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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 Knights, Citizens and Burgessess 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 Toronto, on the Eight day of the Month of October next, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the Thirtieth day of the Month of August last past, **WE** THOUGHT FIT to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the Eighth day of the month of October now next, at which time at Our City of Toronto, you were held and

constrained to appear ; AND WHEREAS, in and by an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, made and passed in the Session held in the Third and Fourth years of Our Reign, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, it is among other things enacted, that it shall be lawful for the Governor of Our Province of Canada, for the time being, to fix such place or places within any part of our said Province, and such times for holding the first and every other Session of the Legislative Council and Assembly of our said Province, as he may think fit, such times and places to be afterwards changed or varied as the said Governor may judge advisable and most convenient with general convenience and the public welfare, giving sufficient notice thereof, as in and by the said Act, reference being thereunto had, may more fully appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, WE HAVE THOUGHT FIT, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time and place aforesaid, hereby con- voking, and by these presents, enjoining you and each of you, that on MONDAY, the SEVENTEENTH day of the month of NOVEMBER next, you meet Us, in Our Provincial Parliament, in Our CITY of QUEBEC, there to take into considera- tion 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 Right Well Beloved Cousin, JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our CITY of MONTREAL, in our said Province, this TWENTY, SECOND day of SEPTEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and in the fifteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,

C. C. Chy.

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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 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 Seventeenth day of the Month of November instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS WE HAVE THOUGHT FIT, by and with the advice and consent of Our Executive Council of Our Province of Canada, to **DISSOLVE** the present Provincial Parliament of Our said Province, which stands prorogued to the **SEVENTEENTH** day of **NOVEMBER** instant. Now **KNOW YE**, that **WE** do for that end publish this Our Royal Proclamation, **AND DO HEREBY Dissolve** the said Provincial Parliament accordingly; and the Legislative Councillors, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses of the Legislative Assembly are discharged from their Meeting and attendance on the said **SEVENTEENTH** day of **NOVEMBER** instant.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: **WITNESS**, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin, **JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE**, Knight of the most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, at Our **CITY** of **QUEBEC**, in Our said Province, this **SIXTH** day of **NOVEMBER**, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

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To all to whom these presents shall come—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our People of Our Province of Canada, and to have their advice in Provincial Parliament; WE DO MAKE KNOWN Our Royal Will and Pleasure to call a Provincial Parliament, and do further declare that by the advice of Our Executive Council, WE HAVE THIS DAY given orders for issuing Our WRITS in due form for calling a PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT in Our said Province, which Writs are to bear date on this SIXTH day of NOVEMBER instant, and to be returnable on the TWENTY-FOURTH day of DECEMBER next, except however the Writs for the Counties of Saguenay and Gaspé, which Writs will be returnable on MONDAY, the SECOND day of FEBRURY next.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin JAMES, EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, in Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, this SIXTH day of NOVEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,
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To all to whom these presents shall come—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

KNOW YE that We being desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our People of Our Province of Canada, and to have their advice in Provincial Parliament, do hereby, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of Our said Province, summon and call together the Legislative Assembly: and for Our said Province, to meet at Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, on WEDNESDAY, the TWENTY-FOURTH day of DECEMBER next, then and there to have conference and treaty with the Great Men and Legislative Council of Our said Province.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, in Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, this SIXTH day of NOVEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

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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-fourth day of the Month of December instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—
GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the Sixth day of November last past, We thought fit to summon Our Provincial Parliament to the TWENTY-FOURTH day of the month of DECEMBER instant, at which time, at Our City of Quebec, you were held and constrained to appear : Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking 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 FRIDAY, the THIRTIETH day of the month of JANUARY now 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 to be hereunto affixed : WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin, JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House in Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, the TWENTIETH day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

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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 Thirtieth day of the month of January instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the Twentieth day of December last past, We thought fit to summon Our Provincial Parliament to the THIRTIETH day of the month of JANUARY 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 your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on TUESDAY, the NINTH day of the month of MARCH now 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 to be hereunto affixed: **WITNESS**, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin, **JAMES, EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE**, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, at Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, the TWENTY-FOURTH day of JANUARY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,
C. C. Chy.

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

GREETING :

WHEREAS at a session of the Parliament of Our Province of Canada, begun and holden at Our City of Toronto, in Our said Province, on the Twentieth day of May, in the fourteenth year of Our Reign, and prorogued on the Thirtieth day of August, in the fifteenth year of Our Reign, a certain Bill, intituled, *An Act to provide for the establishment of a Church Society of the United Church of England and Ireland, in each Diocese of that Church in Lower Canada, and for other purposes connected with the recent division of the Diocese of Quebec*, was passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was, at the prorogation of the said Session, on the Thirtieth day of August aforesaid, presented to the Right Honorable THE EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Our Governor General of Our said Province, for Our Assent thereto, who, in pursuance of the authority vested in him by a certain Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the Session thereof, held in the third and fourth years of Our Reign, intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and according to his discretion then and there declared, that he reserved the aforesaid Bill for the Signification of Our Pleasure thereon. Now KNOW YE, that the aforesaid Bill, intituled, *An Act to provide for the Establishment of a Church Society of the United Church of England and Ireland in each Diocese of that Church in Lower Canada, and for other purposes connected with the recent Division of the Diocese of Quebec*, having been laid before Us in Council, on the Tenth day of January now last past, We have been pleased to Assent to the same; and We do by these presents, and according to the provisions of the said Act of the Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, Assent to the said

Bill; Of which all Our loving Subjects will take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At our Government House, in Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-THIRD day of FEBRUARY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

A. N. MORIN,
Secretary.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



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

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgessess 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 Ninth day of the Month of March next, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the Twenty-fourth day of January last past, We thought fit to summon Our Provincial Parliament to the NINTH day of the Month of

MARCH next, 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 present enjoining you and each of you, that on SATURDAY, the SEVENTEENTH day of the month of APRIL now 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 cause these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin, JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, at Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, the TWENTY-SEVENTH day of FEBRUARY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,

C. C. Chy.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



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ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

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

To all to whom these presents shall come—

GREETING :

W. B. RICHARDS, **W**HEREAS at a Session of the Parliament of Our Province *Atty Genl.* of Canada, begun and holden at Our City of Toronto, in Our said Province, on the Twentieth day of May, in the fourteenth year of Our Reign, and prorogued on the Thirtieth day of August, in the fifteenth year of Our Reign, a certain Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Fort Erie and Buffalo Suspension Bridge and Tunnel Company*, was passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was, at the prorogation of the said Session, on the Thirtieth day of August aforesaid, presented to the Right Honorable THE EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Our Governor General of Our said Province, for Our Assent thereto, who in pursuance of the authority vested in him by a certain Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the Session thereof, held in the third and fourth years of Our Reign, intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and according to his discretion then and there declared, that he reserved the aforesaid Bill for the signification of Our Pleasure thereon. Now KNOW YE, that the aforesaid Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Fort Erie and Buffalo Suspension Bridge and Tunnel Company*, having been laid before Us in Council, on the Second day of February now last past, We have been pleased to Assent to the same; and We do by these presents, and according to the provisions of the said Act of the Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, Assent to the said Bill; Of which all Our loving Subjects and all others whom these presents may concern, are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle

Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, in Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, this FOURTH day of MARCH, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

A. N. MORIN,
Secretary.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



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

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

GREETING :

L. T. DRUMMOND, **W**HEREAS at a Session of the Parliament of Our Province of *Atty. Genl.* Canada, begun and holden at Our City of Toronto, in Our in Our said Province, on the Twentieth day of May, in the fourteenth year of, Our Reign, and prorogued on the Thirtieth day of August, in the fifteenth year of Our Reign, two certain Bills, intituled : " *An Act to amend the Act for granting a Civil List to Her Majesty,*" and " *An Act to reduce the Salaries attached to certain Judicial Offices, in the cases therein mentioned, and to fix the Salaries of the Speakers of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly,*" were passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and were, at the prorogation of the said Session, on the Thirtieth day of August aforesaid, presented to the Right Honorable THE EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Our Governor General of Our said Province, for Our Assent thereto, who, in pursuance of the authority vested in him by a certain Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the Session thereof, held in the third and fourth years of Our Reign,

intituled, "*An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada,*" and according to his discretion then and there declared, that he reserved the aforesaid Bills for the signification of Our Pleasure thereon. Now KNOW YE, that the aforesaid Bills, intituled respectively: "*An Act to amend the Act for granting a Civil List to Her Majesty,*" and "*An Act to reduce the salaries attached to certain Judicial Offices in the cases therein mentioned, and to fix the salaries of the Speakers of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly,*" having been laid before Us in Council, on the Tenth day of January now last past, We have been pleased to Assent to the same; and We do by these presents, and according to the provisions of the said Act of the Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, Assent to the said Bills; Of which all Our loving Subjects will take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At our Government House, in Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, this NINTH day of MARCH, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

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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 Seventeenth day of the Month of April next, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the Twenty-seventh day of February last past, We thought fit to summon Our Provincial Parliament to the SEVENTEENTH 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 present enjoining you and each of you, that on TUESDAY, the TWENTY-FIFTH day of the month of MAY now 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 cause these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin, JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, at Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, the TWELFTH day of APRIL, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,

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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 Twenty-fifth day of the Month of May instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the Twelfth day of April last past, We thought fit to summon Our Provincial Parliament to the TWENTY-FIFTH day of the month of MAY 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 JULY 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 to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin, JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, at Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, the TWENTY-SECOND day of MAY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,
 C. C. Chy.

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

GREETING :

W. B. RICHARDS, **W**HEREAS at a Session of the Parliament of Our Province of Canada, begun and holden at Our City of Toronto, in Our said Province, on the Twentieth day of May, in the fourteenth year of Our Reign, and prorogued on the Thirtieth day of August, in the fifteenth year of Our Reign, a certain Bill, intituled “ *An Act to repeal so much of the Act of the Parliament of Great Britain, passed in the thirty-first year of the reign of King George the Third, and chaptered thirty-one, as relates to Rectories and the Presentation of Incumbents to the same, and for other purposes connected with such Rectories,*” was passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was, at the prorogation of the said Session, on the Thirtieth day of August aforesaid, presented to the Right Honorable THE EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Our Governor General of Our said Province, for Our Assent thereto, who, in pursuance of the authority vested in Him by a certain Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the Session thereof, held in the third and fourth years of Our Reign, intituled “ *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada,*” and, according to His discretion, then and there declared that He reserved the aforesaid Bill for the signification of Our Pleasure thereon. Now KNOW YE, that the aforesaid Bill, intituled. “ *An Act to repeal so much of the Act of the Parliament of Great Britain, passed in the thirty-first year of the reign of King George the Third, and chaptered thirty-one, as relates to Rectories and the Presentation of Incumbents to the same, and for other purposes connected with such Rectories,*” having been laid before Us in Council, on the Fifteenth day of May now last past, We have been pleased to Assent to the same; and We do by these presents, and according to the provisions of the said Act of the Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, Assent to the said Bill; Of which all Our loving Subjects will take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, in Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, this EIGHTH day of JUNE, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

A. N. MORIN,
Secretary.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

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(L. S.)

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 First day of the month of July next, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the Twenty-second day of May last past, We thought fit to summon Our Provincial Parliament to the FIRST day of the month of JULY next, at which time, at Our city of Quebec, you were held and cons-

trained 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 FIFTH day of the month of AUGUST now 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 to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin, JAMES, EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, at Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province, the TWENTY-EIGHTH day of JUNE, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the Sixteenth year of Our Reign.

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

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



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ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

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

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and the Knights Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, summoned and called to a meeting of the Provincial Parliament

of Our said Province, in Our City of Quebec, on the Fifth day of August now next, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the Meeting of Our Provincial Parliament stands Prorogued to the Fifth day of August now next, **NEVERTHELESS**, for certain causes and considerations, **WE HAVE THOUGHT FIT** further to Prorogue the same to **THURSDAY, THE NINETEENTH** day of **AUGUST** now next, so that neither you nor any of you, on the said Fifth day of August next, at Our 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 every one of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on **THURSDAY, THE NINETEENTH** day of **AUGUST** now next ensuing, 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 favour of God be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed: **WITNESS**, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin, **JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE**, Knight of the most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, at Our **CITY** of **QUEBEC**, in Our said Province, this **SIXTEENTH** day of **JULY**, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the Sixteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,

C. C. Chy.

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OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY the nineteenth day of August, in the sixteenth year of the reign of Our Sovereign Lady *Victoria*, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, Queen, Defender of the Faith, being the First Session of the Fourth Provincial Parliament of *Canada*, as continued by several Prorogations to this day.

The members in attendance in the Legislative Council Chamber in the Parliament House, in the City of Quebec, were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

DIONNE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.
PINHEY,
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
ROSS,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that a Commissioner was in attendance for the purpose of administering the oath prescribed by Law.

Who being introduced was *John Fenning's Taylor*, the elder, Esquire.

Then

Then the following Members of the House took and subscribed the oath.

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON,
 JOSEPH DIONNE,
 WILLIAM WALKER,
 J. ÆMILIUS IRVING,
 JAMES MORRIS,
 HAMNETT PINHEY,
 RODERICK MATHESON,
 GEORGE S. BOULTON,
 ETIENNE P. TACHÉ,
 JOHN ROSS,
 LOUIS MÉTHOT.
 SAMUEL MILLS,

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honorable *James*, Earl of *Elgin and Kincardine*, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British *North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick*, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, being seated in the chair on the Throne, the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, to let the Assembly know "it is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House."

Who being come, the Speaker of this House, said

Honorable Gentlemen,

And Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.

His Excellency the Governor General does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning the present Provincial Parliament until a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly shall have been chosen according to Law, but that to-morrow at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon His Excellency will declare the causes of his calling this Parliament.

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

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

Friday, 20th August, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

DIONNE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
ROSS,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honorable *James Earl of Elgin and Kincardine*, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Speaker commanded the Gentlemen Usher of the Black Rod to let the Assembly know it is Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House.

Who being come :

Mr. *John Sandfield MacDonald* said,

May it please Your Excellency,

The Legislative Assembly have elected me as their Speaker, though I am very little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me. If in the performance of these duties I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me, and not to the Assembly, whose servant I am, and who, through me humbly claim, to enable them the better to discharge their duty to Her Majesty and their Country, all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their debates, access to Your Excellency's person at all seasonable times and that their proceedings may receive from Your Excellency the most favourable interpretation.

Then the Speaker of this House said—

Mr. Speaker,

I am commanded by His Excellency the Governor General to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the Assembly to Her Majesty's Person

Person and Government, and not doubting that their proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper and prudence ; he grants, and upon all occasions will recognize, and allow their constitutional privileges. I am commanded also to assure you, that, the Assembly shall have ready access to His Excellency, upon all reasonable occasions, and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

Then 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 of Assembly :

I have much pleasure in meeting you in order that we may unite our endeavours for the promotion of the interests of the Province.

Notwithstanding the deep interest occasioned by a General Election, the utmost tranquillity has, I am happy to inform you, prevailed throughout the Province during the period which has elapsed since the close of the last session of Parliament. I am enabled under these favorable circumstances again to congratulate Parliament on the prosperity of the Province. Provincial securities continue to rise steadily in value, and the Returns of the Census recently completed, furnish most satisfactory evidence of the advancement of the Colony in wealth and population.

The estimated deficiency in the Postal Revenue has not been exceeded although greatly extended accommodation has been afforded to the public by the establishment of additional Post Offices, and increased Postal Service. There is reason to believe that before long, the receipts of the Department, will balance the expenditure.

A heavy calamity has however, I am greatly concerned to state, befallen the Province, in the destruction by fire of a large portion of the important City of Montreal. I am confident that you will bestow your best consideration on any measure that may be proposed to you for the purpose of mitigating its effects.

The importance of placing the Currency of British North America on a uniform basis and of introducing the decimal system has been frequently recognized by Parliament. A measure will be submitted for your consideration, which will, I have reason to believe, promote the accomplishment of these objects.

I shall cause such documents to be laid before you as will put you fully in possession of the steps which I have taken during the recess, with the view of giving effect to the intentions of the Legislature, embodied in the Acts passed last Session for promoting the construction of Railways. I have endeavoured in these proceedings, to act, in so far as circumstances have permitted, in concert with the Lieutenant-Governors of the Lower Provinces.

In connection with these works, and with subject of public improvements generally, the position of Bonds issued on the credit of the Municipalities in Upper Canada, merits attention. The security afforded to holders of such Bonds under the Municipal Act now in force in that part of the Province, is of a very ample and satisfactory description. It is not improbable, however, that your wisdom may devise measures

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which, without materially altering their character, may tend to enhance their value in the market.

The importance of establishing a direct steam communication, between Great Britain and the Ports of Quebec and Montreal, has been repeatedly pressed on the Government by persons interested in the Commerce of the Province. The subject, which has a material bearing, on the prospects of Immigration, and the reduction of freights on the St. Lawrence, has engaged my anxious attention during the recess. A plan for the attainment of the object in view, which will I trust meet your approbation, will be submitted for your consideration.

I shall lay before you a Despatch which I have received from the principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, communicating the views of Her Majesty's Imperial Government, in reference to the Clergy Reserves, and stating the grounds on which Her Majesty's Ministers refrained from introducing a measure into the Imperial Parliament, during its last Session, for the repeal of the Imperial Statute on this subject.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

The condition of the Revenue is satisfactory, and indicates general prosperity among the consuming population of the Province.

I shall direct the Accounts for the past, and the Estimates for the current year to be laid before you, and I rely on your readiness to grant such supplies as may be necessary for the maintenance of the Credit of the Province, and the efficiency of the Public Service.

Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen,

Various subjects of much importance to the interests of the Province will, no doubt engage your attention during the Session which is now commencing.

An addition to the Representation seems to be called for by the increasing population of the Province, and the rapid development of some of its more recently settled Districts.

It is probable that through the instrumentality of the Municipal System, now in full operation in Upper Canada, and of the Assessment Law, you may be enabled to establish an efficient and inexpensive mode of registering Parliamentary Electors in that part of the Province.

In connection with this subject, I recommend for your consideration, the claims of certain classes of occupiers now excluded from the Franchise, on whom, there is reason to believe, it may be conferred with advantage to the Public Interests.

The interests of Agriculture are entitled to the special care and attention of Government in a Country where so large a portion of the community is employed in Agricultural pursuits. The absence of any sufficient provision for obtaining correct statistical information respecting the productions of the Country, and for diffusing knowledge which may be serviceable both to those engaged in Agriculture and to persons proposing to become settlers, has been long a subject of complaint. I do not doubt that you will bestow your best consideration on any unobjectionable measures that

that may be suggested for remedying this defect, and for effecting the more speedy settlement of unoccupied lands in both sections of the Province.

It is probable that grievances which are alleged to exist under the Feudal Tenure that obtains in certain parts of Lower Canada, may engage your attention. I am confident that, in dealing with this subject, which is one of great delicacy, you will manifest a scrupulous regard for rights of property which have been acquired and exercised in good faith, and with the sanction, tacit or declared, of the legal tribunals of the Province.

The arrangements now in force in both Sections of the Province for the maintenance of Indigent Patients consigned to the Lunatic Asylums, appear to be, I regret to observe, in some respects defective. The care of these unfortunate persons involves considerations of humanity of the highest order, and I confide in your readiness to bestow your best attention on any measure that may be submitted to you, for the remedy of this evil.

In all the measures which you may adopt for the promotion of the interests of the Province, and the happiness, and contentment of the people, you may rely on my zealous co-operation, and I shall now further detain you from the important duties in which you are about to engage, only to express my humble hope that the Almighty may render our endeavours efficacious for the Public Good.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Bill intituled, "An Act relating to Common Schools.

The said Bill was read for the first time, *pro formâ*.

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

The same was then read by the Clerk.

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

Ordered, That two hundred and fifty copies of the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General be printed in each language for the use of Members.

Ordered, That all the Members present this day, be appointed a Committee to consider of the Orders and Customs of this House and Privileges of Parliament; their Honors or any five of them, to meet to-morrow, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, in the Legislative Council Chamber, and every Monday after, and to adjourn as they please.

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Matheson*, *Taché*, *Leslie*, *Ross* and *Méthot*, be appointed a Committee to superintend the Printing of this House during the present Session.

Ordered

Ordered, That the Clerk of this House be instructed to open an account with the Post Master, for the postage of letters to and from Members, and to include the same in his Contingent Account.

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Dionne, Irving, Boulton, Taché* and *Mills*, be appointed a Committee to pursue and perfect the Journals of this and former Sessions of the Provincial Parliament.

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Walker, J. Morris, Pinhey, Taché, Leslie, Ross* and *Méthot* be appointed a Committee to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a petition from *Joseph Painchaud, M. D.*, and others of Quebec, complaining of injury done to their property by the blowing up of the Ordinance Stores in that city, on the night of the 26th December, 1851, and praying for relief.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

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

Monday, 23rd August, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.
PINHEY,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
ROSS,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

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

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The Honorable the Speaker reported that a Commission under the Great Seal had been issued appointing *René Kimber*, Esquire, Gentlemen Usher of the Black Rod.

The Commission of the Gentlemen Usher of the Black Rod was then read by the Clerk as follows :—

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

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

To Our faithful and loving subject *René Kimber*, Esquire.

GREETING :

Know You that having confidence in your loyalty, integrity and ability, you the said *René Kimber*, We have nominated, constituted and appointed, and by these presents do nominate, constitute and appoint to the office and place of *Gentlemen Usher of the Black Rod of the Legislative Council*, of Our Province of Canada, in the room and stead of *Frederic Starr Jarvis*, deceased, and to perform the duties incumbent upon the Gentlemen Usher of the Black Rod, of and attending upon the said Legislative Council of Our said Province. To have and to hold the said Office and place for and during Our Royal Pleasure and your actual residence within Our said Province, together with the rights, powers, authorities, profits and emoluments which to the said office of Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod of the said Legislative Council, do belong or of right ought to belong or appertain.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada, to be hereunto affixed : WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin *JAMES*, EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At QUEBEC, this TWELFTH day of JULY, in the year of Our

Lord

Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the Sixteenth year of Our Reign.

LEWIS T. DRUMMOND,

Atty. Genl. L. C.

By Command,

A. N. MORIN,

Secretary.

Recorded 17th July, 1852. In Lib. A. S. Folio 733.

THOS. AMIOT,

Depy. Regr.

The Honorable the Speaker reported that a Warrant under the Privy Seal of His Excellency the Governor General had been issued appointing *John Fenwick*, Gentleman, Door Keeper to the Legislative Council.

The Warrant of the Door Keeper of the Legislative Council was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

PROVINCE OF CANADA.

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

To all to whom these presents shall come,—

GREETING :

KNOW YE, that being well assured of the loyalty and integrity of *John Fenwick*, of the City of Quebec, Gentleman, I have thought fit to nominate and appoint and by these presents do nominate and appoint him the said *John Fenwick*, to be Door Keeper of the Legislative Council, in and for the Province *Canada*, in the room and stead of *Thomas Brooke*, resigned. To have and to hold the said Office and place for and during Pleasure, together with all rights, privileges and emoluments which to the said office of Door Keeper to the Legislative Council, do belong or of right ought to belong or appertain.

GIVEN under my hand and seal at arms, at QUEBEC in the said Province, this SIXTEENTH day of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the Sixteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

By Command,

A. N. MORIN,

Secretary.

Recorded 18th August, 1852. In Lib. A. S. Folio 735.

THOS. AMIOT,

Depy. Regr.

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The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a communication which he had received from the *Quebec* Exchange Reading Room, on the subject of the free admission of the Members of both Houses to the Reading Room, during the present session.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

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

(*Vide Appendix No. 1.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Report of the Law Clerk, on expiring Laws.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from the *Reverend J. D. Deziel*, and others of the Roman Catholic Clergy of the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying for the incorporation of a Mutual Fire Insurance Company composed of the Fabriques of Parishes in the said Diocese.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of Baptisme, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Quebec* for the year 1851, also, a Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials for the District of *Three-Rivers*, for the year 1851, also, a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Saint Francis*, for the year 1851, and also a Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Montreal*, for the year 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from Agricultural Society number one, of the county of *Gaspé* for 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented three Petitions from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York*, *Ontario* and *Peel*, praying for the passing of an Act to confirm certain by-laws of the late *Home* District Council, on the subject of laying out, establishing and closing up roads within the said District ;

Also praying that the Statutes in force regulating the appointment of Jurors ; the licensing of Public Houses ; the Fees for Registration of Deeds ; the expenses of the Board of Public Instruction ; and the payment of that portion of the expenses of the administration of Justice not refunded by the Provincial Government may be amended ;

Also

Also praying that measures may be adopted to secure accurate and uniform Surveys of every Townships that may hereafter be laid out for settlement, that a geological description of the soil may accompany every such plan; and also that a system may be established for making free grants to actual settlers.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*, praying for the amendment of the Jurors' Acts.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *Barthelemy S. Lafleur*, Water Bailiff of the Port of Quebec, praying for an increase to his salary.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from the *Bank of Montreal*, praying for the passing of an Act to increase their Capital Stock and also to make the shares owned by parties in *Europe* transferable in *Great Britain* ;

And also a Petition from the Town Council of the Town of *Prescott*, praying that a Canal of the dimensions of the *St. Lawrence* Canals may be constructed to connect the waters of the *St. Lawrence* with Lake *Champlain*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Pinhey* presented four Petitions from the Municipal Council of the County of *Carleton*, praying that a Canal of the dimensions of the *St. Lawrence* Canals, may be constructed to connect the waters of the *St. Lawrence* with Lake *Champlain* ;

Also, praying for a reduction of the impost on Red Pine Timber ;

Also praying for the revision and amendment of the Juror's Acts ;

Also, praying for an Act to Establish the Township of *Torbolton* as a Municipality within itself ;

And also, a Petition from the County of *Carleton* General Protestant Hospital, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, praying that the proceeds arising from the sale of the Clergy Reserves, may be applied to Common School purposes ;

Also, two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the County of *Terrebonne*, praying that pecuniary aid may be granted to *Masson* College ;

Also ; praying for pecuniary aid to the Corporation of Le Petit Séminaire de *Ste. Thérèse de Blainville* ;

Also, a Petition from the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montréal* and others, Members of the Corporation of the College of *Ste. Thérèse de Blainville*, praying for pecuniary aid ;

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *J. B. Peltier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Terrebonne*, in the County of *Terrebonne*, praying for pecuniary aid to *Masson* College.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented to the House, a Return from the Agricultural Society of the County of *Leinster*, for the year 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *W. B. Wells* and others, Justices of the Peace for the County of *Kent*, praying for the amendment of the Acts authorising the publication in Newspapers of the Quarterly Returns of Convictions made by Justices of the Peace and also the publication of the Quarterly Returns of Licences issued.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The House according to order proceeded to the Consideration of His Excellency's Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Session ;

Which being read by the Clerk,

It was moved to resolved :

That an Humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for His Gracious Speech from the Throne, at the opening of the present Provincial Parliament.

To respond cordially to His Excellency's invitation to united endeavours for the promotion of the interests of the Province.

To express the pleasure with which this House learns that notwithstanding the deep interest occasioned by a General Election, the utmost tranquillity has, prevailed throughout the Province during the period which has elapsed since the close of the last session of Parliament.

To assure His Excellency that this House rejoices at his being enabled under these favorable circumstances again to congratulate Parliament on the prosperity of the Province. Provincial Securities continue to rise steadily in value, and the Returns of the Census recently completed, furnishing most satisfactory evidence of the advancement of the Colony in wealth and population.

To convey to His Excellency the satisfaction with which this House learns that the estimated deficiency in the Postal Revenue has not been exceeded although greatly extended accommodation has been afforded to the public by the establishment

of additional Post Offices, and increased Postal Service, and that there is reason to believe that before long, the receipts of the Department, will balance the expenditure.

To express the sympathy of this House with His Excellency in the great concern with which he states that a heavy calamity has befallen the Province, in the destruction by fire of a large portion of the important City of *Montreal*, and to assure His Excellency that the best consideration of this House will be bestowed on any measure that may be proposed to Parliament for the purpose of mitigating its effects.

To assure His Excellency that the attentive consideration of this House will be given to any measure for placing the Currency of *British North America* on a uniform basis, and in introducing the decimal system, which may be submitted to it, the importance of these objects having been frequently recognized by Parliament.

To thank His Excellency for his promise to cause such documents to be laid before this House as will put it fully in possession of the steps which His Excellency has taken during the recess, with the view of giving effect to the intentions of the Legislature, embodied in the Acts passed last Session for promoting the construction of Railways; and to express the pleasure with which this House learns that His Excellency has endeavoured, in these proceedings, to act, in so far as circumstances have permitted, in concert with the Lieutenant-Governors of the Lower Provinces.

To inform His Excellency that this House agrees with him in thinking that in connection with the these works, and with subject of public improvements generally, the position of Bonds issued on the credit of the Municipalities in Upper Canada, merits attention; and to assure His Excellency that although the security afforded to holders of such Bonds under the Municipal Act now in force in that part of the Province, is of a very ample and satisfactory description, this House will carefully consider whether or not any measures can be devised which, without materially altering their character, may tend to enhance their value in the market.

To assure His Excellency that the attentive consideration of this House will also be given to any plan which may be submitted to it for the establishment of direct steam communication, between Great Britain and the Ports of *Quebec* and *Montreal*, and that this House rejoices that this subject, which has a material bearing, on the prospects of Immigration, and the reduction of freights on the St. Lawrence, and the importance of which has been repeatedly pressed on the Government by persons interested in the commerce of the Province, has engaged the anxious attention of His Excellency during the recess.

To inform His Excellency that although this House learns with great regret that Her Majesty's Ministers refrained from introducing a measure into the Imperial Parliament, during its last Session, for the repeal of the Imperial Statute on the subject of the Clergy Reserves, it will not fail to give its respectful consideration to the Despatch from the principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, communicating the views of Her Majesty's Imperial Government, in reference thereto, and stating the grounds

grounds on which Her Majesty's Ministers have adopted such a course, which His Excellency has promised to lay before the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament.

To express concurrence with His Excellency in the opinion that among the various subjects of much importance to the interest of the Province which will no doubt engage the attention of the Legislature during the Session which is now commencing, is that of an addition to the Representation, which seems to be called for by the increasing population of the Province, and the rapid development of some of its more recently settled Districts.

To assure His Excellency that this House will rejoice if through the instrumentality of the Municipal System, now in full operation in Upper Canada, and of the Assessment Law, there may be established an efficient and inexpensive mode of registering Parliamentary Electors in that part of the Province; and that in connection with this subject it will carefully attend to His Excellency's recommendation to its consideration of the claims of certain classes of occupiers now excluded from the Franchise, on whom, there is reason to believe, it may be conferred with advantage to the Public Interest

To agree with His Excellency in opinion that the interests of Agriculture are entitled to the special care and attention of Government in a Country where so large a portion of the community is employed in Agricultural pursuits. To admit with His Excellency that the absence of any sufficient provision for obtaining correct statistical information respecting the productions of the Country, and for diffusing knowledge which may be serviceable both to those engaged in Agriculture and to persons proposing to become settlers, has been long a subject of complaint, and to assure His Excellency that this House will bestow its best consideration on any unobjectionable measures that may be suggested for remedying this defect, and for effecting the more speedy settlement of unoccupied lands in both sections of the Province.

To assure His Excellency that in the event of the grievances which are alleged to exist under the Feudal Tenure that obtains in certain parts of Lower Canada, engaging the attention of this House, it will not fail to manifest in dealing with this subject, which is one of great delicacy, a scrupulous regard for rights of property which have been acquired and exercised in good faith, and with the sanction, tacit or declared, of the legal tribunals of the Province.

To express to His Excellency the regret with which this House learns that the arrangements now in force in both Sections of the Province for the maintenance of Indigent Patients consigned to the Lunatic Asylums, appear to be in some respects defective, and its concurrence in His Excellency's remark that the care of these unfortunate persons involves considerations of humanity of the highest order; and to thank His Excellency for his confidence in its readiness to bestow its best attention on any measure that may be submitted to it, for the remedy of this evil.

To assure His Excellency that this House relies with confidence on his zealous co-operation in all the measures which it may adopt for the promotion of the interests of the Province, and the happiness, and contentment of the people, and humbly hopes with His Excellency that the Almighty may render his endeavours and those of the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament efficacious for the Public Good.

The first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth paragraphs of the said Resolution being then again severally read,

It was moved to adopt the same,

Whereupon the question of concurrence was put thereon, and

The same was resolved unanimously in the affirmative,

The eleventh paragraph of the said Resolution being then again read,

It was moved to adopt the same,

Which being objected to,

It was moved in amendment that, after "Excellency," in the first line of the said paragraph the remainder be expunged and the following inserted in lieu thereof, "that this House will not fail to give its respectful consideration to the Despatch from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, communicating the views of Her Majesty's Imperial Government in reference to the Imperial Statute on the subject of the Clergy Reserves."

Which being also objected to,

After debate,

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

The question of concurrence being then put on the main motion, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The twelfth and remaining paragraphs of the said resolution, being then again severally read,

It was moved to adopt the same,

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

It was then moved that the said resolution be adopted,

Which being objected to,

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

Ordered, that the Honorable Messieurs *Leslie*, *Quesnel* and *Mills*, be appointed a Committee to draft an Address founded on the foregoing resolution.

The Honorable Mr. *Quesnel* from the said Committee reported an Address prepared by them, as follows :—

To His Excellency the Right Honorable JAMES, EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*,

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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, respectfully thank your Excellency for your gracious Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Provincial Parliament, and we cordially respond to Your Excellency's invitation to united endeavours for the promotion of the interests of the Province.

We learn with pleasure that notwithstanding the deep interest occasioned by a General Election, the utmost tranquillity has prevailed throughout the Province during the period which has elapsed since the close of the last Session of Parliament, and we rejoice at Your Excellency's being enabled under these favorable circumstances again to congratulate Parliament on the prosperity of the Province, Provincial Securities continuing to rise steadily in value, and the Returns of the Census, recently completed furnishing most satisfactory evidence of the advancement of the Colony in wealth and population.

We wish to convey to Your Excellency the satisfaction with which this House learns that the estimated deficiency in the Postal Revenue has not been exceeded, although greatly extended accommodation has been afforded to the public by the establishment of additional Post Offices and increased Postal Service, and that there is reason to believe that before long the receipts of the Department will balance the expenditure.

We sympathise with Your Excellency in the great concern with which you state that a heavy calamity has befallen the Province in the destruction by fire of a large portion of the important City of *Montreal*, and we assure Your Excellency that the best consideration of this House will be bestowed on any measure that may be proposed to Parliament for the purpose of mitigating its effects.

The attentive consideration of this House will also be given to any measure for placing the Currency of *British North America* on a uniform basis, and introducing the decimal system which may be submitted to it, the importance of these objects having been frequently recognized by Parliament.

We thank Your Excellency for your promise to cause such documents to be laid before this House as will put it fully in possession of the steps which your Excellency has taken during the recess with the view of giving effect to the intentions of the Legislature, embodied in the Acts passed last Session for promoting the construction of Railways; and We learn with pleasure that Your Excellency has endeavoured, in these proceedings, to act in so far as circumstances have permitted, in concert with the Lieutenant Governors of the Lower Provinces.

We agree with Your Excellency in thinking that in connection with these works, and with the subject of public improvements generally, the position of Bonds issued on the credit of the Municipalities in Upper Canada, merits attention; and although the security afforded to holders of such Bonds under the Municipal Act now in force in that part of the Province, is of a very ample and satisfactory description, We will carefully consider whether or not any measures can be devised which, without materially altering their character, may tend to enhance their value in the market.

Our attentive consideration will also be given to any plan which may be submitted to us for the establishment of direct steam communication, between Great Britain and the Ports of *Quebec* and *Montreal*, and We rejoice that this subject, which has a material bearing, on the prospects of Immigration, and the reduction of freights on the St. Lawrence, and the importance of which has been repeatedly pressed on the Government by persons interested in the commerce of the Province, has engaged the anxious attention of Your Excellency during the recess.

Although We learn with great regret that Her Majesty's Ministers refrained from introducing a measure into the Imperial Parliament, during its last Session, for the repeal of the Imperial Statute on the subject of the Clergy Reserves, We will not fail to give our respectful consideration to the Despatch from the principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, communicating the views of Her Majesty's Imperial Government, in reference thereto, and stating the grounds on which Her Majesty's Ministers have adopted such a course, which Your Excellency has promised to lay before the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament.

We concur with Your Excellency in the opinion that among the various subjects of much importance to the interest of the Province which will no doubt engage the attention of the Legislature during the Session which is now commencing, is that of an addition to the Representation, which seems to be called for by the increasing population of the Province, and the rapid developement of some of its more recently settled Districts.

We will rejoice if through the instrumentality of the Municipal System, now in full operation in Upper Canada, and of the Assessment Law, there may be established an efficient and inexpensive mode of registering Parliamentary Electors in that part of the Province; and in connection with this subject, We will carefully attend to Your Excellency's recommendation to our consideration of the claims of certain classes of occupiers now excluded from the franchise, on whom, there is reason to believe, it may be conferred with advantage to the public interests.

We agree with Your Excellency in opinion that the interests of Agriculture are entitled to the special care and attention of Government in a Country where so large a portion of the community is employed in Agricultural pursuits. We admit with Your Excellency that the absence of any sufficient provision for obtaining correct statistical

statistical information respecting the productions of the Country, and for diffusing knowledge which may be serviceable both to those engaged in Agriculture and to persons proposing to become settlers, has been long a subject of complaint, and We will bestow our best consideration on any unobjectionable measures that may be suggested for remedying this defect, and for effecting the more speedy settlement of unoccupied lands in both sections of the Province.

We assure Your Excellency that in the event of the grievances which are alleged to exist under the Feudal Tenure that obtains in certain parts of Lower Canada, engaging the attention of this House, it will not fail to manifest in dealing with this subject, which is one of great delicacy, a scrupulous regard for rights of property which have been acquired and exercised in good faith, and with the sanction, tacit or declared, of the legal tribunals of the Province.

We learn with regret that the arrangements now in force in both Sections of the Province for the maintenance of Indigent Patients consigned to the Lunatic Asylums, appear to be in some respects defective, We concur in Your Excellency's remark that the care of these unfortunate persons involves considerations of humanity of the highest order, and We thank Your Excellency for your confidence in our readiness to bestow our best attention on any measure that may be submitted to us for the remedy of this evil.

Your Excellency may be assured that this House relies with confidence on your zealous co-operation in all the measures which it may adopt for the promotion of the interests of the Province, and the happiness, and contentment of the people, and We humbly hope with Your Excellency that the Almighty may render your endeavours and those of the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament efficacious for the Public Good.

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

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed and that the same be signed by 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 be pleased to appoint to be attended with the said Address.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* reported, that he had, according to order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General to know what time His Excellency would be pleased to appoint to be attended with the Address of this House, and that His Excellency had appointed to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the Government House in this City.

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

Tuesday, 24th August, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

IRVING,
MORRIS, J.
PINHEY,
MATHESON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
ROSS,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* enters.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *De Boucherville* enters.

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

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.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

I thank you for this Loyal Address, and I rely on your readiness to co-operate with me in all measures calculated to promote the prosperity of the Province.

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

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Annual Report of the *Quebec Provident and Saving's Bank*, to the 1st March, 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *A. G. Charlebois* and others, Censitaires of the Parish of *Sainte Magdeleine de Rigaud*, in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for the removal of abuses which have crept into the Seigniorial Tenure in *Lower Canada* ;

Also

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Charles Forest* and others, of the Township of *Grenville*, in the County of *Two Mountains*, praying for the construction of Bridges over the Rivers *Rouge, Petite Nation, Blanche, Gattineau*, and other Streams, as well as for the improvement of the Road from *Grenville*, westerly along the Northern Shores of the *Ottawa* ;

And also, a Petition from *Richard Hutchinson* and others, of *Waterloo*, in the County of *Shefford*, praying that certain privileges may be extended to a numerous body of Protestants in *Canada East*, known by the name of "Adventists."

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented three Petitions from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Guelph*, praying that the appointment of the Collectors of Tavern Licences, may be vested in the Municipal Councils ;

Also, praying for the amendment of the clause in the Municipal Act which enacts that an Oath of Office shall be taken by every Township Officer ;

And also, praying for the early settlement and secularisation of the Clergy Reserves ;

And also, for the settlement of the Rectory question.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Quesnel* presented a Petition from *John Pangman* and others, of the Parish of *St. Henri de Mascouche*, in the County of *Leinster*, praying for aid to the Academy of *Saint Henry*, in that Parish.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *De Boucherville* presented a Petition from the Revd. *E. Champagneur*, praying that pecuniary aid may be granted to the Corporation of "Les Clercs Paroissiaux ou Catéchiste de *Saint Viateur*."

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Townships of *Dalhousie, North Sherbrooke* and *Lavant*, praying that the Clergy Reserves and Rectories may be alienated from their presents purposes and devoted to the support of Common Schools ;

And also, a Petition from His Lordship the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal* and others, praying to be incorporated by the name of the College of Saint Mary, at *Montreal*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Wednesday, 25th August, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

IRVING,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
PINHEY,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from the Agricultural Society of the United Counties of *Prescott* and *Russell*, praying for the establishment of a Model Farm, at the eastern extremity of *Upper Canada* ;

And also, a Petition from *William Jameson* and others, Members of the Mechanics Institute and Library Association of *Renfrew*, praying for pecuniary aid to enable them to make an addition to their Library.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boucherville* presented a Petition from the Reverends *P. M. Mignault* and *T. J. Lahaye*, of *Chambly*, praying for aid to *Chambly* College.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *Jean Langevin*, of the City of *Quebec*, praying to be remunerated for his services as Clerk of the Municipal Council of the late Municipal District of *Quebec* ;

And also, a Petition from *A. Ross* and others, of the Township of *Frampton*, in the District of *Quebec*, praying for aid to erect a Bridge over the River *Etchemin*, and to improve the main approach thereto.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Thursday, 26th August, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

WALKER,

IRVING,

DE BOUCHERVILLE,

MORRIS, J.

PINHEY,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,

TACHÉ,

LESLIE,

QUESNEL.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Eleanor Teed*, Widow of *John Teed*, formerly of *Quebec*, complaining that her said husband lost his life in consequence of the trouble and anxiety brought upon him by an unjust imprisonment upon the charge of treasonable practices in 1837, and praying for relief;

Also, a Petition from *William McBain* and others, inhabitants of the settlement of *Valcartier* and adjoining settlements ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Quebec*, severally praying that the Road from *St. Ambroise* to the River *Jacques Cartier*, may be macadamized ;

Also, a Petition from *Charles Menard* and others, of the Parishes of *Beauport* and *Charlesbourg*, and other places in the County of *Quebec*, praying that a part of the *Bourg Royal* Road there may be macadamized and placed under the control of the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads ;

Also, a Petition from *William Henderson* and others, of the Township of *Standon*, in the District of *Quebec*, praying for a grant to erect a Bridge over the River à l'*Eau Chaude* ;

And also, a Petition from *André Blais* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Pierre* and *St. François de la Rivière du Sud*, in the Counties of l'*Islet* and *Belchasse*, praying for aid towards the opening of a Road through the wild lands of the Crown in rear of those Parishes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road Company, praying for the extension of their Act of incorporation.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *James Turnbull*, the younger, and others, of the Town of *Prescott*, praying that the manufacture of intoxicating liquors may be prohibited by Legislative enactment, except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Leslie* presented a Petition from *Jean Baptiste Miville DeChêne*, formerly of *Quebec*, and now of *St. Henry*, merchant, praying to be paid for the freight of provisions sent by the Government of *Lower Canada*, for the relief of distressed persons at *Trois-Pistoles* and *Rimouski*, in November, 1816; and also, for the loss by shipwreck of his Schooner, engaged in that service;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Antoine Duranseau* and others, of the Parish of the *Holy Angels* at *Lachine*, praying to be exempted from the payment of Tolls on the Turnpike Road leading to their Church, when going to or returning from the performance of religious duties there on any day of the week;

Also, a Petition from *Joseph Decary* and others, of the Parish of *Montreal*, praying for the reduction of Tolls on certain Turnpike Roads in that Parish;

Also, a Petition from *Benjamin Brewster* and others, inhabitants of the Village of *St. Henri*, commonly called the "*Tanneries des Rollands*," in the Parish of *Montreal*, praying that the rates of Toll collected on the Turnpike Road between the said Village and the City of *Montreal*, may be reduced;

And also, a Petition from the *Montreal* and *New York* Rail Road Company, praying for the passing of an Act to confirm the incorporation of the said Company, and to extend its powers.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Town Council of the Town of *Cobourg*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day;

Also, two Petitions from the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*, praying that the Municipal Acts may be consolidated into one Act and that the Offices of Clerk of the Council and Clerk of the Peace may be united in one person;

Also, praying that the rate assessed for the erection of the Lunatic Asylum and other Public Buildings in *Upper Canada*, may be reduced;

And also, a Petition from *Eli Watson* and others, inhabitants and proprietors of Land in the sixth Concession of the Township of *Hamilton*, praying that no Bill

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may be passed to alter the line between the sixth and seventh Concessions of the said Township.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *De Boucherville* presented a Petition from *Charles Hubert Lassiseraye*, of the City of *Montreal*, praying for the payment of one hundred and fifty pounds due to him for arrears of his salary as Head School Master under the Education Society of the Town of *Three-Rivers*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* enters.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Statement of Bonds and Securities registered between the 20th May, 1851 and the 19th August, 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *Pierre Paquet* and others, of the Parish of *St. George d'Aubert Gallion*, in the County of *Dorchester*, praying for aid to enable them to re-build a Bridge on the *Kenebec* Road, calle *Pont de la Famine* ;

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *J. D. Deziel* and others, of the Parish of *Point Levy*, praying for aid towards the erection of an Agricultural College there.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Friday, 27th August, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON**, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MCKAY,
IRVING,
DE BOUCHERWILLE,
PINHEY,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
ROSS,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

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

Ordered, that the House be cleared of strangers and the doors closed.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee of Privileges.

Whereupon the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of Privileges accordingly.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable the Speaker then informed the House that as Chairman of the said Committee he was prepared with their report, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would please to receive the same.

Ordered, that the said Report be received presently.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *Charles C. Small*, of *Toronto*, praying that certain arrears of Salary due to him as Clerk of the Crown and Common Pleas may be paid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from *O. Ford* and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Whitchurch*, praying for the passing of an Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors, except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Leslie* presented a Petition from *Julie Secard*, and *Rose Morand*, formerly of *Belœil*, in the District of *Montreal*, praying that they may be indemnified for certain losses sustained by them during the time of the unfortunate troubles of 1837-8 ;

Also, a Petition from *Anson Bube* and others, inhabitants of the District of *St. Francis*, praying for a grant to construct a Road from *Lake Memphremagog* to the Town of *Sherbrooke* ;

Also, a Petition from *M. McNab* and others, of the Townships of *Glenelg* and *Bentinck* ;

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *William Jones* and others, of the Township of *Farnham*, respectively praying that all business in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's day ;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Jean-Baptiste Dupuis*, and others, of *St. Thomas* Circuit, in the District of *Quebec*, praying for the establishment a complete Civil and Criminal jurisdiction therein, with a Gaol and Court House.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris* and *Matheson* enter,

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Jean François Caron*, of the parish of *Saint Jean Port Joli*, in the County of *l'Islet*, praying for a Pension on account of his services as an Officer of Militia ;

Also, a Petition from *Charles Pentland* and others, inhabitants of the Townships of *Tadousac*, *Bergeronne*, *Iberville* and *Escoumin* on the North Shore of the *St. Lawrence*, praying that a Road through the said Townships may be surveyed and opened at the expense of the Government ;

And also, a Petition from *Frederic Tremblay*, of the Parish of *Ste. Irénée*, in the County of *Saguenay*, praying to be indemnified for his losses as a Contractor for the opening and making of part of the Road called *Chemin des Caps*, between the years 1819 and 1826 ;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from the *Toronto, Simcoe and Huron* Union Rail-road Company, praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation ;

Also, a Petition from the *Atlantic and St. Lawrence* Rail-road Company, praying that certain amendments may be made to their Act of incorporation ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville*, praying that the payment of Jurors and all other expenses of the administration of Criminal Justice in *Upper Canada* may be made chargeable upon the consolidated revenue fund of the Province ;

Also, three Petitions from the Municipal Council of the County of *Hastings*, praying that the orders in Council which regulate the granting of Licenses to cut Timber

on Crown Lands may be repealed, and that some other more equitable and just regulations may be established in their stead ;

Also, praying for the construction of a Canal at *Presqu' Isle*, to connect the Waters, of the *Bay of Quinté* with Lake *Ontario* ;

Also, praying that the Jury Laws may be amended, and that the amounts paid to Jurors, may be charged upon the Consolidated Revenue fund of the Province ;

Also, a Petition from the Seignior and others, inhabitants of the Seignior of *Grande Vallée des Monts* in the District of *Gaspé*, praying that the road from *Matane* to *Cap Chat* may be continued to said Seignior of *Grande Vallée des Monts* ;

And also, a Petition from the Corporation of the House of Industry of *Toronto*, praying that the powers of the said Corporation may be more distinctly defined by an Act of the Legislature.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Leslie* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Kenneth M. Fenwick* and others, members of the Congregational Church at *Kingston*.

