slackens the water and deadens the current. I am certain that when the Falls take, the ice takes up to Three Rivers, with the exception of the pools of which I have spoken. The *batture* at Grondines is for the most part dry at low water, and the rest of the *batture* is only covered with five or six feet of water. The channel opposite Cape Charles is only fourteen feet deep at low water; at the Falls it is 150 feet deep. I cannot say at what time the ice broke up at the Chaudière Falls last spring. The ice very rarely takes at Grondines before taking at the Chaudière Falls, and the reason is that the current is too strong at Grondines; the current at the Falls is about seven or eight knots at ebb tide, and at Grondines about six knots. I speak of the current during the summer. I cannot speak of the velocity of the currents in the winter. The ice forms quicker in places where there is less depth of water.

*Question.* Will you state to what you attribute the formation of the dam last spring at Grondines?

*Answer.* The chief cause to the best of my knowledge was the taking of the Chaudière Falls, which slackened the current up to Grondines, and that caused the ice to take up to Three Rivers. The ice was very strong, having taken early; during all the winter the water remained very high at Three Rivers. There was however a strong wind at the breaking up of the ice which heaped it up as far as Point St. Ann and Grondines, where the ice was very strong. The river was blocked up with ice, and this was the cause of the inundation. This dam formed at Grondines in March or April. I have no personal knowledge of the formation of the dam at Grondines last spring; but I am inclined to believe that the accumulation of the ice came from above and was caused by there not being sufficient water to allow it to pass over the *battures*, nor in the channel which was obstructed.

FRIDAY, 1st September, 1865.

## PRESENT :

Hon. Mr. Olivier (Chairman),  
 “ Armand,  
 “ Lacoste,  
 “ Armstrong,

Hon. Mr. Duchesnay,  
 “ Chaffers,  
 “ Dumouchel,  
 “ Bossé,

Hon. Mr. Archambault.

*Joseph Telesphore Methot*, of the Parish of St. Anne de la Pérade, Merchant, examined.

I have resided at St. Ann for 20 years. I reside about six miles from Grondines point. I have knowledge of the formation of dams of considerable size, at Grondines, during the spring of the years 1863 and 1865. I think that these dams were the cause of the inundations which took place during the springs of these years in the parishes above the locality where they formed. I did not see the pier which was erected on the north side of the river, opposite the River Chaudière, but its situation has been described to me. It is erected in the narrowest parts between Three Rivers and Québec. I know that when the ice takes and remains stationary at a narrow and obstructed part of the river, it subsequently takes going up the river. I think that the taking of the ice at the Chaudière Falls, facilitates its taking up the river as far as the Richelieu rapids, and even above. If the pier erected opposite the Chaudière has the effect of arresting the progress of the ice, I have no doubt that it contributes as one of the causes which occasion the formation of the dams at the head of the Richelieu and above. I explain this by saying that the taking of the ice at the Chaudière Falls deadens the current of the river, and consequently facilitates the taking of the ice in the Richelieu and above, this ice thus taken offers resistance to that which at the breaking up of the ice comes from the upper part of the river, and this causes the formation of the dams above the head of the Richelieu, and consequently the inundation of the low-lying portions of the parishes which are above the dams. I consider that the pier thus erected in a narrow part of the river, increases the risk of inundations near where I live, in the spring. The inundations of 1863 and 1865 were the greatest which have taken place for twenty years. During the inundation of 1863 the water near where I live was but four feet and a quarter lower than during that of 1865. Last spring the water rose 11 feet higher than the ordinary level of the water when the ice broke up without the formation of dams and obstructions of ice in the part of the river between Three Rivers and Québec, and this ordinary level is also that of the water during the spring tides in May. The water commenced to rise on the 22nd March; at that time it was very high, for it had risen three feet during the winter having begun to rise from the commencement of January. The water rose two feet on the 22nd March; in this state it remained until the 7th of April, on which day it rose a foot and a half; on the evening of the 8th of April, it had again risen a foot and a half. On the 9th it rose a foot; on the 10th it rose but little; on the 11th it rose 9 inches; on the 12th at half-past two P. M., it was at its greatest height, having risen several inches more. At 3 o'clock, during the storm which broke the dam it suddenly fell 3 feet in the space of 10 minutes, which produced so strong a current that the water and the ice carried off large pieces of land, leaving the rock underneath bare. About the 7th of April the water commenced to rise, about the time that the ice commenced to shove and move between Three Rivers and Grondines. During the inundation of 1863 the water was as high as during that of 1843, and where I live it was said that there had been no inundation so bad as that since 1843, and our old men added that they had never known an inundation like that of 1843. During the inundation of 1863 the water was one or two inches higher than during that of 1843. We always attribute the formation of these great dams and these inundations, to the taking of the ice bridge at the Chaudière Falls, for when the ice does not take at the Chaudière Falls we never have either dams or inundations. The inundations which take place are but the consequences of the formation of the dams. There are no dams of ice formed at St. Ann; it is in the middle of the channel and at Grondines that they form, and sometimes a dam is formed at the foot of the Richelieu, but it is not strong. This happens when all the ice starts from above and heaps itself up at the foot of the Richelieu, but it does not

remain stationary for any length of time. There is so much current in the Richelieu that the ice is constantly moving. When the bridge takes from Quebec upwards, I know there is a pool where the inundation takes between Pointe aux Trembles and St. Augustin, and another in the Richelieu rapids. When I said that the taking of the bridge at the Chaudière deadened the current, I meant to say also that that had for effect to cause the water to flow back and to rise. I know that the steamboat *Europa* came down on the 21st of April. I cannot say when the ice left; it was but a short time before that. When the ice takes early in the channel at Grondines it is stronger than when it takes later. The ice never takes smoothly opposite the headlands of Grondines; it only takes at this spot by that which comes down becoming fixed there. The ice which is formed on the *batture* of Grondines attains a thickness of from three to four feet in the course of the winter. At the breaking up of the ice in the spring that in the channel goes first and then that of the *batture* goes by degrees three or four days after the clearing of the channel.

MONDAY, 4th September, 1865.

P R E S E N T :

Hon. Mr. Olivier (Chairman),  
 “ Bossé,  
 “ Lacoste,  
 “ Armstrong,

Hon. Mr. Chaffers,  
 “ Dumouchel,  
 “ Archambault,  
 “ Armand.

*Joseph Hamel*, surveyor and inspector of the City of Quebec, examined :

I know the pier which was erected on the north side of the River St. Lawrence, almost opposite the mouth of the River Chaudière. This pier was built in the autumn of 1862, by Pierre Lambert, of St. Nicholas. It was first undertaken, without any contract being given to the builder, by means of subscriptions from persons interested in the undertaking, and of grants from the Grand Trunk and from the Corporation of the City of Quebec. The pier cost about \$2,000—of which the Grand Trunk furnished \$1,000, and the Corporation of the City of Quebec \$500. When it was finished, a contract, or deed of agreement was entered into between the Corporation of the City of Quebec and the builder, by which the latter transferred to the said Corporation all his rights in the said pier, resulting from its construction by him, and made delivery of the said pier or wharf to the said Corporation. This pier was constructed according to the dimensions agreed upon, to wit: 40 feet front, by 70 in depth, by 18 feet in height above low water mark. This pier was erected with a view to cause the ice to take at the narrow part of the river where it is situated, commonly called Chaudière Falls; and this with the further view of facilitating the formation of an ice bridge opposite the City of Quebec earlier in the winter. The construction of this pier was, so to speak, an experiment for the purpose of demonstrating that, by means of constructions of a stronger and more permanent nature, the taking of the ice at the Chaudière Falls and opposite the City of Quebec might be assured.

I know that after the building of this pier the ice took and formed a bridge at the Chaudière Falls, as also opposite the City of Quebec, in the years 1863 and 1865, and that these bridges were formed early,—but I do not know whether this pier had any effect on the formation of these ice bridges. There was no ice bridge opposite Quebec in 1864. Even before the erection of this pier an ice bridge was formed pretty frequently at the Chaudière Falls, which is a narrow part of the river; and when the ice takes at the Chaudière Falls, we generally have an ice bridge in front of the City of Quebec.

I am 69 years old, and have always resided at Quebec with the exception of three years: 1818, 1819, and 1820, during which time I resided at Lotbinière. I have been a Surveyor since 1822, and during that time I have travelled through the parishes on the North and South shores of the river, in the exercise of my profession.

The ice formed at Quebec by freezing attains ordinarily a thickness of from 2½ to 3 feet. I have measured the ice taken from the River St. Charles, and I rarely saw such ice attaining a thickness of 3 feet. When the ice bridge is composed of clear smooth ice, it melts and disappears earlier in the spring, but when the bridge is formed by the ice being stopped at the Falls, or elsewhere, or by the jamming of the ice, it disappears later

in the spring. I have seen an ice bridge, in 1836, I think, remain until the 9th May.—To effect the breaking up of the ice in the river early in the spring, I think it is desirable that the ice should take early, for then whether it takes naturally, or is caused to take artificially, it can only attain a thickness of from 2½ to 3 feet; whereas, when the bridge is formed by the jamming of the ice, it may attain a thickness of from 20 to 25 feet and it is then that it is difficult for it to break up in the spring. With a view to effect the breaking up of the ice at the Chaudière Falls or opposite Quebec early in the spring, it is very desirable to try and cause it to take early in the autumn. There is no fixed rule for the taking of the ice in the river, sometimes it takes at Grondines and at the Platon before taking at Carouge, and sometimes it takes at Carouge before taking at the Platon.—The ice takes sometimes at the Falls before taking at the Platon, and sometimes at the Platon before taking at the Falls. But when it takes at one of these places it generally takes at the other. I have known years in which it took at the Platon and not at the Falls, but I never knew it to take at the Chaudière Falls without taking at the Platon. I have never measured the difference of level between Quebec and the Platon, but I see by the report of Mr. Gilday, the surveyor who conducted the survey preparatory to the construction of the North Shore Railroad, that the difference of level of high water at Quebec and of high water at the Platon, on the same day, is 14 feet. When I speak of the Platon; I mean the Richelieu Rapids, and from the foot of the Richelieu Rapids I believe there is a difference of about 8 feet. There is nearly 2½ hours between the tide at Quebec and that at the Richelieu. Between Quebec and St. Anne the difference of level is from 18 to 19 feet; and in order that the water should rise 11 feet at St. Anne's if the cause which hindered its flowing down was at the Chaudière Falls, these 11 feet would have to be added to the elevation of the tide. The bridge opposite the City of Quebec last winter was composed of clear smooth ice. I cannot say how the bridge was at the Falls.

TUESDAY, 5th September, 1865.

PRESENT:

|                              |                       |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Hon. Mr. Olivier (Chairman), | Hon. Mr. Archambault, |
| “ Armstrong,                 | “ Chaffers,           |
| “ Duchesnay.                 | “ Dumouchel,          |
| “ Bossé,                     | “ Armand.             |
| “ Lacoste,                   |                       |

The Committee, after having taken communication of the evidence, was adjourned until to-morrow, at 9 o'clock, A.M.

WEDNESDAY, 6th September, 1865.

PRESENT:

|                              |                    |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Hon. Mr. Olivier (Chairman), | Hon. Mr. Chaffers, |
| “ Dumouchel,                 | “ Armstrong,       |
| “ Duchesnay,                 | “ Bossé,           |
| “ Archambault,               | “ Lacoste.         |
| “ Armand,                    |                    |

*Hypolite Dubord*, Esquire, ex-Member of Parliament, examined:

I am and have been for about 40 years a merchant and ship-owner. I am proprietor of ship-yards at la Pointe aux Trembles and elsewhere, and have been so at Pointe aux Trembles for 22 years, and at Pointe Levi for two years. My domicile is at Quebec, but I reside from time to time at Pointe aux Trembles. I build ships and sail them on my own account.

The piers of St. Anne were erected with a view to arrest the progress of the ice, or to cause it to take. As to the pier at the Falls, I think that no pier can at that spot, resist the action of the ice—nevertheless, it may have a certain effect in facilitating the stoppage of the ice there. The ice took as often at the Chaudière Falls before the construction of that pier, as it has since. The pier as it is now might stop the ice at low water, but at high water the ice would detach itself from the pier, if there were no other obstacles elsewhere. A bridge of smooth clear ice cannot take at the Chaudière Falls, unless there is



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already a bridge opposite the city. I have seen but one bridge at the Chaudière Falls composed of clear smooth ice, and even then it was not all so, there were some hummocks (*bourgnignons*). I think that we might succeed in having an ice bridge opposite Quebec, without causing damage to the upper parishes, by making a break-water on the Point Levi side at the place called "the key." This break-water would not stop the ice in the spring so much as a pier at the Chaudière Falls. Any pier or obstacle placed in the river between Quebec and Montreal, might have for effect to stop the ice so as at the breaking up to facilitate the formation of dams. I have heard it generally remarked that since the construction of the piers of St. Anne, inundations have been more frequent, and I know that in the parishes bordering on the river and which are exposed to the inundations the members who had voted for the construction of these piers were threatened that they would not be re-elected. At the Falls the ice is perhaps fifty feet thick, and I would dare say touches the bottom. The ice when clear and smooth does not generally delay the breaking up in the spring. I am not in favor of the construction of piers at the Chaudière Falls; for, as the current there is very strong, the ice will always accumulate there if it experiences any resistance, and might even carry away the piers. If the present pier at the Chaudière Falls did not cause the inundation of last spring it might cause inundations hereafter. The reasons which I give in support of the statement that a pier at that spot would facilitate inundations are, that the ice being confined by the two banks of the river would find in the middle an obstacle which would cause it to accumulate rapidly, and would thus form a very dangerous dam, and would delay the breaking up of the ice and the opening of the navigation. The ice which delays in the greatest degree the breaking up is that which is formed by being heaped up—that which is formed by freezing only disappears more easily in the spring. When the ice takes in a narrow and obstructed part of the river, it extends itself upwards.

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APPENDIX N<sup>o</sup>. 2.

## SELECT COMMITTEE

ON DUES CHARGED BY THE HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS  
OF MONTREAL ON CERTAIN GOODS.

## SELECTIONS FROM THE MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

TUESDAY, 29th August, 1865.

PRESENT :

Hon. Mr. Bureau (Chairman),  
 “ Wilson,  
 “ Ryan,  
 “ Chaffers,

Hon. Mr. Archambault,  
 “ Lacoste,  
 “ Armand,  
 “ Prud'homme.

The Honorable JOHN YOUNG, examined :

*Question.* Are you not Chairman of the Corporation of the Harbour Commissioners of Montreal?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* How long have you been so?

*Answer.* About fourteen years.

*Question.* Under what law or by-law do you impose dues on the horses and carts of farmers coming to Montreal to sell their farm produce in the market, and crossing over on the steamers plying between Longueuil and the foot of the current?

*Answer.* We have no by-law on that subject. The rates now exacted by the Harbour Commissioners are exacted by virtue of an Act of Parliament (18 Vic., c. 143), and in accordance with a tariff appended to that Act.

*Question.* Be so good as to point out the section of that Act in virtue of which you consider that you have a right to impose dues on the horses and carts of farmers bringing goods to market at Montreal?

*Answer.* In Schedule B. of the Act 18 Vict. c. 143, under the head of “Tolls, rates and dues to be levied in the Harbour of Montreal under and by virtue of this Act,” there are the words

|                                               | s. | d. |
|-----------------------------------------------|----|----|
| “ Vehicles, undescribed, each.....            | 2  |    |
| “ Neat cattle and horses, each.....           | 2  |    |
| “ Hay and straw, per hundred bundles.....     | 9  |    |
| “ Grain of all kinds, per hundred minots..... | 1  | 3  |

*Question.* Has the Corporation of the Harbour Commissioners decided by any By-law that farmers' horses and carts should be subject to any dues?

*Answer.* There is no By-law on the subject.

*Question.* Are you in the habit of commuting with the owners, masters or agents of steamboats plying between Longueuil and Montreal, for the dues which you are authorized to levy; and if so, on what principle is such commutation generally made?

*Answer.* Yes, for the last ten years the Harbour Commissioners have commuted with all ferries running out of Montreal. The business of 1855 was a guide in the first instance for the amount to be paid for commutation. The plan of collecting dues, this year, on the various articles specified in the Schedule, was adopted by the Commissioners for the purpose of finding out the amount of business done on the various ferries; and it is their intention to continue the system of commutation next year, as before.