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Aldborough*, severally praying that all business in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Corporation of the Seminary of *Nicolet*, praying for aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *Charles C. Small*, of *Toronto*, praying that a certain Road allowance lying west of lots thirty four and thirty five in the Township of *Pickering*, may be vested in him, in consideration of his having surrendered an allowance for a Road through another and more convenient portion of his land.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Leslie* presented a Petition from *Duncan McCall* and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Aldborough*, praying that all business in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *Hector L. Langevin*, of the City of *Quebec*, Attorney for *Donald Morrison* and others, inhabitants of the County of *Glengarry*, praying for the repeal of the Act of *Lower Canada*, 41st George 3rd, so far as it prevents the inhabitants of *Upper Canada* from prosecuting any action or suit before the Courts of *Lower Canada*, without in the first place giving security for the costs of such action ;

Also

Also, a Petition from *Simon Fortier* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Clair*, in the County of *Dorchester*, praying for aid towards the re-building of a Bridge of the River *Etchemin* ;

And also, a Petition from *James Motz*, of the City of *Quebec*, praying for compensation for certain losses sustained by him as the owner of a certain Toll Bridge, over the River *Etchemin* ; And also, that certain further relief may be granted to him as the representative of one *François Verrault*, the original proprietor of the said Bridge.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Statement of the affairs of the *Montreal City and District Saving's Bank*, made up the the 1st January, 1852.

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 the Annual Statement of the *Welland Canal Loan Company*.

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 from the *Quebec and Richmond Rail-road Company*, to the 21st July, 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *W. C. Hanson*, of *St. Grégoire*, praying to be indemnified for certain losses occasioned by the erection of a Bridge over the River *Godfrey*, by order of Government, and the consequent destruction of the interest and profit which he and his predecessors enjoyed as proprietors of a Ferrie over the said River.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Leslie* presented a Petition from *Isaac Russell* and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Romney*, praying that the said Township may be detached from the Township of *Tilbury*, and erected into a separate Township.

Also, three Petitions from the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*, praying as last aforesaid ;

Also, praying that the Juror's Acts may be amended or repealed ;

And also praying that an Act may be passed to legalise the By-Laws of the late *Western District Council*, the *Municipal Councils of the United Counties of Essex, Kent and Lambton*, and of the County of *Kent*, and thus to enable the Collectors to enforce the payment of rates levied upon wild lands, under the said *Bye-laws* ;

Also, two Petitions from *Thomas Wightman* and others, Moderator and Members of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, praying that the Sabbath may be

be no longer desecrated, by prosecuting the business of the Post Office Department on that day ; and also, praying that the Ministers of the said Churches may be put upon an equality with the Ministers of the Churches of England and Rome, in regard to the power of celebrating Marriages in this Province ; and also, that the fees upon Marriage Licenses may be reduced.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Joseph Charlebois*, and others, of the Parish of *Sainte Marthe*, in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for the removal of the abuses which have crept into the Seignorial system in *Lower Canada* ;

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* acquainted the House, that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under His Sign Manual which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

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

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE,

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

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Quebec, 27th August, 1852.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Norfolk*, praying for the passing of an Act to confirm certain By-Laws of the said Council, which imposed special rates on Land within the said County ;

And also, a Petition of *George J. Ryerse* and two others, of the Township of *Woodhouse*, heirs and devisees of the late *Samuel Ryerse*, of the said Township, deceased, praying for the passing of an Act to remove the entail from lot number three, in the broken front concession of the said Township of *Woodhouse*, and thus enable them to give titles in Fee Simple to certain purchasers of the said property.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Fourth Standing Order, the House was called :—

THE HONORABLE

RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,.....	Present.
ROBERT S. JAMESON,.....	Absent.
PETER B. DE BLAQUIERE,.....	Absent.*
PETER MCGILL,.....	Absent.
WILLIAM MORRIS,.....	Absent.
ALEXANDER FRASER,.....	Absent.
JAMES CROOKS,.....	Absent.
ADAM FERGUSSON,.....	Absent.

John

* By leave of His Excellency the Governor General.

JOHN MACAULAY,.....	Absent.
JOHN HAMILTON,.....	Absent.
ADAM FERRIE,.....	Absent.
PAUL H. KNOWLTON,.....	Absent.
THOMAS MCKAY,.....	Present.
PHILIP H. MOORE,.....	Absent.
JOSEPH DIONNE,.....	Absent.
GEORGE J. GOODHUE,.....	Absent.
WILLIAM WALKER,.....	Absent.
CHRISTOPHER WIDMER,.....	Absent.
J. ÆMILIUS IRVING,.....	Present.
P. BOUCHER DE BOUCHERVILLE,.....	Present.
JAMES MORRIS,.....	Present.
JAMES GORDON,.....	Absent.
HAMNETT PINHEY,.....	Present.
JAMES FERRIER,.....	Absent.
RODERICK MATHESON,.....	Present.
GEORGE S. BOULTON,.....	Present.
DENIS B. VIGER,.....	Absent.
ETIENNE P. TACHÉ,.....	Present.
JAMES LESLIE,.....	Present.
FREDERICK A. QUESNEL,.....	Present.
JOSEPH BOURRET,.....	Absent.
GEORGE S. DE BEAUJEU.....	Absent.
JOHN ROSS,.....	Present.
LOUIS MÉTHOT.....	Absent.
JOSEPH O. TURGEON,.....	Absent.
SAMUEL CRANE,.....	Absent.
JAMES WYLIE,.....	Absent.
SAMUEL MILLS,.....	Present.

The House according to Order then received the Report of the Committee of Privileges, and

The same was read by the Clerk as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Committee Room, 27th August, 1852.

The Select Committee appointed to consider of the Orders and Customs of this House and Privileges of Parliament, beg leave to report, in obedience to the fourth standing order of this House, that the Honorable *Amable Dionne*, a Legislative Councillor, has departed this life since the last session.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ED. CARON,
Speaker.

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

Monday

Monday, 30th August, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENE E. CARON, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

IRVING,
MORRIS, J.
PINHEY,
MATHESON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
ROSS,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

The honorable Mr. *Leslie* presented a Petition from the *Montreal* Protestant Orphan Asylum praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented to the House a Return from the County Agricultural Society of the County of *Shefford*, for the year 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Shefford* praying that the Road from *Longueuil* to the Village of *Granby* may be repaired ;

Also, a Petition from the *Shefford* Academy praying for pecuniary aid ;

Also, a Petition from His Lordship the Bishop of *Tloa* and others, praying for an act to Incorporate La Société Ecclésiastique de *St. Michel*, in the Roman Catholic Diocese of *Quebec* ;

Also, three Petitions from the Reverend *P. J. Bedard* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Raymond de Bourg Louis* in the County of *Portneuf*, praying for aid towards the opening of four Roads through the wild lands in rear of the Seigniori of *Saint Gabriel* ;

Also, praying for aid towards the erection of a Bridge over the River *Saint Anne* ;

And also, praying for an Act to define and limit the rights of Seigniors and to reduce the amount of *cens et rentes*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Reverend *G. S. Derome* and others, of the Parish of *St. Casimir* in the County of *Portneuf*, praying for aid to construct a Bridge over the River *Ste. Anne* in the said Parish ;

And

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *A. Milette* and others, of *St. Augustin* and other Parishes and of the City of *Quebec*, praying for aid to macadamize the Road leading to the Church of the said Parish of *St. Augustin*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented five Petitions from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Stormont, Dundas* and *Glengarry*, praying that a measure for the suppression of Intemperance may be enacted similar in its provisions to the "Maine Liquor Law";

Also, praying that the Jury Laws of *Upper-Canada* may be amended;

Also, praying that certain modifications may be made in the Charter of the *Upper-Canada* Trust and Loan Company;

Also, praying that the Clergy Reserves may be applied to Common School purposes, and that the Rectories may be abolished;

And also, praying that the office of County Revenue Inspector may be abolished, and the duties thereof performed by the County Inspectors, and that the Revenues arising from the issue of such Licenses may be paid directly into the Treasury of the District.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table,

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* presented a Petition from *Robert Heriot* and others, of the Townships of *Grantham, Wendover, Simpson, Wickham, Durham, Acton* and other places, praying that a sum of money may be appropriated for the building a Bridge over the River *Saint François* at the *Village* of *Drummondville*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Leslie* presented a Petition from *William Ruthvan*, of the Parish of *Saint Louis de Lotbinière*, praying for aid towards the publication of a work on Agricultural Chemistry;

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *Eldouard Faucher* and others, of the Parishes of *Lotbinière* and *St. Croix*, in the County of *Lotbinière*, praying for aid to improve the *Blandford* Road, and to construct a Bridge across the River *Bécancour*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House, the Annual Report of proceedings of the County Agricultural Society for the County of *Belchasse*;

And also, a Statement of the affairs of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail Road Company, for 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *John Kemp* and others, of *Quebec*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the Temperance Hall Association, within the said City.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *Edmund Ritchie* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, praying that the Act to incorporate a Company to extend the Great Western Rail-road from *Hamilton* to *Toronto*, may be revived, or an Act passed to incorporate said Petitioners under the style and title of the *Hamilton and Toronto* Rail-road Company ;

Also, a Petition from *William Dixon* and others, of the Town of *Hamilton*, praying for an Act to incorporate a Company to construct a Rail-road from *Guelph* to connect with the Great Western Rail-road at the Town of *Galt* ;

Also, a Petition from *Isaac Buchanan* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, praying for An Act to Incorporate a Company with power to construct a Rail-road from the Town of *Guelph* to the most convenient point of intersection of the Great Western Rail-road ;

And also, a petition from *Charlotte McCormick*, widow of the late *Shepherd McCormick* a Commander in the Royal Navy, praying that the Pension granted her late husband by the Provincial Parliament may be continued to her and her children.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Tuesday, 31st August, 1852.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.
PINHEY,

The Honorable Messieurs

MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Town of *Port Hope*, praying for the passing of An Act to vest in certain Commissioners as a body corporate the *Port Hope* Harbour and Wharf.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *Henry Lemmon* and others, of *Brantford*, praying that some Legislative action may take place with the view of stopping the system at present practised of paying the wages of Mechanics in store pay;

Also, a petition from *John Smith* and others inhabitants of the Village of *St. George*, praying for the passing of an act similar to the "Maine Liquor Law," for the suppression of the drinking houses and tippling shops;

Also, a Petition from *G. Murdock* and others, of the Township of *Ancaster*;

Also, a Petition from *Margaret Henderson* and others, "Daughters of Temperance";

Also, a Petition from *Martha H. Waterous* and others, of the Town of *Brantford*;

Also, a Petition from *William Clarke*, as Chairman of Public Meeting of the Inhabitants of the County of *Wellington*, severally praying that the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited except for medicinal or mechanical purposes.

And also, a Petition from the *Grand River* Navigation Company, praying that the Government will assume the charge, and property of the said Company and that it may henceforth become a Public Provincial Work.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from the President and Directors of the Pickering Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company, praying that a Charter more distinct in its provisions than that which they at present possess may be granted to them;

Also, a Petition from the *Sherbrooke* Academy, praying for pecuniary aid;

Also, a Petition from the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Brant*, praying that the rights and property of the *Grand River* Navigation Company may be assumed by the Government and the work become a Public Provincial one;

Also, a Petition from *A. Huntingdon* and others, Inhabitants of the Town of *Brantford*;

And also, a Petition from *John McKenzie* and others Inhabitants of *Glengarry*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors except for medicinal or mechanical purposes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of *Orillia*, praying that all labour on the Sabbath day may be suspended in the Post Office Department;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Simcoe*, praying that the twenty eighth Section of the Common School Act of *Upper Canada* may be so amended as that the County Councils may exercise a control over the expenditure of money therein indicated;

Also, a Petition from *Allan Macdonell* and others of the City of *Toronto*, praying that a Charter may be granted them for the construction of a Ship Canal around the fall of the *Sault de Ste. Marie*, under certain restrictions;

Also, two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the County of *Simcoe*, praying that Equity powers may be conferred upon the County Courts, and the jurisdiction of the said Courts extended;

And also, praying that the appointment of Inspector of Tavern Licenses may be vested in the County Councils and that the revenue arising from the issue of such Licenses may be available for County purposes;

And a Petition from the British Fire Assurance Company, praying for certain amendments to the acts which govern the said Company.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table,

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the *Carouge Pier and Wharf* Company praying for an act granting them additional powers and privileges;

Also, a Petition from *John Lambert* and others, interested in the Trade Navigation and Agriculture of the District of *Quebec*, praying that a public Wharf, may be

constructed by the Board of Works at the *Old Bic* Harbour ;

Also, a Petition from the Female Orphan Asylum at *Quebec*, praying for aid in behalf of the said Institution ;

And also, a Petition from the Ladies Committee of the *Quebec* Infant School, praying for aid in behalf of that Institution.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Pierre Gamelin*, praying to be paid the sum of £300 due to him as late Clerk of the Municipal Council of the District of *Saint John* ;

Also a Petition from the Mayor and Councillors of the second Municipal Division of the County of *Saguenay*, praying for appropriations for certain Roads and Bridges in that County ;

Also a Petition from *A. Simard* and others, praying to be incorporated as *La Société des Dames Charitable de la Paroisse de St. Etienne de la Malbaie* ;

Also, a Petition from *Augustin Dufourd* and others, of *Isle aux Coudres*, in the County of *Saguenay*, praying that the Seigniors in *Lower Canada*, may be indemnified for the loss of their rights at the expense of the Province and not of the *Censitaires* and that the later may not be compelled to commute with the former ;

Also, a Petition from *Marie Anne Marcelle Mallet* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying to be incorporated as "*Les Sœurs de la Charité de Québec*," ;

Also, a Petition from the Mayor and Councillors of the Municipality of *Rimouski*, No 1. praying for a grant to the Parish of *St. Jean-Baptiste de l'Isle Verte*, towards re-building of the Bridge over *Green River* ;

And also, a Petition from the Mayor and Councillors of the Municipality of *Rimouski*, No. 1. praying for a grant to the Parish of *Trois Pistoles*, for the re-building of the Bridge over the River of that name.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Gaspé*, for the year 1851.

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 from the *Guelph* and *Arthur* Road Company, from the 1st June, 1851, to the 25th August, 1852.

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 the Annual Report of the proceedings of the County Agricultural Society, of the County of *Berthier*;

And also, the annual Report of the proceedings of the County Agricultural Society No. 2, of the County of *Dorchester*.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *Flavien Vallerand*, of the City of *Quebec*, praying to be paid the Sum of £50 due to him as late Clerk of the Municipal Council of the District of *Richelieu*;

And also, a Petition from *Joseph Eusèbe Leblanc*, of the Parish of *St. Charles*, in the District of *Montreal*, praying to be paid the Sum of £100 and upwards due to him as late Clerk of the Council of the Municipal District of *Richelieu*;

And also, a Petition from Colonel *Gordon Higgins*, Royal Artillery, President of the Military Asylum and others members of the acting Committee of said Asylum, praying for the passing of an Act to Incorporate the said Institution with certain powers.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, presented a Petition from *Patrick Brennan* and others of *Montreal*, manufacturers of Pot and Pearl Ashes, praying that an amendment may be made to the present Act regulating the inspection of Pot and Pearl Ashes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Simcoe*, praying for a further extension of the Jurisdiction of the Division Court Law of 1849.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Reverend *J. H. Prevost* and others, of the City of *Montreal*, praying to be incorporated as "La Congrégation des hommes de Ville Marie."

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Wednesday, 1st September, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.
PINHEY,

The Honorable Messieurs

MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

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

The same was then read as follows :—

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE,

The Governor-General transmits for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council, copies of the several Despatches enumerated in the accompanying Schedule.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Quebec, 31st August, 1852.

SCHEDULE OF DESPATCHES

Accompanying the Governor General's Message to the Legislative Council of the 31st August, 1852.

Earl *Grey* to the Earl of *Elgin*, 3rd Jany., 1852, (Extract) transmitting in reply to the Address of the Legislative Council, copies of certain correspondence on the subject of Seigniorial Tenure.

(*Vide Appendix, No. 2.*)

Earl *Grey* to the Earl of *Elgin*, Circular, 9th December, 1851, transmitting copy of a Letter from Her Majesty's Commissioners for the Exhibition of 1851.

Sir *John Pakington* to the Earl of *Elgin*, No. 12, 22nd April, 1852, on the subject of the Clergy Reserves.

The Earl of *Elgin* to Earl *Grey*, 26 Feby., 1852, enclosing a Minute of the Executive Council, advising that Mr. *Hincks*, Inspector General, should proceed to England to confer with

Her

Her Majesty's Government on the subject of aid to be granted to British American Railways.

Earl Grey to the Earl of *Elgin*, No. 689, 20 Feby., 1852, forwarding the copy of a Letter addressed to Mr. *Hincks*, dated 20th Feby., 1852.

Sir *J. Pakington* to the Earl of *Elgin*, No. 25, 20th May, 1852, communicating the decision of Her Majesty's Government on the proposals of the Provincial Delegates with reference to the Imperial aid required for the construction of the *Halifax* and *Quebec* Railway.

Sir *J. Pakington* to the Earl of *Elgin*, No. 47, 17th July, 1852, transmitting copy of a Treasury Minute, on the establishment of a uniform, currency, for British North America.

Sir *J. Pakington*, No. 48, 17 July 1852, Stating with reference to the above Despatch that he will defer submitting to the *Queen* the Provincial Act for establishing the decimal system in the Currency of Canada.

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Municipality of the Borough of *William Henry* commonly called *Sorel*, praying that the said Borough may be Incorporated as the Town of *Sorel*;

Also, a Petition from *J. S. Vallee* and others, of the Parish of *St. Thomas*, in the County of *l'Islet*, praying for a grant for the repair and extension of a Road to the Township of *Montmini*, through the wild lands in rear of that Parish;

Also, a Petition from *Joseph Giroux* and others, of the of Town of *Three Rivers*, praying for the enactment of a Law to give effect to certain Resolutions for the erection of a Bishopric and a Cathedral Church adopted by the parishioners of the Roman Catholic Parish of *Three Rivers*;

Also, a Petition from *François Boucher* and others of the Parish of *St. Joseph de Maskinongé* in the County of *St. Maurice*, praying for an Act to authorize the partition of the Common of *Maskinongé*;

Also, a Petition from *Ls. Guillet* and others, of the Parishes of *Ste. Anne* and *St. François Xavier de Batiscan* in the County of *Champlain*, praying that all proprietors of public Bridges in this Province may be compelled by law to commute with individuals for tolls on such Bridges by the year;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Municipality of the Town of *Three Rivers* praying for certain amendments in the Ordinances and Act of *Lower Canada* for preventing accidents by fire in so far as they affect that Town;

Also

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Ed Chabot* and others of the County of *Nicolet*, praying for aid towards the opening of a Road through the Township of *Maddington* ;

Also, a Petition from *André Antoine Asselin*, of the Parish of *St. François Xavier du Lac St. Pierre* in the County of *Yamaska*, praying for arrears of Salary as a School Master ;

Also, a Petition from *Eleazar Hays* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de Soulanges* in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for the removal of abuses which have crept into the system of the Seigniorial tenure of lands in *Lower Canada* ;

Also, a Petition from *Joseph Bedard* and others of the Parishes of *Ste. Catherine and St. Raymond*, in the County of *Portneuf*, praying for aid towards the opening of a Road and the building of a Bridge between those Parishes ;

Also, a Petition from *M. Garand* and others, of the Parish of *Vaudreuil* in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for the removal of abuses which have crept into the system of the Seigniorial tenure of lands in *Lower Canada* ;

And also, a Petition from *Jacques Viger* and another, of the City of *Montreal*, praying for aid to l'Association de l'Ecole de *St. Jacques*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Pinhey* presented a Petition from *Alexander Wilson* and others of the Township of *Onslow*, praying that a new survey of the Sixth and Seventh Concessions of the said Township may be made and the lines permanently established ;

Also, a Petition from the Sisters of Charity in *Bytown*, praying for pecuniary aid towards the maintenance of their Establishment ;

Also, a Petition from *L. McConkie* and others, of the County of *Ottawa Lower Canada*, praying for the construction of a road from *Grenville* to *Fort William* and generally to improved the road lading from the *Upper Ottawa to Montreal* ;

And also, a Petition from the Roman Catholic Clergy of both banks of the *Ottawa*, praying for pecuniary aid in behalf of the College in *Bytown*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *J. B. Chartré* and others of the Parish of *St. Pierre les Becquets*, in the County of *Nicolet* ;

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *P. L. Lahaye* and others of the Townships of *Stanford, Somerset, Blandford* and *Bulstrode* and of several Parishes in the Counties of *Nicolet* and *Lotbinière*, praying for aid towards the repair of the *Great Blandford* road and the erection of a bridge over the River *Becancour* on the line of that Road ;

And also, a Petition from *J. Adams* and others, of the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, praying for aid to construct a Rail-road from the *Georgian Bay* through the Township of *Lavant*, thence to the Grand Trunk Rail-way at *Perth*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *R. M. Boucher* and others, of the Townships of *Cramahe* and *Haldimand*, praying that certain lots in the Township of *Haldimand* may be annexed to the Township of *Cramahe*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from *Abraham Bockus* and others, of *Osnabruck*, praying that except for Medecinal or Mechanical purposes, the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited ;

And also, a Petition from *Jacob Brown* and others of *Osnabruck*, praying to be compensated for damages sustained by them from the unlawful proceedings of the labourers employed in constructing the *St. Lawrence Canal*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *N. P. Vidal* and others, in the Tompship of *Moore*, praying that a certain Government allowance for road in said Township may be closed up and granted to certain parties in lieu of that taken and now in use.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Corporation of the *Montreal General Hospital*, praying for the usual Government grant in aid of said Institution.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the City of *Toronto Gas Light and Water Company*, praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation ;

Also, three Petitions from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron*, *Perth*, and *Bruce*, praying that the Jurors' Acts of *Upper Canada*, may either be amended or repealed ;

Also, praying that the Salaries of all County offices may be henceforth placed under the control of the County Councils ;

And also, praying that the Act requiring the annual appointment of Constables for each County may be repealed, and that the Magistrates in Quarter Sessions may be empowered to appoint such Constables who shall retain their offices until discharged therefrom by competent authority ;

And

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Town of *Amherstburg*, praying for authority to dispose of the present market site and purchase another in a more eligible situation,

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *David Shank* and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Cumberland*, praying that the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Reverend *F. Béland* and others, of the County of *Lotbinière* praying for a grant of £200 to rebuild a bridge called *Pont de Gaspard* in the Parish of *Ste. Croix* ;

And also, a Petition from *Antoine Monfet* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Croix*, in the County of *Lotbinière*, praying for a grant towards the completion of a road through the centre of the Seigniorship of *Ste. Croix*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House the Reports of the Geological Survey of *Canada* for the years 1850-51.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the *Northumberland* and *Durham* Saving's Bank to the first June 1852.

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 the annual Report of the County Agriculture Society of the County of *Nicolet*.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Essex* and *Lambton*, praying that an Act may be passed legalizing certain By-laws of the Western District Council.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the Agricultural Society of the Southern Division of the County of *Sherbrooke* No. 1, for the year 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from the Honorable *John Elmsley* and others, Roman Catholic inhabitants of the Diocese of *Toronto*, praying that the 19th Section of the Common School Act of *Upper Canada*, may be amended and that the rights and privileges of separate schools may be clearly and distinctly defined.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Ordered, that the Message and Despatches transmitted this day by His Excellency the Governor General, be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

The Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Thursday, 2nd September, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,

PINHEY,

MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,

MILLS.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first standing order.

Friday, 3rd September, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

PINHEY,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the *Toronto and Guelph* Railway Company, praying that power may be granted to them to extend their Railway from *Guelph* to some point or points on Lake *Huron* on the River *St. Clair* ;

And also, a Petition from the Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company, praying for the amendment of their Charter.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *James Hamilton* and others, Devises in trust of the last will and testament of the late *Peter H. Hamilton*, Esquire, of the City of *Hamilton*, praying that the original Road allowance between Lots Nos. fourteen and fifteen in the fourth Concession of the Township of *Barton* may be ceded to them as such Devises aforesaid, in consideration of an allowance for Road having been surrendered in his life time by the said *Peter Hamilton* Esquire, through a more accessible portion of his Estate and for which an equivalent has been granted either to him or his representatives ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Charles Rollit* and others, of the Township of *Rawdon* ;

Also, a Petition from *John C. Ball* and others, of the Township of *Niagara* ;

Also, a Petition from *John Farnsworth* and others, of the Township of *Hungerford* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *A. F. Atkinson* and others, of *St. Catharines* ;

Also, a Petition from *William Brown* and others, of the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew* ;

Also

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *James Love* and others, Members of the Presbyterian Church of *Mono Centre* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *William Mildrum* and others, Members of the Congregation of *Puslinch* in connection with the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *James Thorn* and others, Members of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church at *Three Rivers*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland* ;

Also, a Petition from *Henry Steven* and others, of the Village of *Warsaw* in the Township of *Dummer* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *William Gundy* and others, Members of the Wesleyan Methodist new connection Church of the Township of *Cavan* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *R. S. Tucker* and others, of the County of *Ontario* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *James Elliott* and others, Members of the Wesleyan Methodist Congregation of *Prescott* ;

Also, a Petition from *J. Easton* and others, of the Town of *Prescott*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day ;

Also, a Petition from the Moderator and members of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, praying that all Acts of Parliament which formerly recognize or sanction the Religious Holydays of the Church of *Rome* may be amended or repealed ;

And also, a Petition from the Moderator and Members of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes, the importation, manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from *William Boyne* and others, of *Richmond Hill* and its vicinity ;

Also, a Petition from *J. Bickell* and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Markham* ;

And also, a Petition from *Richard J. Doyle* and others, of *Oshawa*, severally praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented three Petitions from *Isaac Buchanan*, President of the Board of Trade and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, praying that an

Act may be passed for the purpose of Making a Canal to unite Lakes *Superior* and *Huron* ;

Also, praying that a Bill may be passed rescinding the Tolls on the *Burlington* Canal, under such regulations as may seem advisable ; and also praying that the Usury Laws may be abolished ;

Also, a Petition from *John Mills* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate a company to supply the said City with water ;

Also, a Petition from *A. Jeffry* and others, of the Town of *Cobourg* and Township of *Hamilton* ;

And also, a Petition from *M. Anderson* and others, of the Town of *London*, severally praying that an Act may be passed prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table,

The Honorable Mr. *Pinhey* presented a Petition from the Committee of Management of the National School in *Quebec*, praying for parliamentary aid ;

Also, a Petition from *James Duncan* and others, of *Amherstburg* ;

Also, a Petition from *Margaret Doherty* and others, females of the said Town, severally praying, that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes, the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited ;

Also, a Petition from the Mayor and Town Council of *Bytown*, praying that the said Town may be established as a City under the name of *Ottawa* ;

Also, a Petition from the Ladies managers of the male Orphan Asylum in *Quebec*, praying for aid towards the said Institution ;

Also, four Petitions from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Lincoln* and *Welland*, praying that the tax levied for the maintenances of the Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto* may be reduced ;

Also, praying that an Act may be passed to enable the County Council to alienate original allowances for Roads in return for Lands ceded for the like purposes ;

Also, praying that the Jurisdiction of the Division Courts may be extended ;

And also, praying for the modification of the Assessment Act.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table,

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *S. S. Foster* and others, of the County of *Shefford*, praying for an Act to construct a Rail-road from opposite *Montreal* via *Chambly* to the Province line ;

Also, a Petition from the *Montreal Ladies Benevolent Society*, praying for pecuniary aid ;

Also, a Petition from the Corporation of the College of *l'Assomption* praying for an increase in the annual grant to that College ;

Also, a Petition from the Widow of *Olivier Blais*, of the parish of *Saint Roch*, in the City of *Quebec*, praying to be re-imbursed a sum of £49 9 1 paid by her for costs in consequence of the clerical error in the English version of the Act 13 & 14 Vict. cap. 96, corrected by 14 & 15 Vict. cap. 101 ;

Also, a Petition from *Louis Carrier* and others, of the parish of *Saint Roch* in the City of *Quebec*, praying for an Act to regulate the elections of Church Wardens, in that parish ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Antoine Gosselin* and others, of the *Island of Orleans*, praying that a Wharf may be built by the Board of Works at *Rivière Lafleur*, in that Island ;

Also, a Petition from *Joseph Hamel* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying to be incorporated as "*La Chambre de Lecture de St. Roch.*"

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *N. C. Fortier* and others, of the county of *Bellechasse*, praying for aid towards the building of an Academy in the Village of *Saint Michel* ;

And also, a Petition from the Corporation of the College of *l'Assomption* ; praying for an amendment to their Act of incorporation.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented to the House the Annual Report of the Agricultural Society No. 1, of the County of *Two Mountains*, for the year 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from the Mayor, Citizens and Aldermen of the City of *Montreal*, praying that the Act 13th and 14th Vict. Cap. 115, may be amended so as to enable them to consolidate the debt of the said City, and to effect a loan for certain purposes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Stormont, Dundas* and *Glengarry*, praying that the Road and Bridge along the north border of Lake *St. François* may be repaired.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from the *Industry Village* and *Rawdon* Rail-road Company, praying that certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation may be granted.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *W. Newell* and others, Traders, of the City of *Quebec*, praying for certain amendments to the Act 9th Vict. cap. 22, which prohibits Hawkers and Pedlers from selling goods. in the City of *Quebec* ;

And also, a Petition from *Murdoch McKenzie*, of the City of *Quebec*, lately a Sergeant in the 103rd Regiment, praying for indemnification for loss sustained by him during the fire of 1845.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Murray*, praying that the Peninsular of *Presq-Isle* may be attached to the original Township of *Cramahe* and to allow that portion of the *Gore* of *Murray* lying east of the River *Trent*, to remain attached to the Township of *Seymour*, and also that the remaining portion of the original Township of *Murray*, now forming part of the Township of *Brighton* may be restored to its former limits.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the Mechanics' Institute of *Montreal*, made up in the 1st September 1852.

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 from the *Montreal* Provident and Savings Bank made to the 31st August 1852.

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 from the *Terrebonne* County Agricultural Society, for the years 1851 and 1852 ; and also a Return from the Agricultural Society of *Megantic*, for the years 1851 and 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *John Nicholson*, and others, of the County of *Dorchester*, praying for aid towards the construction of Roads and Bridges in the Township of *Frampton* ;

Also, a Petition from *Thomas Simard* and others, of the County of *Saguenay*, praying that the Provincial Government may interpose between the *Seigniors* and their *censitaires* for the purpose of abolishing the Seigniorial tenure in *Lower Canada*,

Canada, by advancing the compensation to be paid to the former for the surrender of their claims against the latter ;

Also, a Petition from *William Blight* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying that a Law may be passed prohibiting interments in certain burial grounds within the limits of that City ;

Also, a Petition from the Sisters of Mercy, having charge of the Lying-in-Hospital of *Ste. Pélagie* at *Montreal*, praying for a grant towards the erection of a suitable building for the reception of their patients ;

Also, a Petition from the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal*, praying that the annual grant of one thousand pounds to the *Montreal* General Hospital, may in future be divided between it and the *St. Patrick's* Hospital in that City.

And also, a Petition from *John Corbet* and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Biddulph* and *McGillivray*, praying that the said Townships may be detached from the County of *Huron* and annexed to the County of *Middlesex*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Pinhey* presented to the House a Bill intituled, " An Act to legalize and continue the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *Torbolton*." The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Laurin* and others, with a Bill intituled, " An Act to provide an efficient remedy against any inconveniences which might result from the destruction of certain Registers of the Parish of *St. Louis de Lotbinière*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Monday, 6th September, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
PINHEY,

The Honorable Messieurs

MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Shefford*, praying that Courts of unlimited Civil Jurisdiction and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, may be established in the said County.

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Shefford*, praying that the road from *Longueuil* to the Village of *Granby*, may be repaired ;

Also, a Petition from *Jean Renaud* and others, of the County of *Montmorency*, praying that the public road between the Counties of *Montmorency* and *Saguenay* may be completed at the expense of the Province ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *P. de Villers* and others, of the Townships of *Chester* and *Arthabaska*, in the County of *Drummond*, praying that the *Gosford* and *Blanford* roads may be repaired, and a Bridge built over the River *Becancour* at the expense of the Province ;

Also, a Petition from *Julien Chabot* and others, of the parish of *Saint Joseph of Point Levi*, praying that the owners of Steam Ferry Boats and Tow Boats plying in the Port of *Quebec*, may be relieved from the necessity of having the hulls, boilers and engines thereof inspected;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Joseph Tardif* and others, of the Parishes of *La Sainte Famille* and *Saint Pierre*, on the *Island of Orleans*, praying for an Act to protect them from the depredations of Sportsmen frequenting the beach in front of their properties ;

Also, a Petition from the *Three Rivers Academy*, praying for pecuniary aid ;

And

And also, a Petition from the *Clarenceville* Academy, praying for pecuniary aid ;
Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presentend a Petition from the Reverend *George Cheyne* and others, of the Townships of *Saltfleet* and *Binbrooke*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day ;

Also, a Petition from *E. Hart*, a Prisoner confined in the Goal at *Hamilton* for Debt, praying for relief ;

Also, a Petition from *John Cook* and others, inhabitants of the Village of *Mount Pleasant*, praying that the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors, except for Mechanical or Medicinal purposes may be prohibited ;

Also, a Petition from the *Trafalgar, Esquesing* and *Erin* Road Company, praying that the Act establishing a Provincial Post may be amended, so as to enable them to collect toll on conveyances carrying the Provincial Mails ;

And also, a Petition from *A. Huntingdon* and others, inhabitants of the County of *Brant*, praying that the Act 13th and 14th Vict. Cap. 74, intituled : " An Act for " the protection of the Indians in *Upper Canada* may be amended."

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* presented a Petition from *John Ross* patentee and manufacturer of artificial slate and metallic paints, praying that a certain sum levied for duties on the said articles when imported from *Nova Scotia* may be refunded to him.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Pinhey* presented a Petition from *Alexander Workman* and others, of *Bytown* ;

Also, a Petition from the Town Council of the Town of *Bytown* ;

Also, a Petition from *Leonard Wood* and others, of the Township of *Osgoode* ;

And also, a Petition from *Andrew Russell* and others, of the Township of *Pakenham*, severally praying that a Canal of the dimensions of the *St. Lawrence* Canals may be constructed to connect the River *St. Lawrence* with Lake *Champlain* ;

Also, a Petition from the President and Directors of the *Bytown* and *Prescott* Rail-way Company ;

Also, a Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Bytown* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipality of the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville* ;

And also, a Petition from the Council of the Township of *Osgoode*, severally praying that a loan of seventy five thousand pounds may be made to the *Bytown* and *Prescott* Rail-way Company.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *John E. Bangs*, of the Township of *Stanbridge*, praying for certain amendments to the Act regulating the practice of Physic in *Lower Canada* ;

And also, a Petition from *F. A. Cutler* and *Richard Hutchinson*, Physicians, of the Township of *Sutton*, in the County of *Shefford*, praying that an Act may be passed granting them the same privileges and immunities as those granted last session to certain Physicians in the Counties of *Sherbrooke* and *Stanstead* ;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented to the House a Return from the Agricultural Society of the County of *Missisquoi*, acting as the *Montreal* District Agricultural Society ;

Also, a Return from the County of *Missisquoi* Agricultural Society, for the year 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *A. Jeffray* and others inhabitants of the Counties of *Norhumberland* and *Peterborough*, praying to be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a Rail-way from *Peterborough* to *Coburg* ;

Also, four Petitions from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Lincoln* and *Welland*, praying for certain amendments to the present Jury Laws.

Also, praying for certain alterations in the Act regulating the Licensing of Public Houses ;

Also, praying for an investigation into certain alleged abuses in connection with the Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto* ;

And also, praying that a certain sum due by the Government to the Treasurer of the said Counties may be paid ;

Also, a Petition from *J. Braithwaite* and others, of the Township of *Hamilton* ;

Also, a Petition from *J. Richard* and others, of the said Township of *Hamilton*, severally praying that an Act may be passed authorizing the Municipality of the said Township to appoint two or more competent Surveyors to ascertain the line between certain concessions ;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Stamford*, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Act.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the *St. Laurent and Village of Industry* Rail-road Company made up to the 12th January 1852.

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 from the Agricultural Society of the County of *Richelieu* for the years 1851 and 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

Ordered, that the Honorable the Speaker be requested to examine the Rules and Regulations lately adopted by the Legislative Assembly as to the Public Notices to be given and steps adopted in passing private Bills with a view to ascertain if one uniform mode of such Public Notices and passing of such Bills could be made applicable to both branches of the Legislature so as to simplify and facilitate such business and to Report his opinion thereon to the House, with any further suggestions he may think proper to submit to the House on the subject.

Ordered, that leave be granted for the Presentation of Petitions on private Bills at any time within thirty days from this date.

The order of the day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled: "An Act to provide an efficient remedy any in conveniences which might result from the destruction of certain Registers in the Parish of *St. Louis de Lotbinière*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

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

Tuesday, 7th September, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.
PINHEY,
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *Peter Shaver* and others, of the Township of *Matilda* ;

Also, a Petition from *Jacob J. Mickle* and others, of the County of *Dundas* ;

And also, a Petition from *Samuel Ault* and others, of the Township of *Osnabrock*, severally praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House the Public Accounts for the year 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Wentworth*, *Halton* and *Brant*, praying that a general revision and simplification of all the laws now in force may be made ;

Also, praying that the office of Inspector of Licenses may be abolished, and the issue of Licenses placed under the control of the Municipality.

Also, a Petition from the Town Council of the Town of *Brantford*, praying that the cost and charge of the Grand River improvements may be assumed by the Government, and that the work may become a Public Provincial one ;

Also, a Petition from *Thomas Smith* and others, of the Village of *Mitchel* ;

Also, a Petition from *John Elliot* and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Bayham* ;

And

And also, a Petition from *Robert Spence* and others, inhabitants of *Dundas* in the County of *Wenworth*, severally praying that a Law may be passed similar in its provisions to that adopted by the Legislature of the State of Maine for the suppression of drinking houses and tipping shops.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Pinhey* presented a Petition from *Daniel Snyder* and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Colchester*, praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Stormont*, *Dundas* and *Glengarry*, praying that the Common School and Jury Acts may be amended and the Municipal Laws consolidated and reduced into one Act.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Reverend *N. C. Fortier* and others, praying that a Pier may be constructed on the shore of the River *St. Lawrence* at the Parish of *St. Michel* in the County of *Bellechasse* ;

Also, a Petition from *Janvier Brisebois* and others, of the Parish of *la Pointe Claire*, praying for a grant of money to enable them to purchase a site for a School House in that Parish ;

Also, a Petition from *Joseph Blais* of the Parish of *Saint Pierre Rivière du Sud* in the County of *l'Islet*, praying for an Act to regulate the distribution of bequests for charitable uses in *Lower Canada* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Quebec* and others, praying that the Road called "*Route Ste. Claire*," in that County may be macadamized at the expense of the Province ;

Also, a Petition from the *Quebec* School of Medicine, praying for pecuniary aid ;

Also, a Petition from *Alexis De Rousselle* and others, of the County of *Quebec*, praying that the Road called "*Route de Lava*!" may be macadamized and placed under the control of the Trustees of the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads ;

Also, a Petition from *J. Kirwan* and others, Roman Catholic inhabitants of the Town of *London*, praying that the 19th Section of the Common School Act of *Upper Canada* may be amended ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *F. Duroche* and others, of the Townships of *Bagot* and *Chicoutimi* in the County of *Saguenay*, praying for aid to complete the *Sydenham* Road, and build a Bridge over the River called "*Rivière à Mars*," on the line of that Road ;

And

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *A. Groulx* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Benoit*, in the District of *Montreal*, praying to be indemnified for the destruction of their Church by the Queen's Troops in December 1837.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* presented a Petition from the Ladies of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid ;

And also, a Petition from *Francis C. T. Arnoldi*, M. D. and others, Lecturers in the *St. Lawrence* School of Medicine, in the City of *Montreal*, praying that in regard to pecuniary assistance the said School may be placed on the same footing with other Medical Schools in *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the City Bank, made up the 31st August 1852.

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 from the Agricultural Society of the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, made up to the month of February 1852.

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 from the British America Fire and Life Assurance Company, made up to the 30th June 1852.

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 from the *St. Lawrence* Inland Marine Assurance Company, for the year 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker reported to the House that he had received a communication from the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the *Quebec* Library Association informing him that the said Association have resolved that their Library and Reading Room shall be open to the Members of this House so long as the Parliament shall continue in *Quebec*.

Ordered, that the thanks of this House be communicated by the Honorable the Speaker to the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the *Quebec* Library Association for the above offer of their Library and Reading Room.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *André Brien* and others, of the augmentation of the Townships of *Kildare* and *Cathcart* in the Parish of *Saint*

Saint Alphonse, praying that lots of land in those Townships may be granted gratuitously and that Roads may be made there at the expense of the Province.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, in the following words viz :—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Wednesday, 1st September, 1852.

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*, the Honorable Mr. *Morin*, the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* of *Kingston*, the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, Mr. Solicitor General *Chauveau* and Mr. *Cauchon*, be appointed 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 on behalf of this House as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses for the regulation and management of the Library.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, communicating to their honors a copy of the foregoing Resolution appointing certain Members to act on behalf of this House as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses for the direction of the Library of Parliament; and requesting their honors to appoint Members of their honorable body to unite with the Members of this House therein named, for the said purpose.

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

(Attest)

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Assembly.

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 said Message being then read by the Clerk.

It was moved,

That the Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *J. Morris*, *Boulton*, and *Tache*, be appointed to Act on behalf of this House as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses for the regulation and management of the Parliamentary Library, and to unite with the Members of the Legislative Assembly named for the same purpose by the Resolution of which a copy is contained in the Message on that subject, this day received from that House.

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

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

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize and continue the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *Torbolton*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Pinhey*, *Boulton* and *Matheson*, to meet and ajourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide an efficient remedy against any inconveniences which might result from the destruction of certain Registers of the parish of *St. Louis de Lotbinière*," was read a second time.

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

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

Wednesday, 8th September, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,

MOORE,

WALKER,

IRVING,

PINHEY,

The Honorable Messieurs

MATHESON,

TACHÉ,

DE BEAUJEU,

MILLS.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented to the House a Return of the Commutations of Tenure, effected within the Censive of the late order of Jesuits in the District of *Three Rivers*, from the 1st May 1851 to the 31st July 1852 ;

Also, a Return of the Commutations of Tenure within the Seigniory of *Lauzon*, for the same period.

Also, a Return of the Commutations of Tenure effected within the Censive of the late order of Jesuits in the District of *Quebec*, for the same period.

Also, a Return of the Commutations of Tenure effected within the censive of the late order of Jesuits in the District of *Montreal*, for the same period.

And also, a Return of the Commutations effected within the Crown Domain, in the Censive of *Quebec*, from the 1st May to the 31st December 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Samuel Andrews* and others, of the County of *Chambly*, praying for the construction of a Rail-way from *Montreal* via *Chambly* to *Lake Memphremagog* ;

And also, a Petition from *Thomas Ducheneau* and others, of the parishes of *Sainte Anne de Lachine* and *La Pointe Claire*, praying that the Road leading from *Lachine* to *Ste. Annes*, may be macadamized at the expense of the Province and tolls levied thereon.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *R. Rowland* and others, inhabitants of the Town of *Stratford* ;

Also, a Petition from the "Grand River Association of Regular Baptists," praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes, the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited ;

And also, a Petition from *John A. Wilkes*, of the Town of *Brantford*, praying that authority may be given him to place dams and other erections upon his land in or across the River *North Sydenham* and *Black Creek*, for the purpose of obtaining hydraulic power.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the *Quebec* British and Canadian School Society, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Pinhey* presented a Petition from *William McCallum* and others, Sons of Temperance, of the Township of *Lochaber* ;

Also, a Petition from *James McClaran* and others, of the Township of *Wakefield*, severally praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited ;

And also, a Petition from *Ruggles Wright* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*, praying that a Canal of the dimensions of the *St. Lawrence* Canals may be constructed to connect the Waters of the *St. Lawrence* with *Lake Champlain*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* presented a Petition from *J. N. Parent* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Zotique*, in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for the

the removal of abuses which have crept into the system of the Seigniorial tenure of lands in *Lower Canada*;

Also, a Petition from *John Birmingham* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Zotique*, in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for compensation for damage done to their properties by the erection of a Dam at the head of the *Beauharnois* Canal.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Guelph*, praying for certain amendments to the Jury Law.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *A. Kilborne* and others, praying for a charter, for the construction of a Rail-road from opposite *Montreal* via *Chambly* and outlet of Lake *Memphremagog*, to the Province line at *Stanstead*;

And also, a Petition from *A. Turks* and others, of the Township of *Brompton*, praying for aid towards the support of a Model School in the said Township.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the *Montreal* and *Lachine* Rail-road Company, made up from the 14th April to the 31st December 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented to the House the Annual Return of "La Communauté des Secours de *Ste. Croix*," for the year 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented to the House the Annual Return of "La Corporation de l'Académie Industrielle de *Saint Laurent*," made up to the 4th September 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Jean Baptiste St. Germain*, praying for pecuniary aid to "La Corporation de l'Académie Industrielle de *Saint Laurent*."

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* presented a Petition from the *Montreal* School of Medicine and Surgery, praying for pecuniary aid;

And also, a Petition from the Sisters of Charity administering the General Hospital at *Montreal*, praying for a renewal of the allowance formerly made to them, for the support of foundlings and other objects of charity.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Taché* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to declare the intention of the Law organizing the Notarial Profession, with respect to the study of that Profession." to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Burnham* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to confer certain powers on Municipal Corporation and Companies to take materials to repair Roads," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill be read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act for avoiding doubts which might otherwise arise from the Act making alterations in the Territorial Divisions of Upper Canada, having come into effect since the last general election" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

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. *Pinhey* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to legalize and continue the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *Torbolton*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide an efficient remedy against any inconveniences which might result from the destruction of certain Registers of the Parish of *St. Louis de Lotbinière*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *Bruce, McMurrich* and company, and others of *Toronto*, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Act of 1851;

And also, a Petition from *Mary Ann Watts* and others, of the Town of *Niagara*, praying that an Act may be passed to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors, except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Thursday

Thursday, 9th September, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

PINHEY,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first standing order.

Friday, 10th September, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.
PINHEY,
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *Jacob Vanalstone* and others, of the Town of *London*;

And also, a Petition from *Gordon Jerviss* and others, of the Township of *Oxford*, severally praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from *Duncan McKinley* and others, of the Townships of *Oro* and *Medonte* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *John Gray* and others, of *Orillia*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day ;

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *John Gray* and others, of the Township of *Orillia*, praying that some such Act as the "Maine Liquor Law" may be passed in this Province for the suppression of intemperance.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table,

The Honorable Mr. *Pinhey* presented a Petition from *William Wilson*, late Treasurer of the District of *St. Johns*, praying for remuneration for his services ;

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *Frederick Mack* and others, of the Town of *Amherstburg*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *William Reed* and others, of *Picton* ;

And also, a Petition from *Archibald Petrie* and others, of the Township of *Cumberland*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Thomas Dickson* and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Caledon*, praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture importation and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from Bishop's College, *Lennoxville*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from *A. M. Delisle* and *W. B. Brehaut*, Clerk of the Peace of the District of *Montreal*, praying that they may be indemnified for certain losses occasioned by the operation of the Act 13th & 14th Vict. cap. 37, and that their salary may be placed on a permanent and certain footing ;

And also, a Petition from the University Lying in Hospital of *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented to the House the Annual Report of the Directors of the *Lower Canada Agricultural Society* made up to the 19th May 1852,

Ordered

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Chiefs and Warriors of the Six Nations Indians residing on the Grand River, praying that the Act for the protection of the Indian lands and property may not be repealed ;

Also, a Petition from *François D'Aigle* and *Alexis Dufresne*, praying for the privilege of building a Toll Bridge over the River *Yamaska* ;

Also, a Petition from *Joseph Fugere* and others, inhabitants of the Parish of *St. Stanislas* in the County of *Champlain*, praying for aid to construct a Bridge over the River *Batiscan* ;

Also, a Petition from the Corporation of the Canadien Institute of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid.

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *O. Larue* and others, inhabitants of the Parish of *Gentilly*, praying for aid to improve the Road from *Gentilly* to the River *Bécancour*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *G. Jackson* and others, of the Townships of *Bentinck*, *Glenelg*, *Egremont*, and adjoining Townships ;

Also, a Petition, from *J. Baynes* and others, of *Galt* and its vicinity, severally praying that the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited, except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes ;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Brant* and of the Town and Township of *Brantford*, and of certain Freeholders and inhabitants residing between the Township of *Ancaster* and the Town of *Goderich*, praying that a special charter may be granted to the *Brantford* and *Buffalo* Joint Stock Rail-road, Company to construct a Rail-road from Fort *Erie* to the Town of *Goderich*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from the Roman Catholic Bishop and others, being the Catholic Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of *Kingston*, praying that the provisio in the School Act for authorising separate Schools in *Upper Canada* may be amended, and that a separate Board of Education may be established for the Roman Catholic inhabitants thereof.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *M. Rosevear* and others, of the Township of *Hamilton*. praying that the line established by *J. K. Roche* Deputy Provincial Surveyor between the 6th and 7th concessions of the said Township may be remain and be established as the proper line.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from *N. Macdonald* and others, inhabitants of the Town of *Brockville* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *John McMurray* and others, of the Free Presbyterian Congregation in *Brockville* ;

Also, a Petition, from the Reverend *W. Fraser* and others, of the United Presbyterian Church of the Township of *West Gwillimbury*, severally praying for the abolition of all labour in the Post Office Department on the Lord's Day ;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville*, praying that an Act may be passed authorizing the construction of a Rail-road from the *St. Lawrence* to Lake *Huron* ;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *Hector L. Langevin* of the City of *Quebec*, Advocate, praying for the passing of an Act to indemnify the creditors of the late Municipal Councils in *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from *W. Ellerbeck* and others, of the Town of *Brockville*, praying that an Act may be passed prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes ;

Also a Petition from the *Montreal Cemetary Company*, praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation ;

Also, a Petition from *H. Allan*, Chairman of the Delegates from the Boards of Trade assembled at *Quebec*, praying for such alterations in the Tariff as will promote the trade and prosperity of the Country ;

And also, a Petition from *William Mathie* and others, residing in *Canada West* praying that a Company may be formed for the purpose of constructing a Canal from *Prescott* to the *Georgian Bay* on Lake *Huron*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *R. Kneeshaw* and others, of *St. Andrews* ;

And also, a Petition from *R. Watson* and others, of *Lachute*, severally praying that an Act may be passed prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, " An Act to legalize and continue the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *Torbolton*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered,

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to declare the intention of the Law organizing the Notarial Profession, with respect to the study of that profession, was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Taché, De Beaujeu and Ross*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to confer certain powers on Municipal Corporations and Companies to take materials to repair Roads," was read a second time.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act for avoiding doubts which might otherwise arise from the Act making alterations in the Territorial Divisions of *Upper Canada*, having come into effect since the last General Election," was read a second time.

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

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

Monday, 13th September, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

PINHEY,
TACHÉ,
ROSS,
MÉTHOT.

And there being then no Quorum the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Thursday

Thursday, 14th September, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON**, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

PINHEY,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the seventy first Standing Order.

Wednesday, 15th September, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON** Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.
FERRIE,
MCKAY,
MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

PINHEY,
TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS.

PRAYERS.

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

The Honorable Mr. *W. Morris* presented a Petition from *William Sullivan Childs* and others, of *Montreal*, praying to be incorporated as the "*Montreal Manufacturing Company*," with certain exclusive powers for the manufacture of fabrics of India Rubber or Caoutchouc;

And

And also, a Petition from the Bar of *Lower Canada*, section of the District of *Montreal*, praying that with the view of abolishing the present tax for the building of the New Court House for the District of *Montreal*, a new rate may be substituted in lieu thereof, to be levied on the population and property of the District.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Dawn* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Sarnia*, severally praying that all lands set apart for ecclesiastical purposes may be immediately sold and the proceeds applied to the purposes of Education ;

Also, a Petition from *François Creighton* and others, of the Township of *Moore*, praying that the application of *William Vidal* and others, to shut up a certain Government allowance for road in the said Township, may not be favourably entertained ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *William Reid* and others, of *Picton* ;

Also, a Petition from *John Ward* and others, of the Township of *Etobicoke* ;

Also, a Petition from *John Reynolds* and others, Members of the *Bay of Quinte* annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in *Canada* ;

Also, a Petition from *Thomas Smith* and others, of the Village of *Mitchel* ;

Also, a Petition from *L. Barthel* and others, male and female inhabitants of the Township of *Ellice* ;

Also, a Petition from *Margaret Linton* and others, Female inhabitants of the Town of *Stratford*, severally praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *John Corbett* and others, of the Township of *Wakefield* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Oxford* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Cramahe* ;

Also, a Petition from *William Lymington* and others, of the Township of *Plympton* ;

Also, a Petition from *Arthur Doble* and others, of the Township of *Huntingdon* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *R. V. Rogers* and others, Members of the Congregation of *St. James' Church Kingston* ;

Also,

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Chatham* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Sarnia* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *John McLachlan* and others, of the Village of *Acton*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day ;

And also, a Petition from *John Reynolds* and others, members of the Bay *Quinte* annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in *Canada*, praying that the transmission of Her Majesty's mail and the running of Steamboats may be prohibited on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Pinhey* presented a Petition from *William Edwards* and others, of the Township of *Clarence* ;

Also, a Petition from *John Stevenson* and others, of the *Portage du Fort* ;

Also, a Petition from *Peter Morris* and others, of the Township of *MacNab*, severally praying that a Canal of the dimensions of the *St. Lawrence* Canals may be constructed to connect the Waters of the *St. Lawrence* with Lake *Champlain* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Simcoe* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Townships of *Tiny* and *Tay*, severally praying that the application of certain persons for a charter to construct a Rail-way from *Prescott* to Lake *Huron* may be granted ;

Also, a Petition from *George Wright* and others, of the County of *Peel*, praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *S. S. Strong* and others, of *Bytown*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may suspended on the Lord's Day ;

Also, five Petitions from *James A. Davidson* and others, of the Township of *Grantham*, in the County of *Lincoln*, praying that free grants of one hundred acres of land may be given to every actual Settler ;

Also, praying for the passing of an Act to establish Free Banking ;

Also, praying for the repeal of the Usury Laws ;

Also, praying for an extension of the jurisdiction of the Divisions Courts ;

And also, praying for the passing of an Act by which the awards of Arbitrators may be recorded and declared final.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from *Edward McGillivray* and others, of *Bytown* ;

And also, a Petition from *Edward McGillivray*, as chairman of a Public Meeting held at *Bytown*, severally praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

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

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council the Copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies on the subject of the protection of the Fisheries on the coasts of British *North America*.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Quebec, 13th September, 1852.

(*For Despatch Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Henry Fitzgerald* and others, Roman Catholic inhabitants of *St. Thomas*, praying for certain amendments to the Common School Act :

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *G. Gingras* and others, of the Parish of *St. Basile* in the County of *Portneuf*, praying for certain amendments in the Seigniorial Tenure of lands in *Lower Canada* ;

Also, two Petitions from *H. Simard* and others, of the Parish of *La Baie St. Paul*, in the County of *Saguenay*, praying for the construction of a Wharf in *St. Paul's Bay*, at the expense of the Province ;

Also, praying for the erection of a bridge over the River called *La Rivière du Gouffre*, at the expense of the Province ;

Also, a Petition from *Ovide André Clément* of the Parish of *La Baie St. Paul*, in the County of *Saguenay*, praying for payment of the sum of £7 . 15 . 7½ deducted by the Board of Registration and Statistics from his account for having taken the Census of the Parishes of *St. Etienne de la Malbaie* and *St. Agnès* under the provisions of the Act 14 and 15 Vict. Cap. 49 ;

Also, a Petition from *Charles Hector André Huot* of the Parish of *St. Pierre* and *St. Paul* in the County of *Saguenay*, praying for payment of the sum of £10 . 11 . 5 deducted by the Board of Registration and Statistics from his account for having taken the Census of the Parishes of *La Baie St. Paul* and *La Petite Rivière* under the provisions of the Act 14 and 15 Vict. Cap. 49 ;

And also, a Petition from the Honorable *Christopher Widmer* and others, Medical Practitioners in *Upper Canada*, praying for an Act of Incorporation similar to that Incorporating the Members of the Medical Profession in *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché*, presented to the House the Annual Report of the County Agricultural Society, No. 2, of the County of *Rouville*.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from *Charles Harper* and others, of the Township of *Albion* ;

Also, a Petition from *James Cook* and others, of *Cooksville*, severally praying that all business in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Also, a Petition from *John McGill Chambers*, of *Montagne*, in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, praying that one or more Commissioners may be appointed to hear evidence and finally settle the boundary between the fourth Concessions of *Montagne* and *North Elmsley* ;

And also, a Petition from *George Gurnett* and others, Clerks of the Peace in *Canada West*, praying that no Act may be passed having for its object the reduction of the income attached to their respective offices.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the *Toronto* Hospital, made up to the first September 1852.

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 from the Agricultural Society of the County of *Vaudreuil* made up to February 1852.

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 from the *Canada* Life Assurance Company, made up to the 6th September 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *François Lafleur* and others, of the *St. John's* Suburbs of the City of *Quebec*, praying that the Act of Incorporation of that City may be so amended as to deprive the City Council of the power of ordering that houses within its jurisdiction shall be built of Stone and Brick, and covered with incombustible materials ;

Also a Petition from *Josephine Lévêque dit Lafrance* widow of *Joseph Viger* praying for a pension as late house keeper of the Government Building known as the old Chateau in the City of *Quebec* ;

Also, a Petition from *William Delo* and others of the City of *Quebec*, praying that the Bill before the House of Assembly to regulate the business of Stevedore at the Port of *Quebec*, may be passed into a Law.

Also, a Petition from *François Normand, Jacques Normand, Edouard Normand* and *Joseph Normand*, praying to be remunerated for extra work, performed by them as contractors for the erection of the Public Bridges over the Rivers *St. Maurice, Batiscan* and *Ste. Anne de la Pêrade* ;

Also, a Petition from *Marie Frédéric Ossaye* of *La Tortue*, in the District of *Montreal*, praying for aid to enable him to publish a work on Agriculture to be called " *Les Veillées Canadiennes.*"

And also, a Petition from *Thomas Cary* of *Quebec*, praying as a creditor of the late Council of the Municipal District of *Quebec*, that an Act may be passed to provide for the payment of the debts of the late Municipal Councils in *Lower Canada.*

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker in pursuance of a Resolution adopted by this House on Monday the sixth instant, requesting him "to examine the Rules and Regulations adopted by the Legislative Assembly as to the Public Notices to be given and steps adopted in passing private Bills with a view to ascertain if one uniform mode of such Public Notices and passing of such Bills could be made applicable to both branches of the Legislature so as to simplify and facilitate such business, and to report his opinion thereon to the House with any further suggestions he may think proper to submit to the House on the subject," presented his report.

Ordered, that it be received and

The same was read by the Clerk as follows.

(*Vide Appendix No. 3.*)

Ordered

Ordered, that the said Report be referred to the Committee appointed to consider of the Orders and Customs of this House and Privileges of Parliament.

It was moved,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that a Warrant be issued in favor of the Clerk of this House for two thousand pounds to enable him to meet the contingent expenses of this House for the current year, for which he will hereafter account.

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

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

The Order of the Day being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to confer certain powers on Municipal Corporations and Companies to take materials to repair Roads."

It was moved,

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

Which being objected to,

It was moved in amendment to leave out "now" and after "time" to insert "this day fortnight."

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) it was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for avoiding doubts which might otherwise arise from the Act making alterations in the Territorial Divisions of *Upper Canada*, having come into effect since the last General Election" was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Thursday, 16th September, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.

FERRIE,

McKAY,

MOORE,

WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.

TACHÉ,

BOURRET,

DE BEAUJEU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *T. L. Woods* and others, of *Gananogue*, praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes, the sale and manufacture of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited ;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Carleton*, praying that a loan of £75,000 may be granted to the *Prescott and Bytown Rail-way Company*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *W. Morris* presented a Petition from *John Moore* and others, Members of the Independant Order of *Rechabites*, praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of the traffic in ardent spirits.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from the Trustees of the *Charleston Academy*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented to the House a Return from the Agricultural Society No. 2, of the County of *Huntingdon*, made up to the 31st August 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *L. M. Cressé* and others, of the Township of *Acton*, praying that the said Township with those of *Upton, Roxton, Milton* and *Ely* may be erected into a separate Municipality.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of *Saint Hyacinthe*, praying for an enlargement of the boundaries of the said Town.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the County of *Drummond* Agricultural Society, made up to the 31st January, 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

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

Friday, 17th September, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON**, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.

FERRIE,

McKAY,

MOORE,

WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.

TACHÉ,

BOURRET,

DE BEAUJEU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *W. Morris* presented a Petition from the National School of *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the *Gore Bank*, made up to the 28th August 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *A. Polette* and others, Members of the "Institut des Artisans," of the Town of *Three Rivers*, praying that a grant of money may be made to the said Institution ;

Also

Also, a Petition of L'Academie de *St. Jean*, praying for pecuniary aid ;

And also, a Petition from *J. W. Dunscombe* and others, of *Quebec* and its vicinity, Praying that the Road known as the *Belvidere* Road, and the *Sauvageau* Hill Road, may be macadamized and placed under the control of the *Quebec* Turnpike Trust.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to declare the intention of the Law organizing the Notarial Profession with respect to the Study of that Profession," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from *W. A. Stewart* and others, of the Island of *Orleans*, praying that a Wharf may be built at the Upper end of that Island at the expense of the Province.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Monday, 20th September, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.

FERRIE,

MCKAY,

MOORE,

The Honorable Messieurs

WALKER,

MORRIS, J.

TACHÉ,

ROSS,

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Tuesday, 21st September, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON** Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

- The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.

MOORE,

FERRIE,

MORRIS, J.

McKAY,

TACHÉ.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Wednesday, 22nd September, 1852.

At half-past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON**, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.

MOORE,

FERRIE,

WALKER.

McKAY,

There being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Thursday, 23rd September, 1852.

The Members convened, were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.

FERRIE,

McKAY,

MOORE,

WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.

TACHÉ,

DE BEAUJEU,

ROSS.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *W. Morris* presented a Petition from *John C. Becket* and others, Members and Officers of the grand division of the Order of the Sons of Temperance, in *Canada East*, praying that an Act may be passed to confer upon them, privileges similar to those now enjoyed by the grand division of the Sons of Temperance in *Canada West*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Duncan Morrison* and others, of *Beckwith* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *William Abbott* and others, of the County of *Two Mountains* ;

Also, a Petition from *John Bell* the younger, and others, of *Balenahinch* near *Kingston* ;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Townships of *Camden* and *Zone*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Paul Robins* and others, of the Township *Darlington* ;

Also, a Petition from *John Campbell* and others, of the Township of *Zorra* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *E. White* and others, of *Port Sarnia* ;

Also, a Petition from *John McWhinnie* and others, of *Woodstock* ;

Also, a Petition from *Thomas Corkill* and others, of the County of *Frontenac* ;

Also, a Petition from *H. E. McDonald* and others, of *Elizabeth Town* ;

And also, a Petition from *Robert R. Black* and others, of the Township of *Lanark* and *Darling*, severally praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited ;

Also

Also, a Petition from *A. Parish* and others, inhabitants of *Canada West*, praying for such a modification of the Laws regulating the practice of Physic and Surgery as will enable the Practitioners of every School to pursue their profession in such a way as may best harmonized with the Medical theory of their choice ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Prescott* and *Russell* praying that the Juror's Acts of *Upper Canada* may either be amended or repealed ;

And also, a Petition from the *Montreal Mercantile Library Association*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from the Reverend *George Okill Stuart, D. D.*, Archdeacon of *Kingston* and others ;

And also, a Petition from *A. Hudson* and others, of the Township of *Tyendinaga*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *T. S. Morey* and others, of the County of *Sherbrooke*, praying that an Act may be passed to indemnify them for improvements made on certain lands, to which they have no title, the said lands being the property of absentees.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from *A. Petrie* and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Cumberland* in the County of *Russell*, praying, for the construction of a Canal to connect the waters of the River *St. Lawrence* with Lake *Champlain* ;

Also, two Petitions from the Reverend *William Lothead* and others, Members of the Presbyterian Congregation of *Gloucester* and *Osgoode* in the County of *Carleton*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be discontinued on the Lord's Day ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Robert Burns D. D.*, and others, of the City of *Toronto* ;

Also, a Petition from *D. W. Rowland* and others, of the Town of *St. Thomas* and its vicinity ;

Also, a Petition from *Elizabeth Burns* and others, of the City of *Toronto* ;

And also, a Petition from *John Benson* and others, of the Township of *Dunwich*, severally praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited ;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from *Robert L. MacDonell*, M. D. and *A. H. David*, M. D., proprietors and editors of the *Canada Medical Journal*, praying for pecuniary aid, in order to enable them to continue their publication, without involving themselves in similar difficulties to those which have arrested the progress of the Medical periodicals which have preceded the said *Canada Medical Journal*;

Also, a Petition from the Sisters of the *Hôtel-Dieu Nunnery* and others, inhabitants of *Kingston*, praying that pecuniary aid may be granted to the said Institution.

Also, a Petition from the University of *Queen's College Kingston*, praying that a larger sum than has heretofore been appropriated, may be annually granted for its support;

Also, a Petition from *G. Benjamin* and others, of *Belleville*, praying to be incorporated as "The grand Junction Rail-way Company of *Canada*," for the purpose of constructing a Rail-road via *Peterborough* to *Toronto* to interest the Main Trunk Line;

Also, a Petition from *Neil Cameron McIntyre* of the City of *Toronto*, Barrister at Law, praying that authority may be given to the Courts of *Queen's Bench*, *Common Pleas* and *Chancery* to admit him to practice as *Attorney* and *Solicitor* of the same respectively;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *John Gemley* and others, Members of the *Wesleyan Methodist Church* at *Peterborough*;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *R. F. Burns* and others, Members of *Chalmer's Church*, *Kingston*;

Also, a Petition from the *Mayor and Town Council* of *Peterborough*, severally praying that all labour in the *Post Office Department* may be suspended on the *Lord's Day*;

Also, a Petition from *Thomas J. Milligan* and others, of the Township of *Haldimand*;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *R. F. Burns* and others, Members of *Chalmers Church*, *Kingston*;

Also, a Petition from *Lynes Hurd* and others, of the County of *Grenville*;

Also, a Petition from *Samuel Congo* and others, of the Township of *Beverly*;

Also, a Petition from *J. M. Fowler* and others, of the Township of *Burford*, severally praying that except for *Medicinal* or *Mechanical* purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating *Liquors* may be prohibited.

And also, a Petition from the *Niagara Harbour and Dock Company*, and *Clarke Gamble*, of the City of *Toronto*, Assignee and Trustee thereof, praying for the passing

of an Act to enable them to sell and dispose of the works and estate of the said Company, of a more comprehensive character than that which was enacted during the last session of Parliament.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from *David McLaran* and others, of the Township of *Torbolton* in the County of *Carleton*, praying that they may be allowed to enjoy their privileges as an independant Municipality.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* reported that he had, according to Order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General with the Address of this House of the 15th instant, praying for the issue of a warrant in favor of the Clerk, for two thousand pounds, and that His Excellency was pleased to receive the same graciously, and to say that he would comply with the request of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Reverend *A. T. Whitten* and others, of the County of *Shefford*, praying for the establishment of Courts of unlimited Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction within the limits of the said County ;

Also, a Petition from *Césaire Germain* and others, praying to be indemnified for certain deductions made by the Board of Registration and Statistics in their accounts as enumerators in the County of *Terrebonne* under the 14th and 15th Vict. Cap 49 ;

Also, a Petition from *J. O. Beaubien* and others, of the Parish of *Cap St. Ignace* in the County of *L'Islet*, praying for a grant of money to enable them to open a Road from that Parish into the Crown Lands in rear thereof ;

Also, a Petition from *Joseph Robitaille* of the Parish of *St. Paschal de Kamouraska*, praying to be indemnified for his services and sacrifices as a Member of the House of Assembly of *Lower Canada* during twenty two years.

Also, a Petition from *Peter H. Byrnes* and others, of the Parish of *Vaudrueuil* praying that an Act may be passed to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes ;

Also a Petition from *William Wilson* of the City of *Quebec*, praying that he may be reinstated in possession of a certain beach lot, from the possession of which he states that he has been forcibly and illegally ejected by the Trinity House of *Quebec* ;

Also, a Petition from *James McIntyre* and others, Roman Catholic inhabitants of the Townships of *Williamstown* and *Adelaide*, praying that an Act may be passed defining the rights and privileges of separate Schools ;

Also, a Petition from the Corporation of the Pilots for and above the Harbour of *Quebec*, praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation ;

Also

Also, a Petition from the School Commissioners of the Municipality of *St. Louis*, in the County of *Kamouraska*, praying for aid ;

Also, a Petition from *E. R. Demers*, on behalf of *Charles Fortin*, of the parish of *St. Georges de Henryville*, in the County of *Rouville*, stating that he was absent from the Province at the time of the passing of the Rebellion Losses Act of 1849, and praying for an opportunity of proving his claim for an indemnity under that Act ;

Also, a Petition from *E. Quartier* and others, of the parishes of *St. Paschal*, *St. Denis*, *Mont Carmel* and *St. Pacôme*, in the County of *Kamouraska*, praying for sum of money to enable them to open a Road to the Province line in rear of those parishes ;

Also, a Petition from the Mayor and Municipal Councillors of the first division of the County of *Saguenay*, praying for a subdivision thereof into two separate and distinct Municipalities ;

Also, a Petition from the *Quebec* Friendly Society, praying for certain alterations in their Act of incorporation ;

And also, a Petition from the *Quebec* Benevolent Society, praying for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from the Municipal Corporation of the Town of *Dundas* in the County of *Wentworth* ;

Also, a Petition from *James Hamilton*, President of the *Desjardins* Canal Company ;

Also, a petition from the Mayor and inhabitants of the said Town of *Dundas*, severally praying that an Act may be passed authorizing the said Corporation to pledge the revenues of the said Town for the sum of £15,000 towards the improvements of the *Desjardins* Canal ;

And also, a Petition from the President of the Little Lake *Cemetery* Company, praying that an Act may be passed vesting certain road allowances in the said Company.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *J. Douglas* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying that an Act may be passed prohibiting burials in Cities or large Towns ;

Also, a Petition from *Thomas Bickle* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying that an Act may be passed prohibiting the manufacture or sale of intoxicating Liquors ;

Also.

Also, a Petition from the Revd. *R. R. Burrage* of the City of *Quebec*; praying indemnity for certain losses sustained by him in behalf of education in the said City;

And also, a Petition for *Felix Laurie*, and others, of the parish of *St. Roch de Québec*, praying that an Act may be passed providing for the payment of Constables, and authorizing persons named for that office to appoint substitutes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the *Ontario* Marine and Fire Insurance Company to the 9th February 1852.

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 from the *Kingston* Hospital, made up to the 31st December 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *Paul Fontaine* and others, of the Parish of *St. Paul* in the County of *Berthier*, praying for aid in money to enable them to erect a Bridge over the River *Macouareau*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from *William Campbell* and others, of the Township of *Hamilton* in the County of *Northumberland*, praying that an Act may be passed for the suppression of drinking Houses and tipping Shops.

Also, a Petition from *Thomas Solomon* and others, of the Township of *Alanwick* and rear part of *Haldimand*, in the County of *Northumberland*, praying that the 8th and 9th concessions and 10th half concession of the Township of *Haldimand*, may be annexed to the Township of *Alanwick*.

Also, a Petition from the said *Thomas Solomon* and others;

And also, a Petition from *A. A. Vars* and others, of the Township of *Cramahe*, severally praying that an Act may be passed prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the *Hamilton* and *Gore* District Saving's Bank, made up to the 30th August 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented two Petitions from the Mayor and Councilors of the City of *Quebec*, praying that the Bill brought into the Legislative Assembly

bly in 1850 consolidating the various Acts of Incorporation of the said City may become Law ;

And also, praying that the Act which prohibits Pedlers for exercising their calling within the limits of the said City may be repealed.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, " An Act to declare the intention of the Law organizing the Notarial Profession, with respect to the study of that profession," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to notice, it was moved, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a statement in detail of the number of limits or Licenses, or applications which have been granted, or are pending, to cut timber or saw logs on the *Ottawa* River and its tributaries, designating each River or creek, to whom granted, or by whom applied for, the area contained in every such limit and application, the number of pieces of timber or saw logs of each description of timber cut upon each, for the years 1849, 1850, 1851 and 1852, the amount of deposit or ground rent paid for each, the amount of government duty on lumber or logs cut upon each limit and the number of limits unoccupied for the years above mentioned and by whom owned, also the number of transfers of limits which have been recognized in the Crown Timber Office at *Bytown* in each year, and the consideration for such transfers, if known, for the years 1845 to 1852 inclusive, also the number of pieces of red pine or other timber that have been bonded at *Bytown* in each and every year for the years 1845 to 1852 inclusive, together with a return of the number of pieces of red pine, or other timber from the *Ottawa* which have been measured through the supervisor of cullers office at *Quebec*, in each and every year last mentioned.

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 with the said address.

Pursuant to notice, it was moved, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a plan of the whole of the *Ottawa* River and its tributaries to be prepared and exhibited in the office of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, and in the Crown Timber Office at *Bytown*, shewing at one view the number of timber limits granted, with the name of the occupant, the area of miles and acres contained in each, the number and position of limits abandoned, the territory applied for, and what is still unoccupied or open to location

location, and the said plans to be open to the inspection of the public, either gratis or upon payment of a reasonable fee.

The question of concurrence being put thereon and 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 with the said Address.

Pursuant to notice, it was moved, 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, the whole expenditure by the Provincial Government upon the several lumber slides upon the *Ottawa* and *Madawaska* Rivers shewing the gross amount expended at the *Chaudière* and purchase of slide thereat, at the *Chuts*, *Portage du Fort*, *Joachim* and *Madawaska*, and the annual receipts of slide dues for each Station, or for the whole annually since their erection including this season.

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 with the said Address.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *W. Morris* be added to the Select Committee appointed to examine into and report upon the contingent accounts of this House, for the present session,

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act passed in the Session held in the 14th and 15th year of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, "An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Friday, 24th September, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,

McKAY,

MOORE,

The Honorable Messieurs

WALKER,

TACHÉ,

DE BEAUJEU,

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Saturday, 25th September, 1852.

At half-past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,

DE BEAUJEU.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until Monday next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Monday, 27th September, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON** Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
McKAY,
MOORE,
WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
TACHÉ.
DE BEAUJEU.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Tuesday, 28th September, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there where—

PRESENT

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON**, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Wednesday, 29th September, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon. there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MCKAY,
MOORE,
WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Thursday, 30th September, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Friday, 1st October, 1852.

At half-past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,

MOORE,

WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,

BOURRET,

DE BEAUJEU.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Saturday, 2nd October, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there being only—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker, Present.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Monday, 4th October, 1852.

At half-past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

MOORE,
WALKER,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Tuesday, 5th October, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

DIONNE,
MORRIS, J.
TACHÉ.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Wednesday, 6th October, 1852.

The Members convened were ;—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.
MCKAY,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
QUESNEL,
DE BEAUJEU.
ROSS,
CRANE,

PRAYERS.

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

The Honorable Mr. *W. Morris* presented a Petition from Messrs. *Green and Son* and others, Hatters and Furriers of the City of *Montreal*, praying that certain duties may be imposed on Hats and Furs of Foreign manufacture, when imported into this Province ;

And also, a Petition from *William H. Rice* of the City of *Montreal* Wireworker, praying that certain duties may be imposed on wire, and all articles of foreign wire manufacture when imported into this Province.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Corporation of Bishop's College *Lennoxville*, praying for certain amendments to their charter ;

Also, a Petition from *James McKenzie* and others, residents of *Quebec* and *Point Levy*, praying for the passing of an Act to regulate the Ferry between the said places ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *J. Auclair* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying that a law may be passed, prohibiting the establishment of houses of ill fame, in the City of *Quebec* ;

And also, a Petition from the British North American Telegraph Association, praying for various amendments to their charter.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *John Rutherford* and others, of the Township of *Oro*, praying for the suspension of all labour in the Post Office Department on the Lord's Day.

Also,

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *David Dunkerly* and others, of the Congregational Church at *Durham*, in the County of *Drummond* ;

Also, a Petition from *William H. Miller* and others, of *Durham*, severally praying that the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited ;

And also, a Petition from *R. U. Harwood* and others, of the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for the amendment of the Registration Laws of *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from *E. Corcoran* and others, of the Township of *Ravdon*, praying for the re-establishment of Parish Municipalities and that a system of more equal and increased representation may be established in regard to certain Township ;

Also, a Petition from *Thomas Bell* and others, shareholders in the *Ontario, Simcoe and Huron Union Rail-road Company*, praying that no Bill adverse to their interests may be passed into a Law, and that such amendments may be made to their Charter as will give them a voice in the election of Directors ;

Also, a Petition from *P. Low* and others, of *Picton*, praying for aid to improve the Harbour of the said Town ;

Also, a Petition from the *Toronto and Guelph Rail-way Company*, praying for the amendment of their Act of Incorporation.

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *William S. Bell* and others, of the congregation of *Woodstock*, in connection with the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day ;

Also, a Petition from *Robert Smith* and others, of *Toronto* ;

Also, a Petition from *A. Sproston* and others, Sons of Temperance of *Montreal* ;

And also, a Petition from *John Watt* and others, of the Township of *Nichol and Garafraxa*, severally praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes, the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented to the House the Report of the Superintendent of Education for *Lower Canada*, for the year 1850 & 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Louis Arcand* and others, of the seigniory of *Cap de la Magdeleine*, praying for remission of arrears of *cens et rentes* and *lods et ventes* due by them ;

Also,

Also, a Petition from *Pemberton Brothers* and others, of *Quebec*, praying that the *Quebec Turnpike Trust* may be authorized to borrow a sum of money to macadamize the road leading from *Sillery Cove* to the *St. Louis* road ;

Also, a Petition from *Pierre Paradis* and others, of the parish of *Saint Henry*, in the County of *Dorchester*, praying that the prayer of the petition of *James Motz*, for certain alterations in the Act of *Lower Canada*, 58 Geo III, Cap. 25, may not be granted ;

And also, a Petition from *G. H. Monk* and others, of the parish of *Sainte Thérèse de Blainville, Sainte Rose, Saint Martin, Saint Janvier* and *Saint Jérôme*, praying that the Registry Office for the County of *Terrebonne*, may be removed from the Village of *Terrebonne* to that of *Ste. Thérèse de Blainville* ;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented to the House, a Return from the Agricultural Society No. 1, of the County of *Gaspé* made up to the 29th February 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Gilbert Henderson* and others, of the Townships of *Frampton, Buckland, Standon* and *Cranbourne*, praying that they may be exempted from the tax about to be imposed upon all the lands in the several Townships in *Lower Canada* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipality of the County of *l'Islet*, No. 1, praying that measures may be adopted by the Legislature for the construction of a Rail-road from *Quebec* to *Halifax* ;

Also, a Petition from *E. R. Demers*, on behalf of *Marie Louise Moreau*, widow of *Antoine Brosseau*, praying to be permitted to prove her claim for Rebellion Losses before the Commissioners appointed under 12 Vic. Cap. 58 ;

Also, a Petition from *Moses Mayball*, of the City of *Montreal*, praying that he may be authorized by a Special Act to practice Physic, Surgery and Midwifery in *Lower Canada* ;

And also, a Petition from *William McLimont* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying that the provisions of the Act 9 Vic. Cap. 22, with respect to *Hawkers, Pedlers* and *Petty Chapman* may not be repealed, as is prayed for by a Petition now before the House, and complaining that such provisions have not been enforced.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* presented a Petition from *D. Baker* and others, residing on the borders of *Lake St. François* in the Townships of *Godmanchester* and *Dundee*, praying for relief in consequence of certain damage sustained by them from the erection of the Dam near the entrance of the *Beauharnais Canal* ;

Also

Also, a Petition from *G. H. Dumesnil* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Anicet*, in the County of *Beauharnais*, complaining of damage done to their lands by back water from the said *Beauharnais Canal*, and praying for an enquiry and for relief.

Also, a Petition from the Municipality of *Beauharnais*, praying that some measures may be adopted to improve and keep in repair the Public Highway along the shore of *Lake St. François*, the said Highway having been destroyed by the overflowing of the waters of the Lake which has been occasioned by the erection of the aforesaid Dam at the head of the *Beauharnais Canal*.

Also, a Petition from the Municipality of the Village of the parish of *Saint Michel de Vaudreuil*, praying for certain amendments in the *Lower Canada Common School Act*;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *P. Sax* and others, of *Laval*, in the County of *Montmorenci*, praying for a grant to enable them to repair a road from the outlet of *Lake Beauport* to the church or chapel at *Laval*;

Also, a Petition from *A. C. Buchanan* and others, Trustees of the *Quebec Turnpike Roads*, praying that an Act may be passed authorizing them to borrow a certain sum of money to construct an Iron Chain Suspension Bridge in lieu of rebuilding the old Bridge at *Montmorenci*;

And also, a Petition from *François De Sales Bastien*, Esquire, Secretary-Treasurer of the Council of the Municipality of *Vaudreuil*, in the name and on behalf of the said Council, praying that the *chef lieu* of the County of *Vaudreuil* may be the Village of *Ruisseau St. Hyacinthe*, instead of the Village of *Vaudreuil*, as at present;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *Anna Wood* and seven hundred and fifty others, females of *Montreal* and its vicinity;

Also, a Petition from *John Holland* and others, of *Montreal*, severally praying that all traffic in intoxicating liquors may be prohibited;

Also, a Petition from the Minister, Elders and Trustees of *St. Andrews Church* in the City of *Quebec*, praying that the usual annual grant may be made to the *St. Andrews School*;

And also, a Petition from *William Kingsmill*, Esquire, Sheriff of the United Counties of *Lincoln* and *Welland*, praying that he may be protected from the consequences of a judgment obtained against him in a foreign court, for duties performed by him in the exercise of his office of Sheriff aforesaid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from the Honorable and Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Toronto*, praying for such a modification of the Common School

School Act of *Upper Canada*, as will secure to the members of the church of *England*, the establishment of separate schools for the education of their children ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Medonte*, praying for the construction of a Rail-road from *Prescott* to *Georgian Bay*.

Also, a Petition from the Council of the Canadian Institute at *Toronto*, praying that an annual grant may be made towards its support ;

Also, a Petition from the Chief and Warriors of the *St. Regis* Indians, praying to be indemnified for certain damage done to their property by the erection of a Dam at the head of the *Beauharnais* Canal ;

Also, a Petition from the Roman Catholic Corporation of the College of *Bytown* and others, praying for aid in behalf of the said College ;

Also, a Petition from *David Smart*, Esquire, President of the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Rail-way Company, praying that the Law may be so amended as to enable Municipal Bodies to take Stock in the Company ;

Also, a Petition from the Orphan's House and Female aid Society of *Toronto*, praying for the amendment of their Act of Incorporation ;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Hamilton*, praying that the Petition of *John K. Roche* a Provincial Land Surveyor, requiring an Act to impose a rate on the Township of *Hamilton* for alleged professional services in surveying the said Township may not be favourably entertained.

Ordered, that that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the *Montreal* Firemen's Benevolent Association made up to September 1852.

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 Distribution of the Statutes of *Canada* 14th and 15th Vict. 1851.

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 from the Agricultural Society of the County of *Chambly*, No. 2, made up to October 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from the Committee of Management of the Congregation of Catholics of *Quebec*, speaking the English Language, praying for aid ;

Also,

Also, a Petition from *Francis J. W. Whitlaw* and others, inhabitants of the Town of *Niagara*, praying for the passing of a Law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors, except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes ;

Also, two Petitions from the President of the Library and Historical Society of *Quebec*, praying for the usual grant to the said Institution ;

Also, praying for such compensation as it may be deemed expedient to extend to cover certain losses and charges occasioned by the removal of their Library, Museum and fittings from the apartments required by the Legislature to the room in which they are now placed ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Terrebonne*, praying that a Law may be passed prohibiting the importation, sale or manufacture of spirituous Liquors, that Municipalities of Parishes may be established, and Commissioners Courts for the trial of small causes maintained ;

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *N. Guerout* and others, of the County of *Berthier*, praying for the amendment of the School Act of *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Ordered, that the Petition presented this day, from *François De Sales Bastien*, Esquire, Secretary Treasurer of the Council of the Municipality of *Vaudreuil*, in the name and on behalf of the said Council, praying that the *Chef lieu* of the County of *Vaudreuil*, may be the Village of *Ruisseau St. Hyacinthe* instead of the Village of *Vaudreuil* as at present, be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to confer certain powers on Municipal Corporations and Companies to take materials to repair Roads," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act passed in the Session held in the 14th and 15th year of Her Majesty's Reign intituled An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McKay*, *De Beaujeu* and *Ross*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to notice it was moved,

That on Monday the eighteenth day of October instant this House do take into consideration the Resolutions following, to wit :

Resolved

Resolved, first.—That the present Constitution of this House is defective.

Resolved, second.—That in consequence of the introduction of Responsible Government into the Province, and the power of appointment of Members being vested virtually in the Members of the Executive Council, most of them leaders of the majority in the Legislative Assembly, is calculated to render this House a mere reflex of the sentiments of the House of Assembly; that this House is no longer a check upon undue or oppressive legislation, which there ought to be for the public liberty and welfare.

Resolved, third.—That at present, as there is but little sympathy existing between the Legislative Council and the people; this House is in favour of its own dissolution, with a view to its being re-organized upon some better constitutional principle.

Resolved, fourth.—That an Address, founded on these Resolutions, be presented to His Excellency the Governor General.

Which said Resolutions being read, by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on the said motion, the same was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be in the mean time printed in both languages for the use of Members.

It was then moved that there be a call of the House on Monday the eighteenth day of October instant.

In amendment it was moved to leave out "Monday the eighteenth" and insert "Friday the fifteenth" in lieu thereof.

Which being objected to,

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

The question being then put on the main motion, it was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal the fifth and sixth sections of The Rail-way clauses consolidation Act" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others with a Bill intituled: "An Act to remove doubts as to the power of Junior Judges of the County Courts in *Upper Canada*," and also a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the appointment of Assistant Judges of the Superior Court for *Lower Canada*, in certain cases" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bills were severally read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond* and others with a Bill intituled, "An Act further to extend the period limited for certain purposes by the *Montreal Registry Act*" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Boulton* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the City of *Toronto* to negotiate a Loan of one hundred thousand pounds to consolidate a part of the City Debt" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

It was moved that the forty sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill and that the same be now read for the second time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, as follows:

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Monday, 27th September, 1852.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, informing their Honors that this House hath adopted an Address to Her Majesty with reference to the Despatch of the Right Honorable Sir *John S. Pakington* to His Excellency the Governor General on the subject of the protection of the rights of British Fishermen in the Fisheries on the coasts of British *North America*; and requesting the concurrence of their Honors thereto.

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

(Attest,)

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Assembly.

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY :

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

We Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of *Canada* in Provincial Parliament assembled, most respectfully approach Your Majesty for the purpose of expressing the grateful sense which we entertain of the prompt attention which it appears, by the Despatch of the 27th May 1852, from the Right Honorable Sir *John S. Pakington*, Your Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, to His Excellency the Governor General, Your Majesty's Government has given to the representations made on the part of this Province, and other Provinces' States of British *North America*, on the subject of the encroachments of the Fishing Vessels of the United upon those waters from which they were excluded by the terms of the Convention of 1818, and of the readiness with which Your Majesty's Government has sent out a sufficient Naval Force to enforce the observance of that Convention; and also to express the confident hope which we entertain that no Treaty will be made with the United States of *America* by which any of the rights secured to British Fishermen by that Convention may be ceded or impaired, unless such Treaty shall also include provisions embracing the whole policy of the Commercial intercourse between the said *United States* and the *British North American Colonies*.

It was moved to agree with the Legislative Assembly by filling up the blank with "the Legislative Council," and

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

Ordered, that the Speaker do sign the said Address on behalf of this House.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that this House hath agreed to the said Address by filling up the blank with "the Legislative Council" and

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General in the following words :

To His Excellency The Right Honorable JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of *British North America* and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward* and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency,

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled beg leave to approach Your Excellency with our respectful request that you will be pleased to transmit our joint Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, on the subject of the Despatch

patch of the Right Honorable Sir *John S. Pakington* to His Excellency the Governor General, on the protection of the rights of British Fishermen in the Fisheries on the costs of British *North America* in such a way as Your Excellency may deem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the last mentioned Address on the part of this House.

Ordered, That one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Address to which they desire their concurrence.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Laurin* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act providing for the Summary Decision of Small Causes in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

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

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Thursday, 30th September, 1852.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council informing their Honors that this House hath adopted an Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the distribution of Medals to the survivors of the *Canadian* Militia who distinguished themselves during the last War with the United States of *America* ; and requesting the concurrence of their Honors thereto.

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

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk Assembly.

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,—

We, Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of *Canada* in Provincial Parliament assembled, most respectfully approach Your Majesty humbly to represent the disappointment of many of the Inhabitants of this Province, when they discovered that the hardest fought battles therein, during the late War with the *United States*, were not included in the General Order of the first June 1847, which awarded medals for certain actions.

That

That the said General Order confined the distribution of Medals to those actions only where the General or Superior Officer of the several Armies, or Corps of Troops engaged, had already received that distinction, and that consequently many of the Battles of this Country, not coming within this Order, there is cause to believe it will not be departed from in behalf of the *Canadian* Militia without a strong and respectful representation to Your Most Gracious Majesty from the Legislature.

That Your Majesty's attention is therefore respectfully called to the distinguished services of the *Canadian* Militia during the aforesaid War with the *United States of America*, with a view of removing the invidious distinction created by the distribution of those Medals.

That on the 27th June, eighteen hundred and twelve, War was proclaimed by the *United States* against *Great Britain*; and the 11th July following, *Canada* was invaded by General *Hull*, at *Sandwich*, in the western part of the Province, which was the commencement of the first campaign,—at a time when the whole disposable force above *Kingston*, did not exceed six hundred men, (the 41st Regiment.)

That on the 13th October, the second attempt at invasion was made at *Queenston*; on the 28th November, the third at *Frenchman's Creek*, below *Fort Erie*, under Colonel *Boerstler*; and on the 2nd December, the fourth under General *Smith*, near *Fort Erie*; the result of the campaign being the capture of *Michilimakinac* and *Detroit* by the *British* and *Canadian* Forces.

That the most extensive preparations were made by the Government of the United States, for invading *Canada* at different points during the year 1813. Eight thousand men were raised to serve under General *Hampton*, called the Army of the North; General *Dearborn* commanded the Army of the Centre,—and General *Harrison*, the Army of the West.

That the second campaign was opened by the British Forces under Colonel *Macdonald* of the *Glengarry* Light infantry, and Militia of the *Johnstown* and *Eastern* Districts, who crossing on the ice, on the 22nd of February, captured the Garrison of *Ogdensburg*. The American Army of the North moved shortly after on *Lower Canada* by Lake *Champlain*, but without effect. The Army of the Centre captured *York*, on 27th April, and *Niagara*, 27th May. The Army of the West, under General *Winchester*, having moved onward towards *Detroit* with a view of re-taking it was captured at River *Raisin* on the 22nd January.

That notwithstanding *Canada* was invaded by these formidable Armies at four different points, and the whole force concentrated in November to attack *Montreal* the second campaign ended by the capture of *Fort Niagara* in the United States, on the 18th December, together with *Lewiston*, *Black Rock* and *Buffalo*.

That the third campaign opened by the whole power of the United States concentrating early in 1814 at *Buffalo*, opposite the *Niagara* Frontier, under General *Brown*

Brown. The twelfth invasion was made at Fort *Erie*, on the 3rd July, and in December the same Army were compelled to return into winter quarters at *Buffalo* after leaving the entire Frontier a scene of ruin and desolation.

That the third and last campaign was thus brought to a close after a series of continued actions without the loss of a single acre of territory, the *Canadian Militia* having acquired, in common with the British Forces, a reputation for loyalty and gallantry of which their posterity may feel justly proud.

We therefore respectfully pray that Your Majesty will be pleased to confer a similar Medal to those already awarded for the battles of *Detroit*, *Chrysler's Farm*, and *Cha-teauguay*, on the few survivors who so successfully defended their country, by the capture of *Michilimackinac*; the battle of *Queenston*; the capture of *Ogdensburgh*; the defeat and capture of General *Winchester* and his Army at the River *Raisin*; the battles *Miami*, *Stoney Creek* and *Beaver Dam*, and the Capture of Fort *Niagara*, *Lewiston*, *Black Rock* and *Buffalo*; the battles of *Longwood*, *Lacolle*, and *Lundy's Lane*, and the siege of Fort *Erie*, including moreover those who were wounded in action during any of the campaigns.

We humbly, in conclusion, beg leave to state that although, from the length of time which has elapsed, but few of the gallant men remain who were then so conspicuously instrumental in saving this important portion of the British Empire, Your Majesty's faithful Commons humbly hope that Your Majesty will graciously grant the prayer of their loyal Address.

It was moved to agree with the Legislative Assembly by filling up the blank with "the Legislative Council and"

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

Ordered, that the Speaker do sign the said Address on behalf of this House.