*Question.* Is it not true that the owners of the ferry-boat *Hochelaga* paid, on an average, \$27 per day for the first thirty days of navigation?

*Answer.* In reply, I now hand in a paper shewing the business done, day by day, by the steamer *Hochelaga*, from 19th June to 15th August.

Daily Report of harbour dues paid by steamer *Hochelaga*, from 19th June to 15th August.

|           |           |         |           |             |         |                                 |           |
|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|-------------|---------|---------------------------------|-----------|
| 19 June,  | £ 7 3 11½ | 5 July, | £ 6 19 10 | 21 July,    | £ 9 1 8 | 7 August,                       | £ 4 18 7¼ |
| 20 "      | 8 18 4    | 6 "     | 8 12 10½  | 22 "        | 5 12 8½ | 8 "                             | 7 13 3    |
| 21 "      | 6 16 7½   | 7 "     | 4 2 2     | 24 "        | 4 10 4  | 9 "                             | 4 9 6½    |
| 22 "      | 7 17 6    | 8 "     | 8 4 10½   | 25 "        | 5 4 2   | 10 "                            | 4 16 2    |
| 23 "      | 10 8 11   | 10 "    | 6 16 9    | 26 "        | 3 13 10 | 11 "                            | 4 1 5     |
| 24 "      | 5 4 9½    | 11 "    | 9 6 5     | 27 "        | 4 8 6   | 12 "                            | 5 14 10½  |
| 26 "      | 3 16 0    | 12 "    | 4 16 11½  | 28 "        | 4 4 0½  | 14 "                            | 5 8 8     |
| 27 "      | 6 18 1    | 13 "    | 4 17 11½  | 29 "        | 3 11 0½ | 15 "                            | 5 19 0½   |
| 28 "      | 7 14 5½   | 14 "    | 8 12 5½   | 31 "        | 4 19 5  | Harbour dues on Sundays, 1 7 8½ |           |
| 29 "      | 1 4 9     | 15 "    | 5 7 8½    | 1st August, | 6 6 1½  | Total, £307 11 9                |           |
| 30 "      | 7 11 1    | 17 "    | 5 8 0     | 2 "         | 3 10 5½ |                                 |           |
| 1st July, | 8 4 4     | 18 "    | 7 11 7½   | 3 "         | 4 10 5  |                                 |           |
| 3 "       | 7 19 10½  | 19 "    | 4 4 1½    | 4 "         | 4 14 8  |                                 |           |
| 4 "       | 12 8 6½   | 20 "    | 6 6 0½    | 5 "         | 4 11 0  |                                 |           |

The steamer *Hochelaga* paid \$2,000 commutation in 1863. Last year it was reduced to \$1,500. On the 27th of July the Harbour Commissioners reduced the tariff fifty per cent. on horses and carts.

*Question.* What is the amount paid by the steamer *Fashion* since the commencement of the navigation?

*Answer.* From the 11th of May to the 15th of August there was levied a sum of £320 5s. 9d. as appears by the following table:—

WHARF and harbour dues paid by F. X. Beaudry, Esquire, on steamer *Fashion*, from the 13th of April to the 15th of August, 1865.

|           |          |         |          |           |          |                  |          |
|-----------|----------|---------|----------|-----------|----------|------------------|----------|
| 11 May,   | £ 40 0 0 | 4 June, | £ 0 3 9  | 29 June,  | £ 0 8 6  | 24 July,         | £ 0 17 3 |
| 12 "      | 9 1 8½   | 5 "     | 5 5 1    | 30 "      | 1 6 3    | 25 "             | 1 11 9   |
| 13 "      | 10 17 10 | 6 "     | 9 11 3   | 1st July, | 1 16 10  | 26 "             | 0 14 8   |
| 14 "      | 0 3 9    | 7 "     | 5 10 5½  | 2 "       | 0 3 9    | 27 "             | 1 0 3½   |
| 15 "      | 6 12 11  | 8 "     | 5 13 3½  | 3 "       | 1 8 6    | 28 "             | 0 19 11  |
| 16 "      | 8 15 2½  | 9 "     | 9 1 5½   | 4 "       | 2 18 5   | 29 "             | 0 16 2   |
| 17 "      | 7 19 3   | 10 "    | 3 12 5½  | 5 "       | 2 1 7    | 31 "             | 1 6 10½  |
| 18 "      | 6 15 2½  | 11 "    | 0 3 9    | 6 "       | 2 3 11½  | 1st August,      | 1 4 6½   |
| 19 "      | 7 18 6½  | 12 "    | 6 4 10   | 7 "       | 1 1 2    | 2 "              | 0 19 3   |
| 20 "      | 6 0 1½   | 13 "    | 9 6 5½   | 8 "       | 1 19 3   | 3 "              | 1 3 9½   |
| 21 "      | 0 3 9    | 14 "    | 6 7 7    | 9 "       | 0 3 9    | 4 "              | 1 0 10   |
| 22 "      | 5 19 6½  | 15 "    | 1 7 6½   | 10 "      | 1 10 9   | 5 "              | 0 15 7   |
| 23 "      | 12 16 5  | 16 "    | 3 5 0    | 11 "      | 2 8 5½   | 7 "              | 0 13 9½  |
| 24 "      | 8 2 1½   | 17 "    | 7 10 0   | 12 "      | 1 1 4    | 8 "              | 1 11 2   |
| 25 "      | 1 17 6½  | 18 "    | 0 19 9   | 13 "      | 0 16 10½ | 9 "              | 0 18 1½  |
| 26 "      | 5 14 6   | 19 "    | 0 19 10  | 14 "      | 1 16 1   | 10 "             | 0 17 1   |
| 27 "      | 2 19 0   | 20 "    | 1 1 1    | 15 "      | 1 8 8½   | 11 "             | 0 18 8½  |
| 28 "      | 0 3 9    | 21 "    | 0 14 10½ | 16 "      | 0 3 9    | 12 "             | 1 6 5½   |
| 29 "      | 3 8 0½   | 22 "    | 1 19 4½  | 17 "      | 0 19 0   | 13 "             | 0 15 0   |
| 30 "      | 8 11 1   | 23 "    | 0 17 4½  | 18 "      | 1 12 2½  | 14 "             | 0 17 10  |
| 31 "      | 6 7 8    | 24 "    | 0 3 9    | 19 "      | 1 0 6    | 15 "             | 1 9 5½   |
| 1st June, | 7 2 3½   | 26 "    | 0 17 7½  | 20 "      | 1 8 8½   | Total, £320 5 9½ |          |
| 2 "       | 8 4 0½   | 27 "    | 0 12 10½ | 21 "      | 1 14 0½  |                  |          |
| 3 "       | 5 18 11½ | 28 "    | 1 10 1   | 22 "      | 1 1 8    |                  |          |

This steamer paid at tariff rates last year, up to 1st September, and for the balance of season paid commutation at the rate of eight dollars per day, or \$1,500 for season.

*Question.* What is the amount paid by the *Richelieu* Company, and the number of their boats plying between Montreal and Quebec, and other places?

*Answer.* The following are the names of the various boats belonging to the *Richelieu* Company, and the commutation on each:—

COMMUTATION paid by *Richelieu* Company on their steamers and cargoes, for the year 1864.

|                               |          |          |           |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Steamer <i>Montreal</i> ..... | £665 0 0 | equal to | \$2660 00 |
| " " .....                     | 665 0 0  | "        | 2660 00   |
| Total on Quebec Line.....     |          |          | \$5320 00 |

## MARKET STEAMERS.

|                               |      |   |   |          |       |                  |
|-------------------------------|------|---|---|----------|-------|------------------|
| Steamer <i>Napoleon</i> ..... | £200 | 0 | 0 | equal to | \$800 | 00               |
| “ <i>Victoria</i> .....       | 190  | 0 | 0 | “        | 760   | 00               |
| “ <i>Chambly</i> .....        | 156  | 0 | 0 | “        | 624   | 00               |
| “ <i>Terrebonne</i> .....     | 140  | 0 | 0 | “        | 560   | 00               |
| “ <i>L’Etoile</i> .....       | 80   | 0 | 0 | “        | 320   | 00               |
| “ <i>Trois-Rivières</i> ..... | 150  | 0 | 0 | “        | 600   | 00               |
|                               |      |   |   |          |       | <u>\$3664 00</u> |

Total amount paid by Richelieu Company in 1864..... \$8984 00

JOHN FERNS,

Wharfinger.

Montreal, 29th August, 1865.

WHARFAGE and harbour dues paid by Richelieu Company on their steamers and cargoes at tariff rates, from opening of navigation to 15th August, 1865.

|                               |      |   |   |          |        |                  |
|-------------------------------|------|---|---|----------|--------|------------------|
| Steamer <i>Montreal</i> ..... | £344 | 0 | 0 | equal to | \$1376 | 15               |
| “ <i>Europa</i> .....         | 268  | 0 | 0 | “        | 1072   | 50               |
| Total on Quebec Line.....     |      |   |   |          |        | <u>\$2449 65</u> |

## MARKET STEAMERS.

|                               |      |    |   |          |       |                  |
|-------------------------------|------|----|---|----------|-------|------------------|
| Steamer <i>Columbia</i> ..... | £191 | 10 | 5 | equal to | \$766 | 08               |
| “ <i>Napoleon</i> .....       | 147  | 10 | 3 | “        | 590   | 05               |
| “ <i>L’Assomption</i> .....   | 152  | 16 | 5 | “        | 611   | 28               |
| “ <i>Terrebonne</i> .....     | 69   | 13 | 5 | “        | 278   | 68               |
| “ <i>L’Etoile</i> .....       | 61   | 2  | 5 | “        | 244   | 43               |
|                               |      |    |   |          |       | <u>\$2490 57</u> |

Total amount paid by Richelieu Company in 1865... \$4940 22

JOHN FERNS,

Wharfinger.

Montreal, 29th August, 1865.

*Question.* Do you intend to commute for this year with the owners of vessels plying, between Longueuil and Montreal, or to continue to levy the tariff rates?

*Answer.* The present resolve of the Commissioners is to continue the present system until the end of the season, and to commute with the various ferries as before, next Spring. when, I have no doubt, any rates now deemed excessive will be taken into consideration and deducted from the rate to be paid.

*Question.* Has the number of vehicles crossing over from Longueuil to Montreal diminished since the dues were increased?

*Answer.* I have no means of testing that.

*Question.* Does the Allan Line of Ocean Steamers commute?

*Answer.* All sea-going vessels pay the various rates provided for in the 18th Vic. c. 143.

*Question.* Have the rates charged by the ferry boats been reduced to the farmers in consequence of the reduction made on horses, carts and hay on the 27th of July last.

*Answer.* I am informed by the wharfinger in Montreal that notwithstanding the said reduction the ferry-rates have not been changed.

*Question.* Do you know what have been the ferry rates since the 27th of July last?

*Answer.* I do not know.

*Jean Louis Beaudry*, Esquire, Mayor of the City of Montreal, and *ex-officio* Commissioner of the harbour of that city, examined:—

*Question.* Do you know how much is charged for the horses and carts of farmers conveying their produce by the ferry steamers to the markets in Montreal?

*Answer.* The tariff established by 18th Vic. cap. 143 fixes the rate for horses and vehicles at two pence; but as horses and vehicles are mentioned separately in Schedule B. of

the Act, I am of opinion that the horses and carts of farmers crossing over from Longueuil to Montreal and *vice versâ* should not be taxed under that Act.

*Question.* Do you think that the Act which you cite gives the Harbour Commissioners a right to levy the dues in question on the produce which farmers bring to the markets of this city?

*Answer.* I think the Commissioners have a right under the Act to levy the dues in the tariff annexed to the Act.

*Question.* Which section gives that right to the Harbour Commissioners?

*Answer.* The eleventh section.

*Question.* Do you consider that the dues now levied by the Commissioners are excessive?

*Answer.* Yes, as respects certain articles.

*Question.* Are the dues specified in the Schedule of the Act to which you refer the same for all goods landed on or shipped from the wharfs, whatever their destination?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* Do you think that the Harbour Commissioners have incorrectly construed the Act 18 Vic., cap. 143, as authorizing them to impose dues on the horses and carts of farmers conveying their goods and produce to the Montreal markets?

*Answer.* I think the law ought not to have been construed so as to levy dues upon the horses and vehicles of farmers conveying their effects to the Montreal markets.

WEDNESDAY, 30th August, 1865.

P R E S E N T :

Hon. Mr. Bureau (Chairman),  
 “ Ryan,  
 “ Lacoste,  
 “ Armand,

Hon. Mr. Chaffers,  
 “ Archambeault,  
 “ Wilson.  
 “

*Alexandre Maurice Delisle*, Esquire, of Montreal, examined :

*Question.* Have you been a Harbour Commissioner of Montreal?

*Answer.* Yes, for many years, and until the autumn of 1863.

*Question.* Have you taken communication of the petition which forms the subject of this enquiry?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* Will you state whether, in your opinion, the allegations of the petition are well founded?

*Answer.* This question is properly one for a lawyer to answer; but I have no objection to make known my opinion on the subject. I have examined the Act (18 Vic., c. 143) establishing the dues to be levied by the Harbour Commissioners of Montreal, and whatever may be the letter of the law, I do not think its spirit justifies the levying of dues on farmers' horses and vehicles. I think it was intended by the Act that such dues should be levied from persons carrying on trade, and not from farmers coming to the markets in the city with their horses and vehicles and bringing thither only the produce of their farms and of their own industry as farmers. The word “vehicles” in Schedule B. of the Act is entirely separate and detached from the word “horses” and if it had been the intention of the Act that taxes should be levied according to the construction put upon it by the Harbour Commissioners, it seems to me that the words “for each horse and vehicle” would have been found there, as they are found in every tariff authorizing the levying of dues on such things. Then again, the Schedule says, that so much shall be levied upon grain “per hundred minots;” now, if the Legislature had intended to authorize the levying of dues on produce brought to town and to market by farmers, the words “per minot” would have been used, for it is well known that farmers never put so large a quantity as one hundred minots of grain in a vehicle. Besides it is evident that if the Act was susceptible of the construction put upon it by the Harbour Commissioners, it would impose too heavy a burthen on farmers and ought to be amended, seeing that it would impede the intercourse between the town and the country to a degree that would be very prejudicial to the public in general. In this answer I take it for granted that the dues mentioned in the petition are levied from farmers.

*Louis Marchand*, Esquire, of Montreal, examined :

*Question.* Have you been a Harbour Commissioner of Montreal?

*Answer.* I was a Harbour Commissioner of Montreal for several years. I resigned in 1864.

*Question.* Have you taken communication of the petition which forms the subject of this inquiry?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* Do you think the allegations of the Petition are well founded?

*Answer.* The dues exacted by the Commissioners, although they may be legal, are extremely oppressive and are calculated to prevent the farmers in the neighbourhood of the City from bringing their produce to Montreal. The Harbour Commissioners were so fully convinced of this that, before I resigned, they applied to the Legislature for power to commute with the ferry boats, which was granted; and I believe they have commuted with them every year until last year.

*Pierre Davignon*, Esquire, Physician, of Longueuil, examined :

*Question.* Are you one of the signers of the petition to this Committee, and if so, please to state the reasons which induced you to petition?

*Answer.* I am one of the signers of the petition. In 1863, the owners of the ferry-boats between Longueuil and Montreal (at the foot of the current) having raised the ferry rates, and having even threatened to cease ferrying, on account of the exorbitant dues levied by the Harbour Commissioners on our vehicles and on our agricultural produce, the signers of the present petition applied to the Legislature, in the session of 1863, for a remedy for the abuse.—This year, the owners of the ferry boats having put their threats into execution, that is to say, having first raised the ferry rates and afterwards ceased ferrying altogether, the Petitioners have again applied to the Legislature in the present Session. The Petitioners cannot understand that the Act which established the Harbor Commission, and authorized it to levy certain dues for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred in improving the navigation between Montreal and Quebec, can apply to them. The Petitioners, relying on the preamble of the Act in question, on its eleventh section, on the second line of its twelfth section, and on its sixteenth section, and being convinced that it never was the intention of the Legislature to tax farmers for the produce they bring to market, and for the vehicles in which they bring it, and that the Harbour Commissioners act as they do only under an erroneous construction of the Act, beg of the Legislature to pass a declaratory Act to explain the true meaning of the law. The Petitioners are humbly of opinion that the eleventh section cannot apply to steamers or other vessels engaged in ferrying. According to the second line of the twelfth section, and to the sixteenth section, this Act cannot apply to farmers. One does not find vehicles with horses harnessed to them even so much as mentioned in the Schedule annexed to the Act. If the Petitioners obtain justice, they will see that the ferry service is performed in such a way as to afford all necessary facilities to trade.