Ordered, that one of the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that this House hath agreed to the said Address by filling up the blank with "the Legislative Council, and"

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, in the following words.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of *Canada* in Provincial Parliament assembled beg leave to
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approach Your Excellency with our respectful request that you will be pleased to transmit our joint Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, on the subject of the distribution of Medals to the survivors of the *Canadian Militia* who distinguished themselves during the last War with the United States of *America*, in such a way as Your Excellency may deem fit in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the last mentioned Address on the part of this House.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stevenson* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to supply an omission in Schedule B. to the *Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Law amendment Act of 1852*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Boulton* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queens Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, in their discretion "to admit *Neil Cameron McIntyre* to practice as a Solicitor and Attorney therein" to which they desire the concurrence of this House,

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable the Speaker presented two Petitions from *Joseph Dery* and others, of the Parish of *L'Ancienne Lorette*, praying that a certain Road therein mentioned may be macadamized and placed under the control of the Trustees of the *Quebec Turnpike Roads* ;

And also, praying for a grant towards the improvement of a certain Road therein mentioned,

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Thursday, 7th October, 1852.

The Members convened were;—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

McGILL,
MORRIS, W.
McKAY,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS,
MÉTHOT,
CRANE.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the City of *Toronto*, to negotiate a loan of one hundred thousand pounds to consolidate a part of the City debt," was read a second time.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honorable JAMES, EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of *British North America*, 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 Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to let the Assembly know "it is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House."

Who being come with their Speaker,

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follow :

An Act to provide an efficient remedy against any inconveniences which might result from the destruction of certain Registers of the parish of *St. Louis de Lotbinière*.

An

An Act to declare the intention of the Law organizing the Notarial Profession with respect to the study of that Profession.

An Act to confer certain powers on Municipal Corporations and Companies to take materials to repair Roads.

An Act for avoiding doubts which might otherwise arise from the Act making alterations in the Territorial Divisions of *Upper Canada*, having come into effect since the last General Election.

An Act to repeal the fifth and sixth Sections of "The Rail-way Clauses Consolidation Act."

An Act to authorize the City of *Toronto* to negotiate a Loan of one hundred thousand pounds to consolidate a part of the City Debt.

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *R. N. Waddell* and others, of *Port Hope*, praying that the Petition of the Town Council to vest in certain Commissioners the Harbour of the said Town, may not be favorably entertained, but that a different and less exclusive mode of election may be adopted.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *W. Morris* presented a Petition from *Hew Ramsay*, of *Montreal*, representative of *John McCoy*, and Assignee to his estate, praying that he may be compensated for loss of certain books which were destroyed in the lamentable fire of the 25th April 1849, that said books being at that time deposited in the Library for the inspection and approval of the Library Committee.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* presented a Petition from the Municipality of the second Division of the County of *Beauharnais*, praying for the division of the Circuit of *Beauharnais* into two Circuits, with a Court at the Village of *Huntingdon* ;

Also, a Petition from the School Commissioners of the Municipality of *St. Clément*, in the County of *Beauharnais*, praying for aid ;

Also,

Also, a Petition of *J. Keith* and others, of the County of *Beauharnais*, praying that the Circuit Court for the *Beauharnais* Circuit may be held for five days in each term at *St. Clément*, and for five days at *Huntingdon*, if practicable, and if not then that it be held exclusively at *St. Clément* instead of at *Sainte Martine* as heretofore ;

And also, a Petition from *James Reid* and others, of the County of *Beauharnais* praying for a grant of £200 towards finishing the building and paying the debts of the Academy in the Village of *Huntingdon* ; and also for an annual grant to the said institution.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from the *Erie and Ontario* Rail-road Company, praying for authority and aid to extend their road to the Town of *Niagara* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Cavan* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *South Monaghan* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Hope* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Town of *Port Hope*, severally praying that the law may be so amended as to enable Municipalities to take stock in the *Peterborough*, *Port Hope* or other Rail-ways.

Also, a Petition from *John Davis*, and others, of *Garden Island*, near *Kingston* ;

And also, a Petition from *John COUNTER* and others, of *Kingston*, severally praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes, the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act passed in the Session held in the 14th and " 15th year, of Her Majesty's Reign intituled "An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Acts therein mentioned and to make further provision for the Management of the Post Office."

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. *Ross* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Erie and Ontario* Rail-road Company."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. Ross presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act for the further promotion of Justice."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to remove doubts as to the powers of the Junior Judges of the County Courts in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

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 authorize the appointment of Assistant Judges of the Superior Court for *Lower Canada*, in certain cases," was read a second time.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act further to extend the period limited for certain purposes by the *Montreal* Registry Act," was read a second time.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act providing for the Summary Decision of Small Causes in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act supply an omission in Schedule B. to the *Upper Canada* Municipal Corporations Law amendment Act of 1850" was read a second time.

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 authorize the Court of Chancery, and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, in their discretion, to admit *Neil Cameron McIntyre*, to practice as a Solicitor and Attorney therein" was read a second time to-morrow.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

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

Friday, 8th October, 1852.

The Members convened were;—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.

FERGUSSON,

McKAY,

MOORE,

WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.

TACHÉ,

ROSS,

MÉTHOT,

CRANE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Henry Gordon* and others, of *Gananoque*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Daniel Gordon* and others, of the Townships of *Tingwick* and *Winslow*, in the County of *Sherbrooke* praying for the opening of a Road through *Winslow* and the east part of *Tingwick*;

Also, a Petition from *A. G. Woodward* and *J. G. Robertson* of *Sherbrooke*, praying that all licenses for the vending of spirituous Liquors may be under the control of the people through the Municipal Councils.

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *Daniel Gordon* and others, of *Tingwick* praying for the discontinuance of all labour in the Post Office Department on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* enters.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return to an Adress to His Excellency the Governor General of the 23rd September last, praying for a Statement of the whole expenditure by the Provincial Government upon the several Lumber Slides upon the *Ottawa* and *Madawaska* Rivers, shewing the gross amount expended at the *Chaudières*, and purchase of Slide thereat, at the *Chats*, *Portage du Fort*, *Joachim* and *Madawaska*, and the annual receipts of Slide dues for each station, or for the whole annually since their erection, including this season.

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

(*For Return, vide Appendix No. 4.*)

Ordered,

Ordered, That one hundred and fifty copies of the foregoing Return be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Village of *Fraserville*, in the County of *Rimouski*, praying that the parish of *Saint Patrice de la Rivière du Loup*, may be made the *Chef lieu* (head quarter) of the District of *Kamouraska* instead of the parish of *Saint Louis de Kamouraska*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from *Benjamin Vannorman* and others, of the Township of *Dereham* ;

Also, a Petition from *H. Conklin* and others, of the County of *Grenville* ;

Also, a Petition from *William Fergusson* and others, of the Counties of *Prescott* and *Russell* ;

Also, a Petition from *Charles Kitchen* and others, of the Township of *Dumfries* ;

Also, a Petition from *James Dobbin* and others, of the County of *Welland* ;

Also, a Petition from *John Stevenson* and others, of the Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington* ;

Also, a Petition from *John Lancaster* and others, of the County of *Peel* ;

Also, a Petition from *Benjamin Jacobs* and others, of the Counties of *Peterborough* and *Victoria* ;

Also, a Petition of *Duncan Livingston* and others, of the County of *Leeds* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *R. Boyd* and others, of the Counties of *Middlesex* and *Elgin* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *W. Reid* and others, of the County of *Prince Edouard* ;

Also, a Petition from *H. H. O'Reilly* and others, of the County of *Halton* ;

Also, a Petition from *James McArdeall* and others, of the City of *Kingston* ;

Also, a Petition from *M. M. Drew* and others, of the County of *Ottawa* ;

Also, a Petition from *F. Rynal junr.*, and others, of the Counties of *Wentworth* and *Brant* ;

Also, a Petition from *McRea* and others, of the County of *Glengarry* ;

Also, a Petition from *C. Laing* and others, of the County of *Halton* ;

Also, a Petition from *A. Jeffray* and others, of the County of *Northumberland* ;

Also,

- And also, a Petition from *J. Baltzer* and others, of the County of *Essex* ;
- Also, a Petition from *O. B. Shirk* and others, of the Township *Bleinhams* ;
- Also, a Petition from *J. Clarkson* and others, of the County of *York* ;
- Also, a Petition from *J. E. Ryerson* and others, of the County of *Lincoln* ;
- Also, a Petition from *Thomas Corkill* and others, of the County of *Frontenac* ;
- Also, a Petition from *John Reynolds* and others, of the County of *Hastings* ;
- Also, a Petition from *Francis Kirkpatrick* and others, of the County of *Stormont* ;
- Also, a Petition from *A. Freed* and others, youths of the City of *Hamilton* ;
- Also, a Petition from *Sarah Jackson* and others, of the County of *Wentworth* ;
- Also, a Petition from *S. Canfield* and others, of the County of *Oxford* ;
- Also, a Petition from *A. C. Buck* and others, of the County of *Haldimand* ;
- Also, a Petition from the Bishop, Elders and Ministers of the Evangelical Association in conference assembled at *Berlin* County of *Waterloo* ;
- Also, a Petition from *R. Wylie* and others, of the Township of *Ayr* ;
- Also, a Petition from *A. Dempote* and others, of the County of *Carleton* ;
- Also, a Petition from *R. Emond* and others, of the Counties of *Wellington* *Waterloo* and *Grey* ;
- Also, a Petition from *H. Glass* and others, of the Counties of *Kent* and *Lambton* ;
- Also, a Petition from *William Taylor* and others, of the County of *Durham* ;
- Also, a Petition from *Francis Ley* and others, of the Township of *Pickering* ;
- Also, a Petition from the Reverend *T. Goldsmith* and others, of the City of *Hamilton* ;
- Also, a Petition from *R. W. Anderson* and others, of the Township of *Lochiel* ;
- Also, a Petition from *Alexander Clerk* and others, of the Township of *Ekfrid* and *Caradoc* ;
- Also, a Petition from *R. Whale* and others, of the Township of *Burford* ;
- Also, a Petition from *W. Cross* and others, of the County of *Simcoe* ;
- And also, a Petition from *J. Deacon* and others, of the Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, severally praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors may be prohibited.
- Ordered*, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mc Gill* enters.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, as follows :

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Thursday, 7th October, 1852.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting His Excellency to transmit the joint Address to Her Majesty with reference to the Despatch of the Right Honorable Sir *John S. Pakington* to His Excellency the Governor General on the subject of the protection of the rights of British Fishermen in the Fisheries on the coasts of British *North America* ; by filling up the blank with the words "and Commons."

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

(Attest,)

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Assembly.

Ordered, That the joint Address to Her Majesty, and also the joint Address to His Excellency the Governor General, on the subject of the protection of the rights of British Fishermen in the Fisheries on the Coast of British *North America*, be presented on the part of this House by the Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* and the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris*.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* and the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris* do wait on His Excellency the Governor General, humbly to know what time His Excellency will please to appoint to be attended with the Joint Addresses.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* reported that he had according to order waited on His Excellency the Governor General to know what time His Excellency would be pleased to appoint to be attended with the Joint Addresses on the last mentioned subject, and that His Excellency had named this afternoon at four o'clock.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that His Excellency has appointed this afternoon at four o'clock, to be attended with the said Addresses and that the Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* and the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris* will be in attendance at that time on the part of the Legislative Council.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Stanislas Drapeau* of the City of *Quebec*, praying for aid towards the publishing of a work on Agriculture of which he is the author ;

Also,

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Bellechasse*, praying that any Act which authorizes the City Council of *Quebec* to impose a tax on persons offering produce for sale in the Markets of that City, may be amended so as to deprive it of that power :

And also, a Petition from the Natural History Society of *Montreal* praying for such further aid as will enable them to carry out the objects of their incorporation.
Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from the Reverend *D. Fraser* and others, of *Coté Street Church Montreal*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be discontinued on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* be appointed in the place of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, to act on the part of this House upon the Joint Committee on the Library.

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

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented two Petitions from the President and Members of the Royal Institution for the advancement of learning, Governors of *McGill College*, praying that a grant may be made to them, in trust for the use and benefit of *McGill College* ;

And also, praying for the amendment of the Acts of Parliament for the establishment of *Grammar Schools*, and the support of the University of *McGill College* respectively.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to remove doubts " as to the powers of Junior Judges of County Courts, in *Upper Canada*," 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 authorize the " appointment of Assistant Judges of the Superior Court for *Lower Canada*, in " certain cases," 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 further to extend the period limited for certain purposes by the *Montreal Registry Act*" 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 Act providing for the summary decision of Small Causes in *Lower Canada*, was read a third time,

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Thursday, 7th October, 1852.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council acquainting their Honors that this House hath agreed to the Address to His Excellency the Governor General requesting His Excellency to transmit the Joint Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the distribution of Medals to the survivors of the *Canadian Militia* who distinguished themselves during the last War with the *United States of America* ; by filling up the blank with the words "and Commons."

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

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk Assembly.

Ordered, that the Joint Address to Her Majesty, and also the Joint Address to His Excellency the Governor General on the subject of the distribution of Medals to the survivors of the *Canadian Militia* who distinguished themselves during the last War with the *United States of America*, be presented on the part of this House by the Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché*, and the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris*.

Ordered, that the Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* and the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris*, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General, humbly to know what time His Excellency will please to appoint to be attended with the Joint Addresses.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* reported that he had according to order waited on His Excellency the Governor General, to know what time His Excellency would be please to appoint to be attended with the Joint Addresses on the last mentioned subject, and that His Excellency had named this afternoon at four o'clock

Ordered, That one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that His Excellency has appointed, this afternoon at four o'clock to be attended with the said Addresses, and that the Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* and the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris* will be in attendance at that time on the part of the Legislative Council.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to supply an omission in Schedule B. to the *Upper Canada* Municipal Corporation Laws amendment Act of 1850" 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 authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, in their discretion to admit *Neil Cameron McIntyre* to practice as a Solicitor and Attorney therein" was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?
It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Erie and Ontario* Rail-road Company," it was *Ordered*, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

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

Monday, 11th October, 1852.

The Members convened were;—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

McGILL,
MORRIS, W.
FERGUSSON,
McKAY,
MOORE,
WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU.
ROSS,
CRANE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from *A. Low* and others, of *Picton*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *A. Côté* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, Printers, praying that a law may be passed providing for the admission into this Province, of printing Presses free from duty.

And also, a Petition from l'Institut Catholique de *Saint Roch* de *Québec*, praying that an Act may be passed defining clearly and explicitly the rights and privileges of separate Schools, under the 19th section of the Act 13 and 14 Vict. cap. 48, for the better establishment and maintenance of Common Schools in *Upper Canada*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* presented a Petition from *J. P. Lantier* and others, of the parishes of *St. Polycarpe*, *St. Zotique*, *St. Ignace du Coteau du Lac*, *Ste. Marthe*, *St. Joseph de Soulanges* and of the Township of *Newton*, in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying that the head quarters (*Chef lieu*) of that County may be removed from the Village of *Vaudreuil* to that of *Ruisseau St. Hyacinthe*;

And also, a Petition from *G. Beaudet* and others, of the parish of *Saint Ignace du Coteau du Lac*, in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for a settlement of the questions connected with the tenure of lands in the seigniories of *Lower Canada*;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal* and others, friends of temperance in the District of *Montreal*,
praying

praying for amendments in the Act 13 and 14 Vict. cap. 100, to make better provision for granting licenses to keepers of Taverns and dealers in spirituous liquors in *Lower Canada*, and for the more effectual suppression of intemperance.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act for the further promotion of Justice," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *W. Morris, De Beaujeu* and *Ross*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Rail-road Company," it was,

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the several Acts incorporating the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road, and for other purposes" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Thursday, 7th October, 1852.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, to request that their Honors will give leave to the Honorable *James Morris* to attend and give evidence before the Special Committee of this House, to which are referred the several Petitions on the subject of Sabbath labor in the Post Office Department and on the Canals.

Ordered, That Mr. *Brown* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

(Attest,)

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Assembly.

And then they withdrew.

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

It was then moved, that the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* do have leave to go to the Special Committee of the Legislative Assembly as desired by that House in their Message received this day, if he thinks fit.

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

And it was,

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth give leave to the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* to go to the Special Committee appointed by the Legislative Assembly to which are referred the several Petitions on the subject of Sabbath labour in the Post Office Department, and on the Canals, if he thinks fit.

Ordered, that the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act passed in the Session held in the 14th and 15th years of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Niagara Harbour and Dock Company*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill to which they desire their concurrence.

Ordered, that the Petition from *Hew Ramsay of Montreal*, "representative of *John McCoy*, and Assignee to his Estate, praying that he may be compensated for the loss of certain books which were destroyed in the lamentable fire of the 25th April 1849, the said books being at the time deposited in the Library for the inspection and approval of the Library Committee," be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine into, and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House for the present Session.

Ordered, that the Petition presented this day from *J. P. Lantier* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Polycarpe*, *St. Zotique*, *St. Ignace du Côteau du Lac*, *St. Clet*, *St. Marthe*, *St. Joseph de Soulanges*, and of the Township of *Newton* in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying that the head quarters (*chef lieu*) of that County may be removed from the Village of *Vaudreuil* to that of *Ruisseau St. Hyacinthe*, be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

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

Tuesday, 12th October, 1852.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.

McKAY,

MOORE,

GOODHUE,

WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.

TACHÉ.

DE BEAUJEU,

CRANE.

PRAYERS.

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

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* reported that he had according to order waited on His Excellency the Governor General on the part of this House with the Joint Addresses to Her Majesty, on the subject of the protection of the rights of British Fishermen in the Fisheries on the coast of *British North America*, and also on the subject of the distribution of Medals to the survivors of the *Canadian Militia* who distinguished themselves during the last War with the *United States of America*, that His Excellency had been pleased to receive the same graciously, and to say that he would transmit them to the Secretary of State in order that it may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the several Acts incorporating the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road, and for other purposes," it was *Ordered*, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Rail-road Company," it was *Ordered*, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Young* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act passed in the eighth year of the "Reign of Her Majesty to incorporate the *Saint Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Rail-road "Company, and to extend the powers of the said Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others with a Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal the " Acts therein mentioned and to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

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

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

Wednesday, 13th October, 1852.

At half-past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.

FERGUSSON,

MOORE,

GOODHUE,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,

DE BEAUJEU.

CRANE.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Thursday,

Thursday, 14th October, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W
FERGUSSON,
MCKAY,
MOORE,
DIONNE,

The Honorable Messieurs

GOODHUE,
WALKER,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
CRANE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *William Armstrong* and others, of the Town of *Sydenham*, and parts adjacent in the County of *Grey* ;

Also, a Petition from *Thomas Kelly* and others, of the Township of *Howard* ;

Also, a Petition from *William Webster* and others, of the Townships of *Euphemia*, *Dawn* and the *Gore of Camden* ;

Also, a Petition from *W. B. Wells* and others, of *Chatham* ;

And also, a Petition from *G. Lester* and others, of the Township of *Sombra*, severally praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors may be prohibited ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *E. White* and others, of the Township of *Sarnia* :

Also, a Petition from *R. S. Mann* and others, of the Village of *Beechville* ;

Also, a Petition from *J. McDougall, Jr.*, and others, of the Township of *Clarence* ;

Also, a Petition from *R. Wallace* and others of the Village of *Ingersoll* ;

Also, a Petition from *Alexander Smith* and others, of the Township of *Puslinch* ;

Also, a Petition from *T. Sandilands* and others of the Town of *Guelph* ;

Also, a Petition from *C. Robinson* and others, of the Township of *Thorah* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *J. Gardener* and others, Members of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the *Kingston* Circuit ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *R. Burns* and others, of the reformed Presbyterian Church of *Toronto* ;

Also,

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Thomas Henry* and others, of the Parish of *Lachute*;

And also, a Petition from *James Black* and others, of the Townships of *Kenyon* and *Roxborough*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* presented a Petition from *James Dougall* and others, office bearers of the *Montreal* Temperance Society, that there may be enacted for *Canada* a law similar to that popularly known as the *Maine Liquor Law*;

And also, a Petition from the Board of Trade of *Toronto*, praying that the system of differential duties in favor of goods imported by way of the *Saint Lawrence* may not be adopted; and also, that no higher tolls may be charged on *American* than are imposed on *Canadian* vessels passing through the Public Canals of the Province.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Young* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Montreal* and *New York* Rail-road Company to extend their Rail-road and to acquire the land necessary for such extension and for other purposes relative to the said Company." to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

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. Receiver General *Taché*, by command of His Excellence the Governor General, presented to the House the Report of the Commissioners appointed under the Statute intituled, "An Act to provide for the indemnification of parties in *Lower Canada*, whose property was destroyed during the Rebellion in the years one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven, and one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make further provision for the Management of the Post Office," it was,

Ordered, That the same be discharged till Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Rail-road Company, it was,

Ordered, That the same be discharged till Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the several Acts incorporating the Company of Proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road and for other purposes," was read the second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five members.

Ordered, That the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *W. Morris, Moore, Goodhue, Walker* and *De Beaujeu* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act passed in the eighth year of the reign of Her Majesty to incorporate the *St. Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Rail-road Company, and to extend the powers of the said Company," was read the second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee last appointed to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Gouin* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act for avoiding doubts as to the true meaning of a certain enactment in the Act regulating the Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

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 second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal the Acts therein mentioned and to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*," it was,

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Monday next.

Ordered, that the Petitions from *François de Sales Bastien* Esquire, Secretary Treasurer of the Council of the Municipality of *Vaudreuil* in the name and on the behalf of the said Council;

Also, the Petition from *J. B. Lantier* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Polycarpe, St. Zotique, St. Ignace du Côteau du Lac, St. Clet, Ste. Marthe, St. Joseph de Soulanges* and of the Township of *Newton* in the County of *Vaudreuil*, severally praying that the Head Quarters (*chef lieu*) of that County may be removed from the Village of *Vaudreuil* to that of *Ruisseau St. Hyacinthe*, be referred to a Select Committee of three Members to report thereon.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Dionne*, and *De Beaujeu* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from himself and others of the City of *Quebec* and other places in the vicinity thereof praying to be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a Rail-road from *Point Levi*, opposite to *Quebec* to the Boundaries of *New Brunswick* to form part of the Grand Trunk Rail-road.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Friday, 15th October, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.
FERGUSSON,
MACAULAY,
MCKAY,
MOORE,

The Honorable Messieurs

DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
TACHÉ,
CRANE.

PRAYERS.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a Petition from *J. W. Hilton* and others, Cabinet and Chair Manufacturers of *Montreal*, praying that a duty of thirty per cent may be imposed on foreign furniture and chairs when imported into this Province, and that un-manufactured stuff suited to their business may be admitted free.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act for avoiding doubts as to the true meaning of a certain enactment in the Act regulating elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly," was read the second time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Chauveau* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to extend and amend an Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, 'An Act to provide for the appointment of Justices of the Peace for the more remote parts of this Province,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

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. *De Beaujeu* presented a Petition from *Antoine Couillard* and others, inhabitants of the County of *Beauharnais*, praying that the said County may be sub-divided into two Districts for the purposes of Registration and that one of the said Offices may be established in the Village of *Huntingdon* ;

Also a Petition from *James Reid* and others, of the Township of *Godmanchester* and adjacent parts in the County of *Beauharnais*, praying that in case the County

of *Beauharnais* be divided for the purpose of registering titles, that one of the Registry Offices may be established at the Village of *Huntingdon*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris* and *Ross* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* from the Select Committee to whom were referred the Petitions from *François De Sales Bastien*, Esquire, Secretary Treasurer of the Council of the Municipality of *Vaudreuil*, in the name and on behalf of the said Council, and from *Jacques Philippe Lantier* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Polycarpe*, *St. Zotique*, *St. Ignace du Côteau du Lac*, *St. Clet*, *Ste. Marthe*, *St. Joseph de Soulanges*, and of the Township of *Newton* in the County of *Vaudreuil* praying that the Head Quarters (*chef lieu*) of that County may be removed from the Village of *Vaudreuil* to that of *Ruisseau Saint Hyacinthe*, reported that they had in obedience to the order of reference of the fourteenth instant examined the allegations in the said Petitions, and that they see no reason why a Bill founded upon the said Petitions should not be introduced into your Honorable House.

Ordered, that the said Report be adopted.

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* introduced a Bill intituled, "An Act for the removal of the Head Quarters of the County of *Vaudreuil*."

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. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *C. S. Ross* and others, bankers and merchants of *Upper Canada*, praying that the Law for the protesting of notes and bills may be suffered to remain as it now stands.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from the Reverend *James Alexander* and others, of the congregation of Christ's Church *Binbrooke* ;

And also, a Petition from *Thomas Davis* and others, of *Stoney Creek*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Monday, 18th October, 1852.

The Members convened were;—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

McGILL,
MORRIS, W.
FERGUSSON,
MACAULAY,
FERRIER,
MCKAY,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS,
TURGEON,
CRANE.

PRAYERS.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Yamaska*, praying for the construction of a Public Bridge over the River *St. Francis*;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Dorchester*, No. 2, praying for a law to enable them to construct Turnpike Roads within the limits of the said Municipality upon the security of the Province;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Yamaska*, praying for the construction of a Public Bridge over the River *Yamaska*;

And also, a Petition from *J. B. Mongenais*, Esquire, M. P. P., praying that the proposed measure to remove the (*chef lieu*) of the County of *Vaudreuil* to *le petit Village du Ruisseau St. Hyacinthe* may not be passed into a Law.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Leslie* presented a Petition from *John G. Becket of Montreal* praying that he may be indemnified for certain losses which have fallen upon him in

consequence

consequence of the failure of the Legislative Council to fulfil the terms of a contract entered into with him for printing their Journals of the year 1849.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Donald McLeod* and others, of the Presbyterian Congregation of *Cobourg*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department and on the Public Provincial Canals may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *François Gendron* and others, inhabitants of the place called "*le petit Village*" in the Parish of *Beauport*, praying that the Road "*du petit Village*" may be macadamized and placed under the control of the *Quebec Turnpike Trust*;

And also, a Petition from *F. H. Toussaint* and others, President and Members of the Teachers Library Association of the District of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the Agricultural Society of the County of *Verchères*, No. 2, made up to the 23rd September 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal*, praying for certain amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the College of *St. Hyacinthe*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

Ordered, that the Honorable Mr. *McGill* be added to the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the several Acts incorporating the Company of Proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road and for other purposes" and also the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act passed in the eighth year of the Reign of Her Majesty to incorporate the *St. Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Rail-road Company and to extend the powers of the said Company,"

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act for avoiding doubts as to the true meaning of a certain enactment in the Act relating to Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Ordered.

Ordered, that the House be cleared of Strangers and the Doors closed.
Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House was called.

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,	Present.
ROBERT S. JAMESON,	Absent.
PETER B. DE BLAQUIERE,	Excused.
PETER MCGILL,	Present.
WILLIAM MORRIS,	Present.
ALEXANDER FRASER,	Excused.
JAMES CROOKS,	Excused.
ADAM FERGUSSON,	Present.
JOHN MACAULAY,	Present.
JOHN HAMILTON,	Absent.
ADAM FERRIE,	Present.
PAUL H. KNOWLTON,	Excused.
THOMAS MCKAY,	Present.
PHILIP H. MOORE,	Present.
JOSEPH DIONNE,	Present.
GEORGE J. GOODHUE,	Present.
WILLIAM WALKER,	Present.
CHRISTOPHER WIDMER,	Excused.
J. ÆMILIUS IRVING,	Excused.
P. BOUCHER DE BOUCHERVILLE,	Excused.
JAMES MORRIS,	Present.
JAMES GORDON,	Excused.
HAMNETT PINHEY,	Excused.
JAMES FERRIER,	Excused.
RODERICK MATHESON,	Present.
GEORGE S. BOULTON,	Present.
DENIS B. VIGER,	Excused.
ETIENNE P. TACHÉ,	Present.
JAMES LESLIE,	Present.
FREDERICK A. QUESNEL,	Present.
JOSEPH BOURRET,	Absent.
GEORGE S. DE BEAUJEU,	Present.
JOHN ROSS,	Present.
LOUIS MÉHOT,	Absent.
JOSEPH O. TURGEON,	Present.
SAMUEL CRANE,	Present.
JAMES WYLIE,	Absent
SAMUEL MILLS,	Absent

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House the Census Returns of both Provinces for the year 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Montreal and New York* Rail-road Company, to extend their Rail-road and to acquire the Land necessary for such extention and for other purposes relative to the said Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McGill, Ferrie, Goodhue, J. Morris, Matheson, Leslie* and *De Beaujeu* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Acts therein mentioned and to make further provision for the Management of the Post Office." it was,

Ordered, That the same be discharged until Wednesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie*, (of *Gaspé*) and others, as follows :

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Friday, 15th October, 1852.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council praying that their Honors will permit the Honorable *Joseph Bourret*, one of their Members to attend the Standing Committe on the Public Accounts to be examined with respect to certain expenses incurred in defraying the removal the Seat of Government from *Toronto* to *Quebec*, and for which a vote of supply is required by the Executive Government.

Ordered, That Mr. *Christie* (of *Gaspé*) do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk Assembly.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Erie and Ontario* Rail-road Company," it was

Moved That the eighty third rule of this House be dispensed with in regard to the said Bill, and that the same be now read for the second time.

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

The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

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

Ordered, That the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Ross* and *Crane* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal the Acts therein mentioned and to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act for the removal of the head quarters of the County of *Vaudreuil*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McGill, Moore, Leslie, De Beaujeu* and *Turgeon* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Ordered, that the Petition from *J. B. Mongenais*, Esquire, M. P. P., praying that the proposed Bill to remove the (*chef lieu*) of the County of *Vaudreuil* to *le petit Village du Ruisseau St. Hyacinthe* may not be passed into Law, be referred to the last mentioned Select Committee.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* not being in his place nor at present at *Quebec*, it was *Ordered*, that he have leave to go to the Committee of the Legislative Assembly as desired by that House in their Message received this day if he thinks fit.

Ordered, That one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council do give leave to the Honorable *Joseph Bourret* a Member of their House, absent from *Quebec*, to go to the Standing Committee of the Legislative Assembly on Public Accounts to be examined with respect to certain expenses incurred in the removal of the Seat of Government from *Toronto* to *Quebec*, and for which a vote of supply is required by the Executive Government; if he thinks fit.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of sufferers by the late Fire at *Montreal* by facilitating the negotiation of Loans to enable them to re-build the property destroyed by the said Fire" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from *Röbert Esson* and others, of *Napanee* praying that all labour in the Post Office Department and on the Public Canals may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Also, a Petition from *Samuel Caldwell* and others, of the Township of *Hope*, praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited;

And also, a Petition from *J. S. Smith* and others, of *Port Hope*, praying that no Act conferring authority upon any Rail-way Company to impede the navigation

of *Rice Lake* by erecting a Bridge across it may receive the favorable consideration of the Legislature.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Tuesday, 19th October, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

McGILL,
FERGUSSON,
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS,
MÉTHOT,
TURGEON,
CRANE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Charles Pageot*, the younger, and others, inhabitants of the parish of *St. Ambroise de la Jeune Lorette*, praying that an Act may be passed to authorized the Government to resume the possession of deserted lots in the Crown Seigniories ;

And also, a Petition from *John Gale*, of *Quebec*, boatman, and *Ellen Keenan*, his wife, praying that an investigation may be made respecting the sentence of imprisonment rendered against the said *Ellen Keenan*, by Judge *Power* and *W. K. McCord*, Esquire.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Crane* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the united Counties of *Stormont*, *Dundas* and *Glengarry*, praying that the proposed

proposed measure for altering the charter of the University of *Toronto*, may not become law in its present shape.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Ordered, That the Petition from *John C. Becket*, of *Montreal*, praying that he may be indemnified for certain losses which have fallen upon him in consequence of the failure of the Legislative Council to keep the terms of a contract entered into with him for printing their Journals of the year 1849, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report on the contingent accounts of this House for the present session.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* enters.

Ordered, That the Select Committee to which is referred the Bill intituled, "An Act for the removal of head quarters of the County of *Vaudreuil*," have power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *Robert Irvine* and others, of the City of *Toronto*;

Also, a Petition from *W. Wilson* and others, of the Village of *Oakville*;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *G. C. Street* and others, inhabitants of the Village of *Port Stanley*;

Also, a Petition from *W. Anderson* and others, inhabitants of *Beech Ridge*;

Also, a Petition from *C. Larocque*, curé of *St. Jean Dorchester* and others;

Also, a Petition from *G. F. Jones* and others, of *Savrebois*;

Also, a Petition from *Wm. Brook* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *J. Hellmuth* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *G. M. Armstrong* and others, of the Village of *Christieville*;

Also, a Petition from *Eliza Fleming* and others, of the Village of *Christieville*;

Also, two Petitions from the Reverend *L. Doolittle* and others, of the Village of *Lennoxville*;

Also, a Petition, from *F. J. Williams* and others, of *Port Hope*;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Thos. Whightman* and others, of *York Mills* and *Scarborough*;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *James Fergusson*, Missionary and others, of the Presbyterian Congregation of the Townships of *Egremont*, *Normanby* and *Arthur*;

Also, a Petition from *H. Hope* and others, of the Town of *Niagara* ;

Also, a Petition from *A. W. Galt*, and others, of *Saltsfleet* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *R. H. Wilkes* and others, Congregationalists of *Montreal* ;

And also, a Petition from *Absalom Shade* and others, of *Galt*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department and on the Public Canals may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act passed in the eighth year of the reign of Her Majesty, to incorporate the *St. Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Rail-road Company, and to extend the powers of the said Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Monday, 18th October, 1852.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council informing their Honors that this House hath adopted an Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of Reciprocity with Foreign Nations, and requesting the concurrence of their Honors thereto.

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

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk Assembly.

The said Address to Her Majesty was then read by the Clerk, as follows :

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLANT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN :

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly beg leave to approach Your Majesty for the purpose of representing, That the Imperial Act 9 and 10 Vict., cap. 22, for the repeal of the Corn Laws, deprived the British North American Provinces of the preference previously given to their Agricultural products in the Home Market ; and that, while it placed Foreign Nations on

a par with the Colonies in the Corn Trade, it contained no provision enabling Your Majesty, in Your Royal discretion, to insist on the principle of Reciprocity being carried out by such Foreign Nations, whereby this Country would be placed on an equality with the *United States*.

That by the Imperial Navigation Act 12 and 13 Vict., cap. 29, authority is given Your Majesty to protect British Shipping by imposing the same duties on the vessels and cargoes of any Foreign Nation, which are exacted from British Vessels by such Foreign Nation.

We are humbly of opinion, That the principle of Reciprocity adopted by the Navigation Act, ought to be extended to the Agricultural products of *Great Britain* and her Colonies, and that the correctness of this opinion was admitted by Your Majesty's Imperial Government, when Mr. Pakenham, Your Majesty's Minister at *Washington*, was instructed immediately after the passing of the Act to negotiate with the American Government for an equality in Trade, and thus to supply the omission in the Statute 9 and 10 Vict., cap. 22.

We beg leave further to represent, That the Canadian Legislature endeavored to aid Mr. *Pakenham* in his negotiations, by passing a Reciprocity Bill, but that all his exertions have proved unsuccessful, and we are apprehensive that, unless Your Majesty is enabled to act authoritatively in the matter, Reciprocity will never be granted by the *United States*, and *Canada* will continue to suffer by the depreciation of the value of her products as heretofore.

That the prediction, contained in our Address to Your Majesty, in 1846, that this change in the commercial policy of the Empire would lead to the reduction of prices on *Canada* products, below those of the *United States*, has been fully realized. Whenever Markets are higher in *America* than in *England*, the price of the productions of *Canada* are lower than in the *United States*; and when Markets are higher in *England*, the prices of *Canadian* produce still range lower by the amount of the charges imposed by the bonding system in passing through the *United States*; and so long as the present laws are in force, under no circumstances can prices be higher.

That we have on no occasion, since the Imperial Act of 1846, addressed the Home Government for a return to protection, or for any exclusive favor in the Markets of *Britain*, neither do we now ask for any such advantage, or for any measure which will increase the price of Bread to the British consumer for the benefit of the Canadian producer. Under the principle of reciprocity, no duties will be imposed on the importation of the breadstuffs of *Great Britain* or *Canada* into any other Corn growing country, consequently the productions of all Foreign Nations coming into *England* duty free, prices cannot be increased; and in order to remove all apprehension from the mind of the consumer of this subject, it is only necessary to state, that the breadstuffs from the *Western States* can be admitted through *Canada* into *England*, duty free, in the same manner as before the repeal of the Corn Laws.

We therefore must humbly pray, that Your Majesty will be pleased to recommend to the Imperial Parliament to enact that Your Majesty may, in your Royal discretion by Order in Council, impose like duties on the natural productions of Foreign Countries when imported direct from Sea-Ports within those Countries, as they impose on the natural productions of *Great Britain* or of *British North America*, and to repeal so much of the first Clause of the 12 and 13 Vict. as revives the fifth Clause of 8 and 9 Vict., conferring advantages on vessels of the *United States*, which that Country withholds from those of *Canada*; the said duties and restrictions to continue so long and no longer, than similar restrictions are continued by such Foreign Countries.

Ordered, That the said Address be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Dixon* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act for confirming the title of the Agricultural Society of the United Counties of *Middlesex* and *Elgin*, to a certain tract of land therein mentioned and for other purposes relative to the same," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie*, (of *Gaspé*) and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to detach for Judicial purposes the settlement of *Sainte Anne-des-Monts* and *Cap-Chat* from the District of *Gaspé* and annex the same to the District of *Kamouraska*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to render the capital stock of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District transferable in *Great Britain* and to extend the time within which the unsold shares of the said capital stock must be wholly paid up and to make other provisions connected therewith."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal the Acts therein mentioned and to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*" was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be Committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill presently.

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

After some time the House was resumed and the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* reported from the said Committee that they had taken the said Bill into consideration, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of Sufferers by the late Fire at *Montreal*, by facilitating the negotiation of Loans to enable them to re-build the property destroyed by the said Fire," was read the second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be Committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill presently.

The House according to order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After sometime the House was resumed, and the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* 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 to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the *J. B. Forsyth* and others, of *Quebec*, praying, as the proprietors of a building now being erected for an Hotel, for an Act of incorporation ;

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *W. C. Merrick* and others, of the County of *Dorchester*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Wednesday, 20th October, 1852.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERGUSSON,
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

MATHESON,
TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Leslie* presented two Petitions from the Reverend *W. Taylor* and others, of the United Presbyterian Church, *Montreal*, praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day; and also, praying that the Clergy Reserve Lands may be alienated to some other purpose than the one to which they are at present applied.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from *John Cordner* and others, of *Montreal*, praying for the passing of An Act to abolish the punishment of death,

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act passed in the eight year of the Reign of Her Majesty, to incorporate the *Saint Lawrence* and *Atlantic* Rail-Road Company, and to extend the powers of the said Company," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of "Sufferers by the late Fire at *Montreal*, by facilitating the negociation of Loans to "enable them to re-build the property destroyed by the said Fire," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered,

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

The Honorable Messieurs *McGill*, *Boulton*, *Ross* and *Méthot* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make further provision for the Management of the Post Office," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill presently.

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

After some time the House was resumed and the Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with several amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

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

Ordered, That the said Bill with the amendments be printed and the same read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Majesty on the subject of Reciprocity with Foreign Countries, it was,

Ordered, that the consideration of the said Address be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act for confirming the title of the Agricultural Society of the United Counties of *Middlesex* and *Elgin* to a certain tract of Land therein mentioned and for other purposes relative to the same," was read the second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Goodhue*, *Matheson* and *Boulton* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to detach for judicial purposes the settlements of *Sainte Anne-des-Monts* and *Cap Chat* from the District of *Gaspé* and annex the same to the District of *Kamouraska*," was read the second time.

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

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and again put into Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal the Acts therein mentioned and to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*."

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After some time the House was resumed and the Honorable Mr. *Moore* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to extend and amend an Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, 'An Act to provide for the appointment of Justices of the Peace for the more remote parts of this Province," it was,

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Christie*, (of *Wentworth*,) and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Town of *Dundas* to grant its security to the *Great Western* Rail-road Company, on behalf of the *Desjardins* Canal Company, for certain improvements on the said Canal," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Leslie* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Montreal* and *New York* Rail-road Company to extend their Rail-road and to acquire the Land necessary for such extension and for other purposes relative to the said 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 same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *David Long* and others, Militiamen, who served during the last War with the United States, praying for relief by way of compensation for the loss of certain Lands which they were entitled to draw for such services ;

Also, a Petition from Reverend *William McMurray* and others, rate payers of the Town of *Dundas*, praying that the proposed Bill to authorize the said Town to grant its security to the *Great Western* Rail-road Company in favor of the *Desjardins* Canal Company may not be passed into a Law ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *George Bell* and others, of the Presbyterian Church at *Simcoe*, in connexion with the Church of *Scotland* ;

And also, a Petition from *Charles W. Covernton* and others, of the Town of *Simcoe*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *Benjamin Pearson* and others, of the Township of *King* ;

And also, a Petition from *Andrew Riddell* and others, of the Township of *Vaughan*, praying that except for Medecinal or Mechanical purposes, the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Thursday, 21st October, 1852.

The Members convened were;—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,

FERRIE,

MOORE,

GOODHUE,

WALKER,

MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,

LESLIE,

DE BEAUJEU,

MÉTHOT,

TURGEON,

PRAYERS.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from the Board of Trade of the City of *Hamilton*, praying that the proposed new Commercial Policy of Government may not be adopted.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Corporation of *Quebec*, praying that the duties paid on lead and iron pipes for the use the *Quebec* Water Works may be refunded, and that similar material hereafter to be imported for the use of the said Works may be admitted duty free.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Augustin Guerin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eustaché* in the County of *Two Mountains*, praying that an Act may passed for the preservation of musk rats.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* enters.

Ordered, that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to the first day of November next.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *Peter Fleming* Civil Engineer, praying for pecuniary assistance to enable him to publish a work which he has prepared on the Mathematical Sciences.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* enters.

The Order of the Day being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Acts therein mentioned and to make further provision for the Management of the Post Office," it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to detach for judicial purposes the settlements of *Sainte Anne-des-Monts* and *Cap Chat* from the District of *Gaspé*, and annex the same to the District of *Kamouraska*," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal the Acts therein mentioned and to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*," was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

It was moved to

Resolve, That an Humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency would cause to be laid before this House, Copies of the Correspondance that has taken place between the Executive Government and *J. E. Turcotte* Esquire, on the subject of his claim for salary as Solicitor General in 1847, together with all papers and documents having reference thereto, as also extracts from any Orders in Council that may have passed relating to said claim.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House 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 consideration of the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Majesty on the subject of reciprocity with Foreign Nations, it was

Ordered,

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* presented a Petition from the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, praying for the repeal of the Law imposing a Tax on Bank issues.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to extend and amend an Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, 'An Act to provide for the appointment of Justices of the Peace for the more remote parts of this Province,'" was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill presently.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and the Honorable Mr. *Walker* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow :

Line 12.—After the word "that" insert "it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, in the manner provided for in an Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's reign intituled, 'An Act to provide for the appointment of Magistrates for the more remote parts of this Province,'" to name and appoint such and so many fit and proper persons as may be deemed expedient to be and act as Justices of the Peace within, and whose jurisdiction as such Justices of the Peace shall extend over, much remote part or parts of *Lower Canada*, as the Governor in Council may by Proclamation define and declare, although such remote part or parts may be comprised within the constituted limits of any District of this Province, any thing to the contrary in the said Act contained notwithstanding, and that."

Line 13.—After "the" where it occurs for the first time insert "said."

Line 13.—Leave out from "Act" to "shall" in line 15.

Line 17.—Leave out from "appointed" to "and" in line 21, and insert "by virtue of this Act."

IN THE TITLE.

Line 3.—Leave out from "of" where it occurs for the first time to "for" in line 4, and insert "Magistrates."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill as amended read a third time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Town of *Dundas* to grant its security to the *Great Western* Rail-road Company on behalf of the *Desjardins* Canal Company for certain improvements on the said Canal," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* enters,

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Montreal* and *New York* Rail-road Company to extend their Rail-road and to acquire the Land necessary for such extension, and for other purposes relative to the said Company."

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 7. Line 48.—After " Rail-road " insert " doing as little damage as may be, " and making satisfaction in the manner provided by the said " last mentioned Act to the owner or proprietor of or person " interested in such land for all that he may loose or suffer " by reason of such entry and felling or removing as " aforesaid."

Page 12, Line 19,—After " Directors " insert " with the counter signature of the " Secretary of the Company."

Page 12, Line 22,—After " such " insert " with the counter signature of the Secre- " tary of the Company as such."

Page 12, Line 28,—After " Directors " insert " or Secretary."

Page 15, Line 38,—After " votes " insert " And provided also, that a share or " shares that shall have been held for a less period " than three calendar months immediately prior to any such " occasion shall not entitle the holder or holders to vote on " such occasion either in person or by proxy."

The first four amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

The fifth and last amendment being read a second time.

It was moved to adopt the same.

In amendment it was moved to leave out " three Calendar months," and insert " one Calendar month in lieu thereof."

Which being objected to ;

After debate,

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

The question being then put on the main motion, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *John Alexander* and others, of *Barrie*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department and on the Public Canals, may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Friday, 22nd October, 1852.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MCGILL,
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
DE BEAUJEU,
MÉTHOT,
TURGEON.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *E. Lalonde* and others, of the Parish of *Sainte Marthe* in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying that the *chef lieu* of that County may not be changed unless for the purpose of establishing it in that Parish.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Ordered, That the Petition just presented be referred to the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act for the removal of the head quarters of the County of *Vaudreuil*."

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *A. S. Hurd* and others, of the Townships of *Eaton* and *Clifton* in the County of *Sherbrooke*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act for confirming the title of the Agricultural Society of " of the United Counties of *Middlesex* and *Elgin* to a certain tract of Land therein " mentioned and for other purposes relative to the same," reported that he had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *W. S. Porteous* and others, of the Baptist Church in *Montreal*, praying that all business in the Post Office Department and on the Public Canals may be suspended on the Lord's Day;

Also, a Petition from *Joseph L. Odell* and others, residents of *Upper Canada*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate all the Medical Societies that now or may hereafter exist in the Province and to enable their respective Boards to grant diplomas to practice Physic, Surgery and Midwifery therein.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *Thomas Prentiss* and others, of the Township of *Hull*, praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes. the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend two " certain Acts therein mentioned and to make further provision for the Management " of the Post Office," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An " Act to render the capital stock of the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District " transferable in *Great Britain* and to extend the time within which the unsold " shares

" shares of the said capital stock must be wholly paid up and to make other provisions connected therewith."

It was moved that the 57th Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill.

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

It was then moved that the said Bill be now read for the 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 of five Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson, Macaulay, Goodhue, Matheson* and *Leslie*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

It was then moved,

That it be an instruction to the said Committee to prepare a clause to be inserted in the said Bill requiring that three months before the annual meeting a list of the Shareholders, and the amount of shares, shall be printed in pamphlet form

Which being objected to;

After debate,

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

Ordered, accordingly,

The Order of the Day being read for a consideration of the Address to Her Majesty on the subject of Reciprocity with foreign nations, it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, " An Act to authorize the Town of *Dundas*, to grant its security to the *Great Western* Rail-road Company on behalf of the *Desjardins* Canal Company for certain improvements on the said Canal," was read a second time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from *Paul Robins* and others, Bible Christians of the Township of *Darlington*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day;

Also, a Petition from *John C. Ball* and others, of the Counties of *Lincoln* and *Welland*, praying that the said Counties may be permanently united;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Manvers*, praying that the provisions of the Rail-way clauses consolidation Act may be extended to the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Rail-way Company, and that the Municipalities may be allowed to subscribe to the stock of any Rail-way whether the Company was incorporated before or after the passing of the said Rail-way clauses consolidation Act.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition *Thomas Verchères de Boucherville*, praying to be indemnified for his services and losses during the late War with *United States of America*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Monday, 25th October, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS,
TURGEON.

PRAYERS.