*Edouard Lespérance*, Esquire, Master of a steamer, of Longueuil, examined :

*Question.* Were you not for many years one of the owners of the Longueuil Ferry Boats?

*Answer.* Yes, I was one of the owners of the ferry boats plying between Longueuil and Montreal, from 1843 to 1864.

*Question.* Are you not now one of the owners of those boats? and if so, since when have you been such?

*Answer.* Since the month of June last I have been a shareholder in the Company which purchased the steamers *Hochelaga* and *Sainte Marie*, from Mr. Jodoin.

*Question.* How much did these boats, of which you were one of the proprietors, pay to the Harbor from 1851 to 1863?—State, if you can, the amount paid in each year.

*Answer.* I believe we paid \$400 in 1851 and \$2,000 in 1863, and I believe the total amount paid by us from 1851 to 1863, was \$16,000.

*Question.* How much did you pay in 1863 and 1864, and how much do you think you will have paid in 1865?

*Answer.* In 1863, we paid \$2,000. In 1864, as there was some competition, the

Commissioners charged \$1,500 for each boat. In 1865, I paid from the 19th of June last to the 31st of July last, \$960 for wharfage dues, with \$43 for discount on silver,—making in all \$1,003 during that period.

*Question.* At that rate, how much do you think the steamer *Hochelaga* will pay during the season?

*Answer.* The season of navigation for the Longueuil Ferry Boats extends to at least two hundred days, and the amount, at the rate at which we have already paid, will be about \$6,000, allowing for the increase of traffic in the autumn. We pay besides \$200 for taxes to the Corporation of Montreal. The steamer *Fashion* will pay for the season a tax of about \$2,400.

*Question.* Had you a wharf during the years in which you paid those \$16,000?

*Answer.* We built the wharf at our own expense.

*Question.* Had you more vehicles to ferry over in the years in which you paid \$400, \$500 and \$800, than in the years 1863, 1864 and 1865?

*Answer.* Yes, there was more traffic then than there is now. The Grand Trunk Railway has taken away all the traffic of the Eastern Townships from the Longueuil ferry, and the boats plying between Varennes and Boucherville have taken away from us another portion of the traffic.

*Question.* Is there any other ferry-boat besides yours?

*Answer.* Yes, there is one belonging to Mr. Beaudry.

*Question.* Is it to your knowledge that, in consequence of the increase of the harbour dues, the owners of these ferry-boats have been compelled to increase the ferry rates?

*Answer.* Yes, and that because the Harbour Commissioners refused to commute and exacted the highest tariff rates. These owners then found it necessary for them to increase the ferry rates fifty per cent., and before they did so there were four days during which their boats did not run.

*Question.* How much do you charge for each vehicle crossing and returning?

*Answer.* Two shillings.

*Question.* From your knowledge of the farmers and others resorting to the Montreal markets, do you think two shillings for crossing and returning is enough?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* If the Harbour Commissioners continue to make you pay the dues they have exacted during this season, will you be able to keep up a good ferry, charging only two shillings?

*Answer.* No; when we paid \$2,000 by way of commutation this charge of two shillings was not even enough to cover the daily expenses of the boats, their gradual deterioration, the interest on their cost, and the risks.

*Question.* Do you know how many steamboats the Richelieu Company have, and how much they pay the harbour?

*Answer.* They have eight steamboats, and last year they paid the harbor, on account of those eight steamboats, about \$9,000, their receipts being at least \$200,000, which makes four and a half per cent. upon their receipts; whereas, our receipts being only \$14,000, the dues levied from us by the Harbour Commissioners are equivalent to forty-four per cent. on the amount of our receipts.

*Question.* How many boats have you on the ferry?

*Answer.* Only one.

*Question.* Since when have the Commissioners had a wharf at the foot of the current, and how much did it cost?

*Answer.* The wharf was built in 1863, and cost about \$11,000.

*Question.* Have you reduced your rates on horses and vehicles since the Commissioners reduced theirs fifty per cent?

*Answer.* No.

*Question.* Would you be disposed to reduce your rates in proportion to any reduction made by the Commissioners in commuting with you?

*Answer.* We could not do it without losing money, the rate of the commutation being too high.





*Question.* Are you not one of the owners of the two ferry boats between Longueuil and the foot of the current, at Montreal? and if so, how long have you been such owner?

*Answer.* I have been one of the owners of those boats since the 6th of June last.

*Question.* How many of those boats are on the ferry at present? and what are their names?

*Answer.* Only one called the *Hochelaga*.

*Question.* What do you think will be the amount of the dues you will pay to the Harbour Commissioners for this season, at the rate at which you are now paying?

*Answer.* Considering what we have paid since one of our boats has been on the ferry between Longueuil and Montreal, I am convinced that we shall pay not less than from \$5,000 to \$6,000.

*Question.* Is there more traffic on your boats now than there was the first years, that is to say, in 1851, 1852 and 1853, when the Harbour Commissioners first began to levy wharfage dues?

*Answer.* I consider that there is less traffic on our boats now than there was in those years, owing to the opening of the Grand Trunk Railway and to those steamers which coast along the shore of the River St. Lawrence, from *Contrecoeur* to Montreal, which lines carry daily all the traffic coming from the Eastern Townships.

*Question.* Is there any other boat besides yours ferrying between Longueuil and Montreal.

*Answer.* Yes, the *Fashion*, belonging to Mr. F. X. Beaudry.

*Question.* Is it to your knowledge that the owner of that boat took it off the ferry for several days in succession, on account of the high dues levied by the Harbour Commissioners, and increased the ferry rates for the same reason?

*Answer.* Yes.

*Question.* What was the rate of increase?

*Answer.* Fifty per cent., that is to say, from two shillings to three shillings for crossing over.

*Question.* How much do you charge for each vehicle crossing over and returning on your boats?

*Answer.* Two shillings.

*Question.* From the knowledge you have of the farmers and others resorting to the Montreal Market, are you of opinion that this rate is high enough?

*Answer.* Undoubtedly.

*Question.* Can you keep a good ferry and pay the Harbor dues now levied, charging two shillings for each vehicle crossing over and returning?

*Answer.* It is not possible to keep a good ferry in that place at the above rate and pay the dues exacted by the Harbour Commissioners.

*Question.* Do you know how much the Richelieu Company pay for wharfage on their vessels?

*Answer.* According to the statement furnished to us by their Secretary, they paid the Harbour Commissioners only about \$9,000 last year for the eight vessels they then had running.

*Question.* Can you state what was the amount of their receipts during that same year?

*Answer.* According to the answer of the said Secretary and Agent, it was not less than \$200,000.

*Question.* Is the statement of receipts and expenses of your boat furnished to the Committee by Captain Lespérance, in your opinion, correct?

*Answer.* According to my opinion, that statement is correct; but I do not see in it the items of expense occasioned by our being obliged to keep a second boat, in case of need or emergency, which items cannot amount to less than \$400 per annum.

*Question.* What was your reason for fixing the ferry rates at two shillings, the Harbour dues of which you complain being then in existence?

*Answer.* The reason was that we hoped a reduction would be made, inasmuch as we had an assurance from the Harbour Commissioners to the effect that a reduction would be made about the thirteenth of July last; and but for that promise of reduction we should not have fixed the rate at two shillings; but we had an understanding with the farmers that such rate should be fixed, relying, as we did, on the promised reduction being made.

APPENDIX No. 3.

The CLERK in Account with the Honorable the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for various sums received and disbursed by him, from 1st January, 1865, to the 1st July, 1865.

*Dr.*

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| 1865.         |                                                                                                            | 1865.       |                                                                                                                         |             |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| January 1.... | To Balance due by the Clerk this day.....                                                                  | \$46,938 22 | By Members' Indemnity.....                                                                                              | \$41,459 40 |
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| March 20..... | To letter of Credit dated 20th March, 1865, on account of Members' Indemnity.....                          | 46,400 00   | By Messengers' and Laborers' Wages.....                                                                                 | 6,200 32    |
|               | To Fees received on Private Bills in the Third Session of the Eighth Parliament.....                       | \$456 33    | By Printing, Printing Paper, and Binding, for all services, including the Publication of Debates on Confederation ..... | 7,130 59    |
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15.—*Bickell's Bridge Bill* :

Brought up and read, 226. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with and Bill read second time and referred, 226. Reported without amendment, 227. Motion for third reading objected to, Bill not being printed in the French language and therefore 16th Rule not complied with, 227. Honorable Mr. Speaker maintains the objection, 227. Motion to dispense with 16th Rule, 227. Objected to, 227. Honorable Mr. Speaker rules in favor of the grounds of objection, 227. French version of Bill brought up, 228. Motion for third reading debated, 228. Speaker informs the House that the time had arrived for receiving His Excellency the Governor General, 228.

16.—*Bothwell Land and Petroleum Bill* :—

Brought up and read, 177. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with and Bill read

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- second time and referred, 177. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 106. R. A., 18th September.
- 17.—*Brockville and Ottawa Railway extension Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 88. Fifty-third Rule dispensed with and Bill read second time and referred, 102. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 110. R. A., 18th September.
- 18.—*Bruce County Town establishment Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 163. Forty-fourth and 62nd Rules dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 162. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 166. R. A., 18th September.
- 19.—*Bulstrode Township Survey Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 162. Second reading postponed, 171. Read second time, 58th Rule dispensed with and Bill referred, 175. Amendments reported and agreed to, 180. Motion for third reading, 181. Motion in amendment to refer back said Bill carried, 181. Question on main motion as amended carried, 181. Amendments reported, agreed to and Bill as amended read third time and passed, and sent to Assembly, 196. Returned, agreed to, 202. R. A., 18th September.
- 20.—*Canada Central Railway Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 178. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 178. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 185. R. A., 18th September.
- 21.—*Certificates of Discharge Authentication Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 215. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time, 216. Read third time and passed, 221. R. A., 18th September.
- 22.—*Churches and Parsonage Houses Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 177. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred to Select Committee, 177. Amendments reported, 181, 182. Bill and amendments referred to Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, 182. Reported without further amendment, 192. Amendments of Select Committee agreed to, 192. Motion for third reading, 192. An amendment moved, Question put thereon and carried, 193. A further amendment moved and carried and Bill, as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 193. Returned agreed to, 206. R. A., 18th September.
- 23.—*Civil Code L. C. Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 121. Read second time and ordered to be Committed, 130. Committed, reported without amendment, 138. Read third time and passed, 150. R. A., 18th September.
- 24.—*Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Acts Amendments Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 198. Read second time and referred, 204. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 212. Order for acquainting Assembly thereof, 212. Order rescinded and Bill restored to Order of the Day, 213. Motion for third reading, 213. Motion in amendment, 213. Debated, question put and negatived, 214. Bill read third time and passed, 214. R. A., 18th September.

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- 25.—*Cobourg and Peterborough Tram-way from Marmora Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 206. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 206.
- 26.—*Commercial Transactions Facility Bill* :  
Presented last Session by Honorable Sir N. F. Belleau. Read a first time, 30. Read a second time and referred, 36. Amendments reported and ordered for consideration, 88. Postponed, 107. Ordered to be committed, 114. Committed, amendments reported, agreed to and Bill read third time, passed and sent to Assembly, 118. Returned agreed to, 197. R. A., 18th September.
- 27.—*Commons, Property of, Ascertainment Bill* :  
Presented last Session by Honorable Mr. Olivier, and read, 30. Discharged, 42.
- 28.—*Consolidated Statutes Amendment Upper Canada Bill* :  
Presented last Session by Honorable Mr. Leonard. Read a first time and discharged, 30.
- 29.—*Contageous Diseases Prevention Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 198. Read second time, committed and reported without amendment, 204. Read third time and passed, 208. R. A., 18th September.
- 30.—*Corporate Rights Protection Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 216. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with and Bill read second time, committed and reported without amendment, 216. Read third time and passed 221. R. A., 18th September.
- 31.—*County Courts Act Amendment Bill* :  
Presented by Honorable Mr. Currie, and read, 56. Read second and third times, passed, and sent to Assembly, 56. Returned without amendment, 77. R. A., 18th September.
- 32.—*Court of Queen's Bench L. C. Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 177. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and ordered to be committed, 177. Committed, an amendment reported, agreed to, and Bill as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 190-1. Returned, agreed to, 198. R. A., 18th September.
- 33.—*Coyne's Attorney Admission Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 171. Read second time and referred, 175. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 185. R. A., 18th September.
- 34.—*Death penalty, abolition in certain cases, Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 44th Rule dispensed with, Bill read second time, and ordered to be committed, 157. Committed and reported without amendment, 161. Read third time and passed, 170. R. A., 18th September.
- 35.—*Division Courts Act Amendment, Upper Canada, Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 225. Read second time, 228. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with and Bill read third time and passed, 228. R. A., 18th September.



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Brought up and read, 224. Read second time, committed, reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 225. R. A., 18th September.

**37.—Dower Assignment Amendment Upper Canada Bill :**

Presented last Session by Honorable Mr. Currie. Read a first and second time and referred, 31. Amendments reported, 40. Consideration thereof postponed, 65. Considered, agreed to and Bill read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 81.

**38.—Education Law Amendment, Lower Canada, Bill :**

Brought up and read, 71. Second reading postponed, 85. Read second time and referred, 89. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 96. R. A., 18th September.

**39.—Ely Township Survey Confirmation Bill :**

Presented by Honorable Mr. Sanborn and read, 83. (62nd Rule dispensed with so far as relates to the Petition, 78.) Second reading postponed, 89. Read second time and referred, 103. An Amendment reported, agreed to, and Bill read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 105. Returned without amendment, 169. R. A., 18th September.

**40.—English and Canadian Mining Company, Bill :**

Brought up and read, 140. Read second time and referred, 150. Amendments reported, agreed to and Bill, as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 154. Agreed to, 168. R. A., 18th September.

**41.—Excise Duties Bill :**

Brought up and read, 202. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with and Bill read second time, committed and reported without amendment, 202, 203. Read third time and passed, 208. R. A., 18th September.

**42.—Fabrique Mutual Assurance Associations Bill :**

Brought up and read, 157. Read second time and referred, 161. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 166. R. A., 18th September.

**43.—Farmers' Mutual and Stock Insurance Upper Canada Bill :**

Brought up and read, 61. Read second time and referred, 79. Amendments reported, agreed to, and Bill, as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 93. Returned agreed to, 157. R. A., 18th September.

**44.—Fish and Fish Oils Inspection Bill :**

Presented last Session by Honorable Mr. Campbell. Read a first time, 31. Second reading postponed, 65. Discharged, 80.

**45.—Fisheries Protection Bill :**

Presented last Session by Honorable Mr. Campbell. Read a first and second time and ordered to be committed, 31. Postponed, 65, 80. Motion that said Bill be not now committed, but that it be referred to a Select Committee, 107. Carried, 107. Amendments reported, agreed to, and Bill read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 118. Returned with several amendments, 208, 209. Considered and agreed to, 223. R. A., 18th September.

**46.—Game Protection U. C. Bill :**

Brought up and read, 190. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read

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second time and referred, 190. Amendments reported and agreed to, 193, 194. Bill, as amended, ordered for third reading, 202. Order discharged, 202.

47.—*Gaspé Bay Mining Company Bill* :

Presented by Honorable Mr. Flint, and read, 102. Fifty-third Rule dispensed with, 92. Second reading postponed, 117. Read second time and referred, 124. Amendments reported, agreed to, and Bill read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 127. Returned with an amendment, which was agreed to, 168. R. A., 18th September.