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

When the Honorable *Louis Panet* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *Walker* and *Taché*.

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

PROVINCE }
OF }
CANADA. }

ELGIN & KINCARDINE.

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

To Our Trusty and Well Beloved *Louis Panet*, of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire.

GREETING :

KNOW YE, that as well for the especial trust and confidence, We have manifested in you, as for the purpose of obtaining your advice and assistance in all weighty and arduous

arduous affairs which may the state and defence of our Province of *Canada*, and the Church thereof concern; We, have thought fit to summon you to the Legislative Council of our said Province, and We do command you the said *Louis Panet*, Esquire, that all difficulties and excuses whatsoever laying aside, you be and appear for the purposes aforesaid, in the Legislative Council of our said Province, at all times whensoever and wheresoever Our Provincial Parliament may be, in our said Province, convoked and holden, and this you are in no wise to omit.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, WE have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Canada*, to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin *JAMES, EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE*, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House, in Our CITY of *QUEBEC*, in Our said Province of *Canada*, the TWENTIETH day of *OCTOBER*, and in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, in the sixteenth year Our Reign.

By Command,

E. & K.

FELIX FORTIER,

C. C. Ch.

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THOS. AMIOT,
Depy. Regt.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Leslie* presented a Petition from the *Montreal* Fire Insurance Company of the County of *Montréal*, praying that an Act may be passed to authorize the dissolution of the said Company and the winding up of its affairs.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Town of *Guelph*, praying that the proposed Representation Bill may be so amended as that the said Town of *Guelph* may remain a portion of the Electoral District to which it has heretofore belonged.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* presented a Petition from *John R. Lambly*, on behalf of a Public Meeting of the Freeholders of the County of *Mégantic*, praying generally that the roads in the said County may be improved and repaired ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *John Murray* and others, of the Township of *Leeds*, praying that except for Medecinal or Mechanical purposes, the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors may be prohibited.

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Giffard Doily* and others, of the *Wesleyan Methodist Church* at *St. Sylvester* ;

Also, a Petition from *John Murray* and others, Presbyterians of the Township of *Leeds* ;

Also, a Petition from *John McKinnon* and others, of *Inverness* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *G. Doily* and others, of the County of *Mégantic* ;

And also, a Petition from *Dugald Campbell* and others, of the Township of *Inverness*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *David Dussault* and others, of the parish of *Notre-Dame de Québec*, praying that an Act may be passed placing the Roman Catholic parishioners of the said parish on the same footing as the *notables* in other parishes in *Lower Canada*, with respect to the fabrique thereof.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *George B. Hall* and others, of the Town of *Peterborough East* ;

And also, a Petition from *Charles Peny* and others, of the Town of *Peterborough*, severally praying for the construction of a Rail-way from the Town of *Peterborough* to the Town of *Cobourg*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, " An Act to extend and amend an Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, ' An Act to provide for the appointment of Justices of the Peace for the more remote parts of this Province," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Montreal and New York* Rail-road Company to extend their Rail-road and to acquire the Land necessary for such extension and for other purposes relative to the said Company," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Town of *Dundas* to grant its security to the *Great Western* Rail-road Company, on behalf of the *Desjardins* Canal Company, for certain improvements on the said Canal," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day being read for a consideration of the amendments proposed to the Bill intituled, "An Act for confirming the title of the Agricultural Society of the United Counties of *Middlesex* and *Elgin* to a certain tract of Land therein mentioned and for other purposes relative to the same."

It was moved,

That the said Bill be referred back to the same Select Committee to whom it was formerly referred, to report further thereon.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, accordingly.

Ordered, that the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson* and *Ross* be added to the last mentioned Committee.

The Order of the Day being read for a consideration of the Address to Her Majesty on the subject of Reciprocity with Foreign Nations.

It was moved to agree with the Legislative Assembly by filling up the blank with "the Legislative Council and"

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

Ordered, that the Speaker do sign the said Address on behalf of this House.

Ordered,

Ordered, that one of the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Address by filling up the blank with the words "the Legislative Council and"

Ordered, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General in the following words :

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled beg leave to approach Your Excellency with our respectful request that you will be pleased to transmit our Joint Address to Her most Gracious Majesty on the subject of Reciprocity with Foreign Nations, in such a way as Your Excellency may deem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Ordered, that the Speaker do sign the said Address on the part of this House.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Address be sent to the Legislative Assembly for their concurrence.

Ordered, that the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Majesty on the subject of Reciprocity with Foreign Nations be printed and published for the use of Members.

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

Tuesday, 26th October, 1852.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERGUSSON

MACAULAY,

MOORE,

DIONNE,

GOODHUE,

MORRIS, J.

MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,

TACHÉ,

LESLIE,

BOURRET,

DE BEAUJEU,

TURGEON,

PANET.

PRAYERS.

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

When the Honorable *N. F. Belleau*, was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *Moore* and *J. Morris*.

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

PROVINCE }
OF
CANADA. }

ELGIN & KINCAREINE.

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

To Our Trusty and well beloved *Narcisse Fortuna Belleau*, of the City of *Quebec*,
Esquire.

GREETING :

KNOW YE, that as well for the especial trust and confidence we have manifested in you, as for the purpose, of obtaining your advice and assistance in all weighty and arduous affairs which may the State and defence of Our Province of *Canada*, and the Church thereof concern, We have thought fit to summon you to the Legislative Council of Our said Province, and We do command you the said *Narcisse Fortuna Belleau*, Esquire, that all difficulties and excuses whatsoever laying aside, you be and appear for the purpose aforesaid in the Legislative Council of Our said Province

Province at all times whensoever and wheresoever Our Provincial Parliament may be in Our said Province convoked and holden ; and this you are in no wise to omit.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin JAMES, EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle Governor General of British North America and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and the Island of Prince Edward and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, in Our CITY of QUEBEC, in Our said Province of Canada, the TWENTY-THIRD day of OCTOBER and in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty two, and in the Sixteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

E. & K.

FELIX FORTIER,

C. C. Chy.

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THOS. AMIOT.

Depy. Regr.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *William Lang* and others, of *Otonabee*, praying for the construction of a Rail-road from *Cobourg* to *Peterborough*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* presented a Petition from *J. Hamilton* and others, of the Town of *London*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

And also, a Petition from *Lawrence Lawrason* and others, of the Town of *London*, praying that the Petition of the Town Council of the said Town to confirm and illegal Bye Law may not be favorably entertained.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* from the Select Committee to whom was again referred the Bill intituled, "An Act for confirming the title of the Agricultural Society of the United Counties of *Middlesex* and *Elgin*, to a certain tract of land
" therein

" therein mentioned, and for other purposes relative to the same" reported that they had again gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain additional 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 same was then read by the clerk.

It was then moved that the said Bill and Reports of the Select Committee 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 adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill and Reports.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Leslie* reported from the said Committee that they had taken, the said Bill and Reports into consideration, had made some further progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, that leave be granted to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered, that the said Bill and Reports do stand as the first item upon the Orders of that day.

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Monday, 25th October, 1852.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council requesting that their Honors will permit the Honorable *George Strange Boulton*, one of their Members to attend the Select Committee of this House appointed to enquire into the course pursued by Treasurers and Sheriffs at the various Sales of Land for taxes in the Counties of *Upper Canada*, from 1830 to 1851, on Wednesday next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference.

Ordered, That Mr. *Boulton* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk Assembly.

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. *Boulton* rising in his place declared his willingness to go to the said Committee if permitted.

It

It was then moved that the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* do have leave to go to the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, as desired by that House in their Message received this day, if he thinks fit.

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

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth give leave to the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* to attend and give evidence, before the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly appointed to enquire into the course pursued by the Treasurers and Sheriff's at the various sales of land for taxes in the Counties of *Upper Canada*, from 1830 to 1851, on Wednesday next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, if he thinks fit.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to provide by one General Law for the incorporation of Electric Telegraph Companies," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Wednesday, 27th October, 1852.

The Members convened were;—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,

GOODHUE,

WALKER,

MATHESON,

TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,

DE BEAUJEU,

TURGEON,

BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Recorders' Court of the City of *Montreal*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson* and *J. Morris* enter.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and again put into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill intituled, "An Act for confirming the title of the Agricultural Society of the United Counties of *Middlesex* and *Elgin* to a certain Tract of Land therein mentioned and for other purposes relative to the same" together with the Reports of the Select Committee thereon.

After some time the House was resumed and the Honorable Mr. *Bourret* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with several amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 2, Line 35.—Leave out "the" where it occurs the first time, and insert "this."

Page 2, Line 50.—After "land" insert "with the exception of so much thereof as
" may have been already conveyed by the said Council of the
" said United Counties to the *Great Western Rail-way Com-*
" pany."

Page 3, Line 20.—Leave out "County" and insert "United Counties."

Page 3, Line 29.—Leave out from "*Middlesex*" to the end of the Bill.

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

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Leslie* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide by one General Law for the incorporation of Electric Telegraph Companies," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill presently.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with several amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 2, Line 16.—After “highways” insert “or impede the free access to any
“ house or other building erected in the vicinity of the same.”

Page 2, Line 47.—Leave out from “of” to “to” in Line 48 and insert “the owner
“ of or of the association owning any telegraph line now in
“ operation, or that may hereafter be in operation.”

Page 3, Line 18.—Leave out from “time” to “assume” in line 19.

Page 3, Line 21.—Leave out from “time” to “and” in line 22.

Page 3, Line 26.—Leave out “such time” and insert “the time of such possession.”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Solicitor General *Chauveau* and others, to return the Bill intituled “An Act to extend
“ and amend an Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty’s Reign intituled,
“ An Act to provide for the appointment of Justices of the Peace for the more remote
“ parts of this Province,” 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 Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Malloch* and others, to return the Bill intituled, “An Act to legalize and continue the Municipal Corpo-
“ ration of the Township of *Torbolton*,” and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the same without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Dumoulin* and others, with a Bill intituled “An Act to establish and ascertain the rights of the
“ co-proprietors of the common of *St. Antoine de la Baie*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Thursday, 28th October, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERGUSSON,
MACAULAY,
MOORE,
WALKER,
MATHESON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

LESLIE,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *William Proctor* and others, of *Binbrook*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *John McDonald* and others, praying for the extension of the *Toronto* and *Guelph* Rail-way to the Towns of *Goderich* and *Sarnia* ;

And also, a Petition from *Mathew H. Warren* of *Indian* Island on the coast of *Labrador*, praying that the products of that Country may be admitted into *Canada* free of duty.

Ordered, that the said last mentioned Petition be now read, and

The said Petition was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act for confirming the title of the Agricultural Society of the United Counties of *Middlesex* and *Elgin* to a certain tract of Land therein mentioned and for other purposes relative to the same," as amended, was read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide by one General Law for the incorporation of Electric Telegraph Companies," 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,

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to establish and ascertain the rights of the co-proprietors of the Common of *St. Antoine de la Baie*," it was,

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Tuesday next.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *William Henderson* and others, of the Seigniorship of *Beauharnais*, in the County of *Beauharnais*, praying that the said County may be divided into two Registration Districts, and that the Registry Office for one of the said Districts, and also the sittings of the Council of the Municipality No. 1, of the said County may be held at the Village of *Sainte Martine* ;

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *E. Blyth* and others, of the County of *Beauharnais*, praying that the proposal to remove the Circuit Court from the Village of *Ste. Martine*, to the Village of *Beauharnais* may not be favourably entertained.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Young*, and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Montreal* and *New York* Rail-road company to extend their Rail-road and to acquire the Land necessary for such extension and for other purposes relative to the said Company," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to this Bill without any amendment.

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
Wednesday, 27th October, 1852.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, acquainting their Honors that this House, hath agreed to the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting His Excellency to transmit the Joint Address to Her Majesty on the subject of Reciprocity with Foreign Nations by filling up the blank with the words "and Commons."

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

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Assembly.

Ordered, that the Joint Address to Her Majesty, and also the Joint Address to His Excellency the Governor General on the subject of Reciprocity with Foreign Nations, be presented on the part of this House to His Excellency by the Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* and the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris*.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* and the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris*, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General humbly to know what time His Excellency will please to appoint to be attended with the Joint Addresses.

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

Friday, 29th October, 1852.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

FERGUSSON
MACAULAY,
MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
TURGEON,
PANET.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Quebec* and others, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* enters.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* reported to the House that he had according to order waited on His Excellency the Governor General, to know what time His Excellency would be please to appoint to be attended with the Joint Addresses of both Houses, on the subject of Reciprocity with Foreign Nations, and that His Excellency had named to-morrow at two o'clock in the afternoon for that purpose.

Ordered, that One of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that His Excellency the Governor General has appointed

appointed to-morrow at two o'clock in the afternoon to be attended with the said Addresses, and that the Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* and the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris* will be in attendance at that time on the part of the Legislative Council.

It was moved that when the House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until to-morrow, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

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

Whereupon, the Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the House so decreeing.

Saturday, 30th October, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERGUSSON,

MOORE,

WALKER,

MORRIS, J.

MATHESON,

BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,

LESLIE,

DE BEAUJEU,

PANET,

BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from himself and others, of *Quebec*, praying that measures may be adopted by Government to secure the effectual representation of the industry and products of *Canada* at the exhibition to be held at *New York* in the Summer of 1853.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* enters.

It was then moved that when the House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until Tuesday next at Three o'clock in the afternoon.

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

Whereupon the Speaker declared this House continued until Tuesday next at Three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Tuesday

Tuesday, 2nd November, 1852.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BEAUJEU,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

And there being then no Quorum the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Wednesday, 3rd November, 1852.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
BOURRET,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *Joseph Delisle* and others, of the *Banlieu* of the City of *Quebec*, praying that the Bill to remove doubts as to their right to vote at elections of members for the said City may be passed.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Louis Vincent*, a *Huron* Indian, praying for a pension for his services as a volunteer during the War with the *United States of America* ;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* presented a Petition from the School Commissioners of the School Municipality of the Parish of *St. Zotique* in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for aid towards defraying the cost of the erection of two School Houses.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Town Council of the Town of *Niagara*, praying that no measure having for its object the removal of the site of the County Town may be favorably entertained by the Legislature.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the County Agricultural Society, No. 1, of the County of *Dorchester* for the year 1851.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Recorders' Court of the City of *Montreal*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Rail-road "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.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill, with the amendments, be printed and the same read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to establish and ascertain the rights of the co-proprietors of the Common of *St. Antoine de la Baie*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bourret*, *De Beaujeu* and *Belleau* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *George Weeks*, praying that so much of the Report of the *Lower Canada* Rebellion losses Commissioners as awards any sum of money to any creditor of *Wolfred Nelson* be set aside, and that the whole sum of £16,338 . 8 . 7 at which his losses are estimated, may be paid to the said Petitioner and *Alexis Laframboise*, Assignees of his estate and effects in bankruptcy ;

And

And also, a Petition from *F. Perrin*, praying that in the Bill which gives effect to certain proceedings under the Act for the payment of the Rebellion Losses in *Lower Canada*, it may be provided that the sum awarded to the Bankrupt Estate of *Wolfred Nelson*, may be paid to the Assignees thereof in order to its distribution by the Court of Bankruptcy.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide by one general law for the incorporation of Electric Telegraph Companies," and to acquaint this House, that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cartier* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Grand Trunk Rail-way of *Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec* Temperance Hall Association" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Young* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the Bank of *Montreal* and to facilitate the transfer of shares in certain cases," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, that the Honorable Mr. *Bourret* be substituted for the Honorable Mr. *Matheson* upon the Select Committee appointed to superintend the printing of this House during the present Session.

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

Thursday, 4th November, 1852.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MCGILL,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DE -BEAUJEU,
ROSS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Norfolk*, praying for the amendment of the Juror's Act of *Upper Canada* ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Norfolk*, praying for the passing of an Act to transfer the duty of issuing Licenses for Inns and Public Houses from the Revenue to the Township Inspectors ;

And also, a Petition from *George Rykert* and others, of *St. Catharines*, praying that no Act similar in its provision to the "Maine Liquor Law" may be passed by the Legislature.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *James Patrick* and others, of the County of *Drummond*, praying that the Act establishing Commissioners Courts may be repealed.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Ordered, that the Honorable Messieurs *Ross* and *Panet* be added to the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the several Acts incorporating the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road and for other purposes."

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to establish and ascertain the rights of the co-proprietors of the Common of *St. Antoine de la Baie*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment,

Ordered, That the said Bill be 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,

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Grand Trunk Rail-way of *Canada*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* reported from the said Committee, 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 to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Recorder's Court of the City of *Montreal*," 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 Charter of *Erie* and *Ontario* Rail-road Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that One of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec* Temperance Hall Association," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bourret*, *Panet* and *Belleau* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize an addition to the capital stock of the Bank of *Montreal* and to facilitate the transfer of shares in certain cases" was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill-

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* 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 to-morrow.

It was moved, that when the House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock in the forenoon.

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

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

Friday, 5th November, 1852.

The Members convened were;—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

McGILL,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *Benoit Marcoux*, of *Quebec*, Joiner, setting forth that he was disabled by the falling of a roof upon him whilst employed in repairing the Government House, at *Spencer Wood*, on the 24th June last, and praying for relief.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec* Temperance Hall Association," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The same was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Grand Trunk Rail-way of *Canada*," 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 authorize an addition to the capital stock of the Bank of *Montreal* and to facilitate the transfer of shares 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating "Bishops College" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Acts therein mentioned and for other purposes connected with the administration of "McGill College," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Patrick* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act for the granting of certain Lots in the Town of "Bytown to the *Bytown* and *Prescott* Rail-way Company" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Young*, and others, with a the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate "the *Montreal* Cemetery Company and for other purposes therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *Joseph T. Dutton*, of *Montreal*, praying for the amendment of the *Lower Canada* School Act.

Also, a Petition from *James Wylie* and others, of the Township of *Ramsay*;

Also, a Petition from *F. Thompson* and others, of the Village of *Yorkville*;

Also,

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Richard Lonsdell* and others, of *Laprairie* ;

Also, a Petition from *James Wright* and others, of the Township of *Egremont* ;

Also, a Petition from *Thomas O. Adkins* and others, of the Township of *Arthur* ;

Also, a Petition from *Colin McKenzie* and others, of the Township of *Williams* ;

Also, a Petition from *Alexander McMillan* and others, of the Township of *Finch* ;

Also, a Petition from *John M. Roger* and others, of *Peterborough* ;

Also, a Petition from *Daniel MacNab* and others of *Hamilton* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *John MacKinnon* and others, of *Chalmer's Church, Sydenham* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *David Shanks* and others, of *Buckingham* ;

Also, a Petition from *John Wilson* and others, of *Fergus*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day ;

And also, a Petition from *Alexander Moffatt* and others, of *Pembroke* and its vicinity, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department and on the *St. Lawrence* Canals may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* presented a Petition from *Hyacinthe Fabien Charlebois*, Registrar of Deeds for the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying that the *chef lieu* of the said County may not be changed ;

And also, a Petition from *Gédéon Ouimet* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Michel de Vaudreuil*, *Ste. Jeanne de l'Isle Perrot* and *Ste. Magdeleine de Rigaud* and of part of the Parish of *St. Joseph de Soulanges* in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying that the *chef lieu* of that County may not be changed.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* reported to the House, that pursuant to the Order of Friday the 29th Ultimo, the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris* and himself had waited on His Excellency the Governor General at the Government House, where they found the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, from the Honorable the Legislative Assembly, and presented the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, agreed upon by both Houses on the subject of Reciprocity with Foreign Nations, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would have much pleasure in transmitting the said Address to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State, to be laid at the foot of the Throne.

The

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Joseph Ouellet* and others, Public Notaries residing in the District of *Kamouraska*, praying that a separate Board of Notaries may be established for that District and the District of *Gaspé*, and for certain other amendments to the Acts relating to the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Saturday, 6th November, 1852.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MCGILL,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

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

When the Honorable *Charles Wilson* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *McGill* and *Bourret*.

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

PROVINCE }
OF }
CANADA. }

ELGIN & KINCARDINE.

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

To Our Trusty and well beloved *Charles Wilson*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire.

GREETING :

Letters Patent calling
Charles Wilson, Esqr. to
the Legislative Council.

KNOW YE, that as well for the especial trust and confidence
we have manifested in you, as for the purpose, of obtaining your
advice

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

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Canada* to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well Beloved Cousin JAMES, EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle Governor General of British North America and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick* and the Island of *Prince Edward* and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c. At Our Government House, in Our CITY of *QUEBEC*, in Our said Province of *Canada*, the TWENTY-THIRD day of *OCTOBER* and in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty two, and in the Sixteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

E. & K.

FELIX FORTIER,
C. C. Chy.

Recorded 25th October, 1852, in Lib. A. S., Folio, 743.

PROVINCIAL REGISTRARS OFFICE,
Quebec, 6th November, 1852.

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Record of the original Letters Patent.

THOS. AMIOT.
Depty. Regr.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating Bishop's College," was read a second time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* enters.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Acts therein mentioned and for other purposes connected with the administration of *McGill* College," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McGill*, *Walker* and *Bourret*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act for the granting of certain lots in the Town of *Bytown* to the *Bytown* and *Prescott* Rail-way Company," was read a second time.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Cemetery Company and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a second time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Ridout* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto*, and *Guelph* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Boulton* and *Ross* to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Street* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Rail-road Company," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the same without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Langton* and others, with a Bill intituled. "An Act to extend the provisions of the eighteenth section of the Rail-way clauses consolidation Act to the Act incorporating the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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,

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to the last mentioned Select Committee to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Brown* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to separate the Township of *Romney* from the " Township of East *Tilbury* and to erect the said Townships into independant Corporations," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 last mentioned Select Committee to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Young* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *St. Mary's* " College of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth Rule of this House be dispended 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Taché*, *Wilson* and *Panet*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Burnham* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto* " and *Guelph* Company," to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act " supplementary to the Common School Act of *Upper Canada*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Widows and Orphans Friends Association of *Kingston*, praying for an Act of incorporation,

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed,

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Acts therein mentioned and for other purposes

“ purposes connected with the Administration of *McGill* College,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “ An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Cemetery Company and for other purposes therein mentioned” 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 amendmndments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 2, Line 25.—After “suits” insert clauses A. B. C. D. E. F. G and H.

CLAUSE A.

“ And be it enacted, that the said Corporation shall make
“ regulations for ensuring that all burials within the said
“ Cemetery are conducted in a decent and solemn manner.”

CLAUSE B.

“ And be it enacted, that no body shall be buried in any Vault
“ under any Chapel or other building in the said Cemetery
“ or within fifteenth feet of the outer wall of any such Chapel
“ or building.”

CLAUSE C.

“ And be it enacted, that every part of the said Cemetery shall
“ be enclosed by walls or other sufficient fences or railings of
“ the height of eight feet at least.”

CLAUSE D.

“ And be it enacted, that the said Corporation shall keep
“ the said Cemetery and the buildings and fences thereof in
“ complete repair and in good order and condition out of the
“ moneys to be received by them in virtue of this Act.”

CLAUSE E.

“ And be it enacted, that the said Corporation shall make all
“ proper and necessary Sewers and Drains in and about the said
“ Cemetery, for draining it and keeping it dry; and they may
“ from time to time as occasion requires, cause any such Sewer
“ or Drain to open into any existing Sewer, with the consent in
“ writing of the persons having the management of the street or
“ Road

“ Road, and of the owners and occupiers of the lands through
 “ which such opening is made, doing as little damage as possible
 “ to the road or ground wherein such sewer or drain may be
 “ made, and restoring it to the same or as good condition as it
 “ was in before being disturbed.”

CLAUSE F.

“ And be it enacted, that if the said Corporation at any time
 “ cause or suffer to be brought or to flow into any river, spring,
 “ well, stream, canal, reservoir aqueduct, pond or watering place,
 “ any offensive matter from the said Cemetery, whereby the
 “ water therein shall be fouled, they shall forfeit for every such
 “ offence the sum of twelve pounds ten shillings currency.”

CLAUSE G.

“ And be it enacted, that the said penalty, with full costs of
 “ suit, may be recovered by any person having a right to use
 “ the water fouled by such offensive matter, by a civil action
 “ in any Court of competent jurisdiction; Provided always,
 “ that the said penalty shall not be recoverable unless the
 “ same be sued for during the continuance of the offence, or
 “ within six months after it has ceased.”

CLAUSE H.

“ And be it enacted, that in addition to the said penalty of
 “ twelve pounds ten shillings (and whether the same be reco-
 “ vered or not) any person having right to use the water fouled
 “ by such offensive matter, may sue the said Corporation in a
 “ Civil action in any Court of competent jurisdiction, for any
 “ damage specially sustained by him by reason of the water
 “ being so fouled; or if no special damage be alleged, for the
 “ sum of two pounds ten shillings for each day during which
 “ such offensive matter is brought or flows as aforesaid, after
 “ the expiration of twenty four hours, from the time when notice of
 “ the offence is served on the said Corporation by such person.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “ An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto and Guelph Railway Company*,” also the Bill intituled, “ An Act to extend the provisions of eighteenth section of the Rail-way clauses consolidation Act to the Act incorporating the *Peterborough and Port Hope Rail-way Company*,” also the Bill intituled,
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“ An Act to separate the Township of *Romney* from the Township of *East Tilbury* and to erect the said Townships into independent Corporations,” and also, the Bill intituled, “ An Act to incorporate the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Rail-way Company,” reported that they had gone through each of the said Bills and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the four last mentioned Bills be read a third time on Monday next.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Sir *Allan Napier MacNab* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize the construction of a Rail-way from *Galt* to *Guelph*” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *J. Morris*, and *Bourret* to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize the City of *Montreal* to raise a Loan to consolidate their debt,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 last mentioned Select Committee, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Morin* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to give effect to certain proceedings under the Act intituled, “ An Act to provide for the indemnification of parties in *Lower Canada* whose property was destroyed during the Rebellion in the years one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven and one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Sir *Allan Napier MacNab* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton and Toronto* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker, Bourret* and *Ross* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the City of *Montreal* to raise a Loan to consolidate their debt," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the several Acts incorporating the Company of Proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road; and for other purposes." reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with several amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 1, Line 38.—Leave out from "were" to "authorized" in line 39.

Page 1, Line 39.—After "borrow" insert "by any Act passed prior to the passing
 " of the Act mentioned in the preamble to this Act " and after
 " expedient " insert "and also all such other and further
 " sum or sums not exceeding in all a sum of seventy five thou-
 " sands pounds currency, as they may find it necessary to
 " borrow from time to time in order to redeem their debentures
 " already granted as hereinafter mentioned."

Page 2, Line 2.—After "thereon" insert clauses A. B. C. and D.

CLAUSE A.

" And be it enacted that it shall be lawful for any holder of a
 " debenture, bond or other security herefore granted by the
 " said Company under and in virtue of the provisions of the Act
 " of the Legislature of this Province, passed in the session thereof,
 " held in the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her Majesty's
 " Reign intituled, "An Act to authorize the Company of Proprietors
 etors

“ etors of the *Champlain and St. Lawrence* Rail-road to extend
“ the said Road and for other purposes” at any time after the pas-
“ sing of this Act, and to present the same to the said Company
“ for redemption, and thereupon the amount therein specified
“ shall become payable by the said Company within six
“ months from the day of the date of such presentment, with
“ interest until paid, at the rate specified therein, and the said
“ Company shall be bound and obliged to pay the same accor-
“ dingly whatever may be the day of payment stipulated in
“ such debenture bond or other security. Provided always
“ that nothing herein contained shall be construed to oblige
“ any holder of any such debenture bond or other security to
“ present the same as aforesaid or in any way to prolong
“ the term for which any such debenture, bond or other security
“ may have been granted. And in case of the default of the said
“ Company so to redeem any such debenture bond or other
“ security as aforesaid so presented as aforesaid within the
“ said period of six months it shall be lawful for the holder
“ thereof at any time after the expiration of the said period
“ to cause the same together with Notarial certificates of such
“ presentment and of protest in the name of such holder at the
“ expiration of such period to be registered in the Registry
“ Office of any County in which any portion of the real pro-
“ perty of the said Company may be situate, and thereupon
“ all the lands and property of the said Company shall become
“ and be mortgaged and hypothecated in favor of the holder of
“ such debenture, bond or other security in the same manner
“ and to the same effect and under and subject to the same
“ provisions as if the same were a debenture granted in virtue
“ of this Act.

CLAUSE B.

“ And be it enacted, that it shall also be lawful for any holder
“ of any such debenture, bond or other security as last aforesaid,
“ if he shall see fit and prefer so to do, at any time after the
“ passing of this Act to present the same to the said Company
“ and to require of the said Company in lieu thereof a debenture
“ in the form and to the effect provided for by this Act; and
“ thereupon it shall be the duty of the said Company to furnish
“ him with a debenture in the form and to the effect aforesaid
“ but for the same sum payable at the same time and bearing
“ interest at the same rate as the debenture, bond or other
“ security so tendered for exchange as aforesaid; and in case

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“ of the default of the said Company so to do within fifteen
 “ days from the day of the date of such presentment it shall be
 “ lawful for such holder to cause the debenture, bond or other
 “ security so presented as last aforesaid, together with Notarial
 “ certificates of such presentment and of protest in the name
 “ of such holder at the expiration of the said last mentioned
 “ period to be registered in the Registry Office of any County
 “ in which any portion of of the real property of the said Com-
 “ pany may be situate, and thereupon all the lands and pro-
 “ perty of the said Company shall become and be mortgaged
 “ and hypothecated in favor of the holder of such debenture,
 “ bond or other security in the same manner and to the same
 “ effect and under and subject to the same provisions, as if the
 “ same were a debenture granted in virtue of this Act.”

CLAUSE C.

“ And be it enacted, that the amount specified in each and
 “ every debenture so granted in exchange, as well as in each
 “ and every debenture, bond or other security so registered
 “ after protest as aforesaid shall be computed in and form part
 “ of the said last mentioned sum of seventy five thousand pounds,
 “ so that it shall not in any case be lawful for the said Company
 “ to grant debentures under this Act for more than one hundred
 “ and seventy five thousand pounds or such less sum as may
 “ with the aggregate amounts of all such bonds, debentures or
 “ other securities registered after protest as aforesaid from
 “ the said sum of one hundred and seventy five thousand pounds.”

CLAUSE D.

“ And be it enacted that until debentures, bonds or other secu-
 “ rities of the said Company to the amount of one hundred and
 “ seventy five thousand pounds shall have been registered
 “ under the provisions of this Act the holders of all bonds
 “ debentures or other securities so registered shall rank equally
 “ among themselves without any priority of mortgage or
 “ hypothec whatever may be the dates of such bonds, debentures
 “ or other securities or of the registration thereof respectively
 “ any law usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.”

Page 3 Line 8.—After “expedient” insert. “ Provided always that no such reso-
 “ lution shall have any force or effect until after it shall have
 “ been submitted to and approved and adopted by a general
 “ meeting of the Shareholders of the Company.”

Page 3, Line Ult.—After “Company” insert “ with the counter signature of the
 “ Secretary of the Company.”

Page 4 Line 4.—After “such” insert “with the counter signature of the Secretary
“ of the Company as such.”

Page 4, Line 10,—After “Directors” insert “or Secretary.”

Page 4, Line 11.—After “endorsing” insert “or assisting to make draw or endorse.”

Page 4, Line 21.—After “Company” insert “in pursuance of any Resolution to
“ that effect which may be adopted at a special general meeting
“ of the Shareholders duly convened for that purpose.”

Page 4, Line 31.—After “Rail-road” insert “doing as little damage as may be and
“ making satisfaction to the owner or proprietor of or person
“ interested in such land for all that he may lose or suffer by
“ reason of such entry or felling and removal as aforesaid in
“ the manner provided by the Act lastly above cited.”

Page 5, Line 26.—Leave out from “Company” to “and” in line 27.

Page 6, Line 8.—Leave out from “thereto” to “and” in line 12.

Page 6, Line 22.—After “unclaimed” insert clauses E. and F.

CLAUSE E.

“ Provided always and be it enacted, that no By Law of the
“ said Company to be hereafter made by which any tolls shall
“ be fixed or directed to be taken for the conveyance of passen-
“ gers, goods, wares or merchandize by the said Company or
“ which shall be intended to affect any party other than the
“ Members, Officers and Servants of the Company shall have
“ force or effect until it shall have been sanctioned and con-
“ firmed by the Governor in Council and published in the
“ *Canada Gazette*, a copy whereof shall be proof of such
“ By-law and of such sanction and confirmation in all Courts
“ and places whatsoever, and all or any of the said tolls may
“ by any By-law be lowered and reduced and again raised
“ as often as it shall be deemed necessary for the interests of
“ the undertaking, subject to such approval as aforesaid.”

CLAUSE F.

“ And be it enacted, that after the next annual general meeting
“ of Shareholders of the said Company no share or shares
“ that shall have been held for a less period than three months
“ immediately prior to any occasion on which the votes of the
“ Shareholders of the said Company are to be taken shall
“ entitled the holder or holders thereof to vote on such occasion
“ either in person or by proxy.

IN THE SCHEDULE TO THE BILL.

Page 7, Line 5.—Leave out from “from” to “Saint.”

It was moved that the said amendments be now taken into consideration by the House.

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence put thereon, and

The same was resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon the House proceeded to the consideration of the said amendments, and

The same being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, with a Bill intituled, “An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* “Manufacturing Company,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Ridout* and others, with a Bill intituled, “An Act to amend the Act extending the powers of the *British America* Fire and Life Assurance Company in Marine Assurance,” to which they desire concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *Boulton* and *Ross*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Langton* and others with a Bill intituled, “An Act for the relief of *John Knatchbull Roche*, of “the Town of *Port Hope*, in the County of *Durham*, Provincial Land Surveyor,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Bourret* and *Ross* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Speaker then declared this House continued until Monday next, at Ten o'clock in the forenoon, the House so decreeing.

Monday,

Monday, 8th November, 1852.

The Members convened were;—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

McGILL,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
PANET,
BELLEAU.
WILSON.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *O. E. Casgrain* and others, of the County of *l'Islet*, praying for a grant of money to enable them to open a Road from the parish of *l'Islet* to the boundary of the Province in rear thereof.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate *St. Mary's* College of *Montreal*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act extending the powers of the *British America* Fire and Life Assurance Company in Marine Assurance," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read 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,

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

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of *John Knatchbull Roche*, of the Town of "*Port Hope*, in the County of *Durham*, Provincial Land Surveyor," reported that 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee appointed to superintend the Printing of this House during 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, 6th November, 1852.

The Select Committee appointed to superintend the Printing of this House during the present Session, have the Honor to make their first Report.

Your Committee have examined the work done for this House by Messrs. *Rollo Campbell* and *Louis Perrault*, under the contract entered into by them during the last Session, and have every reason to be satisfied therewith.

The question of altering the form of the Journals of this House having engaged the attention of your Committee, they have come to the conclusion that it would be advisable to print them in future in Royal Octavo form, of the size of the Report on Trade and Navigation for 1851, with new small pica type, without marginal notes, with but two blank lines between the page heading and the reading matter.

Your Committee recommend that the Clerk be directed to advertize for tenders for the daily printing during the remainder of the Session, for printing the Journals, and for binding the same during the ensuing recess, such tenders to be opened on Wednesday the seventeenth instant, and that the contracts for such works respectively be given to such party or parties as the Honorable the Speaker may in his discretion deem

deem to have made the most favourable tender in each case and to have offered the most satisfactory security for the due performance of the work.

All which is respectfully submitted,

JOS. BOURRET,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the said Report be now taken into consideration by the House. And the said Report being then again read by the Clerk, it was *Ordered*, that the same be adopted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating Bishop's College," 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 for the granting of certain lots in the Town of *Bytown* to the *Bytown* and *Prescott* Rail-way Company," 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 two certain Acts therein mentioned and for other purposes connected with the administration of *McGill* College," was read a third time. The question was put whether this Bill shall pass? It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Cemetery Company and for other purposes therein mentioned," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto* and *Guelph* Rail-way Company" was read a third time. The question was put whether this Bill shall pass? It was resolved in the affirmative.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to extend the provisions of the eighteenth Section of the Rail-way clauses consolidation Act to the Act incorporating the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Rail-way Company," 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 separate the Township of *Romney* from the Township of *East Tilbury*, and to erect the said Townships into independent Corporations," 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 incorporate the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Rail-way Company," 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 give effect to certain proceedings under the Act intituled An Act to provide for the indemnification of parties in *Lower Canada* whose property was destroyed during the Rebellion in the years one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven and one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight," 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 authorize the City of *Montreal* to raise a Loan to consolidate their debt," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton* and *Toronto* Rail-way Company" reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the construction of a Rail-way from *Galt* to *Guelph*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Order of the Day being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the several Acts incorporating the Company of Proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road, and for other purposes," as amended.

It was moved that the said Bill be not now read for the third time, but that it be committed, together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon, to a Committee of the whole House.

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

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the said Bill and Report.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, with certain other amendments to be substituted for those adopted by the House on Saturday last.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The said substituted amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow :

Page 1, Line 38.—Leave out from "were" to "authorized" in line 39.

Page 1, Line 39.—After "borrow" insert "by any Act passed prior to the passing
 " of the Act mentioned in the preamble to this Act" and after
 "expedient" insert "and also all such other and further sum
 " or sums not exceeding in all a sum of seventy five thousand
 " pounds currency, as they may find it necessary to borrow
 " from time to time in order to redeem their debentures already
 " granted as hereinafter mentioned."

Page 2, Line 2.—After "thereon" insert clauses A. B. C. and D.

CLAUSE A.

" And be it enacted that it shall be lawful for any holder of a
 " debenture, bond or other security heretofore granted by the
 said

“ said Company under and in virtue of the provisions of the Act
 “ of the Legislature of this Province. passed in the session thereof,
 “ held in the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her Majesty’s
 “ Reign intituled, “An Act to authorize the Company of Propri-
 “ etors of the *Champlain and St. Lawrence* Rail-road to extend
 “ the said Road and for other purposes” at any time after the pas-
 “ sing of this Act, to present the same to the said Company
 “ for redemption, and thereupon the amount therein specified
 “ shall become payable by the said Company within six
 “ months from the day of the date of such presentment, with
 “ interest until paid, at the rate specified therein, and the said
 “ Company shall be bound and obliged to pay the same accor-
 “ dingly whatever may be the day of payment stipulated in
 “ such debenture bond or other security. Provided always
 “ that nothing herein contained shall be construed to oblige
 “ any holder of any such debenture bond or other security to
 “ present the same as aforesaid or in any way to prolong
 “ the term for which any such debenture, bond or other security
 “ may have been granted. And in case of the default of the said
 “ Company so to redeem any such debenture bond or other
 “ security as aforesaid so presented as aforesaid within the
 “ said period of six months it shall be lawful for the holder
 “ thereof at any time after the expiration of the said period
 “ to cause the same together with Notarial certificates of such
 “ presentment and of protest in the name of such holder at the
 “ expiration of such period to be registered in the Registry
 “ Office of any County in which any portion of the real pro-
 “ perty of the said Company may be situate, and thereupon
 “ all the lands and property of the said Company shall become
 “ and be mortgaged and hypothecated in favor of the holder of
 “ such debenture, bond or other security in the same manner
 “ and to the same effect and under and subject to the same
 “ provisions as if the same were a debenture granted in virtue
 “ of this Act.

CLAUSE B.

“ And be it enacted, that it shall also be lawful for any holder
 “ of any such debenture, bond other security as last aforesaid,
 “ if he shall see fit and prefer so to do, at any time after the
 “ passing of this Act to present the same to the said Company
 “ and to require of the said Company in lieu thereof a debenture
 “ in the form and to the effect provided for by this Act; and
 “ thereupon it shall be the duty of the said Company to furnish
 “ him with a debenture in the form and to the effect aforesaid
 but

“ but for the same sum payable at the same time and bearing
 “ interest at the same rate as the debenture, bond or other
 “ security so tendered for exchange as aforesaid; and in case
 “ of the default of the said Company so to do within fifteen
 “ days from the day of the date of such presentment it shall be
 “ lawful for such holder to cause the debenture, bond or other
 “ security so presented as last aforesaid, together with Notarial
 “ certificates of such presentment and of protest in the name
 “ of such holder at the expiration of the said last mentioned
 “ period to be registered in the Registry Office of any County
 “ in which any portion of the real property of the said Com-
 “ pany may be situate, and thereupon all the lands and pro-
 “ perty of the said Company shall become and be mortgaged
 “ and hypothecated in favor of the holder of such debenture,
 “ bond or other security in the same manner and to the same
 “ effect and under and subject to the same provisions, as if the
 “ same were a debenture granted in virtue of this Act.”

CLAUSE C.

“ And be it enacted, that the amount specified in each and
 “ every debenture so granted in exchange, as well as in each
 “ and every debenture, bond or other security so registered
 “ after protest as aforesaid shall be computed in and form part
 “ of the said last mentioned sum of seventy five thousand pounds,
 “ so that it shall not in any case be lawful for the said Company
 “ to grant debentures under this Act for more than one hundred
 “ and seventy five thousand pounds or such less sum as may
 “ with the aggregate amounts of all such bonds, debentures or
 “ other securities registered after protest as aforesaid form
 “ the said sum of one hundred and seventy five thousand pounds.

CLAUSE D.

“ And be it enacted that until debentures, bonds or other secu-
 “ rities of the said Company to the amount of one hundred and
 “ seventy five thousand pounds shall have been registered
 “ under the provisions of this Act the holders of all bonds
 “ debentures or other securities so registered shall rank equally
 “ among themselves without any priority of mortgage or
 “ hypothec whatever may be the dates of such bonds, debentures
 “ or other securities or of the registration thereof respectively
 “ any law usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.”

Page 3 Line 8—After “ expedient” insert. “ Provided always that no such reso-
 “ lution shall have any force or effect until after it shall have
 “ been

“ been submitted to and approved and adopted by a general meeting of the Shareholders of the Company.”

Page 3, Line Ult.—After “ Company” insert “ with the counter signature of the Secretary of the Company.”

Page 4 Line, 4.—After “ such” insert “ with the counter signature of the Secretary of the Company as such.”

Page 4, Line 10.—After “ Directors” insert “ or Secretary.”

Page 4, Line 11.—After “ endorsing” insert “ or assisting to make draw or endorse.”

Page 4, Line 21.—After “ Company” insert “ in pursuance of any Resolution to that effect which may be adopted at a special general meeting of the Shareholders duly convened for that purpose.”

Page 4, Line 31.—After “ Rail-road insert “ doing as little damage as may be and making satisfaction to the owner or proprietor of or person interested in such land for all that he may lose or suffer by reason of such entry or felling and removal as aforesaid in the manner provided by the Act lastly above cited.”

Page 5 Line 26.—After “ Company” insert “ approved or revised.”

Page 5, Line 27.—Leave out from “ by” to “ in” and insert “ the Act cited in the Preamble to this Act.”

Page 6, Line 8.—Leave out from “ thereto” to “ and” in line 12.

Page 6, Line 22.—After “ unclaimed” insert clauses E and F.

CLAUSE E.

“ Provided always and be it enacted, that all or any of the said tolls may by any By-law be lowered and reduced and again raised as often as it shall be deemed necessary for the interests of the undertaking, subject to such approval and revision aforesaid.”

CLAUSE F.

“ And be it enacted, that after the next annual general meeting of Shareholders of the said Company no share or shares that shall have been held for a less period than three months immediately prior to any occasion on which the votes of the Shareholders of the said Company are to be taken shall entitled the holder or holders thereof to vote on such occasion either in person or by proxy.

IN THE SCHEDULE TO THE BILL.

Page 7, Line 5.—Leave out from “ from” to “ Saint.”

The said substituted amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House,

Ordered

Ordered, that the said amendment, be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal Manufacturing Company*."

It was moved that the said order be discharged.

Which being objected to;

It was moved in amendment that the said Bill be not now read a second time, but that the same be read a second time this day six months.

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 Honorable Mr. *Cameron* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Brantford and Buffalo Joint Stock Rail-road Company* to construct a Rail-way from *Fort Erie* to *Goderich*" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Boulton* and *Ross*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to empower any Rail-way Company whose Rail-way forms part of the Main Trunk Line of Rail-way throughout this Province, to unite with any such Company or to purchase the property and rights of any such Company, and to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, incorporating Rail-way Companies," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Langton* and others, with a Bill intituled, " An Act to incorporate the Grand Junction Rail-road Company" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled, " An Act to provide for the incorporation of a Company to construct a Rail-way from opposite *Quebec* to " *Trois-Pistoles*, and for the extension of such Rail-way to the Eastern frontier of " this Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Wilson* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Lemieux* and others, with a Bill intituled, " An Act to amend the Act to incorporate certain persons under

“ the name of the *Quebec* Friendly Society” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *De Beaujeu, Panet* and *Belleau* to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Lemieux* and others, with a Bill intituled “ An Act to amend an Act intituled, “ An Act “ for the encouragement and relief of certain persons therein named and others “ and authorizing them to associate themselves by the name of the “ *Quebec* “ Benevolent Society” under certain restrictions, rules and regulations therein mentioned” to which which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, That the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *De Beaujeu, Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Young* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to provide for the improvement “ and enlargement of the Harbour of *Montreal*, and for the deepening of Lake *St. Peter*, and the improvement of the Navigation of the *St. Lawrence* between the “ said points, and for other purposes,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of five Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McGill, Bourret, Ross, Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled, “ An Act to amend the several Acts “ incorporating the Company of Proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* “ Rail-road, and for other purposes,” 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,

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the " *Quebec* Friendly Society" reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act intituled 'An Act for the encouragement and relief of certain persons therein named and others and authorizing them to associate themselves by the name of the " *Quebec* Benevolent Society" under certain restrictions, rules and regulations 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.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

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

The said Message was then read by the Clerk as follows :

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE,

The Governor General transmits to the Honorable the Legislative Council a Statement of the probable Revenue and Expenditure of the Province during the year ending

ending the 31st December 1852, together with the Estimates of the sums required for the service of the same year.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Quebec, 8th November, 1852.

(For Estimates &c. Vide Sessional Papers.)

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Sicotte* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize *François Daigle* and *Alexis Dufresne* to demand tolls upon a Bridge which they have constructed on the "northern Branch of the River *Yamaska*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bourret*, *DeBeaujeu* and *Wilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Sir *Allan Napier MacNab* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to vest in the Corporation of the "City of *Hamilton*, the Gore of King street for public purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Sir *Allan Napier MacNab* and others with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Trustees of "the *Hamilton* Orphan Asylum," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* (of *Kingston*) and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize "the City of *Kingston* to negotiate a Loan of seventy five thousand pounds to consolidate the City debt and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend and extend the Act "incorporating a Company for making a Rail-road from the Village of *Industry* to "the Township of *Rawdon* in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Faché*, *Bourret* and *Wilson* to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Morrison* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Ontario*, "*Simcoe* and *Huron* Rail-road Union Company" to which they desire the concurrence of this House,

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Street* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act passed in the Session held "in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, An Act to "amend the Act of Incorporation of the *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company," 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 2 Line, 12.—After "docks" insert "as authorized by the original Act of
 " Incorporation of the said Company: and further provided that
 " all and every the rights and privileges specially reserved to
 " the Crown under the nineteenth, twentieth and twenty first
 " sections of the said last recited Act shall remain in force."

Page 2.—After the last clause insert clauses A. and B.

CLAUSE A.

" And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and
 " for any such purchaser or purchasers, his or their heirs or
 " assigns, from time to time, to lease and to farm let, the whole
 " or any part of the lands, tenements, hereditaments and pre-
 " mises of the said *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company for
 " such period or periods as he or they may choose, reserving such
 " rent or rents as may from time be agreed to be paid by the
 " lessee or lessees thereof, with power to such purchaser or
 " purchasers his or their heirs or assigns from time to time to
 " distrain for arrears of rent due the Company or arising or
 " accruing upon any such lease or leases hereafter to be
 " executed."

CLAUSE B.

" And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall
 " be construed to interfere with or annul any existing legal rights

“ of any creditor or other person or persons having claims
 “ against the said Company, or of any person or persons to
 “ whom any such rights may have been transferred.”

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Young and others, to return the Bill intituled, “An Act to amend the Act to incorporate The *Montreal Cemetery Company*, and for other purposes therein mentioned,” and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *William King* and others, of the Township of *Bristol*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “An Act to provide for the improvement and enlargement of the Harbour of *Montreal*, and for the deepening of Lake *St. Peter*, and the improvement of the Navigation of the *St. Lawrence*, between the said points and for other purposes,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be please 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 38.—Leave out from “desirable” to “for.”

Page 2, Line 39.—After “Harbour” insert “to commit.”

Page 2, Line 42.—After “in” where it occurs the second time insert “the.”

Page 3, Line 28.—After “expedient” insert “by.”

Page 3, Line 39.—Leave out “said”

Page 3, Line 44.—Leave out “Parliament” and insert “Legislature.”

Page 3, Line 51.—Leave out “said” where it occurs the first time.

Page 5, Line 17.—Leave out “or”

Page 5, Line 18.—After “Consignee” insert “or Shipper.”

Page 8, Line 1.—Leave out from “applied” to “by”

Page 9, Line 14.—Leave out “unforeseen”

Page 9, Line 30.—After “the” where it occurs the first time insert “Provincial.”

Page 11, Line 15.—Leave out “then”

Page 12, Line 7.—After “the” insert “Provincial”

Page 12, Line 11.—Leave out “so”

Page 12, Line 31.—Leave out “five” and insert “six.”

Page 14, Line 4.—After “Court” insert “at *Montreal*.”

Page 14, Line 11.—After “Court” insert “at *Montreal*.”

IN THE SCHEDULE TO THE BILL.

Page 14, Line 26.—After “on” insert “all other” and leave out from “Vessels” to “ $\frac{1}{2}$ d” in line 27 and insert “measuring fifty tons and “ upwards, per ton of their burthen per Register, for each day “ of twenty four hours they remain in port reckoned from the “ hour of their arrival to that of their departure.”

Page 14, Line 28.—After “day” insert “as aforesaid.”

Page 14, Line 29.—After “on” insert “all other” and leave out from “Vessels” to “6d” and insert “measuring under fifty tons per day as “ aforesaid.”

Page 14, Line 35.—Leave out “do” and insert “per hundred minots.”

Page 14, Line 36.—Leave out “do” and insert “per hundred minots.”

Page 14, Line 37.—Leave out “do” and insert “per hundred minots.”

Page 14, Line 39.—Before “Half” insert “Flour per”

Page 14, Line 46.—Leave out “do” and insert “per hundred pieces.”

Page 14, Line 47.—Leave out “do” and insert “per hundred pieces.”

Page 14, Line 48.—Leave out “do” and insert “per hundred pieces.”

Page 15, Line 1.—Leave out “do” and insert “per hundred pieces.”

Page 15, Line 5.—Before “Punchion,” insert “Staves” and leave out “do” and insert “per mille.”

Page 15, Line 6.—Before “Standard,” insert “Staves” and leave out “do” and insert “per mille.”

Page 15, Line 7.—Leave out from “Timber” to “per”

Page 15, Line 8.—Leave out “Bottoms” and insert “Frames.”

Page 15, Line 10.—Leave out “do” and insert “per cord.”

Page 15, Line 12.—Leave out “do” and insert “each”

Page 15, Line 13.—Leave out “do” and insert “each”

Page 15, Line 14.—Leave out “do” and insert “each.”

Page 15, Line 15.—Leave out “do” and insert “each.”

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the Reverend *D. Dunkerley* and others, of *Durham* in the County of *Drummond*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Tuesday, 9th November, 1852.

The Members convened were;—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

McGILL,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
BOURRET,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS,
PANET,
BELLEAU,
WILSON.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “An Act to authorize *François Daigle* and *Alexis Dufresne* to demand tolls upon a Bridge which they have constructed, on the northern Branch of the River *Yamaska*” reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read 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,

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

The Honorable the Speaker from the Joint Committee of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly for the management and 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,

November, 6th 1852.

THE JOINT COMMITTEE of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly for the management and direction of the Library of Parliament, beg leave to present a FIRST REPORT :—

Having received from *G. B. Faribault*, Esquire, the agent deputed by the two Houses of the Legislature, at the last Session of Parliament to proceed to *Europe* for the purchase of Books for the Library, a detailed Report of his mission, the Committee desire to record their satisfaction at the manner in which Mr. *Faribault* has discharged the trust confided in him; notwithstanding the painful interruption to his labors, occasioned by domestic bereavement, and his own ill-health. The zeal and assiduity displayed by Mr. *Faribault*, and also by Mr. *Wicksteed*, Law Clerk to the Legislative Assembly, who assisted in the object of the mission whilst he was in *London* by obtaining from the Public Departments, both of *France* and *England*, valuable Donations of Works published under the directions of the respective Governments, is deserving of honorable mention. Further particulars in reference to these Donations, and to the labors of Messieurs *Faribault* and *Wicksteed*, generally, will be found in the Report and Memorandum annexed: adverting to which, the Committee take the first opportunity afforded them to express their high sense of the liberality displayed by the Governments of *England* and *France* in enriching the Library of *Canada* with a series of publications, of a costly and valuable character. They would also desire to express to the Gentlemen in *Paris* and *London*, who, with equal kindness and success, furthered by every possible means, the applications of our agents to their respective Governments a thankful acknowledgment of the kindly interest displayed by them on behalf of the Library. Feeling assured that these sentiments will be fully responded to by the Legislative Council, they have prepared formal Resolutions expressive of the same, which upon receiving the sanction of the Legislative Council should, it is suggested, be transmitted to the Gentlemen in question, by the Honorable the Speaker.

The Committee have also received from Mr. *Faribault*, full statements of Accounts with Vouchers, in respect to the expenditure of the moneys entrusted to him, both for the purchase of Books and Manuscript documents, and to defray his personal expenses. These Accounts have been laid before the Committee too short a time

to permit of their full investigation, but so far as they have been yet examined, the Committee are bound to express their approval of the very judicious and economical expenditure of the funds placed in his hands, as well as for his endeavors to secure a proper Agency for the purchase of Books in *Europe*, hereafter.

In addition to the Donations above mentioned, the Librarians have received various gifts, from private Gentlemen, and official personages, which will be found enumerated in the accompanying List of the Donations to the Library since last Session. Provision has been made for the due acknowledgment of these, in the General Resolutions of thanks.

ED. CARON,
Speaker.

MR. FARIBAUT'S REPORT.

To the Honorable the Speakers of both Houses of the Legislature, and to the Honorable the Members of the Joint Committee for the management and direction of the Library :—

The mission with which I had been honored by the Resolutions of both Branches of the Legislature having been accomplished, a sense of duty demanded that I should have prepared a detailed Report of my proceedings in time to have submitted the same to the consideration of Your Honorable Committee, at the opening of the present Session ; but a state of constant suffering, caused by severe illness, rendered impossible the performance of such a duty, and, even at this moment, it is not without the greatest effort that I can draw up the present Report, which, of necessity, will be as brief as possible.

Having provided myself with the instructions laid down by the Committee of the preceeding Session, I left *Quebec* on the third of October of last year ; and, after a short stay in *New York*, arrived in *London*, on the twentieth of the same month. My first care on my arrival there, was to visit the most respectable Booksellers, to ascertain their terms as well as the means they had of supplying me, at a reasonable rate, with the works I required. From an experience of fifteen years, I was acquainted with the firm of Messieurs *Rich, Brothers* ; of the reputation of integrity and honorable conduct, which had always distinguished them, I was perfectly aware ; besides, having ascertained that their conditions and prices were infinitely more reasonable than those of the other Booksellers, I determined to accept their offers, namely, that they should be allowed a Commission of five per cent, for cash, on the price of purchase of the Books procured by them. I have the satisfaction of being able to state to the Committee, that these Gentlemen most scrupulously fulfilled their engagements, as will be plainly seen on reference to their invoices, in which they give credit for reductions, sometimes to a considerable amount, obtained by them on their purchases from other Booksellers. Thus, for example, *Valpy's* splendid Edition of the Classics, in one hundred and fifty-nine volumes, the selling price of which is from £100 to £120, is charged in their invoices at the incredibly low price of £27. The same

same thing occurs with regard to the binding which these Gentlemen have had done for the Library. The Messieurs *Whittaker & Co.*, of *London*, have recently been paid an Account, in which they charge ten shillings per volume, for half-binding about one hundred in folio volumes, whilst the Messieurs *Rich* charge but four shillings and six pence per volume, for work of the same kind. I cannot, therefore, hesitate in recommending that henceforth the Messieurs *Rich* be exclusively entrusted with all further purchases to be made in *England*.

After having left with these Gentlemen such instructions as they required, I deemed it advisable to visit the Government Offices, in the hope of receiving Donations; but the Session of the Imperial Parliament being closed, I became convinced that, in the absence of the Officers of the different Public Departments, it was quite impossible that I should present myself there with any chance of success. I nevertheless presented myself at the Board of Admiralty, where, after I had explained the mission with which I was charged, I was most graciously and kindly received by Admiral Sir *Francis Beaufort*, who gave orders that a complete series of the Maps and Plans relating to Captain *Bayfield's* explorations on the Lakes, and the River *St. Lawrence*, should be placed at my disposal. This beautiful collection, much more complete than any to be found for sale in the Geographical Book Stores, may be looked upon as a very precious Donation to the Library.

My presence not being further required in *London*, at least for some time, I started for *Paris*; and, on the tenth of November, arrived there. I lost no time in calling on Mr. *Adolphe de Puibusque*, so advantageously known during his stay in *Canada*, from 1848 to 1850. The intimate acquaintance I had had the opportunity of forming with this distinguished man of letters, the feelings of affection which I knew him to entertain for *Canada*, and his ardent desire to see the Legislative Library re-established, were to me as many reasons of assurance that he would lend me his most strenuous support. In this I was not mistaken. Mr. *de Puibusque* gave me the benefit of his advice in the choice of Books; pointed out the steps to be taken to obtain admission to the Ministerial Departments, and exerted himself to the utmost with reference to the manuscripts relating to the history of *Canada*. In a word, he facilitated, in every possible way, the success of my mission; and I here beg to tender to this friend of our Country, my most fervent acknowledgments of gratitude.

I was on the eve of beginning my purchases, when the Events of the 2nd of December occurred in *Paris*. This circumstance had the effect of suspending my operations, and especially of retarding for a considerable time the answers to the requests I had made to the different Ministerial Departments. But other circumstances occurred which placed me in a position of the greatest trouble, by subjecting me to the most severe affliction that could have befallen me. My family had accompanied me to *Europe*, and about the period in question, my wife became seriously ill. Having on the one hand my solicitude and the care I owed to my wife, and on the other, the obligation I had of attending to the interests confided to me in my mission, I was at last obliged to confide my task to a confidential person whom Mr.

de Puibusque had procured to aid me. The progress of the malady which had already lasted several months, soon gave presage of a fatal termination; and about the middle of March, my wife died. Quite overcome by such a misfortune, and suffering moreover as I was, from an illness of several weeks duration, I was a long time unable to take part in the transaction of any business. It was about this time that I received a letter from the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Council who, having heard of my misfortune, was kind enough to inform me that Mr. *Wicksteed* then in *London*, would shortly arrive in *Paris*, and give me every assistance in his power. Fortunately, at this time, the purchases I had ordered, were all completed. Mr. *Wicksteed* was nevertheless of the greatest service to me from the steps taken by him in *London*, where he obtained several Donations of great value, amongst which is the collection entitled "Public Records."

As soon as my health allowed me to leave the House, I presented myself at the respective Departments of the Minister at War, the Minister of Public Instruction, the Minister of Marine, and the Minister of the Colonies; and also called on the Secretaries of the several Academies. I experienced the most kindly reception at the hands of all the Ministerial Departments, and from every one; all did their best to promote the object of my mission. Most generous and valuable Donations, well worthy of *France*, were made to me for the Library, although part of the Works comprised in these Donations had already been presented to the Library in 1849. At this moment, it is quite impossible for me to give a detailed exposition of the richness and importance of these Donations; but I can say, that their value may be estimated at not less than £400 sterling. I must not, moreover, omit to state that henceforth, all new publications of the several Ministerial Departments, will be sent to *Canada* for the Library, as an order to that effect has been entered in the Register of each Department.

I endeavored as much as possible to conform to the instructions given me by the Committee, both as regards the choice of the best editions, and the quality of the binding. As to the prices, I respectfully refer the Committee to the two manuscripts detailing the purchases made by me from day to day. The prices paid for purchases made in *Paris*, shew the immense reductions obtained on a great many Works, as a number of Works, including the binding, were purchased at prices much lower than those at which they were estimated on the list, which in many cases did not include the cost of binding.

As I have already had the honor of submitting to the Committee a statement of the manner in which the moneys entrusted to me were expended, I shall not make further mention of them, except to state that, after payment of all purchases, there still remains at the disposal of the Committee, for further use, in the hands of the Bankers in *London*, a sum of £479. 9s. 6d. sterling.

I have found it impossible to keep a detailed account of my personal expenses: I
estimate

estimate them at £450 currency ; but I will respectfully submit to any determination the Committee may think proper to come to.

The whole respectfully submitted.

G. B. FARIBAULT.

Quebec, 5th November, 1852.

Statement of Moneys expended by Mr. <i>Faribault</i> , during his Mission to Europe.	
By a vote of the Legislative Assembly during the last Session, an appropriation was made towards the purchase of a collection of Books for the Parliamentary Library, to the amount of.....	£4000 0 0
And, on an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, an advance was made by the Executive Government for the purpose of procuring Manuscript Documents on the early History of <i>Canada</i> , to the amount of.....	400 0 0
	Currency, £4400 0 0
Under the authority of two Letters of Credit from the Receiver General, Mr. <i>Faribault</i> was authorized to draw from time to time, in <i>London</i> :—	
1st On Messieurs <i>Glyn, Mills, & Company</i> , for.....	Sterling, £1792 0 0
2nd On Messieurs <i>Baring Brothers & Company</i> , for a like sum,	1792 0 0
	Total, £3584 0 0
which, at the rate of Exchange, is equal to £4,400, currency.	
After deducting from this amount, the sum set apart for procuring the Manuscript Documents, £400 currency, equal to.....	326 0 0
There remained for the purchase of Books,.....	Sterling, £3258 0 0
The amount which Mr. <i>Faribault</i> has expended in the purchase of English Books, as appears by the several Invoices produced, is.....	£845 16 4
And since paid to Messieurs <i>Whittaker & Co.</i>	164 1 8
	£1009 18 0
And the amount expended in the purchase of French Books, as far as can be ascertained for the present, (no Invoice having yet been received for the five cases received last week,) will in all probability not exceed.....	1300 0 0
	2309 18 0
Leaving an unexpended balance, of.....	Sterling, £948 2 0
	The

The English List or Catalogue of Books required to be purchased, has been filled up, or nearly so. But owing to the painful circumstances in which Mr. *Faribault* was placed while in *Paris* last winter, he then found it impossible to complete several of the classes or portions of classes appertaining to the List of French Books, as recommended by the Library Committee of last Session: these classes or portions of classes, are as follow, together with their estimated value, which may vary in amount according to the greater or lesser quantity of binding:—

Theology, Religion, Biography, and Canon Law.....	1,325 francs
Natural Philosophy.....	624
Natural Sciences.....	5,610
Military Art.....	958
Fine Arts.....	2,500
History.....	705

11,722 francs = 468 12 6

Which would leave at the disposal of the Library Committee for future purchases, a balance of..... Sterling, £479 9 6

Manuscript Documents.

The sum set apart for these documents is..... Sterling, £326 0 0
 A selection has been made, and they are now being copied at *Paris*, under a contract in writing; they will comprize 6,000 pages, forming 14 volumes of about 450 pages each, folio, which, at 9d. per page, will cost..... 200 0 0

Balance Sterling £126 0 0

It is proposed to employ a certain proportion of this balance, in procuring from *Paris*, copies of ancient Plans and Charts relative to the early events of *Canada*, and to employ, for this purpose, the services of Mr. *C. P. Morin*, an eminent draughtsman, who proposes to visit *France* in the course of this autumn, on a visit to his family.

G. B. Faribault.

Quebec, 22nd October, 1852.

Dr. The Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly in Account Current with
G. B. Faribault, Cr.

		Sterling			Currency		
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1852.	Dr.	Purchases and Disbursements in <i>London</i> :—					
June 17....		Paid Messrs. <i>Rich Brothers</i> , for a pair of Globes	40	0	0		
		Paid Mr. <i>G. W. Wicksteed</i> , for his assistance in procuring Donations from the Public Departments in <i>London</i>	30	0	0		
1851-52.		Purchases and Disbursements. &c., in <i>Paris</i> :					
		Paid purchase of Books on <i>America</i> , &c.....	33	1	4		
		Paid <i>Berrier</i> , for binding.....	6	2	6		
		Paid for a lot Engravings of <i>Wolfe, Montcalm &c.</i>	4	8	0		
		Paid 100 Lithograph Engravings of <i>Cartier's</i> House at <i>St. Malo</i>	1	12	6		
		Paid 3 Medals in Silver and Bronze, of the Siege of <i>Quebec</i> , in 1690.....	2	7	6		
May —....		Paid Freight of 17 cases of Books, from <i>Havre</i> to <i>London</i> , and to <i>Quebec</i>	25	10	0		
		Paid Mr. <i>Vanné</i> , for copying sundry documents for the <i>French Authorities</i>	3	17	6		
		Paid <i>Douceurs</i> to several <i>Employés</i> in Public Departments.....	1	7	6		
		Paid Postages and Expenses on small parcels on corresponding with <i>Quebec, London.</i> <i>Paris, &c.</i>	8	17	9		
		Paid Duty on a skin of Porpoise Leather, pre- sented to the <i>Institut</i>	0	19	0		
		Paid personal expenses during nine month's absence in <i>Europe</i> , residence in <i>London</i> and <i>Paris</i> , and including all travelling and incidental expenses of his mission.	360	0	0		
			£	518	3	7	
		Equal, at the rate of Exchange of 12½ p. ct. to.....				649	14 6
1851.		Purchases and Disbursements in <i>Quebec</i> :—					
September 3.		Paid Messieurs <i>Tétu</i> , for a skin of Porpoise Leather.....				2	2 0
do 30		Paid cartage of Books in Seminary vaults, for safe keeping.				0	7 6
1852.		Paid Heirs of the late <i>J. Neilson</i> , for 30 volumes " <i>Relations des Jésuites</i> ,"				25	0 0
July —..		Paid Mr. <i>G. Stanley</i> , his account for Books.....				6	11 6
August 3.		Paid Mr. <i>C. J. Fletcher</i> , his account for Books.....				5	0 0
do "15.		Paid Mrs. <i>J. C. Fisher</i> , for a set of Views of <i>Quebec</i> in 1759.				10	0 0
		Paid to <i>P. Lavolette</i> , for 8 volumes " <i>Quebec Gazette</i> ."...				6	0 0
		To Balance due by <i>G. B. Faribault</i>				9	3 9
		Currency.....				£	711 19 3
1851.	Cr.	By amount received from <i>J. F. Taylor</i> , Clerk of the Legislative Council, from Contingent Fund.....					
September ..						200	0 0
do ...		By amount received from <i>W. B. Lindsay</i> , Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, from ditto.....				200	0 0
do ...		By Amount received from ditto, being a balance remaining in the hands of the two Speakers, from a former grant in aid of the Library.....				311	19 3
		Currency.....				£	711 19 3

Quebec, 22nd October, 1852.

G. B. Faribault.
Memorandum

MEMORANDUM OF MR. WICKSTEED:—

From all the Authorities in *England* I received the greatest attention, with regard to my application for official documents and papers published by the Government. To Mr. *Lefevre*, the Clerk of the House of Lords,—Mr. *Vardon*, the Librarian of the House of Commons,—Mr. *Meyer*, the Librarian of the Colonial office,—and Mr. *Lemon*, the Chief Clerk of the State Paper Office, my thanks are especially due. Copies of all the Works published by order of the Government were immediately granted on my application. It is true these (apart from the Sessional Papers of the two Houses of the Parliament,) amounted then only to about 60 volumes; but in comparing the amount and value of the Donations from the English Government with those from the French Government, it must always be borne in mind, that the kind of Works which, in *France*, are published by the Ministers of the several Departments, are, in *England*, laid before Parliament by the Ministers, and published by order of one or other of the Houses. The Government, as such, publishes little or nothing, except (as in case of the Record Commissioners) when some Commission is issued by the Crown, at the request of the Legislature, for the express purpose of collecting and publishing certain documents. The Sessional Papers must therefore be taken into account in comparing the Donations received from the two Governments; and when this is done, the advantage will, I believe, be found to lie with the British Government, both as regards the number and the value of the Works presented to our Library.

G. W. Wicksteed.

List of official Personages, and Private individuals, from whom Donations of Books to the Library of Parliament, have been received since last Session:—

Reported by Mr. *Faribault*: * From *France*.)

- M. le Ministre de l'Instruction Publique, 100 volumes.
- M. le Ministre de l'Intérieur, (Département des Beaux-Arts 80 volumes.
- M. le Président et M. Secrétaire perpétuel de l'Académie Française, 95 volumes.
- Monseigneur le Prince Président du Corps Législatif, 295 volumes.
- M. le Ministre de la Guerre, 14 volumes.
- M. le Ministre de la Marine et des Colonies, 92 volumes.
- M. *Adolphe de Puibusque*, 2 works.

(From *England*.)

Admiral Sir *Francis Beaufort*, complete set, Chart and Plans of Gulf and River *St. Lawrence &c.* and others Publications of the Board of Admiralty.

Reported by Mr. *Wicksteed*: (From *England*.)

The Right Honorable Sir *John S. Pakington*, Secretary for the Colonies:—The works of the Record Commission; Colonial Regulations; Notes on Public Departments; [Series of State Papers, not yet received.] In all about 60 volumes.

* Complete Lists of these Books are given in the Library Catalogue, distributed to Members during the present Session.

The Speaker of the House of Lords, and the Clerk of the House of Lords :—A set of the Parliamentary Papers of that House,—not yet received.

The Speaker of the House of Commons :—Continuations of Parliamentary Papers, previously sent. About 210 volumes.

Thomas Vardon, Esquire, Librarian to the House of Commons :—A copy of a General Index to the first 17 volumes of Commons' Journals, compiled by himself and Mr. *May*.

Mr. *Wicksteed* further states, that he was much indebted to—*Meyer*, Esquire of the Colonial Office, and *Robert Lemon*, Esquire, of the State Paper Office, for valuable assistance in procuring the above mentioned Donations.

Donations received by the Librarians, since the last Report ; and not yet officially acknowledged :—

From Assistant Commissioner General *Carpenter* :—

First Report of Commissioners for conducting the Great Exhibition ; 1 volume.

From *New York State Agricultural Society* :—

Transactions of the Society, for the years 1842 to 1847 and 1849 ; 8 volumes.

Transactions of the American Institute, for the years 1848 and 1849 ; 2 volumes.

Norton's Elements of Scientific Agriculture ; 1 volume.

From *William McDougall*, Esquire, Proprietor :—

Canadian Agriculturalist, for the years 1849 to 1852 ; 4 volumes.

From the Honorable *Jean Chabot*, M.P.P. :—

Municipal and Agricultural Acts of *Lower Canada* ; in French and English : 4 copies.

From the *Manchester Free Library*, through Mr. *Henry Stevens* :—

Catalogue of the *Chetham Library, Manchester* ; 3 volumes.

From the Honorable *W. B. Robinson*, M.P.P. :—

System of Public Instruction in the State of *Michigan* ; 1 volume.

Robinson's Canada, and the *Canada Bill* ; a Pamphlet.

From the Royal Commissioners, through the Governor's Secretary :—

Prospectuses of Exhibitors at the Great Exhibition ; 16 volumes, 8vo.

From the Secretary to the Governor General :—

Account of the *Boston Rail-road Jubilee*, in 1851 : 6 copies.

From the British Government, through the Governor General :—

Sabine's Magnetical and Meteorological Observations at the Cape of Good Hope and Hobarton ; 2 volumes.

From

From Doctor *O'Callaghan* :—

Acts of the Legislature of *Louisiana*, passed in 1852 ; 1 volume.

From Doctor *Fortier*, M.P.P. :—

Todd's Parliamentary Practice : 1 volume.

From the *Smithsonian* Institution, *Washington* :—

Volumes 1 to 4 of the *Smithsonian* Contributions to Knowledge.

Ordered, that the said Report be now taken into consideration by the House.

Whereupon the House proceeded to the consideration of the said Report, and

The same being then again read by the Clerk, it was

Ordered, that the said Report be adopted.

It was then moved that it be

Resolved, That this House receives with much satisfaction, the intelligence of the munificent Donations which have been made in aid of the re-construction of the Library of Parliament, by the undermentioned Heads of Departments of State in *France*, viz :—*M. le Ministre de l'Instruction Publique* ; *M. le Ministre de l'Intérieur* ; (Département des Beaux-Arts) ; *M. le Président et M. le Secrétaire perpétuel de l'Académie Française* ; *Monseigneur le PrincePrésident du Sénat* ; *M. le Président du Corps Législatif* ; *M. le Ministre de la Guerre* ; *M. le Ministre de la Marine et des Colonies* ; and the Right Honorable Sir *John S. Pakington*, Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies ; by the Right Honorable the Speaker, and by the Clerk of the House of Lords ; by the Right Honorable the Speaker, of the House of Commons ; by Admiral Sir *Francis Beaufort* ; by the Royal Commissioners for superintending the Exhibition of 1851 ; by the *New York* State Agricultural Society ; and by the *Smithsonian* Institution at *Washington*.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House, and

Ordered accordingly.

It was then moved, that it be

Resolved, That this House desires, furthermore, to record its thankful appreciation of the liberality of the undermentioned Gentlemen, in contributing Donations of Books to the Library, viz : Of Assistant Commissary General *Carpenter* ; of the Honorable *Jean Chabot*, M. P. P., of the Honorable *W. B. Robinson*, M. P. P., of *Dr. Fortier*, M. P. P., of the Trustees of the *Manchester* Free Library ; of *M. Adolphe de Puibusque* ; of *Thomas Vardon*, Esquire, Librarian to the House of Commons ; of Colonel *Bruce*, a Secretary to His Excellency the Governor General ; of *E. B. O'Callaghan*, Esquire, M. D., of *Albany* ; and of *William McDougall*, Esquire, Proprietor of the *Canadian Agriculturalist*.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House, and

Ordered accordingly.

It was then moved that it be

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are due, and are hereby given to the undermentioned Gentlemen, for their courteous and valuable assistance to the Agents of this House in their applications to the Departments of State in *England* and *France*, on behalf of the Library, viz : *J. S. Lefevre*, Esquire, Clerk of the House of Lords ; *Thomas Vardon*, Esquire, Librarian of the House of Commons ; *George Meyer*, Esquire, Librarian to the Colonial Office ; *Robert Lemon*, Esquire, Chief Clerk of the State Paper Office ; and *Adolphe de Puibusque*, Esquire, of *Paris*.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Honorable *Philip Vanknoughnet* and others, of the Town of *Cornwall*, praying that the Main Trunk Rail-way may pass through *Cornwall* and the other Towns on the Banks of the *St. Lawrence*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *Joseph Eugène Doucet*, a writing Clerk in the employ of this House, setting forth that he discharges the duty of a French translator and praying to be ranked and remunerated accordingly.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *J. Curry* and others, of *Glengarry*, praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Grand Junction Rail-road 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 22.—Leave out "and"

Page 1, Line 23.—After "*Henry Bull*" insert "and"

Page 2, Line 9.—Leave out from "*Peterborough*" to "and" in Line 10.

Page 2, Line 29.—Leave out from "with" to "of" and insert "copies."

Page 2, Line 32.—Leave out "shall" and insert "to"

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to vest in the Corporation of the City of *Hamilton* the *Gore* of *King* Street for public purposes," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Boulton*, and *Ross* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the *Hamilton* Orphan Asylum" was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to the last mentioned Committee to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the City of *Kingston* to negotiate a Loan of seventy five thousand pounds to consolidate the City debt and for other purposes," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Boulton* and *Ross*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Ontario*, *Simcoe* and *Huron* Rail-road Union Company" was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Boulton* and *Ross*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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 the Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, "An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of the *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company."

Which said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House, and it was

Ordered, That one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to their amendments made to the said Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the improvement and enlargement of the Harbour of *Montreal*, and
" for

“ for the deepening of Lake *St. Peter*, and the improvement of the Navigation
“ of the *St. Lawrence*, between the said points and for other purposes.”

Which said amendments being then read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize the *Brantford* and *Buffalo* Joint Stock “ Rail-road Company to construct a Rail-way from *Fort Erie* to *Goderich*” 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 please to receive them.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow :

Page 1, Line 22.—After “ were” insert “ therein,” and leave out from “effect” to “ and ” in line 23, and insert “ thereof.”

Page 1, Line 44.—Leave out from “ printed” to “ published” and after “ published” insert “ and passed.”

Page 2, Line 41.—Leave out “ henceforth.”

Page 7, Line 42.—After “ be ” where it occurs the second time insert “ a.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

It was then moved that the amendments be engrossed and that the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

In amendment it was moved that the said Bill and amendments be referred back to the same Select Committee to whom the Bill was formerly referred.

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

The question being then put on the main motion, it was 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,

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend and extend the Act incorporating a Company for making a Rail-road from the Village of *Industry* to the Township of *Rawdon* 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.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Morin* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend two certain Acts therein mentioned and to make further provision for the management of the Post Office," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to 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 3, Line 16.—Leave out from "Province" to "at" in the seventeenth line of "the same page, and insert the following "unless in the Act or Charter authorizing such road or bridge, it is specially so provided; but in respect of existing contracts the exemption which existed heretofore shall be continued unless on the arrival of the stage or vehicle."

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond* and others to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Recorder's Court of the City of *Montreal*" and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the same without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Monday, 8th November, 1852.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, informing their Honors that this House hath adopted an Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of a Rail-way from *Quebec* to *Halifax*, and requesting the concurrence of their Honors thereto.

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

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Assembly.

And then they withdrew.

The Address to Her Majesty just communicated by Message from the Legislative Assembly was then read by the Clerk as follows :

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

We, your Majesty most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly beg leave to approach Your Majesty for the purpose of representing.

That the Imperial Government has repeatedly invited the attention of the Legislatures of *Canada*, *New Brunswick* and *Nova Scotia*, to the great importance of a Line of Rail-way from *Quebec* to *Halifax*, to connect the three great Provinces of British North America, and has intimated that in consideration of the vast importance of such Rail-way, not only to the Provinces but to the Empire, Imperial aid would be given to his construction.

That this invitation was clearly given, and this intimation made by the Right Honorable Earl *Grey*, then Your Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, in his Despatch to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 1st April, 1847; that the Legislatures of the three Provinces acted upon them, and that the survey which has since been made by Major *Robinson*, has shewn in the strongest light, not only the practicability of the undertaking, but has confirmed the view taken by Earl *Grey*, of the very great advantages which must result from it both to Provincial and Imperial interests.

That the line agreed upon by the three Provinces, as being that on which the said Rail-road could be made with most advantage to them, being different from that selected by Major *Robinson* as most advantageous for Imperial purposes, Your Majesty's present Government declined to grant Imperial aid for its construction, but that in

in the Despatch of the 20th May, 1852, Your Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, communicating this decision to His Excellency the Governor General, a hope is expressed that the Provincial Legislatures may see cause to meet the views of Your Majesty's Government by adopting Major Robirson's Line.

That this Province has spared no efforts to ensure the construction of this great work, and to increase its usefulness and completeness; and that provision has been made and the Guarantee of the Province given, for the completion of a Line of Rail-way of one uniform gauge of five feet six inches, and of the most permanent character, from the Western extremity of the Province at the River *Detroit* to *Trois-Pistoles* in the county of *Rimouski*, a distance of eight hundred and eighty-one miles, passing through and connecting all the great Towns and Cities of *Canada*.

That there is reason to believe that the Province of *Nova Scotia* will, out of its own resources, provide for the construction of a Rail-way of the same gauge and character from *Halifax* to the Frontier Line of *New Brunswick*, and that the last named Province will, out of its own resources, continue the said Rail-way to the *Miramichi* River, on the route to *Canada*, and to the City of *St. John's* in the opposite direction.

That the distance from *Miramichi* River to the Eastern Frontier of *Canada* at the *Ristigouche* River, is about 100 miles, and the distance from *Ristigouche* to *Trois-Pistoles* is about 127 miles, making in all about 227 miles, remaining to be constructed in order to complete one grand line of Rail-way throughout the entire length of British North America, and connecting not merely *Quebec* and *Halifax*, but every principal City and Town in each of the Provinces, directly with each other, and all with the *Atlantic* at that point from which the communication with the United Kingdom is most easy, rapid and economical.

That the the resources of this Province will be too far exhausted in providing for the construction of the Rail-way from *Detroit* to *Trois Pistoles*, to allow of our continuing it to the Eastern Frontier at the *Restigouche* without Imperial aid, and that it is not to be expected that *New Brunswick* will be able without such aid to continue it from *Miramichi* to the *Restigouche*, the country of both sides of the Frontier being almost wholly in a state of nature, though well adapted for settlement if easy access were afforded to it.

That under these circumstances we entertain an earnest hope that the Imperial Government will lend its assistance to perfect the great undertaking of which British Statesmen have uniformly expressed the most favourable opinion, and the importance of which to British as well as Colonial interests can scarcely be over rated, inasmuch as it will afford to the industrious but crowded population of the United Kingdom, a ready means of access to millions of acres of fertile lands now utterly unproductive in which they will become consumers of British manufactures,—it will save large sums of money annually in the expense of conveyance of the Mail to and from the United

United Kingdom, while it will render that conveyance most rapid and sure, and avoid the necessity of its depending upon the sufferance of a Foreign power,—and it will follow that line which all Military authorities have agreed in selecting as best calculated to make it eminently useful to the defence of the Country.

We beg leave further respectfully to represent that in our opinion the assistance of the Imperial Government might be most advantageously given to the completion of the said Line from *Trois-Pistoles* to *Miramichi*, by the appropriation of a sum of £75,000 annually for a period of not less than twenty five years, in favor of the Provinces of *Canada* and *New Brunswick* to enable them to meet the charges to which they would be subjected in completing the same.

And we most humbly pray that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to recommend to Parliament the grant of Imperial aid to the extent aforesaid.

It was moved to agree with the Legislative Assembly, by filling up the blank with “Legislative Council and the”

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

Ordered, that the Speaker do sign the said Address on behalf of this House.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council agreed to the said Address by filling up the blank with “Legislative Council and the”

Ordered, that an humble Address be presented to his Excellency the Governor General in the following words :

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We Her Majesty’s dutiful and loyal subjects the Legislative Council of *Canada* in Provincial Parliament assembled beg leave to approach Your Excellency with our respectful request that you will be pleased to transmit our Joint Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of a Rail-way from *Quebec* to *Halifax*, in such a way as Your Excellency may deem fit in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Ordered, that the Speaker do sign the last mentioned Address on the part of this House.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Paige* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the removal of the Registry Office of the County of *Missisquoi* from the place where it is now kept to a more central position" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Grand Junction Rail-road Company," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the City of *Kingston* to negotiate a Loan of Seventy five thousand pounds to consolidate the City Debt, 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,

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Méthot* enters.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, as follows:

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Tuesday, 9th November, 1852.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council acquainting their Honors that this House hath agreed to the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting His Excellency to transmit the Joint Address to Her Majesty on the subject of a Rail-way from *Quebec* to *Halifax*, by filling up the blank with the words "and Commons."

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

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk Assembly.

Ordered, that the Joint Address to Her Majesty, and also the Joint Address to His Excellency the Governor General, on the subject of a Rail-way from *Quebec* to *Halifax*, be presented on the part of this House, by the Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché*, and the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris*.

Ordered, that the Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* and the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris* do wait on His Excellency the Governor General, humbly to know what time His Excellency will please to appoint to be attended with the Joint Addresses.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* reported that they had according to Order waited on His Excellency the Governor General, to know what time His Excellency would be pleased to appoint to be attended with the Joint Addresses of both Houses, on the subject of a Rail-way from *Quebec* to *Halifax*, and that His Excellency had named to-morrow at half past twelve o'clock in the afternoon for that purpose.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that His Excellency the Governor General has appointed to-morrow at half past twelve o'clock in the afternoon to be attended with the said Addresses and that the Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* and the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris*, will be in attendance at that time on the part of the Legislative Council.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to establish a "Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund for *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Langton* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Grand Junction "Rail-road 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 the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Brantford* and *Buffalo* Joint Stock Rail-road Company to construct a Rail-way from *Fort Erie* to *Goderich*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Ontario, Simcoe* "and *Huron* Rail-road Union Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the *Hamilton* Orphan "Asylum" reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to vest in the Corporation of the City of *Hamilton* the "Gore of King Street, for public purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Young* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the improvement and enlargement of the Harbour of *Montreal*, and for the deepening of "Lake *St. Peter*, and the improvement of the Navigation of the *St. Lawrence*, "between the said points and for other purposes," and to acquaint this House that they had agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Chabot* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act for the establishment of a Line "of Steam Vessels between this Province and the United Kingdom."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the establishment

" of a Bureau of Agriculture and to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to " Agriculture," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* and others, with a Bill intituled, " An Act to provide for the better organization of Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Ridout* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the act intituled, "An Act to incorporate "the Orphans Home and Female aid Society *Toronto*" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Wilson* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill and 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Street* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to enlarge and extend the powers granted by the Act "12 Vict. Chap. 81, so as to enable the Municipal Council of the Township of "*Stamford* to make By-laws for the better government of that part of the said "Township which lies in the immediate vicinity of the Falls of *Niagara*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, That the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Taché* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Sir *Allan Napier MacNab* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Joint Stock "Company for the purpose of supplying the City of *Hamilton* with water," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Ross* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Governor General to issue a Proclamation to declare the County of *Perth* to be separated from the United Counties of *Huron*, *Perth* and *Bruce* and for other purposes therein mentioned" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Boulton* and *Ross*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cartier* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the winding up of the affairs of the "Mutual Fire Assurance Company of the County of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bourret*, *Belleau* and *Wilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *George D. Griffin* and others, of *Brantford*, praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that he had received a communication announcing the intention of His Excellency the Governor General to come down to the House to-morrow, at one o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of assenting in Her Majesty's name, to certain Bills which have been passed by the two Houses of the Legislature.

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

Wednesday, 10th November, 1852.

The Members convened were;—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

WALKER,

BOULTON,

TACHÉ,

BOURRET,

ROSS,

The Honorable Messieurs

MÉTHOT,

PANET,

BELLEAU,

WILSON.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Governor General to issue a Proclamation to declare the County of *Perth* to be separated from the United Counties of *Huron*, *Perth* and *Brace*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Joint Stock Company for the purpose of supplying the City of *Hamilton* with water," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to enlarge and extend the powers granted by the Act " 12 Vict. Chap. 81, so as to enable the Municipal Council of the Township of " *Stamford*, to make By-laws for the better government of that part of the said " Township which lies in the immediate vicinity of the Falls of *Niagara*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the winding of the affairs of the Mutual Fire " Assurance Company of the County 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.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Patrick* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Bytown* " and *Prescott* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Taché* and *Ross*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act relating to the Fisheries on the *Labrador* and " North Shore of the Gulph of *St. Lawrence*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 last mentioned Committee to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Wilson* presented a Petition from *Teraphino Giraldi* and others, Hotel and Tavern keepers of the City of *Montreal*, praying for the re-imbusement of certain moneys paid by them for their Licenses.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* 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, 9th November, 1852.

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 taken into consideration the serious inconvenience which the protracted duration of the present session may be expected to occasion to the Messengers in attendance on your Honorable House, who are not entitled to be paid for their services until its close; and they recommend that the Clerk be directed to advance thirty pounds to each of them out of the contingent fund at the disposal of your Honorable House, taking from such of them as they are entitled to be paid by Warrant, powers of attorney, to enable him to receive the sums payable to them respectively at the close of the session for the purpose of reimbursing to this House the amounts so advanced.

And on the reference made to your Committee of the Petition of *Hew Ramsay*, on behalf of *John McCoy*, praying for compensation for the loss of certain books destroyed by fire in the Library of your Honorable House on the 25th April, 1849, they beg leave to report that in their opinion one hundred pounds should be allowed to the Petitioner by way of gratuity.

Your Committee would also suggest that a gratuity of twenty-five pounds be given to Messrs. *R. & C. Chalmers*, whose Petition to the same effect was rejected last session.

These sums are equal to about half the amounts claimed in the two cases, and in recommending their payment in full of all demands your Committee by no means admit

admit that your Honorable House was, under the circumstances of either case, answerable for the safety of the Books left in your Library.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WALKER,
Chairman.

It was moved to adopt that paragraph of the said Report which relates to the advance of thirty pounds to each of the Messengers.

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

Ordered accordingly.

It was then moved that that part of the said Report relating to the claim of *Hew Ramsay*, on behalf of *John McCoy*, and also to the claim of Messrs. *R. & C. Chalmers*, be not now adopted but that the same be taken into consideration by the House on the 14th day of February next.

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 the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to make more effectual provision for enforcing the Legal Rights of the Crown, in regard to Public Works in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Tessier* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend and explain the Act authorizing the issue of Debentures for giving relief to the City of *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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,

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

A Message was brought from Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Ridout* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act for the Incorporation of the "Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company of the City of *Toronto*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the forty sixth 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Boulton* and *Ross*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *La Terrière* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent fishing with "seines and other nets for trout and other fish in the Lakes within the County of " *Saguenay*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the fourteenth day of February next.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Bytown* and *Prescott* "Rail-way Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

It was moved that when the House ajourns this day it do stand adjourned until the fourteenth day of February next.

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 the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Registry Law of *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the first day of March next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to make certain provisions with regard to Common Schools in *Upper Canada* for a limited period," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from *W. H. Le Moine* and others, freeholders of the Côte *Beaupré* in the County of *Montmorency*, praying that the Act 13th and 14th Vict. Chap. 40, may be amended so as to allow their cattle to graze on the beach opposite their lands at certain seasons of the year, and that their geese may be permitted to feed on the beach throughout the year.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act for the Incorporation of the Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company of the City of *Toronto*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cauchon* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society for the erection of an Hotel in the City of *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the fourteenth day of February next.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honorable JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of *British North America* and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick* and the Island of *Prince Edward* and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c., being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Speaker commanded the Gentlemen Usher of the Black Rod to let the Assembly know "it is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House."

Who being come with their Speaker,

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follow :

An Act to remove doubts as to the powers of the Junior Judges of County Courts in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to authorize the appointment of Assistant Judges of the Superior Court for *Lower Canada* in certain cases.

An Act further to extend the period limited for certain purposes by the *Montreal Registry Act*.

An Act to amend the Act providing for the Summary Decision of Small Causes in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to supply an omission in Schedule B. to the *Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Act of 1850*.

An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench, and Common Pleas, in *Upper Canada*, in their discretion to admit *Neil Cameron McIntyre* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney therein.

An Act to amend an Act passed in the eighth year of the Reign of Her Majesty, to incorporate the *Saint Lawrence* and Atlantic Rail-road Company and to extend the powers of the said Company.

An Act to repeal the Acts therein mentioned and to improve the Law of Evidence in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to authorize the *Montreal and New York* Rail-road Company to extend their Rail-road, and to acquire the Land necessary for such extension, and for other purposes relative to the said Company.

An Act to extend and amend an Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, "An Act to provide for the appointment of Magistrates for the more " remote parts of this Province."

An Act for the relief of Sufferers by the late Fire at *Montreal*, by facilitating the negociation of Loans to enable them to rebuild the property destroyed by the said Fire.

An Act to detach for Judicial purposes the settlements of *Ste. Anne des Monts* and *Cap Chat* from the District of *Gaspé*, and annex the same to the District of *Kamouraska*.

An Act to authorize the Town of *Dundas* to grant its security to the *Great Western* Rail-road Company on behalf of the *Desjardins* Canal Company for certain improvements on the said Canal.

An Act to provide by one General Law for the incorporation of Electric Telegraph Companies.

An Act to ascertain and establish the rights of the Co-proprietors of the Common of *St. Antoine de la Baie*.

An Act to incorporate the Grand Trunk Rail-way of *Canada*.

An Act to authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the Bank of *Montreal*, and to facilitate the transfer of Shares in certain cases.

An Act to legalize and continue the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *Torbolton*.

An Act to amend the Charter of the *Erie and Ontario* Rail-road Company.

An Act for avoiding doubts as to the true meaning of a certain enactment in the Act regulating Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly.

An Act to incorporate the *Quebec* Temperance Hall Association.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating Bishop's College.

An Act to amend two certain Acts therein mentioned and for other purposes connected with the administration of *McGill* College.

An Act for the granting of certain Lots in the Town of *Bytown* to the *Bytown* and *Prescott* Rail-way Company.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto* and *Guelph* Rail-way Company.

An Act to extend the provisions of the eighteenth Section of the Rail-way Clauses Consolidation Act to the Act incorporating the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Rail-way Company.

An Act to separate the Township of *Romney* from the Township of *East Tilbury*, and to erect the said Townships into independent Corporations.

An Act to incorporate the *St. Mary's* College of *Montreal*.

An Act to incorporate the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Rail-way Company.

An Act to authorize the construction of a Rail-way from *Galt* to *Guelph*.

An Act to authorize the City of *Montreal* to raise a Loan to consolidate their Debt.

An Act to give effect to certain proceedings under the Act, intituled, "An Act to provide for the indemnification of parties in *Lower Canada*, whose property was destroyed during the Rebellion, in the years one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven and one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight."

An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton* and *Toronto* Rail-way Company.

An Act to amend the Act extending the powers of the *British America* Fire and Life Assurance Company in Marine Assurance.

An Act for the relief of *John Knatchbull Roche*, of the Town of *Port Hope*, in the County of *Durham*, Provincial Land Surveyor.

An Act to empower any Rail-way Company whose Rail-way forms part of the Main Trunk Line of Rail-way throughout this Province to unite with any other such Company, or to purchase the property and rights of any such Company and to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, incorporating Rail-way Companies.

An Act to provide for the incorporation of a Company to construct a Rail-way from opposite *Quebec* to *Trois-Pistoles*, and for the extension of such Rail-way to the Eastern Frontier of this Province.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the "*Quebec* Friendly Society."

An Act to amend an Act intituled "An Act for the encouragement and relief of certain persons therein named, and others, and authorizing them to associate themselves by the name of the "*Quebec* Benevolent Society," under certain restrictions, rules and regulations therein mentioned."

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Cemetery Company, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An Act to authorize *François Daigle* and *Alexis Dufresne* to demand tolls upon a Bridge which they have constructed on the *Northern* Branch of the River *Yamaska*.