48.—*Gold Mining Act Amendment Bill* :

Presented by Honorable Mr. Campbell, and read, 74. Read second time and ordered to be committed, 89. Postponed, 103. Committed, reported without amendment, and Bill read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 108. Returned with an amendment, which was agreed to, 199. R. A., 18th September.

49.—*Grammar Schools further improvement U. C. Bill* :

Brought up and read, 202. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time, committed, reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 202. R. A., 18th September.

50.—*Hale's Hospital Incorporation Bill* :

Presented by Honorable Mr. Ferrier, and read, 85. Read second time and referred, 89. Reported without amendment, read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 92. Returned with several amendments, which were agreed to, 169. R. A., 18th September.

51.—*Hale's Sunday School Incorporation Bill* :

Presented by Honorable Mr. Ferrier, and read, 84. Read second time and referred, 89. Reported without amendment, read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 92. Returned with several amendments, which were agreed to, 169. R. A., 18th September.

52.—*Hamilton Road Allowances and Highways' Bill* :

Brought up and read, 194. Read second time and referred, 204. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 208. R. A., 18th September.

53.—*Insolvent Act amendment Bill* :

Brought up and read, 157. Read second time, committed, and reported without amendment, 162. Read third time and passed, 170. R. A., 18th September.

54.—*Insurance Companies Statistical Returns' Bill* :

Presented by Honorable Mr. Bull, and read, 34. Second reading postponed, 42. Motion for second reading objected to, debated, Question put and carried, and Bill read second time and referred, 79. Amendments reported, agreed to, and Bill read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 106.

55.—*International Bridge Bill* :

Presented by Honorable Mr. Ross, and read, 83. Second reading postponed, 89. Fifty-third and Sixty-second Rules dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 103. Reported without amendment, read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 105. Returned without amendment, 174. R. A., 18th September.

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- 56.—*Joint Stock, Manufacturing, and other Companies' Act amendment Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 216. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time, 216. Read third time and passed, 223. R. A., 18th September.
- 57.—*Joint Stock Companies U. C. Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 219. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 219. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 225. R. A., 18th September.
- 58.—*Justices of the Peace Qualification Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 157. Read second time, committed, and reported without amendment, 161. Read third time and passed, 170. R. A., 18th September.
- 59.—*Kidnapping Offence Punishment Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 175. Read second time, committed, and reported without amendment, 179. Read third time and passed, 190. R. A., 18th September.
- 60.—*Kingsey Falls Municipality Act amendment Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 162. Read second time and referred, 170. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 173. R. A., 18th September.
- 61.—*Knowlton Cemetery Incorporation Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 171. Read second time and referred, 175. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 187. R. A., 18th September.
- 62.—*Land Sale Validity U. C. Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 225. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time, committed, reported without amendment, and read third time and passed, 225. R. A., 18th September.
- 63.—*Leather Inspection Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 218. Motion to dispense with 44th Rule, 218. Motion, in amendment, that said Bill be read a second time in three months, 218. Question put and carried, 218.
- 64.—*Livingston's Medical Practice Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 162. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 162. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 167. R. A., 18th September.
- 65.—*Lévis Incorporation Act amendment Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 40. Read second time and referred, 61. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 73. R. A., 18th September.
- 66.—*Liberty of the Subject Security Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 40. Second reading postponed, 62. Read second time and referred, 80.
- 67.—*Lincoln County By-laws Legalization Bill* :  
Presented by Honorable Mr. Currie, and read, 61. Second reading postponed, 79, 85. Read second time and referred, 90. Motion to dispense with

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- 62nd Rule debated, and motion withdrawn, 106, 116. Report, Preamble not proved, 126.
- 68.—*London Collegiate Institute Incorporation Bill*:  
Brought up and read, 112. Read second time and referred, 117. Amendments reported, agreed to, and Bill, as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 121. Returned, agreed to, 129. R. A., 18th September.
- 69.—*Longueuil Navigation Company Incorporation Bill*:  
Brought up and read, 174. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 174. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 187. R. A., 18th September.
- 70.—*Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act amendment Bill*:  
Brought up and read, 217. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time, 217. Read third time and passed, 223. R. A., 18th September.
- 71.—*Manufacturing and Mining Company's Act Amendment Bill*:  
Brought up and read, 190. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read a second time and ordered to be committed, 190. Committed, reported without amendment and Bill read third time and passed, 194. R. A., 18th September.
- 72.—*Marmora and Belleville Railway Bill*:  
Presented last Session by Hon. Mr. Flint. Petition read, and Bill read a first time, 31. Second reading postponed, 36, 42. Read second time and referred, 57. Amendments reported and agreed to, 73. Fee on this Bill ordered to be refunded, 189.
- 73.—*Master and Servant Law Amendment Bill*:  
Brought up and read, 123. Read second time and referred, 130. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed. R. A., 145, 18th Sept.
- 74.—*McCallum's Hypothec Application Limitation Bill*:  
Presented by the Hon. Mr. Bossé and read, 111. Sixty-second and fifty-third Rules dispensed with, 111. Second reading postponed, 117. Read second time and referred, 125. An Amendment reported, agreed to, and Bill read third time, passed and sent to Assembly, 134. Returned with an amendment, which was agreed to, 211. R. A., 18th September.
- 75.—*McDonne's Trustees Estate Bill*:  
Presented by Hon. Mr. Ross and read, 113. Read second time and referred, 123. Sixty-second Rule dispensed with, 123. Reported without amendment, read third time, passed and sent to Assembly, 133. Returned with several amendments, which were agreed to, 209, 210. R. A., 18th September.
- 76.—*McDougall's Estate Sale Bill*:  
Brought up and read, 43. Second reading postponed, 61. Read second time and referred, 80. Amendments reported and agreed to, 93. Bill as amended, read third time, passed and sent to Assembly, 107. Returned without amendment, 111. R. A., 18th September.
- 77.—*Medical Practitioner's Qualification, Upper Canada, Bill*:  
Brought up and read. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time, and ordered to be committed, 197. Committed, reported without

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amendment, and Bill read third time and passed, [220.] R. A., 18th September.

78.—*Medical Practitioner's Supplementary Act, Bill :*

Brought up and read, 228. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read a second and third time and passed, 228. R. A., 18th September.

79.—*Militia Acts Amendment Bill :*

Brought up and read, 207. Read second time, committed, reported without amendment, and read third time and passed, 222. R. A., 18th September.

80.—*Mitchell Village Incorporation Bill :*

Brought up and read. Forty-fourth and 62nd Rules dispensed with, and Bill read second time, 163. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 166. R. A., 18th September.

81.—*Montreal and Quebec Ship Channel Bill :*

Brought up and read, 206. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and ordered to be committed, 207. Committed, reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 222. R. A., 18th September.

82.—*Montreal Harbour improvement explanation Bill :*

Presented by Hon. Mr. Lacoste and read, 106. Second reading postponed, 116, 124. Motion for second reading debated, 131. Question of Order, whether this Bill does not come within the 53rd Rule of the House. Speaker decides that being a public Bill it does not come within the scope of said Rule, 131. Second reading postponed, 131, 139, 155, 174, 208.

83.—*Montreal Harbour Port Warden Bill :*

Brought up and read, 219. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and ordered to be committed, 219. Committed, reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 223. R. A., 18th September.

84.—*Montreal Homœopathic College Bill :*

Brought up and read, 171. Read second time and referred, 175. Reported without amendment, read third time, and passed, 185. R. A., 18th September.

85.—*Montreal Incorporation Acts explanation Bill :*

Brought up and read, 151. Read second time and referred, 155. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 160. R. A., 18th September.

86.—*Mount Royal Railway Company Bill :*

Brought up and read, 189. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with and Bill read second time and referred, 189. Amendments reported, agreed to, and Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 193. Returned, agreed to, 197. R. A., 18th September.

87.—*Montreal Society, La Caisse d'Epargne de St. Roch, Bill :*

Brought up and read, 189. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with and Bill read second time and referred, 189. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 195. R. A., 18th September.

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**88.—Montreal St. Bridget's Asylum Bill :**

Presented by Honorable Mr. Ryan, and read, 60. Read second time and referred, 79. Reported without amendment, read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 84. Returned with several amendments, which were agreed to, 157. R. A., 18th September.

**89. Montreal St. Jacques La Caisse de Bienfaisance de Temperance Bill :**

Brought up and read, 121. Read second time and referred, 130. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 133. R. A., 18th September.