- An Act to authorize the City of *Kingston* to negotiate a loan of seventy five thousand pounds to consolidate the City Debt, and for other purposes.
- An Act to amend and extend the Act incorporating a Company for making a Railroad from the Village of *Industry* to the Township of *Rawdon*, in *Lower Canada*.
- An Act to provide for the removal of the Registry Office of the County of *Missisquoi* from the place where it is now kept to a more central position.
- An Act to amend the Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of the *Niagara Harbour and Dock Company*."
- An Act to amend two certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make further provision for the management of the Post Office.
- An Act to amend the Law relating to the Recorders' Court of the City of *Montreal*.
- An Act to vest in the Corporation of the City of *Hamilton* the "Gore" of King Street for public purposes.
- An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the *Hamilton Orphan Asylum*.
- An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Ontario, Simcoe and Huron* Rail-road Union Company.
- An Act to establish a Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund for *Upper Canada*.
- An Act to provide for the improvement and enlargement of the Harbour of *Montreal* and for the deepening of Lake *St. Peter*, and the improvement of the Navigation of the *St. Lawrence*, between the said points, and for other purposes.
- An Act to authorize the *Brantford and Buffalo* Joint Stock Rail-road Company to construct a Rail-way from Fort *Erie* to *Goderich*.
- An Act to incorporate the Grand Junction Rail-road Company.
- An Act for the establishment of a Line of Steam Vessels between this Province and the United Kingdom.
- An Act to provide for the establishment of a Bureau of Agriculture, and to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Agriculture.
- An Act to provide for the better organization of Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*.
- An Act to amend the Act, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Orphan's Home and Female aid Society, *Toronto*."
- An Act to enlarge and extend the powers granted by the Act 12 Vict. chap. 81, so as to enable the Municipal Council of the Township of *Stamford* to make By-laws for

for the better government of that part of the said Township which lies in the immediate vicinity of the Falls of *Niagara*.

An Act to authorize the Governor General to issue a Proclamation to declare the County of *Perth* to be separated from the United Counties of *Huron*, *Perth* and *Bruce* and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An Act to incorporate a Joint Stock Company for the purpose of supplying the City of *Hamilton* with water.

An Act to facilitate the winding up of the affairs of the Mutual Fire Assurance Company of the County of *Montreal*

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Bytown* and *Prescott* Rail-way Company.

An Act to make more effectual provision for enforcing the Legal Rights of the Crown in regard to Public Works in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to make certain provisions with regard to Common Schools in *Upper Canada* for a limited period.

An Act to amend and explain the Acts authorizing the issue of Debentures for giving relief to the City of *Quebec*.

An Act to amend the Act for the incorporation of the Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company of the City of *Toronto*.

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

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* reported to the House, that pursuant to order, the Honorable Mr. Post Master General *Morris* and himself had waited on His Excellency the Governor General at the Government House where they found certain Members from the Legislative Assembly, and that they presented the Address to His Excellency the Governor General agreed upon by both Houses on the subject of a Rail-way from *Quebec* to *Halifax*; and that His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would have much pleasure in transmitting the Joint Address to the Queen to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State, to be laid at the foot of the Throne.

The Speaker then declared this House continued until the fourteenth day of February next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Monday, 14th February, 1853.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON**, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs.

TACHÉ,
BELLEAU,
PANET.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Tuesday, 15th February, 1853.

At half past three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON**, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

MÉTHOT,
BELLEAU,
PANET.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Wednesday, 16th February, 1853.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

MÉTHOT,
BELLEAU,
PANET.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Thursday, 17th February, 1853.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MOORE,
WALKER,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

MÉTHOT,
BELLEAU,
PANET.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Friday, 18th February, 1853.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON**, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

MOORE,

MÉTHOT,

WALKER,

BELLEAU,

TACHÉ,

PANET.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Saturday, 19th February, 1853.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON**, Speaker :

The Honorable Mr.

The Honorable Mr.

WALKER,

MÉTHOT.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until Monday next at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Monday, 21st February, 1853.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
BELLEAU,
PANET.

And there being then no Quorum the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Tuesday, 22nd February, 1853.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
BELLEAU,
PANET.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Wednesday, 23rd February, 1853.

At half past Three o'clock in the afternoon, there were—

PRESENT

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
BELLEAU.

And there being then no Quorum, the Speaker declared the House continued until to-morrow at Three o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the Seventy first Standing Order.

Thursday, 24th February, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a return to an Address of this House to His Excellency the Governor General dated 21st October 1852, for copies of the correspondance that has taken place between the Executive Government and J. E. Turcotte, Esquire, on the subject of his claim for salary as Solicitor General in 1847, together with all papers and documents having reference thereto, as also extracts from any orders in Council that may have been passed relating to said claim.

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

(Vide Appendix No. 5.)

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from the Reverend *L. J. Guyon* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Elizabeth* in the County of *Berthier*, praying for a grant of three hundred pounds in aid of a Girls School, and House of Refuge for sick, poor and infirm persons, and orphans of the female sex in that Parish ;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Terrebonne*, praying that *Alexander Maurice Delisle* and others, may be incorporated as a Company for the purpose of constructing a Rail-road from *Montreal* to *Bytown*, and for power to take stock in, loan money to, or otherwise assist such Company.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Town of *Cornwall*, praying that the line of the Grand Trunk Rail-way may pass along the borders of the *St. Lawrence* and through the said Town of *Cornwall* ;

Also, a Petition from *J. H. Lefroy* Esquire, F. R. S. and others, Members of the Canadian Institute, *Toronto*, praying that the Observatory established there by Royal authority may be maintained from Colonial resources and attached to the Provincial University ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Stormont, Dundas* and *Glengarry*, praying for the amendment of the Jurors Acts ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Stormont, Dundas* and *Glengarry*, praying for the repeal of the Common School Act and the substitution therefor of one general comprehensive Free School Law for *Canada West* ;

And also, a Petition from the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance in *Canada West*, praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *Alexander Kilborn* and others, of the County of *Stanstead*, praying to be incorporated as the *Stanstead* County Bank ;

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road Company, praying that Rail-roads may be exempted from Municipal taxation.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable M. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the *Quebec* Library association, praying for pecuniary aid ;

Also, a Petition from the *Quebec* Bank, praying for an increase to its capital stock.

Also,

Also, a Petition from *Richard Ross* and others, journeymen Bakers residing in the City of *Quebec*, praying that in any Act to be passed for the promoting the better observance of the Sabbath a clause may be included which will altogether prohibit Sunday baking ;

Also, a Petition from *Dunbar Ross* and others, of *Quebec* and parts adjacent, praying that measures may be adopted by Government at the cost of the Province to secure during each winter the formation of an Ice Bridge to connect *Quebec* with the southern shore of the *St. Lawrence* ;

Also, a Petition from *Edouard Normand* and others, of the Parish of *Cap de la Magdeleine* in the County of *Champlain* ;

Also a Petition from *Napoleon Hardy* and others, of *Pointe aux Trembles* ;

Also, a Petition from *Augustin Bourbeau* and others, of *St. Augustin* ;

Also a Petition from *Michel Naud* and others, of *Deschambault* ;

Also, a Petition from *François Boucher* and others of the Parish of *Saint Joseph de Maskinongé* ;

Also, a Petition from the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec* ;

Also, a Petition from *J. De Guise* and others, of the Parish of *St. Léon* in the County of *St. Maurice*, severally praying that a Company may be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a Rail-road from *Quebec* to *Montreal*, or further, on the North Bank of the *St. Lawrence* with the Provincial guarantee to an amount equal in proportion to that granted in favor of other parts of the Grand Trunk ;

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *P. J. Bedard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Raymond* in the County of *Portneuf*, praying that certain provisions may be inserted in any Act to be passed for the abolition of the Seigniorial tenure.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Quebec*, praying that provision may be made for the security of the valuable Recorders of the Registry office of the County of *Quebec* by placing them in the Court House or otherwise.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *F. A. Simard* and others, of the Village of *Napierville*, praying that the ground rent on their lots in the said Village may be reduced ;

Also, a Petition from *William Morrin* and others, Commissioners of the River du *Chéné* Canal, praying that the period limited for the completion of the said work may be extended ;

Also

Also, a Petition from *John Vardon* and others, of the District of *Gaspé*, praying for a Legislative enactment to enable them to obtain provisions, clothing and all necessary materials requisite to their calling, free of duty, and that *Gaspé Basin* may be made a free trading Port.

Also, a Petition from the Bar of *Lower Canada* (District of *Montreal*), praying that the Act incorporating them may be so amended as that the Fees of admission and the rates of Members annual subscriptions may be increased;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of the Lake of *Two Mountains*, praying to be authorized to take shares to the amount of one hundred thousand pounds in the stock of the *St. Lawrence* and *Ottawa Grand Junction* Rail-road Company;

Also a Petition from *Louis Champagne* and others, of the Parishes of *Lavaltrie*, *Lanoraie* and *St. Thomas* in the County of *Berthier*, praying that the Provincial guarantee may not be extended to any Company for the construction of a Rail-road from *Quebec* to *Montreal* along the North Bank of the River *St. Lawrence*;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Wentworth* and *Halton*, praying for the passing of an act to confirm the sale by them of the public road from *Hamilton* to *Stoney Creek*;

Also, a Petition from the *Gore* District Mutual Fire Insurance Company, praying that authority may be given them to issue debentures to meet their liabilities;

Also, a Petition from the *Upper-Canada* Mining Company, praying for an increase to their Capital Stock;

Also, a Petition from the grand River Navigation Company, praying that authority may be given to the Mayor and Council of the Town of *Brantford* to exchange for those of a smaller amount, debentures already issued by them, and also that the said debentures may receive whatever benefit the consolidated Municipal Loan fund Act of *Upper-Canada* can confer upon them;

And also, a Petition from *Edouard Rousseau* and others, of the *St. Roch* and *St. John* Suburbs of the City of *Quebec*, praying for the remission of the whole or a part of the sums payable by them as recipients of the *Quebec Fire Loan*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

The same was then read as follows :

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE,

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

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Quebec, 14th February, 1853.

SCHEDULE OF DESPATCHES accompanying the Governor General's Message of the
14th February, 1853.

No. 79.—29th October, 1852.—Contribution of Books to the Legislative Library.
Military.—No. 14,—30th Oct. “ —In reply to Joint Address on the subject
of Medals to the Militia of Canada.

No. 90.—2nd December, “ —In reply to Joint Address on Reciprocity with
Foreign Nations.

No. 2.—15th January, 1853.—On the subject of the Clergy Reserves.

(For Despatches &c., Vide Sessional Papers.)

Ordered, that five hundred copies of the Message just received together with the Documents accompanying the same be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented to the House a Bill intituled, “An Act to permit of disinterments in certain cases and for other purposes therein mentioned.”
The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented to the House a Bill intituled, “An Act to prohibit interments in certain Burial Grounds in the City of *Quebec*.”
The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of that part of the first Report of the Select Committee on contingent accounts which relates to the claims of *Hew Ramsay*, and *R. and C. Chalmers* of *Montreal* against the Legislative Council, it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until next Monday week.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, “An Act to prevent fishing with Seines and other Nets for Trout and other fish in the Lakes within the County of *Saguenay*,” it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, “An Act to incorporate the Society for the erection of an Hotel in the City of *Quebec*,” was read a second time.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members;
Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Walker* and *Panet* to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Wright* (of *East York*) and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Pickering "Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Friday, 25th February, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
 MOORE,
 DIONNE,
 WALKER,
 MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
 DE BEAUJEU,
 PANET,
 BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *Samuel Alcorn* and others, of the Village of *Yorkville*, praying for the extension of the Consumer's Gas Works of the City of *Toronto* to the said Village ;

And also, a Petition from the Consumer's Gas Company of the City of *Toronto*, praying that the Act of incorporation may be so amended as that authority may be given to extend their works to the Village of *Yorkville*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Monday

Monday, 28th February, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *William Henry Beresford* of the City of *Toronto*, late Captain in the Rifle Brigade, praying for the passing of an Act to divorce him from his wife *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, for reasons therein set forth.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Francis Morrison* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Valentin*, praying that the said Parish may be included in the County of *Chambly* with *St. John's* for its County Town and the site of its Registry office ;

And also, a Petition from *Louis Marchand* and others, of the Town of *St. John's* in the County of *Chambly*, praying for a more just apportionment of the electoral franchise in the said County.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* presented a Petition from *Olivier Trudel* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Geneviève de Batiscan* in the County of *Champlain*, praying that a Company may be incorporated for the construction of a Rail-road from *Quebec* to *Montreal* and further on the North Bank of the *St. Lawrence* with the Provincial guarantee to the same extent as other portions of the Grand Trunk.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *John Gilman* and others, owners of Park Lot No. 12, in the 13th concession of the Township of *Monaghan* praying that the proposed Bill to confirm a certain survey in the said Township, if allowed to pass, may be amended in certain particulars ;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable Municipalities in *Canada West* to take and appropriate the materials found on adjacent lands when required by them for the purpose of making public improvements.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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The Honorable Mr. *Panet* presented a Petition from *Joseph Laurin*, M. P. P. and others, of that part of the Parish of *l'Ancienne Lorette* which is included in the County of *Quebec*, praying that such part of the said Parish may not be detached from the said County.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from the Provisional Council of the County of *Elgin*, praying that the inhabitants of the said County may share equally with the inhabitants of the County of *Middlesex* in the proceeds arising from the sale of a certain parcel of land in the Town of *London*, which was granted and set apart by Government for the use of the former District of *London* as a site for holding Free Fairs.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society for the erection of an Hotel in the "City of *Quebec*," 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 placed to receive them.

Ordered, that report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the *Montreal* manufacturing Company, praying that their Capital Stock may be increased and that the exclusive privilege of manufacturing India Rubber goods may be granted to them.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to permit of disinterments in certain cases and for other purposes therein mentioned," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to prohibit interments in certain Burial Ground in the City of *Quebec*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Thursday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent fishing with Seines and other Nets for Trout and other fish in the Lakes within the County of *Saguenay*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the "Pickering Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company," was read a second time.

Ordered,

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, J. Morris* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Corporation of the College of *Ste. Anne de La Pocatière*, praying for aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, "An Act to make better provision for granting Licenses to keepers of Taverns and Dealers in spirituous Liquors in Lower Canada, and for the more effectual repression of Intemperancé."

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. *De Beaujeu* presented a Petition from *George M. Bradford* and others, of the Town of *Chatham*, praying that the right claimed by certain persons to occupy the lands embraced within the first and sixth ranges inclusively, of the Township of *Chatham* may be investigated ;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Municipality of the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying that a system of Parish Municipalities may not be substituted for the present system of County Municipalities.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Brockville* Gas Light Company."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *George Sherwood* and others of *Brockville*, praying to be incorporated as the *Brockville* Gas Light Company ;

And also, a Petition from *John Crawford* and others, of the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville* and of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, praying for the construction of a Rail-way from *Brockville* to the *Ottawa* and *Pembrooke*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Tuesday, 1st March, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
MILLS,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from the Corporation of *Montreal* praying for Legislative authority to effect a loan of one hundred and fifty thousand pounds to construct the new City Water Works ;

Also, a Petition from *A. M. Delisle* and others, of *Montreal*, praying for the construction of a Rail-way from *Montreal* to *Bytown* ;

And also, a Petition from the Reverend *W. J. Leach* and others, Members of *St. Georges Church Montreal*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the *St. Lawrence and Atlantic Rail-road Company*, praying that the proposal to construct a Rail-way from *Montreal* by way of *Chambly* and the Outlet to the Province line near *Stanstead* may not be favorably entertained, and that should such a measure be introduced, they may be heard by Counsel against it.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Registry Law of *Upper Canada*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until next Thursday week.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society for the erection of an Hotel in the " City of *Quebec*."

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 1, line 33.—Leave out " twenty five" and insert " forty."

Page 1, line 35.—Leave out " twenty five" and insert " forty."

- Page 1, line 36.—Leave out “two” and insert “three” and after “thousand” insert “two hundred.”
- Page 2, line 1.—Leave out “two” and insert “three” and after “thousand” insert “two hundred.”
- Page 2, line 6.—Leave out “abandon.”
- Page 2, line 8.—After “fit” insert “subject to the by-laws of the society, to be passed
“by the board of management to be appointed as hereinafter
“provided.”
- Page 2, line 19.—After “Railway” insert “company” and after “east” insert “and
the *Saint Lawrence* and *Atlantic* railroad company.”
- Page 2, line 20.—After “currency” insert “each.”
- Page 3, line 21.—Leave out from “the” where it occurs the third time to “board” in
line 22.
- Page 3, line 22.—After “society” insert “and auditors as hereinafter mentioned.”
- Page 3, line 30.—After “society” insert “and two persons to be auditors.”
- Page 3, line 31.—Leave out from “place” to “and” in line 34.
- Page 3, line 35.—Leave out from “management” to “of” in line 36.
- Page 3, line 36.—After “society” insert “and of auditors.”
- Page 3, line 39.—After “the” where it occurs the second time, insert “next” and
leave out “following” and insert “thereafter not being a
“sunday or a statutory holiday.”
- Page 4, line 3.—After “majority” insert “of votes.”
- Page 4, line 12.—After “proxy” insert “being also a shareholder.”
- Page 4, line 16.—Leave out “appointed” and insert “elected” and after “occasion”
insert “by the shareholders then present in person or by
“proxy.”
- Page 4, line 25.—After “to” insert “appoint and employ and remove at pleasure
“such officer or officers, agent or agents, servant or servants
“of the said society as they may find from time to time expedient
“or necessary and to”
- Page 4, line 28.—After “form” insert “of certificates.”
- Page 5, line 1.—After “contract” insert “a loan or.”

Page 5, line 2.—After “society” insert “not exceeding in the whole at any one time
“the sum of twenty five thousand pounds currency.”

Page 5, line 5.—After “of” insert “the several instalments and”

Page 5, line 15.—After “society” insert “certified by the auditors as having been
“examined and found correct”

Page 5, line 18.—After “shareholders” insert “giving at least fifteen days notice
“thereof in newspapers published in the said city of *Quebec* in
“the English and French languages respectively.

Page 5, line 21.—Leave out from “four” to “and” in line 22, and insert “and that
“in the absence of the chairman it shall be in the power
“of the members present to elect from among themselves a
“chairman for the time being, who in addition to his vote as a
“member of the board shall have a casting vote in case of an
“equal division of votes at the meeting of the board at which he
“shall be chosen to preside.”

Page 5, Line, 22.—After “death,” insert “or resignation.”

Page 5, Line 23.—Leave out from “absence” to “for.”

Page 5, Line 24.—Leave out “three” and insert “six” and leave out from “of”
where it occurs the second time to “the” in line 26 and insert “the
“disqualification of any Member of the Board of management.”

Page 5, Line 28.—After “deceased” insert “resigned.”

Page 5, Line 29.—Leave out “incapable” and insert “disqualified.”

Page 5, Line 32.—Leave out “from” management “to office” and insert “going
“out of.”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence
put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended,
read a third time on Thursday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr.
Badgley and others, to return the Bill intituled, “An Act to amend the several Acts
“incorporating the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence*
“Rail-road and for other purposes,” and to acquaint this House that they have
agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill with
several amendments to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

To the first amendment; amend the same by inserting after the word "line" in the 1st line thereof the following words: "21 of
 " of the Preamble, leave out from 'but' to 'Be' in the 25th
 " line and insert 'such further sum as shall be equal to one
 " hundred and seventy five thousand pounds sterling, for the
 " purpose of consolidating their debt, and completing their
 " works,' "and in the same page, line"; and by inserting after
 " 39" in line 2 of the said amendment, the following words:
 " and leave out also from 'hundred' in line 37 of the same
 " page to 'all' in line 38 and insert 'and seventy five thousand
 " pounds sterling including therein."

To the second amendment after "Act" in line 2 leave out all the remainder thereof.

To the third amendment; amend the same by striking out the word "and" in the 2nd line thereof, and inserting after "D" in the same line the following words; "*E. F. G and H*, and
 " strike out all the words after the said word 'thereon' down to
 " the word 'Shares' in page 3, line 6," and by striking out all after 'D' aforesaid down to the end of the said amendments, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following clauses:

" A.

" Whereas the said Company have heretofore under the authority
 " of the Act cited in the preamble to this Act borrowed money
 " by the issue of bonds bearing various rates of interest, and
 " payable at various times to the extent of seventy four thousand
 " eight hundred and fifty pounds currency, which do not bear
 " mortgage, and it is just that the holders of such bonds should
 " if they see fit, have the power to exercise the rights herein-
 " after mentioned, the said Company out of the sum of one
 " hundred and seventy five thousand pounds sterling by this
 " Act authorized to be borrowed, shall appropriate and apply
 " the sum of seventy-four thousand eight hundred and fifty
 " pounds currency, or so much thereof as shall be necessary, to
 " the payment of the said bonds, issued under the authority of
 " the said cited Act and to no other purpose whatever;
 " and such purpose being accomplished as hereinafter provided,
 " or having lapsed, and become effete, the power to borrow any
 " part of the said sum of seventy four thousand eight hundred
 " and fifty pounds currency, which may not have been so applied
 " shall cease and become extinct, and the bonds proposed to be
 " issued for that purpose shall be cancelled and be not again
 " issued."

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“ B.

“ And to carry out the provisions of the last foregoing section,
“ Be it enacted, That to entitle the holders of any of the
“ said bonds in the preceding Section mentioned, to the benefit
“ thereof, they shall respectively be bound within thirty days
“ after notice to that effect, in the *Canada Gazette*, and failing
“ such notice within the said period, the holder of any bond
“ shall forfeit his right to exercise the option by this Act given,
“ to signify in writing at the office of the said Company in the
“ City of *Montreal*, their intention either *firstly* to take in ex-
“ change therefor another bond or bonds of like amount, having
“ equal privilege and mortgage, with bonds by this Act au-
“ thorized to be issued, redeemable twenty years after the date
“ thereof at the office of the Company, in the City of *Montreal*
“ with interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable
“ half yearly ; or *secondly*, to receive out of the first moneys to
“ be borrowed under this Act, the amount in cash of such bond
“ or bonds, with interest to the day of payment ; and in the
“ latter case, the holders of any bond notwithstanding that the
“ same by the terms thereof may not have matured and become
“ payable, shall be entitled to proceed for the recovery thereof
“ against the said Company as if the said bonds had really matured
“ and the same shall become immediately payable, and recoverable
“ unless the said Company shew that they have not borrowed under
“ this Act a sufficient sum of money, to repay all the bonds that
“ may be so demanded, and that they have applied none of the
“ moneys so borrowed to any other purpose than the redemption
“ of such bonds. And to provide the necessary funds for the
“ redemption of so many of the said bonds already issued as may
“ require to be paid, it shall be lawful for the said Company to
“ issue and dispose of a corresponding amount to that required to
“ be paid of the bonds by this Act authorized to be issued and
“ specially set apart for the purposes contemplated in this section ;
“ and no new or other bond in lieu of that surrendered shall be
“ re-issued, save as by this Act, and for the purposes hereby con-
“ templated is authorized ; nor shall the proceeds of the bonds
“ set apart to liquidate those already issued be applied to any
“ other purpose whatever, than the redemption thereof, it being
“ the true intent and meaning of this Act to limit the entire
“ indebtedness of the said Company to the sum of one hundred
“ and seventy-five thousand pounds sterling ; And it is hereby
“ further enacted and declared, That the giving of any notice as
“ aforesaid, shall be binding on all holders of such bond or bonds,

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“ either to receive the money therefor or new bond or bonds, as the case may be; and from the time at which the Company may give notice in the *Canada Gazette* of its readiness to redeem the bonds for which the money is demanded, or to issue new ones as the case may be, the interest shall cease on the bonds in respect of which such notice was given.”

“ C.

“ And be it enacted, that all debentures bearing mortgage by this Act authorized to be issued, shall notwithstanding the issue and registration thereof at different periods, all rank concurrently and by equal privilege on the real estate of the said Company, as much to all intents and purposes whatsoever, as if all such bonds and mortgages were issued and registered at the same time, the registration thereof being only requisite in so far as the rights of the holders thereof against third parties are concerned, it being the true intent and meaning of this Act, that each and every holder of a bond to be issued under its authority, shall rank and have equal precedence the one with the other on the real estate of the said Company irrespective of the time when any such bond or bonds may have been issued or registered.”

“ D.

“ And to enable the said Company to carry into effect the provisions of this Act, it shall be competent for the Directors thereof, to pass such resolutions, not inconsistent with this Act, either with respect to depositing debentures for the purpose of being disposed of to redeem the other debentures in the second section of this Act mentioned already issued, or, of being exchanged therefor, and with regard to cancelling the whole or any part thereof, and in order to render the notices to be given by any parties conclusive on them and in respect of the bonds for which such notice may be given, and touching all other matters and things whereby the true intent and meaning of this Act may be the better carried into effect.”

“ E.

“ And in amendment to so much of the twenty-third section of the Act passed in the session of the Legislature of that part of this Province heretofore called *Lower Canada*, held in the second year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the

“ the fourth, intituled, “ *An Act for making a Rail-road from Lake Champlain to the River St. Lawrence,*” as fixes a scale of voting and limits the number of votes which any Shareholder may give, and provides that no person shall act as proxy at any meeting for any absent proprietor for more than one hundred and fifty shares : Be it enacted, That hereafter each and every share of stock in the said Company whereon all calls made and payable shall have been paid, shall be entitled to a vote no matter how few or many shares any proprietor may hold, and each and every share may be represented by any proxy, no matter how many shares any one proxy may represent as much as if the owner of such share or shares were personally present, and so much of the said section hereby amended as is inconsistent with the present enactment is hereby repealed.”

“ F.

“ And be it enacted, that in the borrowing of moneys, by way of loan, and in creating mortgages or hypothèques for securing the same, the debentures of the said Company shall and may be in the form contained in the schedule A, annexed to this Act, or in any other convenient form, similar thereto, and need not be before Notaries and may be, with or without the special privileges therein mentioned and the registration in the form of schedule B. annexed to this Act, without its being necessary to register the said debenture at full length or by memorial (without the interest *coupons* thereto attached) in the said form in the Registry Office for the County in which the land or real estate thereby specially mortgaged and hypothecated shall lie, shall perfect the mortgage and hypothèque created by such debentures as regards all parties whomsoever, and the debenture and mortgage and hypothèque thereby created shall be to all intents and purposes binding upon the said Company in favor of the holder of the debenture, and have the effect of mortgaging and charging all the lands and property of the said Company without any other more formal or particular description ; but the description in the Schedule A. shall be held to comprehend all the lands and tenements of the said Company, all wharves and buildings of every nature thereon, and in short all the immoveable estate belonging to the said Company, including the rails and iron thereto affixed, any law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding ; Provided always, that no debenture of the said Company shall be for a less sum than one hundred pounds currency, and provided further, that the

Registrar

“ Registrar of any County instead of requiring to register any debenture or memorial at full length, shall only if so required by the said Company make an entry in the form of the Schedule B. or words equal in meaning and substance thereto for which and the certificate to that effect he shall be entitled to charge at the rate of four pence for every one hundred words and no more, and such entry shall to all intents and purposes be held to be a good and valid registration of every debenture and mortgage to which the same shall refer, and as much as if the same were entered at full length, any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

“ G.

“ And be it enacted, that it shall be competent for the Directors of the said Corporation, previous to the issuing of the said bonds and debentures by this Act authorized to be issued, to resolve that the holders of the same, or any of them, shall have the option and privilege, within such period not exceeding seven years as they may determine from the issuing thereof, to exchange the same or any of them for an equal amount of stock in the said Corporation, and thereupon, on the surrender of any bond or bonds, the owner thereof shall be entitled to claim and receive at the par value thereof of fifty pounds, currency, each, so many shares in the capital stock of the said Corporation, as may be equivalent to the amount of bonds or debentures so surrendered, but the said Company shall not be bound to give any fractional part of a share, nor shall the party surrendering the bonds be entitled to any of the profits of the Company, except from the yearly balancing day next following the day of surrender, but he shall be entitled to interest on the surrendered bonds, up to the time when such right to share in the profits shall begin.

“ H.

“ And whereas it is necessary to the carrying out of the provisions in the last preceding section contained, that the Directors should be empowered to increase the capital stock of the said Company; and it is also expedient, irrespective of such necessity or purpose, to confer on them absolutely the like power of increasing the said capital stock, if they should deem it advisable for the interests of the said Company so to do—Be it enacted, that it shall be lawful for the Directors of the said Company, at any time after the passing of this Act, by a resolution to that effect, to increase the capital stock of the said Company

“ Company by the sum of two hundred and twenty five thousand
“ pounds currency, to be divided into four thousand five hundred.”

To the fourth amendment ; amend the same by adding after the
word “ Company” in line 6 thereof, the following words : “ and
“ strike out all the words after ‘ expedient aforesaid’ down to
“ ‘ bound’ in line 38 of the same page and insert clauses I and J
“ in lieu thereof.

“ I.

“ And be it enacted, that if after the registration under this Act
“ in a County Registry office of a debenture of the said Company
“ creating a mortgage or hypothèque, such debenture shall be
“ presented at the Registry office wherein it was registered, with
“ the word “ *cancelled*” and the signature of the President, or
“ other duly authorized Director of the said Company, or of the
“ Secretary and Treasurer of the said Company, written across
“ its face, the Registrar or his deputy, on receiving the usual fee
“ on that behalf, and on proof of the cancellation by the oath of
“ one credible witness, (which oath the Registrar or his deputy is
“ hereby authorized to administer) shall forthwith make an entry in
“ the margin of the register against the registry of such debenture
“ to the effect that the same has been cancelled, adding to such
“ entry the date thereof and his signature for which he shall be
“ entitled to claim a fee of six pence and no more, and thereupon
“ the cancelled debenture shall be filed and remain of record in
“ the said Registry office ; Provided always, that if any such
“ cancelled debenture shall have been registered in more than
“ one Registry office, it shall remain of record in the Registry
“ office of the County within which any part of the property
“ mortgaged and hypothecated thereby shall lie, the other Regis-
“ trar or his deputy having first endorsed thereon his certificate
“ of the entry by him made of the cancellation thereof.

“ J.

“ And further to facilitate the registration of the debentures of
“ the said Company creating mortgages or hypothèques and the
“ cancellation thereof—Be it enacted, that the said Company
“ may, if they see fit and if they deem it more advisable, than
“ to follow the brief form provided for by the clause of this Act
“ at their own expense, deposit in any registry office, wherein
“ such their debentures may require to be registered, any number
“ of their printed or engraved blank debentures in the form of the
“ said schedule annexed to this Act, without it being necessary to

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“ add the *coupons* thereto or if they deem it advisable to follow
 “ the said brief form then any number of the said brief form shall
 “ be deposited.”

To the ninth amendment ; amend the same by inserting after the
 word “ Company, in the 1st line thereof the following words :
 “ leave out all the words down to ‘ and’ in the 24th line of the
 “ same page and,” and by adding after the word “ purpose” in the
 6th line of the said amendment, the words : “ to subscribe for, pur-
 “ chase and hold shares in the stock of any other Rail-road or
 “ Steam-boat Company either in this Province or in the United
 “ States, or in any Company for building a Bridge across
 “ the River *St. Lawrence* or other River or Lake.”

To the twelfth amendment ; amend the same by leaving out
 in line 2 thereof the word “ the” and inserting “ any,” and in
 line 3 after “ Act” by leaving out all to the end.

To the fourteenth amendment ; amend the same in second line, by
 leaving out from “ insert” to “ and” in fourth line, and in sixth
 line leave out “ all or” and insert “ if” in lieu thereof, and
 after “ any” in the said last line leave out to “ proxy” in twenty
 third line and insert the following words : “ person shall wilfully
 “ and maliciously displace or remove any Rail-way, switch or rail
 “ of any Rail-road, or shall break down, rip up, injure or destroy
 “ any Rail-road track or Rail-road bridge or any portion thereof ;
 “ or place any obstruction whatever on any such rail or
 “ Rail-road track, or bridge, with intent thereby to injure any
 “ person or property passing over or along such Rail-road, or
 “ to endanger human life, every such person so offending,
 “ shall be guilty of felony, and shall be punished by imprison-
 “ ment with hard labour in the common gaol of the District
 “ in which such offence shall be committed or tried, for any
 “ period not exceeding one year from conviction thereof, and if in
 “ consequence of such Act done with the intent aforesaid, any
 “ person so passing over and along such Rail-road, shall actually
 “ suffer any bodily harm, or any property passing over and along
 “ such Rail-road shall be injured, such suffering or injury shall
 “ be an aggravation of the offence, and shall subject the said
 “ offender to such further punishment by imprisonment with
 “ hard labour not exceeding two years in the whole imprisonment
 “ as the circumstances of the case may demand.

“ And be it enacted, that if any person shall wilfully and mali-
 “ ciously displace or remove any Rail-way switch, or rail of any
 “ Rail-road or shall break down, rip up, injure or destroy

“ any Rail road track or Rail-road bridge or fence or any
 “ portion thereof, or place any obstruction whatever on any such
 “ rail or Rail-road track or bridge, or shall do or cause to be done
 “ any Act whatever whereby any engine, machine or structure or
 “ any matter or thing appertaining thereto shall be stopped,
 “ obstructed, impaired, weakened, injured or destroyed, with intent
 “ thereby to injure any person or property passing over or along
 “ any such Rail-road, and if in consequence thereof any person
 “ is killed or his life is lost, such person so offending shall be
 “ deemed guilty of manslaughter and shall be liable to be indicted
 “ and tried for the crime of manslaughter and punished
 “ therefor accordingly.

“ And be it enacted, that if any person shall wilfully and maliciously
 “ do or cause to be done any Act whatever whereby any
 “ building, fence, construction or work of said Company, or any
 “ engine, machine or structure, or any matter or thing appertaining
 “ to the same shall be stopped, obstructed, impaired,
 “ weakened, injured or destroyed, such person so offending shall
 “ be guilty of a misdemeanor, and punished by imprisonment
 “ with hard labour, not exceeding one year, in the common gaol
 “ of the District in which such offence shall have been committed
 “ or tried; Provided always that the nineteenth section of the
 “ Act of the Parliament of *Lower Canada* passed in the second
 “ year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the fourth
 “ intituled, “ An Act for making a Rail-road from Lake *Champlain*
 “ to the River *St. Lawrence*” shall from and after the
 “ passing of this Act, be and the same is hereby repealed.

To the fifteenth amendment ; after the word “ Saint” add the words : “ and insert schedule B.”

“ Bond No. for £ (currency or sterling) mortgaging
 “ all the real estate of the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain*
 “ and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road, dated the
 “ day of payable years after date with
 “ per centum interest in *London* (or elsewhere, as the case
 “ may be.)

“ Registered.”

“ At the end of schedule A of the Bill.”

Ordered, that the said amendments be committed to a committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a committee on the same to-morrow.

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

Wednesday

Wednesday, 2nd March, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,

MOORE,

DIONNE,

WALKER,

MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,

TACHÉ,

MILLS,

BELLEAU,

PANET.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the school commissioners of the Municipality of the Borough *William Henry*, praying that Legislative aid may be given towards the schools conducted by the *Frères des Ecoles Chrétiennes* and *les Sœurs de Charité* in the said Borough.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the amendments of the Legislative Council to the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the "several Acts incorporating the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road and for other purposes."

After some time the House was resumed.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill and amendments be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Dionne, Walker, J. Morris* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented to the House a Return from the Agricultural Society of the County of *Champlain* made up to the first of January 1853.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

Ordered, that the Honorable Messieurs *W. Morris, Pinhey, Ross, Leslie* and *Méthot* be relieved from further attending upon the Select Committee appointed to examine into, and report upon the contingent accounts of this House for the present Session and that the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Boulton, De Beaujeu* and *Belleau* be appointed Members of the said Committee in their Room.

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

Thursday

Thursday, 3rd March, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Trafalgar*, severally praying that in the event of the separation of the County of *Halton* from the County of *Wentworth* the selection of the County Town may be left to the election of the rate payers ;

Also, a Petition from *David McKendrick* and others, of the County of *Bruce*, praying that a Road may be opened between *Goderich* and *Saugeen* ;

Also, a Petition from the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Lambton*, praying that the Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent* to legalize certain By-laws may not be favorably entertained ;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Horton*, praying that power may, in certain cases, be conferred on Municipal Councils to assume the possession of Water lots for mill purposes when the said lots belong to absentee proprietors.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from the Directors of the *Stanstead* Seminary, praying that the usual Legislative aid may be granted to the said Institution.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Village of the *St. Thomas* ;

Also, a Petition from *Robert Blackwood* and others, residents of that part of *Upper Canada*, which lies between the *Galt* Junction and the Great Western Rail-road ;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Dunwich*, in the County of *Elgin*, severally praying for the construction of a Rail-way from the *Galt* Junction of the *Great Western* Rail-road to the Town of *Malden* on the *Detroit* River.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *John Ryan* of *Quebec*, praying for the redress of certain alleged grievances.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from the Reverend *A. P. Atkinson* and others, Members of the Board of Trustees for the Grammar School at *St. Catharines*, praying for a grant of not less than one hundred pounds per annum to the said School, out of the moneys arising from the sale of School Lands; or such other permanent aid as may be deemed meet.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent fishing with Seines and other Nets for Trout and other fish in the Lakes within the County of *Saguenay*," 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 Clerks as follow :

Page 1, Line 13.—Leave out from "shall" to "take" in line 14.

Page 1, Line 14.—Leave out from "Joint" to "in" where it occurs the first time in line 15.

Page 1, Line 15.—Leave out from "Lakes" to "in" where it occurs the second time.

Page 1, Line 17.—Leave out from "Lakes" to "in" where it occurs the second time.

Page 1, Line 18.—Leave out from "trout" to "therein" in line 19.

Page 1, Line 19.—After "Spear" insert "between the fifteenth day of September and the fifteenth day of November in any year."

IN THE PREAMBLE OF THE BILL.

Page 1, Line 1.—Leave out from "that" to "species" and insert "a certain."

IN THE TITLE OF THE BILL.

Line 2.—Leave out from "Trout" to "in."

Line 3.—After "*Saguenay*" insert "during a certain season of the year."

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the society for the erection of an Hotel in the City of *Quebec*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to permit of "disinterments in certain cases and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker, De Beaujeu* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to prohibit interments in certain Burial Grounds in the City of *Quebec*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker, Taché* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the "*Brockville* Gas Light Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker, J. Morris* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *Michael Scott* and others, of the Village of *Cap Rouge* in the County of *Portneuf*, praying that a Company may be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a Rail-road from *Quebec* to *Montreal*, on the North Bank of the *St. Lawrence* ;

And also, a Petition from *Ulric J. Tessier* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying for the incorporation of a Company for the construction of a Bridge over the River *St. Lawrence* opposite or near to that City.

Ordered, that the the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from the House of Convocation of the University of *Toronto*, praying that certain of their rights and privileges may be preserved inviolate, and that the right and privilege of electing a Representative may be added thereto.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Ordered, that the Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* be added to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill intituled, "An Act to "amend the several Acts incorporating the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain* "and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road and for other purposes."

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

Friday, 4th March, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from the *Great Western Rail-road Company*, praying for the increase of their capital stock, and also that a Company under the name and style of the "*Huron and Ontario Rail-way Company*," may be incorporated with power to construct a Rail-way from Port *Sarnia* to some convenient point on the *Great Western Rail-road* ;

Also, a Petition from *George S. Wilkes* and another, of the Town of *Brantford*, praying for an Act to incorporate them as a manufacturing Company ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Town of *Brantford* ;

And also, a Petition from *Charles Chapin* and others, Free holders and residents in that part of the Province lying between the *Galt Junction* of the *Great Western Rail-way* and *Malden* on the *Detroit River*, severally praying for the incorporation of a Company to construct a Rail-way from the *Detroit River* in the Township of *Malden* to the Junction of the *Great Western Rail-way* with its *Galt Branch*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the University Lying in Hospital *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Thorold*, praying that any measure to extend the limits of the incorporated Village of *Thorold* may not be favorably entertained by the Legislature.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *Antoine Légaré* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Foye* in the County of *Quebec*, praying that a Company may be incorporated for the construction of a Rail-road from *Quebec* to *Montreal* on the North Bank of the River *St. Lawrence*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

It was moved

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased so issue his warrant in favor of the Clerk of this House for the sum of one thousand pounds to enable that officer to meet the current expenditure of the House during the present session, for which he will hereafter account.

The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was agreed to by the House, and

Ordered, accordingly.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled an Act to make better provision for granting Licenses to keepers of Taverns and Dealers in spirituous Liquours in *Lower Canada*, and for the more effectual repression of Intemperance," was read a second time.

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

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

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent fishing with Seines and other Nets for Trout and other fish in the Lakes within the County of *Saguenay*," it was,

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *Joseph Déry* and others, of the Parish of *l'Ancienne Lorette* in the County of *Portneuf*, praying that the whole of that Parish may be included in and form part of the said County.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *John Guay* and others, School Commissioners of the Municipality of *Chicoutimi* in the County of *Saguenay*, praying for the sum of three hundred pounds for the erection of School Houses.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Monday, 7th March, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
MORRIS, J.
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the Agricultural Society, No. 1, of the Southern Division of the County of *Sherbrooke*, for the year 1852 ;

And also, a Return from the Agricultural Society of the County of *Berthier*, made up to the 1st instant.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Three Rivers*, for the year 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *John Fraser* and others, Town Councillors of the County of *Welland*, praying that the proposed Bill having for its object to re-unite the Counties of *Lincoln*, and *Welland* for Judicial purposes and may not be passed into a Law ;

Also, a Petition from the *Montreal* Board of Trade, praying that such measures may be enacted in regard to the Commercial Policy of the Country as will embrace the various provisions recommended by the convention of the Boards of Trade in their Petition of September last ;

And also, a Petition from *A. MacNab* and others, of the Township of *Saugeen*, praying that a Rail-road may be constructed from *Saugeen* to *Guelph*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* presented a Petition from *F. Lottinville* and others, of the Town of *Three Rivers*, praying that a Company may be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a Rail-road from *Quebec* to *Montreal* on the North Bank of the *St. Lawrence* with the Provincial guarantee to the same proportionate extent as other parts of the Main Trunk.

Ordered that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *Eliakim Malcolm* of the County of *Brant*, praying for the construction of a Rail-way from the Township of *Malden* on the *Detroit* River to the Junction of the *Great Western* Rail-way with its Galt Branch;

And also, a Petition from *James Usher* and others, of *Brantford*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from the Chairman and Secretary on behalf of a public meeting held in the *American* Presbyterian Church *Montreal*, praying that all traffic in intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *A. B. Papineau* and others, inhabitants of *Isle Jesus* and *Isle Bizard*, praying that those Islands may be separated from the Island of *Montreal* and form a County by themselves.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from His Grace the Archbishop of *Quebec* and others, praying to be incorporated as *l'Institut Catholique de St. Roch de Québec*;

Also, a Petition from *J. B. Lamer* and others, praying for a grant of money to *L'Association de Bibliothèque de Sorel*;

Also, a Petition from *Olivier Robitaille* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying for a remission of the whole or a part of what is due by them in principal and interest as recipients of the loan to the sufferers by the great fires in *Quebec*;

And also, a Petition from *Godfroy Cormier* and others, owners of Vessels trading between *Quebec* and *Montreal* and the *United States* by the way of Lake *St. Peter*, praying that they may not be taxed for the deepening of the said Lake.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *Amable Archambault* and others, the County of *Leinster*, praying that a Company may be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a Rail-road from *Quebec* to *Montreal* on the North Bank of the River *St. Lawrence* with the Provincial guarantee to the same proportionate extent as is secured to other portions of the Main Trunk Rail-way;

And also, a Petition from *Isaac B. Ayleworth* and others, of the Village of *Newburgh* in *Canada West*, praying that all labor in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* presented a Petition from *John Power* and others, of the Parish of *L'Ancienne Lorette*, in the County of *Quebec*, praying for certain amendments to the Act 14th and 15th Vict. Cap. 132, relative to a new loan to the *Quebec Turnpike Road Trustees*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom were referred the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the several Acts incorporating the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road, and for other purposes," presented their report.

Ordered, that it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Committee Room, 4th March, 1853.

The Select Committee to whom were referred the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill from the Legislative Assembly intituled, "An Act to amend the several Acts incorporating the Company of Proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road, and for other purposes," have in obedience to the order of reference of the second instant examined the said amendments, and now beg leave to report thereon as follows :

The Message from the Legislative Assembly delivered at the Bar of your Honorable House, and endorsed upon the Bill itself, was to the effect that that Honorable House had agreed to your amendments, with several amendments to which they desired your concurrence.

Your Committee was therefore not a little surprised to find that one only of the so called amendments really deserves that name, as will clearly appear from the following brief description of them.

Of the Legislative Council's fifteen amendments to the Bill, eight are nominally proposed to be amended by the Legislative Assembly, namely the first, second, third, fourth, ninth, twelfth, fourteenth and fifteenth.

What purports to be an amendment to your first amendment is in reality the proposal of two other amendments of the original Bill in addition to it.

This amendment is in fact concurred in by the Legislative Assembly; but the proposed amendments of the original Bill are not consequent upon it, or necessary for carrying it into effect, and even if they were so it would still be impossible to consider them as amendments to your amendments.

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The amendment to your second amendment is apparently intended to give effect to the two new amendments of the original Bill now proposed as above mentioned by the Legislative Assembly.

Your third amendment by which four clauses were added to the Bill is virtually disagreed to, although nominally amended, the so called amendment consisting in striking out the whole of it, together with three clauses of the original Bill and substituting eight new clauses in their place.

Your fourth amendment is really agreed to, what purports to be an amendment of it being in reality the substitution of two clauses in lieu of clause five, and part of clause six of the original Bill.

Your ninth amendment is also in reality agreed to, the appearance of proposing an amendment to it being merely assumed for the purpose of adding to the eighth clause of the Bill a provision authorizing the Company to take shares in "any Company for building a Bridge across the River *St. Lawrence* or other River or Lake."

Your twelfth amendment tending to subject By-Laws of the Company on the subject of tolls to the approval of the Governor in Council is virtually disagreed to, the effect of the so called amendment of it being to restore the twelfth clause of the Bill to its original shape.

Your fourteenth amendment, relating to tolls and elections is also in reality disagreed to, inasmuch as the only words left in the two clauses of which it consists are; "Provided always and be it enacted that any" and these are made use of to introduce three entirely new clauses, providing for the punishment of certain offences against persons and property but having no reference to tolls or elections.

Your fifteenth amendment correcting a trifling misnomer in Schedule A, is really concurred in, the so called amendment of it, being neither more nor less than a proposal to add to the Bill a second Schedule.

The addition of such a Schedule is rendered necessary not by any amendment of yours, but by one of those now proposed by the Legislative Assembly.

Your Committee are of opinion that it is contrary to Parliamentary Law and usage for either House, when considering amendments made to a Bill by the other, to leave out or otherwise amend any thing which they have already passed themselves, unless such amendment be immediately consequent upon amendments of the other House which have been agreed to, and are necessary for carrying them into effect.

They are of opinion also that the correct course for either House of Parliament to pursue in the event of disagreeing to or desiring to amend amendments made to a Bill by the other, or desiring to amend the Bill itself in consequence of amendments already agreed to, is to desire a conference at which reasons for so doing may be offered.

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This course it appears to your Committee is dictated by higher considerations than those of mere usage and courtesy, and cannot be departed from without serious inconvenience.

The departure from it by the Legislative Assembly in this instance is the more inconvenient from its having occurred in connection with such extensive departures from the Rule of Parliamentary Law above referred to, and the presentment to this House (through inadvertance no doubt) of the resolves of that Honorable House under aspects so widely at variance with their real nature.

At the same time your Committee are of opinion that your Honorable House is precluded by the peculiar circumstances of the case from pursuing what would otherwise be the proper course namely that of requesting a conference for disagreeing to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly.

Your Committee are therefore unanimously of opinion to recommend, and do recommend to your Honorable House that the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill be no further proceeded with.

All which is respectfully submitted.

P. H. MOORE,
Chairman.

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, presented a Petition from the *Mount Royal* Cemetary Company, praying that the powers of the said Company may be extended.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

Ordered, That one of the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and request that, that House will furnish the Legislative Council with the evidences, proofs and documents on which is founded the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate The *Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company."

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of that part of the first Report of the Select Committee on the Contingent Accounts which relates to the claims of *Hew Ramsay* and *R. & C. Chalmers* of *Montreal*, against the Legislative Council, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent fishing with seines and other nets for trout and other fish in the Lakes within the county of *Saguenay*."