**90.—Mortgages Short Forms amendment U. C. Bill :**

Presented by Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, and read, 102. Read second time and ordered to be committed, 114. Committed, amendments reported, agreed to, and Bill read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 117. Returned with amendments, which were agreed to, 198. R. A., 18th September.

**91.—Municipal Act amendment L. C. Bill :**

Presented by Honorable Mr. Ferrier, and read, 111. Second reading postponed, 122, 138, 150. Read second time and referred, 150. Amendments reported, agreed to, read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 154.

**92.—Mutual Insurance Companies Law amendment U. C. Bill :**

Presented by Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, and read, 44. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with and Bill read second time and ordered for committal, 44. Committed, reported, and leave given to sit again, 62. Committee sit again, amendments reported, agreed to and Bill read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 80. Returned with several amendments which were agreed to, 215. R. A., 18th September.

**93.—Northumberland Bank Incorporation Bill :**

Brought up and read, 189. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 189. Amendments reported and agreed to, and Bill, as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 196. Returned agreed to, 206. R. A., 18th September.

**94.—Notarial Profession Act amendment Bill :**

Brought up and read, 131. Read second time and referred, 139. An amendment reported and agreed to, 144. Read third time as amended, passed, and sent to Assembly, 152. Returned agreed to, 206. R. A., 18th September.

**95.—Offenders repeatedly convicted Punishment Bill :**

Presented by Honorable Mr. Bull, and read, 34. Second reading postponed, 41. Read second time and referred, 79.

**96.—Ottawa Christ's Church Property Mortgaging Bill :**

Brought up and read, 171. Read second time and referred, 175. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 186. R. A., 18th September.

**97.—Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company Incorporation Bill :**

Brought up and read, 162. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 162. Amendments reported, agreed to, and Bill, as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly, 165. Re-

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turned agreed to, 174. Message sent from Assembly, informing the Council that the amendments concurred in by them to this Bill were erroneously so concurred in, and requesting said Bill to be returned for reconsideration, 213. Resolution moved to comply with said request, debated and carried, and Assembly acquainted thereof, 217.

98.—*Ottawa Gas Company's Act amendment Bill:*

Brought up and read, 162. Forty-fourth and sixty-second Rules dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 162. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 167. R. A., 18th September.

99.—*Ottawa L'Institut Canadien Bill:*

Brought up and read, 218. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 219. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 221. R. A., 18th September.

100.—*Ottawa Rideau Club Incorporation Bill:*

Brought up and read, 197. Read second time and referred, 204. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 207. R. A., 18th September.

101.—*Parliament Special Provisions Act Amendment Bill:*

Presented by Honorable Mr. Fergusson Blair, and read, 43. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read a second and third time, passed and sent to Assembly, 44. Returned without amendment, 77. R. A., 18th September.

102.—*Peterborough Town Debt Consolidation Bill:*

Presented last Session by Honorable Mr. Flint. Petition read, and Bill read a first time, 31. Second reading postponed, 42. Discharged, 57.

103.—*Permanent Building Societies in Upper Canada, Bill:*

Brought up and read, 189. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 189. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 192. R. A., 18th September.

104.—*Procedure Bill, Lower Canada:*

Presented by the Honorable Mr. Bossé and read, 128. Read second time and referred, 138. An amendment reported and agreed to, 142. Read third time, passed and sent to Assembly, 152. Returned with several amendments, which were agreed to, 210, 211. R. A., 18th September.

105.—*Property and Trust Laws amendment Bill, Upper Canada:*

Brought up and read, 191. Read second time, committed, and reported without amendment, 203.

106.—*Quebec Curé of the Parish of Notre Dame Incorporation Bill:*

Presented by Honorable Mr. Bossé and read, 116. Read a second time and referred, 124. Reported without amendment, read third time, passed and sent to Assembly, 141. Returned with an amendment which was agreed to, 197. R. A., 18th September.

107.—*Quebec Fabrique Loan Authority Bill:*

Presented by the Honorable Mr. Bossé and read, 111. Second reading postponed, 117, read second time and referred, 125. Reported without amendment, read third time, passed and sent to Assembly, 126. Returned without amendment, 173. R. A., 18th September.

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- 108.—*Quebec Incorporation Laws Consolidation Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 215. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 215. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 220. R. A., 18th September.
- 109.—*Quebec North Shore Turnpike Road Trustees Transactions Bill* :  
Presented by Honorable Mr. Price and read, 35. Second reading postponed, 42, 57, 62, 80. Read second time and referred to Standing Committee on Private Bills, 113. Sixty-second Rule dispensed with, 113. Reported recommending to be referred to Select Committee, it appearing to be of a public character, 115. Referred, 115. Amendments reported and Bill with amendments referred to Committee on Private Bills, 192.
- 110.—*Quebec St. Roch's Saving's Bank Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 226. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with and Bill read second time. Committed, reported without amendment, and read third time and passed, 226. R. A., 18th September.
- 111.—*Ramsay, St. Andrew's Church Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 199. Read second time and referred, 205. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 207. R. A., 18th September.
- 112.—*Railway Postal Subsidies Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 217. Read second time, 44th Rule dispensed with, and Bill read third time and passed, 223. R. A., 18th September.
- 113.—*Real Estate Titles Quieting in Upper Canada, Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 140. Second reading postponed, 150, 155. Read second time, committed, reported without amendment, 44th Rule dispensed with, and Bill read third time and passed, 161. R. A., 18th September.
- 114.—*Registrars and Registry Offices Regulation Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 217. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and ordered to be committed, 218. Committed, reported without amendment and read, third time and passed, 224. R. A., 18th September.
- 115.—*Rectorial Lands Sale Bill* :  
Presented by Honorable W. Currie, and read. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and ordered for committal, 32. Postponed, 36. Committed and reported without amendment, read third time, passed and sent to Assembly, 41.
- 116.—*Renfrew from Lanark, Separation Bill* ;  
Brought up and read, 68. Read second time and referred, 78. Amendments reported and agreed to, 88. Fifty-third Rule dispensed with, and Bill, as amended, read third time, passed and sent to Assembly, 102. Returned, agreed to, 175. R. A., 18th September.
- 117.—*Richelieu Company Act amendment Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 178. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with and Bill read second time and referred, 178. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 186. R. A., 18th September.
- 118.—*Rimouski and Gaspé County Boundaries Bill* :  
Brought up and read, 40. Read second time and referred, 57. Reported without



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amendment, 74. Fifty-third Rule dispensed with, so far as it relates to the Petition of L. Roy *et al*, of St. Norbert *de Cap Chat*, 74. Bill read third time and passed, 74. R. A., 18th September.

119.—*Rossin House, Toronto, Taxes exemption Bill* :

Presented last Session by Honorable Mr. Ross. Petition read, and Bill read a first time, 31. Read second time and referred, 56. Report "Preamble not proved," 73. Report ordered for consideration, 73. Postponed, 79, 113. Referred back, 130. An amendment reported, 134. Motion that said amendment be now agreed to, 134. Motion in amendment to substitute this day three months, 134. Question put and carried on division, 134. Honorable Mr. McMaster having been required to declare whether he had any pecuniary interest in the present question or not, answers in the affirmative, 135. Question of Order, whether the said Honorable Member should have a right to vote, he having such interest, decided by Mr. Speaker in the negative, 135.

120.—*Sanborn's Real Estate Bill* :

Presented last Session by Honorable Mr. Vidal. Petition read, and Bill read a first time, 31. Read a second time and referred, 79. Fees paid thereon. Remitted, 129.

121.—*School Rates Collection Bill* :

Brought up and read, 131. Read second time. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read third time and passed, 139. R. A., 18th September.

122.—*Seed Loans by County Councils Bill* :

Presented last Session by Honorable Mr. Flint. Discharged from Orders of the Day, 32.

123.—*Simcoe Church Land Sale Bill* :

Brought up and read, 171. Read second time and referred, 175. Reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 186. R. A., 18th September.

124.—*Stamp Duties Act Amendment Bill* :

Brought up and read, 207. Forty-fourth Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and ordered to be committed, 207. Committed, reported without amendment, read third time and passed, 222. R. A., 18th September.

125.—*Standing Timber Preservation Bill* :

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