Which said amendment being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to, by the House.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

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

Tuesday, 8th March, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,

TACHÉ,

MOORE,

MILLS,

DIONNE,

PANET,

WALKER,

BELLEAU.

MORRIS, J.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* reported that he had according to order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General with the Address of this House of Friday last, that His Excellency had been pleased to receive the same graciously, and to say that he would comply with the wishes of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Lincoln* and *Welland*, praying that the provisions of the Law to establish a Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund for *Upper Canada*, may be extended.

And also, praying that power may be given to the Municipal Councils to form Joint Stock Companies for the promotion of public improvements.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *L. Fiset* and others, School Commissioners of the School Municipality of the parish of *Ste. Foye*, in the County of *Quebec*, praying for aid towards the erection of an Academy.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act making certain provisions relative to the Counties of *Perth*, *Brant* and *Waterloo*." The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered,

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, 'An Act to make better provision for granting licenses to keepers of Taverns and dealers in spirituous liquors in *Lower Canada*, and for the more effectual repression of intemperance," 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 same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent fishing with seines and other nets for Trout and other fish in the Lakes within the County of *Saguenay*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cauchon* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society for the erection of an Hotel in the City of *Quebec*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of *Christieville*, praying for a pecuniary grant to enable them to construct a macadamized Road from *Farnham* to *St. Athanase*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Wednesday, 9th March, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU'
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *Alexander Wilson* and others, of the Township of *Onslow*, praying for a new survey of the sixth and seventh ranges of the said Township.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the *Kingston* Board of Trade, praying for certain modifications in the assessment Law ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*, praying that the Municipal Councils Act of *Upper Canada* may be amended ;

Also a Petition from *Robert Robson*, on behalf of certain inhabitants of the Township of *London*, praying for the amendment of the School Act of *Upper Canada* ;

And also, a Petition from *John Craig* and others, Mechanics of the Town of *London*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to maintain a lien upon Buildings on which they have expended labour or materials.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from the Town Council of *Brantford* praying for the passing of a Law to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors within this Province.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché*, presented a Petition from the Town Council of *Bytown*, praying that the said Town may be erected into a City, to be called the "City of *Ottawa*."

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* presented a Petition from the Reverend *John Harper* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Grégoire*, in the County of *Nicolet*, praying for a grant in aid of the establishment and support of a model School and a superior School for girls in the Village of that Parish.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*, praying that so much of the Act 12 Vict. c. 14, as continues to the Trinity House of *Quebec* the possession and control of the *Cul-de-Sac* Harbour may be repealed and that the same may be transferred to the Petitioners;

And also, a Petition from *Thomas Simard* and others, Pilots for the River *St. Lawrence*, in and below the Harbour of *Quebec*, praying that the Bill now before Parliament in regard to Pilots may not become Law.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *Jacques Réaume* and others, of the Parish of *St. Roch de Québec*, praying for the remission of arrears of *cents et rentes* and *lots et ventes* due by them as tenants of the Crown.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *J. F. Sincennes* and others, Proprietors of Vessels and Craft, residing at *Sorel* and *Berthier*, praying that no alteration may be made in the law regulating the deepening of Lake *St. Peter*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of that part of the first Report of the Select Committee on contingent accounts which relates to the claims of *Hew Ramsay* and *R. & C. Chalmers*, of *Montreal* against, the Legislative Council.

Which being read by the Clerk.

It was moved that the same be adopted.

Which being objected to,

After a short debate.

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and

The same was resolved in the negative.

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, An Act make better provision for granting Licenses to keepers of Taverns and dealers, in spirituous liquors in *Lower Canada*, and for the more effectual repression of Intemperance," and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk, and

The question of concurrence being put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed and read a third time on Friday next.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Brockville Gas Light Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be printed, and read a third time on Friday next.

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

Thursday, 10th March, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Joseph Valin* and others, of the County of *Portneuf*, praying that second concession road through that County may be macadamized and placed under the control of the Trustees of the *Quebec Turnpike Road*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the *Cobourg and Peterborough Rail-road Company*, praying that authority may be given to them to make branch roads to various Villages and Mills along the line of the said Rail-road.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *G. Joly* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying that a Company may be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a Rail-road from *Quebec to Montreal* on the North Bank of the *St. Lawrence* with the Provincial guarantee to the same proportionate extent as other parts of the Grand Trunk.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to permit of disinterments in certain cases and for other purposes therein mentioned," 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 same was then read by the clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

It was moved that it be,

Resolved, that the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* be appointed in the place of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* upon the Joint Committee on the Library.

The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was agreed to by the House, and it was.

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

The Order of Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Registry Law of *Upper Canada*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until this day week.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act making certain provisions relative to the Counties of *Perth*, *Brant* and *Waterloo*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Monday next.

Pursuant to notice, it was moved that the fifty-ninth and sixtieth rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to the Petition of *William Henry Beresford* of the City of *Toronto*, late Captain in the Rifle Brigade, presented on the twenty-eighth day of February last, praying for the passing of an Act to divorce him from his wife *Emma Catherine Lawrence* for reasons therein set forth.

Which being objected to,

After debate,

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

Ordered that the Petition of *William Henry Beresford* be now read.

The said Petition was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on the thirty-first day of March instant, and that their honors be summoned for that day.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Wright* (of East York) and others, as follows.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
Thursday, 10th March, 1853.

Resolved, That the evidence, proofs and documents on which is founded the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company," be communicated by Message to the Legislative Council.

Ordered, that Mr. *Wright*, of the East Riding of York, do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Assembly.

Ordered, that the said Message together with the documents accompanying the same be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock " Company."

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

Friday, 11th March, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLÉAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *Sir Allan N. MacNab* and others, of *Hamilton*, praying that the Charter of the *Burlington Bay Dock and Ship building Company* may be revived.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *Joseph Gosselin* and others, of the parish of *Saint Laurent de l'Isle d'Orléans* in the County of *Montmorency*, praying for the incorporation of a Company for the purpose of constructing a Railroad from *Quebec* to *Montreal* on the north bank of the *St. Lawrence* with the Provincial guarantee to the same proportionate extent as other parts of the Main Trunk;

And Also, a Petition from the Reverend *F. Bonin*, late curé of the Parish of *Sainte Scholastique*, in the County of *Two Mountains*, praying for aid towards the cost of a school house lately erected by him at *St. Andrews*, on the River *Ottawa*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to transfer the possession and control of the *Cul-de-Sac* Harbour from the Trinity House of *Quebec* to the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Order of the Day being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, , An Act to make better provision for granting licenses to keepers of Taverns and dealers in Spirituous Liquors in *Lower Canada*, and for the more effectual repression of intemperance," it was *Ordered*, that the same be discharged until Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Brockville* Gas Light Company," it was *Ordered*, that the same be discharged until Monday next.

The Order of the Day, being read for a consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to permit of disinterments in certain cases and for other purposes therein mentioned," it was *Ordered*, that the same be discharged until Tuesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Poulin* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act to allow Notaries to call meetings of relations and friends in certain cases without being thereto specially authorized by a Judge and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Sicotte* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Seminary of *St. Hyacinthe d'Yamaska* in so far as regards the persons composing the said Corporation

“ Corporation and to declare what persons shall hereafter compose and constitute the same,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cartier* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to provide for the construction of a general Rail-way Bridge over the River *St. Lawrence* at or in the vicinity of the City of *Montreal*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *La Terrière* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to incorporate the Society of Charitable Ladies of the Parish of *St. Etienne de la Malbaie*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Morin* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to appropriate certain unexpended balances of the school fund for *Lower Canada*, and certain other sums out of the Jesuits Estates fund for Educational purpose in *Lower Canada*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to amend the Act of the present session for the relief of the sufferers by the late Fire at *Montreal*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize the Company of Proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road to consolidate their debt and for other purposes,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Monday, 14th March, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DEBEAUJEU,
MÉTHOT,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Town Council of *Port Hope*, praying that the Bill to vest the Harbour of *Port Hope* in Commissioners may not be passed into a law in its present shape.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Reverend *John Cook*, D. D. and others, of *Quebec*, praying that the practice of selling property under the Sheriff's authority on the Lord's Day may be discontinued ;

Also, a Petition from *Sarah A. E. Wilson* and others, Sunday School Teachers of *Quebec*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

And also, a Petition from *William Hamilton Merritt*, the younger, and others, of *Saint Catherines*, praying to be incorporated as the "*Welland Canal Gas and Water Company*."

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *John Burgess* and others, of *Frampton*, praying that all labour in the Post office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day ;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Sandwich*, praying that the said Township may not be divided into two Municipalities, as prayed for, but that the Town of *Sandwich* and Village of *Windsor* be incorporated into a Municipality, leaving the rural portion of the Township by itself.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Brockville Gas Light Company*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered,

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act making certain provisions relative to the Counties of *Perth, Brant* and *Waterloo*," was read a second time.

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 provide for the construction of a General Rail-way Bridge over the River *St. Lawrence*, at or in the vicinity of the City of *Montreal*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Walker* and *Taché*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act of the present Session for the relief of the Sufferers by the late Fire at *Montreal*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House, according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee 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.

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 authorize the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road to consolidate their debt, and for other purposes," was read a second time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Langton* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to vest in the little Lake Cemetary Company certain allowance for road in the Park lots of the Town of *Peterborough*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Langton* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to extend the provisions of the Rail-way Companies

"Companies Union Act to Companies whose Rail-ways intersect the Main Trunk line or touch places which the said line also touches," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Tuesday, 15th March, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the School Commissioners of the School Municipality of *North Stukely*, in the County of *Shefford*, praying for a grant for the erection of School Houses ;

Also, two Petitions from the Mayor and Councillors of the Municipality of the County of *Québec*, praying that the Bill intituled, "An Act to modify the Usury Laws," lately passed by the Legislative Assembly may not be concurred in by this House ; and praying that this House will favor the construction of a Rail-road from *Quebec* to *Montreal* on the north shore of the river *St. Lawrence*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* presented a Petition from *John McGill Chambers*, of the Township of *Montague* in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, praying that a competent Deputy Provincial Surveyor may be commissioned to settle permanently the boundary line between the said Township and *North Elmsley* at the cost of the Petitioner.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from the Honorable *John Young* and another, interested in the erection of a Building to be called "the *Montreal Exchange*," praying on behalf of the contributors towards the said Building for an Act of incorporation ;

And also, a Petition from the right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Montreal* and others, Patrons and Committee of management of the *Montreal Dispensary*, praying that pecuniary aid may be granted to the said Institution.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, 'An Act to establish a consolidated municipal loan fund for *Upper Canada*.'"

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *Julien Guérin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joachim* in the County of *Montmorency*, praying that a Company may be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a Rail-road from *Quebec* to *Montreal* on the north bank of the *St. Lawrence* with the Provincial guarantee to the same proportionate extent as other portions of the Main Trunk.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *William Price* and others, of *Quebec*, praying to be incorporated as "The *Quebec and Trois-Pistoles Navigation Company*."

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *William Young* and others, of the Village of *Brampton*, praying that all labour in the Post office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day ;

And also, a Petition from *W. C. Gwynne* and others, Professors in the Faculties of Law and Medicine in the University of *Toronto*, praying against the passing of the proposed Bill, respecting the University of *Toronto*, or that in the event of the said measure becoming law they may be indemnified for the loss of the appointments which they now fill in the said University.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

It was moved,

That the order made yesterday for a second reading to-morrow of the Bill intituled, "An Act to extend the provisions of the Rail-way Companies Union Act to Companies whose Rail-ways intersect the Main Trunk Line or touch places which the said Line also touches," be discharged and that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

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

Whereupon

Whereupon the said Bill was then read a second time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the construction of a general Rail-way Bridge over the River *St. Lawrence* at or in the vicinity 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.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from the National School Society of *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road to consolidate their debt, 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.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred back to the same Select Committee to which it was formerly referred to report further thereon.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, 'An Act to make better provision for granting licenses to keepers of Taverns and dealers in spirituous Liquors in *Lower Canada*, and for the more effectual repression of intemperance," 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 making certain provisions relative to the Counties of *Perth*, *Brant* and *Waterloo*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act of the present Session for the relief of the sufferers by the late fire at *Montreal*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for a consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to permit of disinterments in certain cases and for other purposes therein mentioned," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The Order of Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act to allow Notaries to call meetings of relations and friends in certain cases without being thereto specially authorized by a Judge and for other purposes," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to appropriate certain unexpended balances of the School fund for *Lower Canada*, and certain other sums out of the Jesuits' Estates fund for educational purposes in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Brown* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to modify the Usury Laws," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Wednesday, 16th March, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,

BOURRET,

MOORE,

DE BEAUJEU,

DIONNE,

MÉTHOT,

WALKER,

MILLS,

MATHESON,

PANET,

TACHÉ,

BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *William Hepburne* and others, of the Village of *Chippawa*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* presented to the House a return from the Agricultural Society of the County of *Nicolet*, for the year commenced on the 29th September 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from *J. Bruneau* and others proprietors of Farms at *Lower Lachine*, praying that the Bill to authorize the Corporation of *Montreal* to establish new Water Works in that City, may not be passed into a law in its present shape.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was again referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain* " and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road to consolidate their debt and for other purposes," reported that they had again 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 38.—Leave out from "of" to "this" in line 39.

Page 2, Line 9.—Leave out "said" and after "preamble," insert "to this Act."

Page 2, Line 32.—Leave out from “*Gazette*” to “to” in Line 35.

Page 3, Line 19.—Leave out from “that” to “and” in line 27 and insert “each holder of a bond already issued by the said Company as aforesaid who shall so signify in writing as aforesaid his intention either to take in exchange therefor another Bond as aforesaid, or to receive the amount thereof in cash as aforesaid, shall be bound by such signification, and that from and after the publication in the *Canada Gazette*, subsequent to the expiration of the thirty days above mentioned, of a notice by the said Company to the effect that it is prepared to redeem the bonds for which money has been demanded and to issue new bonds in exchange for those for which new bonds have been demanded, the interest stipulated in such bonds shall continue to accrue in respect thereof during sixty days only, or such shorter time as may elapse before the redemption or exchange thereof respectively as aforesaid, after which it shall wholly cease.”

Page 7, Line 15.—Leave out from “Act” to “cited” in line 16.

Page 7, Line 16.—After “cited” insert “in the Preamble to this Act.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the order of the Day, the Bill intituled, “An Act to extend the provisions of the Rail-way Companies Union Act to Companies whose Rail-ways intersect the Main Trunk Line or touch places which the said Line also touches,” 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 appropriate certain unexpended balances of the school fund for *Lower Canada*, and certain other sums out of the Jesuits’ Estates fund for educational purposes in *Lower Canada*,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Seminary of *St. Hyacinthe d' Yamaska*, in so far as regards the persons composing the said Corporation and to declare what persons shall hereafter compose and constitute the same," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society of Charitable Ladies of the Parish of *St. Etienne de la Malbaie*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to vest in the *Little Lake Cemetery Company* certain allowances for road in the Park lots of the Town of *Peterborough*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Friday next.

The Order of the Day, being read for the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to permit of disinterments in certain cases and for other purposes therein mentioned," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged, and the said Bill and report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill and report

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and report and had directed him to report the Bill to the House 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 and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments, be printed and the same read a third time on Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act to allow Notaries to call meetings of relations and friends in certain cases, without being thereto specially authorized by a Judge and for other purposes," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Bourret, De Beaujeu, Belleau and Panet*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that he had received a communication announcing the intention of His Excellency the Governor General to come down to the House to-morrow, at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of assenting in Her Majesty's name, to certain Bills passed by the two Houses of the Legislature.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Mr. *Ridout* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the charter of the City of " *Toronto* Gas Light and Water Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *MacDougall* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to transfer the place meeting of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of *Drummond*, number two, to the Village of *St. Christophe d'Arthabaska* in the said Municipality," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road to consolidate their debt, and for other purposes," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to this Bill without any amendment.

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

Thursday, 17th March, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

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

His Excellency the Right Honorable JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor-General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick* and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c., being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Speaker commanded the Gentlemen Usher of the Black Rod to let the Assembly know "it is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House."

Who being come with their Speaker.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follow :

An Act to incorporate the Society for the erection of an Hotel in the City of Quebec.

An Act to provide for the construction of a General Rail-way Bridge over the River *St. Lawrence*, at or in the vicinity of the City of *Montreal*.

An Act to appropriate certain unexpended balances of the School fund for *Lower Canada*, and certain other sums out of the Jesuits' Estates fund for Educational purposes in *Lower Canada*,

An Act to amend the Act of the present Session for the relief of the sufferers by the late fire at *Montreal*.

An Act to authorize the Company of proprietors of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Rail-road to consolidate their debt, and for other purposes.

An Act to extend the provisions of the Rail-way Companies Union Act to Companies whose Rail-ways intersect the Main Trunk Line or touch places which the said Line also touches :

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 Legislative Assembly having withdraw, His Excellency was pleased to retire.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *J. G. Bowes* and others, praying to be incorporated as "the *Toronto, Owen's Sound, and Saugeen* Rail-way Company," ;

And also, a Petition from the *Toronto* and *Guelph* Rail-way Company, praying that the prayer of the last mentioned Petition may be favorably entertained.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *Edward Lainé dit Coliche*, complaining that he has been ordered to remove from the Indian Village of *La Jeune Lorette* under the Ordinance 4th Vict. Cap. 44, "to repeal certain parts of an " Ordinance therein mentioned, and to amend certain other parts of the said Ordinance and to provide for the further protection of the Indians in this Province," and praying for relief ;

And also, a Petition from *George M. Ross* and others, of *Ste. Anne de la Pérade*, praying that the *Montreal* Harbour Commissioners may not be authorized by law to levy a tonnage duty on River Craft trading between *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, " An " Act to amend the Registry Law of *Upper Canada*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until Monday next.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, " An Act " to transfer the possession and controul of the *Cul-de-Sac* Harbour from the Trinity

" House of *Quebec*, to the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*," it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until Tuesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, " An Act to amend the Act " incorporating the Seminary of *St. Hyacinthe d' Yamaska* in so far as regards the " persons composing the said Corporation and to declare what persons shall hereafter " compose and constitute the same," was read a second time.

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

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *Bourret* and *De Beaujeu*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society of Charitable Ladies of the Parish of *St. Etienne de la Malbaie*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the last mentioned Committee, with power to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

Friday, 18th March, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DEBEAUJEU,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Z. Gingras* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Basile*, praying that a Company may be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a Rail-road between *Quebec* and *Montreal* on the north bank of the *St. Lawrence*, with the Provincial guarantee to the same proportionate extent as other parts of the Main Trunk line.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to permit of disinterments in certain cases and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered,

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

The order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, 'An Act to establish a consolidated Municipal Loan Fund for *Upper Canada*,'" it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Monday next.

Pursuant the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to vest in the *Little Lake Cemetery Company* certain allowances for road in the Park lots of the Town of *Peterborough*," was read a second time.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Friday, 18th March, 1853.

Resolved, That a Conference be desired with the Legislative Council for the purpose of communicating to them the reason which induced this House not to concur in the amendments made by their Honors to the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent fishing with seines and other nets for Trout and other fish in the Lakes within the County of *Saguenay*."

Ordered, that the Honorable Mr. *La Terrière* do go to the Legislative Council and desire the said Conference.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk Assembly.

And they then withdrew.

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

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

Ordered, That one of the Master in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council agrees to the Conference desired upon the subject matter of the amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent fishing with seines and other nets for Trout and other Fish in the Lakes within the County of *Saguenay*," and that the Managers on the part of this House are to be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Taché* and *Belleau*, who are to meet the number of Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly required by Parliamentary usage, this day at four o'clock in the afternoon, in the Conference Chamber of this House.

It

It was moved,

That the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill from the Legislative Assembly intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Pickering* Harbour and Road "Joint Stock Company," be empowered to send for persons, papers and records.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate The *Welland Canal* Gas Light and Water Company."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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 "Charter of the City of *Toronto* Gas Light and Water Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Taché* and *Mills* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The House was informed "That the Managers for the Legislative Assembly were "ready, in the Conference Chamber, for the Conference on the subject of the amend- "ments made by their Honors to the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent fishing "with seines and other nets for Trout and other fish in the Lakes within the County "Saguenay."

The names of the Managers for this House were then called over.

And the House was adjourned during pleasure, and their Honors went to the conference.

Which being ended, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* reported, "that the Managers for their Honors "had met the Managers for the Legislative Assembly at the Conference which on "their part was managed by the Honorable Mr. *La Terrière* and others, who "delivered to their Honorst he Bill with the amendments," and also a paper contain- ing as follows, viz:

Reason to be offered to the Honorable the Legislative Council at a Conference for disagreeing to the amendments made by their Honors to the Bill intituled, "An Act "to prevent fishing with seines and other nets for Trout and other fish in the Lakes "within the County of *Saguenay*," Because in absolutely prohibiting the pernicious practice of fishing Trout with gill or other nets it was not intended to prevent any person from fishing or catching Trout or other fish with lines, hooks or spears during any part of the year.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Assembly.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the foregoing reason be taken into consideration by the House, on Monday next.

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

Monday, 21st March, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
CRANE,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.
WILSON.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *John Embleton*, and others, of *Streetsville*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Champlain*, praying that the *chef lieu* (Head Quarters) of the said County may be removed to the Parish of *Batiscan*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Louis Zéphirin Rousseau*, a Notary Public, of *Bagotville* in the County of *Saguenay*, praying to be compensated for his services as Deputy Census Commissioner.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Joseph Laberge* and others of the Parish of *l'Ancienne Lorette*, praying for the incorporation of a Company for the construction of a Rail-way between *Quebec* and *Montreal* on the

the north bank of the *St. Lawrence*, and that the Provincial guarantee may be extended to the same.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *John G. Bowes* on behalf of the Corporation of *Toronto*, praying that authority may be conferred on the said Corporation to issue Debentures to erect an Esplanade under certain limitations.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the charter of the City of *Toronto* Gas Light and Water 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 24.—Leave out "fifty" and insert "twenty five."

Page 2, Line 25.—Leave out "five" and insert "two," and after "hundred" insert "and fifty."

Ordered, that the said Bill and report be referred back to the same Select Committee to which the Bill was formerly referred to report further thereon.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society of Charitable Ladies of the Parish of *St. Etienne de la Malbaie*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House with an amendment which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows :

Page 2, Line 3.—After "Act" insert "not being contrary to this Act, or to any other Act or Law in force in *Lower-Canada*."

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

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Seminary of *St. Hyacinthe d' Yamaska* in so far as regards the persons composing the said Corporation and to declare what persons shall hereafter compose and constitute the same," reported

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 amendmendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 1, Line 36.—After "*St. Hyacinthe*" insert "and the other Members of the
" said Corporation."

IN THE PREAMBLE OF THE BILL.

Line 4.—Leave out "said" and after "Corporation" insert "of the Seminary of
" *St. Hyacinthe d' Yamaska* created by the Act of the Par-
" liament of *Lower Canada* hereinafter mentioned."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to vest in the *Little Lake Cemetery Company* certain allowances for road in the Park Lots of the
" Town of *Peterborough*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An
" Act to modify the Usury Laws,"

It was moved

That the same be discharged until to-morrow,

Which being objected to,

After debate,

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

Ordered, accordingly.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An
" Act to transfer the place of meeting of the Municipal Council of the Municipality
" of *Drummond*, number two, to the Village of *St. Christophe d'Arthabaska*, in
" the said Municipality."

It was moved,

That the same be discharged until next Wednesday week,

Which being objeced to,

After debate,

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

Ordered, accordingly.

Pursuant to notice,

It was moved,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before this House a copy of any document lately issued under his hand and seal in virtue of 4th Vict. Cap. 44, and Addressed to *Edouard Lainé dit Coliche* of the Indian Village of *St. Ambroise de la Jeune Lorette*.

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

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 Registry Law of *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Taché* and *Crane*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, "An Act to establish a consolidated Municipal Loan fund for *Upper Canada*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until next Wednesday week.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the reason of the Assembly given at the Conference on Friday last, for disagreeing to the amendments of this House to the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent fishing with seines and other nets for Trout and other fish in the Lakes within the County of *Saguenay*," and

The reason being then again read by the Clerk.

It was moved,

Thas this House insist on their amendments made to the said Bill,

After debate,

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

It was moved,

That the Petition presented to this House on the first day of March instant, from the Corporation of *Montreal*, praying for legislative authority to effect a loan of one hundred and fifty thousand pounds to construct the New City Water Works, be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

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

Ordered,

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie, Bourret* and *De Beaujeu*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from *Marie Josephte Duperez*, spinster, praying for a pension.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Tuesday, 22nd March, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU'
CRANE,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU,
WILSON.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *Allan Gilmour* and others, of *Quebec*, praying that the Bill to enable the *Montreal* Board of Trade to impose a tonnage duty on Steamers and River craft passing through Lake *St. Peter* may not be passed into a Law.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from the Reverend *J. Charles Quin* and others, of the Free Presbyterian Church of *Cornwall* ;

Also, a Petition from the said Reverend *J. Charles Quin*, and the office bearers of the Free Presbyterian Church of *Osnabruck* ;

Also, a Petition from *George Grant* and others, of *Dickinson's Landing* ;

And also, a Petition from *James Kyle* and others, of the Free Presbyterian Church of *Winchester*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Honorable *Thomas McKay* and others, of the County bordering on the *Ottawa* River, praying to be incorporated as the *Bytown* and *Pembroke* Rail-way Company ;

Also, a Petition from M. *Anderson* and others, of the Counties of *Middlesex* and *Elgin*, praying to be incorporated as the *London* and *Port Stanley* Rail-road Company ;

And also, a Petition from *Thomas Savage* and others, Students of the Faculty of Medicine in the University of *Toronto*, praying that the Bill before Parliament on the subject of the said University may not become Law.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

It was moved,

That the Petition presented to this House on Wednesday last from *Jean Bruneau* and others, proprietors of Farms at *Lower Lachine*, "praying that the Bill to authorize the Corporation of *Montreal* to establish new Water Works in that City may not be passed into a Law in its present shape," be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Petition from the Corporation of *Montreal*, praying for Legislative Authority to effect a loan of one hundred and fifty thousand pounds to construct new City Water Works.

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

Ordered, accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the last mentioned Select Committee presented their report.

Ordered, that it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Committee Room, Tuesday 22nd March 1853.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition from the Corporation of the City of *Montreal*, praying "that An Act may be passed to authorize the said Corporation to effect a loan of one hundred and fifty thousand pounds, for the purpose of establishing the new City Water Works," have in obedience to the order of reference of the 21st instant, examined the allegations of the said Petition and beg to submit the following report.

Upon enquiry from the proper officer, it has been found that no notice has been published in the *Official Gazette*, as required by the forty ninth Standing Order of your Honorable House, of the intention of the said Corporation to apply to the Legislature for its interference.

The

Your Committee, however, have further ascertained that the parties whose rights might be affected by the passing of the Act prayed for by the said Corporation, have themselves, on the sixteenth instant, presented a Petition to your Honorable House in support of their rights.

Your Committee therefore seeing that all parties interested in the matter, have submitted their respective claims to the attention of your Honorable House are of opinion that the above Rule can be safely dispensed with, and they in consequence recommend that leave may be granted to bring in a Bill as prayed for

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

JOS. BOURRET,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the said report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* thereupon presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to authoize the Mayor and Corporation of the City of *Montreal* to borrow a certain sum of money and to erect therewith Water Works for the use of the said City."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

It was moved,

That the Petition presented to this House, on the third day of September last, from the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*, praying that the Act 14th and 15th Vict. Cap. 128, to amend and cosolidate the provisions of the Ordinance to incorporate the City and Town of *Montreal* and of a certain Ordinance and certain Act amending the same, and to vest certain other powers in the Corporation of the said City of *Montreal* may be amended so as to enable them to consolidate the debt of the said City, and to effect a loan for certain purposes, be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie*, *Bourret*, and *De Beaujeu*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

It was moved,

That a Committee be appointed to prepare reasons to be offered to the Legislative Assembly, at another Conference for this House, insisting on the amendments made to the Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent fishing with seines and other nets for Trout and other fish in the Lakes within the County of *Saguenay*."

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Taché*, and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act making certain provisions relative to the Counties of *Perth*, *Brant* and *Waterloo*," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society of Charitable Ladies of the Parish of *St. Etienne de la Malbaie*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with an amendment to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Seminary of *St. Hyacinthe d' Yamaska*, in so far as regards the persons composing the said Corporation and to declare what persons shall hereafter compose and constitute the same," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to transfer the possession and control of the *Cul-de-Sac* Harbour from the Trinity House of *Quebec* to the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*," it was *Ordered*, that the same be discharged until next Wednesday week,

It was moved

That the Petition presented to this House on the ninth day of March instant, from the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*, praying that so much of the Act continuing the possession and control of the *Cul-de-Sac* Harbour in the Trinity House may be repealed and that the same may be transferred to the Petitioners, be printed for the use of Members.

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 a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to modify the Usury Laws."

It was moved that the said Bill be now read a second time.

Which being objected to,

After a long debate,

It was moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read for the second time, but that it be read a second time this day three months.

Which

Which being also objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was Resolved in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion,

Which being also objected to, was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

It was then moved,

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

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, that the said Bill do stand as the first item upon the orders for that day.

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

Wednesday, 23rd March, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
CRANE,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU,
WILSON.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, presented two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*, praying that the nineteenth section of the Common School Act of *Upper Canada* which authorizes the establishment of Sectarian Schools may be repealed ;

Also, praying that the navigation of certain Rivers and Streams in the said County may be improved at the public expense, and especially that the Bars which have formed at the mouths of the Rivers *Sydenhem* and *Thames* may be removed by means of a dredging machine to be sent for that purpose ;

Also,

Also, a Petition from *O. Duval* and others, of the Banlieu of the Town of *Three Rivers*, praying that they may not be compelled to contribute towards the erection of a Cathedral Church, in the said Town, in addition to the tythes and other rates now paid by them, and also that the said Cathedral Church may not be alienated in favor of the Bishop of the Diocese ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of United Township of *Camden and Zone*, praying that the authority to issue Tavern Licenses may be vested in the respective Municipalities of *Upper Canada* ;

Also, a Petition from *H. Glass* and others, of *Sarnia*, praying that the benefit of Ocean penny Postage may be secured to the inhabitants of *Canada* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *John W. Smith* and others, of *Grafton* ;

Also, a Petition from *R. Bell* and others, of *Carleton* place ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *R. H. Thornton* and others, of *Oshawa* ;

Also, a Petition from *Benjamin S. Cary* and others, of the Village of *Wellington* in the County of *Prince Edward* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Wm. Troup* and others, of *English River* ;

Also, a Petition from *John McDonald* and others, of the Village of *St. Marys* ;

Also, a Petition from *F. George Scott* and others, of the *Kingston* sabbath reformation Society ;

Also, a Petition from *Robert Hamilton*, and others, of *Queenston* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *J. McLachlan* and others, of the Village of *Acton* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Francis Chapman* and others, of the Village of *Wallaceburg* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *William Potterfield* and others, of *Dunnville* ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *William Scott* and others, of *Melbourne* and its vicinity ;

Also, a Petition from *R. McKinnon* and others, of the Village of *Caledonia* ;

Also, a Petition from *Roderick Kennedy* and others, of *Perth* ;

Also, a Petition from *James Finlan* and others, of *Whitby* ;

Also, a Petition from *Jacob de Witt* and others, American Presbyterians of *Montreal*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department, and on the Provincial Canals may be suspended on the Lord's Day ;

And

And also, a Petition from *J. J. Williams* and others, of *Port Hope*, praying that except for Medicinal or Mechanical purposes, the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* presented a Petition from *C. L. Armstrong* and others, of the Town of *Sorel*, praying that the Sleigh Ordinance of the Special Council may be revived.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from the Corporation of *Montreal*, praying for the amendment of their Act of incorporation.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the Reverend *P. Sax* and others, of the Parish of *Laval*, praying that the road from *Laval* to *Beauport* may be improved ;

And also, a Petition from *N. Larue* and others, inhabitants of the Parish *St. Jean* Island of *Orleans*, praying that the Provincial guarantee may be extended to the North Shore Rail-road between *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from the *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company, praying that the Bill passed during the present session may be so amended as that the said Company and *Clark Gamble*, Esquire may be empowered to give a free and unencumbered title to the purchaser of the said property ;

Also, a Petition from *John C. Ball* and others, of the Town of *Niagara*, praying to be incorporated as a Mutual and Proprietary Insurance Company at the said Town.

And also, a Petition from *Joseph Clement* and others, of the Township of *Niagara*, praying for the passing of an Act to establish certain side lines in the said Township.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee to whom was referred, *de novo*, the Bill intituled, " An Act to amend the Charter of the City of *Toronto* " Gas Light and Water Company," and the report of the Select Committee thereon, reported that they had again gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with several additional 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 additional amendments were then read by the Clerk, as follow :

Page 2, Line 21.—Leave out from " seven" to " holding" in line 24.

Page 2, Line 25.—Leave out from " pounds" to " and" in line 28.

The said additional amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* enters.

The House according to order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to modify the Usury Laws."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Crane* 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.

It was moved,

That the said Bill be read a third time,

Wich being objected to,

It was moved,

In amendment, that the said Bill be not now read for the third time, but that it be read a third time this day six months.

Which being also objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was Resolved in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it 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.

DISSENTIENT.

1st. Because the Bill in question is equivalent in its effects and in its result, to a complete and absolute repeal of the Usury Laws now in force in this Province.

2nd. Because the third clause of this Bill in refusing to the lender the right to take proceedings at Law to recover the sum for which he shall have demanded more than six per cent upon the sum lent, far from operating in favor of the debtor, and from protecting him from the exactions of his creditor, will have the very contrary effect, since the latter in consequence of this restriction, will not fail to make him pay in advance at the time the loan is made, that excess of interest for which he is refused the right of action.

3rd. Because the permission given by this Bill to lend at an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that it forbids any action at Law for any excess above a fixed rate, is an absurd, unjust, and contradictory enactment.

4th. Because the experience of all ages and of all Countries has demonstrated the necessity of penal and restrictive Laws against the cupidity, the greediness and the cunning of money lenders, as well as of laws for protection against the want of foresight, the inexperience, and the prodigality of borrowers.

5th. Because this necessity is particularly evident in every new Country, where, as in ours, almost all the considerable improvements have been carried on, principally by means of loans, which, if this Bill shall not pass, will not be demanded for a long period, but which probably will have to be reimbursed forthwith should it become law, to the great injury of the debtor, who in order to be enabled so to do will have no other alternative than to submit to any new terms which his creditor may please to impose, or to procure the means of satisfying him by making great and ruinous sacrifices.

6th. Because this Bill in legalizing usury, will embolden the usurer in leading him to believe that he can exercise his odious traffic with impunity, and without inspiring that salutary horror, and that profound disgust in which he has been justly held by all people in all ages.

7th. Because this measure, represented as so advantageous to the poor, and to borrowers, does not appear to have been at all demanded by that class of person, but appears on the contrary to be anxiously sought after by lenders and rich capitalists.

8th. Because the absence of remonstrances against the adoption of this measure is attributable solely to the very justifiable and generally entertained belief that a law which was so often rejected would not meet with more favor this year than in the years that are past.

9th. Because England, who has given to the world the noble example of free trade almost without restrictions, has not considered it her duty to repeal the Usury Laws but has been satisfied to modify them gradually, relaxing them especially in commercial affairs, but retaining them in all their force in other respects.

10th. Because similar Laws abolished in France during the storms of the revolution have been for a long time re-established there with a rigour nearly as severe as before, after a fatal and painful experience of more than eighteen years (from 1789 to 1807) had demonstrated that the most flagrant abuses, and the most grievous extortions resulted from the unlimited license left to usurers for so long a time, in a Country which is more than any other analogous to our own.

ED. CARON,
 JOS. DIONNE,
 E. P. TACHÉ,
 JOS. BOURRET,
 LOUIS PANET.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Welland Canal Gas Light and Water Company*."

It was moved, that the forty ninth and fifty four Rules of this House, be dispensed with in so far as they relate to the said Bill.

Which being objected to

After debate,

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

It was then moved that the said Bill be now read for the 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Crane* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Mayor and Corporation of the City of *Montreal*, to borrow a certain sum of money and to erect therewith Water Works for the use of the said City," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie, Moore, Bourret, De Beaujeu* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act of the Legislature of *Upper Canada* passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the fourth and intituled 'An Act to amend the Law respecting real property and to render the proceedings for recovering possession thereof in certain cases less difficult and expensive,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Sicotte* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Seminary of *St. Hyacinthe d'Yamaska*, in so far as regards the persons composing the said Corporation and to declare what persons shall hereafter compose and constitute the same," 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 the Honorable Mr. *La Terrière* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Society of Charitable Ladies of the Parish of *St. Etienne de la Malbaie*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

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

Thursday, 24th March, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
CRANE,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.
WILSON.

PRAYERS.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Hartman* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to separate the Township of *Georgina* from the County of *Ontaria* and annex it to the County of *York*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

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. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *M. R. Dole* and others, of the Municipality, number two, of the County of *Ottawa*, praying that the said Municipality may be erected into a separate County ;

And also, a Petition from *Hamnett Hill* and others, Trustees of the *Bytown* Mechanics Institute and Atheneum, praying for a grant to promote the objects of their association and an annual allowance for its support, also that the charge for postage on Newspapers and Periodicals may be remitted in favor of all literary and scientific associations.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts for the incorporation of the City of *Montreal*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

His Excellency the Right Honorable JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick* and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c., being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Speaker commanded the Gentlemen Usher of the Black Rod to let the Assembly know "it is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House."

Who being come with their Speaker,

The Clerk Assistant of this House, read the titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follow :

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Seminary of *St. Hyacinthe d Yamaska*, in so far as regards the persons composing the said Corporation, and to declare what persons shall hereafter compose and constitute the same.

An Act to incorporate the Society of Charitable Ladies of the Parish of *St. Etienne de la Malbaie*.

An Act to vest in the *Little Lake Cemetery Company* certain allowances for Roads in the Park Lots of the Town of *Peterborough*.

An Act to modify the Usury Laws.

An Act making certain provisions relative to the Counties of *Perth, Brant* and *Waterloo*.

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 Legislative Assembly having withdrawn, His Excellency was please to retire.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Charter of the City of *Toronto Gas Light and Water Company*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act of the Legislature of *Upper Canada* passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the fourth and intituled, "An Act to amend the Law respecting real property and to render the proceedings for recovering possession thereof in certain cases less difficult and expensive," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorized the Municipal Council of the Town of *Amherstburgh* to sell the site of the old Market in that Town," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by *Sir Allan N. MacNab* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *London and Port Sarnia* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. 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. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *Charles Cazeary* and others, Cullers of *Quebec*, praying that the Act 8th Vict. Chap. 49, to regulate the culling and measurement of Timber, Masts, Spars, Deals, Staves and other articles of a like nature, may be amended in certain particulars.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the Reverend *M. D. Marion* and others, of *Champlain*, praying for the incorporation of a Company, to construct a Rail-way between *Quebec* and *Montreal* on the North Shore of the *St. Lawrence* by means of the Provincial guarantee.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Tuesday, 29th March, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DEBEAUJEU,
CRANE,
MILLS,
PANET,
WILSON.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *Thomas Read* and others, of the Village of *Viennu*, praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Also, a Petition from *George K. Smith* of Lake Superior, praying that an Act may be passed to incorporate a Mining Association in the vicinity of the said Lake;

Also, a Petition from *E. R. McCready* and others, of the Township of South *Dorchester*, praying that an Act may be passed to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Rail-way from the *Galt Junction* of the *Great Western* Rail-road to *Malden* on the *Detroit River*;

And also, a Petition from *George S. Tiffany* and another, of *Hamilton*, praying for the passing of an Act to establish a College in the said City.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from *Jean Bruneau* and others, proprietors of Farms at *Rivière St. Pierre* and *Lower Lachine*, praying that in the Bill to empower the *Montreal* Corporation to erect New Water Works, their rights and interests may receive due consideration.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

It was moved,

That the Petition just presented be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Mayor and Corporation of the City of *Montreal*, to borrow a certain sum of money and to erect therewith Water Works for the use of the said City."

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a petition from *J. Armstrong*, of the parish of *Montreal*, praying that certain conditions may be attached to the Bill to empower the Corporation of *Montreal* to erect new Water Works.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

It was moved,

That the said Petition be also referred to the last mentioned Committee.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials within the District of *Quebec*, for the year 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* enters.

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act of the Legislature of *Upper Canada*, passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the fourth and intituled, "An Act to amend the Law respecting real property and to render the proceedings for recovering possession thereof in certain cases less difficult and expensive," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged,

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

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

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to separate the Township of *Georgina* from the County of *Ontario* and annex it to the County of *York*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts for the incorporation of the City of *Montreal*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Bourret* and *De Beaujeu*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Municipal Council of the Town of *Amherstburgh* to sell the site of the old Market in that Town," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *A. G. Charlebois* and others, of *Rigaud* in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying that the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund Act may be extended to *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* enters.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Morin* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to enlarge the representation of the people of this Province in Parliament," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read for a second time on the fourth day of May next.

It was then moved,

That there be a call of the House on that day.

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 Mr. *Street* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to remove certain doubts existing as to the true meaning and effect of the sixth section of the Act passed during the present session intituled, An Act to amend the Act passed in the session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, "An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Niagara Harbour and Dock Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Sir *Allan N. MacNab* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton and Port Dover Rail-way Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the *Montreal Board of Trade*, praying for the passing of a Bill on the subject of the improvement of the Harbour of *Montreal* more suited to the requirements of the said Port than the law which was enacted during the early part of the present Session;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Pelham*, praying against the passing of any Bill having for its objects the permanent re-union of the Counties of *Lincoln* and *Welland*;

Also, a Petition from *John Greenshields* and others, depositors in the *Montreal Provident and Savings Bank*, praying that the legislative action sought for in the
Petition

Petition of *John McGinn* and others, Depositors in the said Bank, may not be obtained and that no Act of a special or retroactive character may be enacted in regard to the said institution ;

Also, a Petition from the Reverend M. *Timlin* and others, of *Upper Canada*, praying that all Medical Societies now existing or that may hereafter exist, may under proper restrictions be incorporated, and have the power of granting Diplomas which shall entitle the holders to practice Physic, Surgery and Midwifery in this Province ;

And also, a Petition from *B. A. Mitchell* and others, of the Town of *London*, praying that no law may be passed having for its object to reduce the width of certain Streets within the part of the said Town termed the "new survey."

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Wednesday, 30th March, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable *RENÉ E. CARON*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
DEBOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU,
WILSON.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Hastings*, praying that the benefit of the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund Act may be extended to Municipalities, as well to cover debts already incurred by them as to promote public improvements hereafter to be made.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from the Trustees of the *Sherbrooke Academy*, praying for the usual annual grant in favor of that institution ;

Also,

Also, a Petition from *Joseph S. Walton* late Clerk of the late Municipal Council of the District of *Sherbrooke*, praying that he may be paid the sum of one hundred and ninety pounds and ten pence due to him in the aforesaid capacity ;

And also, a Petition from the President and Secretary of the Association of Ministers and Laymen of various Evangelical Churches within the District of *St. Francis*, praying for the entire abolition of all labour on the Public Works and in the Post Office Department on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable *Mills* presented a Petition from *William Lyon McKenzie*, Esquire, M. P. P., Attorney for *James Marshall* of *Youngstown*, praying that the Bill to amend the Act of the present session respecting the *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company may not be passed into a Law, it being subversive of the rights of the creditors of the said Company.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the Corporation of *Quebec*, praying that authority may be given them to borrow fifty thousand pounds more to complete the new Water Works, and also that they may be empowered further to assess the inhabitants of the said City for the purpose of liquidating the said debt ;

Also, a Petition from *N. Portelance* and others, Mariners, inhabitants of *St. Charles des Grondines* ;

And also, a Petition from *J. L. Pagé* and others, Mariners, inhabitants of *Deschambault*, severally praying against the passing of any Act having for its object to impose a duty on Vessels and other crafts navigating between *Quebec* and *Montreal* and drawing less than twenty feet of water.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled An Act to establish a consolidated Municipal Loan Fund for *Upper Canada*," it was

Ordered; That the same be discharged until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to transfer the place of meeting of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of *Drummond*, number two, to the Village of *St. Christophe d'Arthabaska* in the said Municipality," was read a second time.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *London and Port Sarnia* Rail-way Company," was read a second time.

Ordered,

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Matheson* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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 an Act of the Legislature of *Upper Canada* passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the fourth and intituled, An Act to amend the law respecting real property and to render the proceedings for recovering possession thereof in certain cases less difficult and expensive," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until this day fortnight.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to separate the Township of *Georgina* from the County of *Ontario* and to annex it to the County of *York*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker, J. Morris* and *Matheson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Municipal Council of the Town of *Amherstburg* to sell the site of the old Market in that Town," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Matheson* and *Mills* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to transfer the possession and control of the *Cul-de-Sac* Harbour from the Trinity House of *Quebec* to the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Taché, Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Ordered, That the last mentioned Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Ridout* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Charter of the City of *Toronto* Gas, Light and Water 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.

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

Thursday, 31st March, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
DEBEAUJEU,
MILLS,
BELLEAU,
WILSON.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *Thomas D. Harris* and others, of *Toronto*, praying to be incorporated as "The *Toronto* Royal Hotel Company."

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *Colin C. Ferrie* and others, of *Hamilton*, praying that the Act of the present Session on the subject of the *Gore* of *King* Street, in the said City, may be amended and that the power of the Corporation in regard to the said lot may be reduced.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Louis Marchand*, Miller, of the parish of *Ste. Geneviève de Batiscan*, in the County of *Champlain*, praying that the Banal Mill, called "*Moulin de la rivière à Peillet*," held by him under lease from Government be sold to him on reasonable terms.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

It was moved,

That the Petition presented to this House on Tuesday last from *George K. Smith* of Lake Superior, praying that an Act may be passed to incorporate a Mining Association in the vicinity of the said Lake, be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Matheson* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Corporation of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec* to borrow

“ borrow an additional sum for the construction of the Water Works.”

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, “ An Act to remove certain doubts existing as to the true meaning and effect of the sixth section of the Act passed during the present session intituled, ‘ An Act to amend the Act passed in the session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty’s Reign intituled, ‘ An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company,” it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, “ An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton* and *Port Dover* Rail-way Company,” it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, “ An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, ‘ An Act to establish a consolidated Municipal Loan Fund for *Upper Canada*,” was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the House be put into a Committee on the same to-morrow.

The Honorable M. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize the Municipal Council of the Town of *Amherstburg*, to sell the Site of the Old Market in that place,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “ An Act to separate the Township of *Georgina* from the County of *Ontario*, and to annex it to the County of *York*,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “ An Act to incorporate the *London* and *Port Sarnia* Railway Company,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the Reverend *J. H. Sirois* and others, of the Parish of *St. Barnabé*, praying that a Company may be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a Rail-road between *Quebec* and *Montreal* on the North Shore of the *St. Lawrence*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* enters.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*," and for hearing Counsel for and against the same and for the Members to be summoned.

Counsel were accordingly called in.

And *George Okill Stuart*, Esquire, appearing as Counsel on behalf of the Petitioner ;

And no Counsel appearing on behalf of *Mrs. Beresford* ;

Ordered, That the Counsel for Petitioner be permitted to examine at the Bar of this House any witnesses, and to produce any other evidence, tending to establish that due notice of the order for the second reading of the said Bill and a copy of the same have been duly served upon the party from whom the Divorce is sought, or to establish the impossibility of complying with the sixtieth Rule of this House.

Then Mr. *James McCracken*, High Bailiff of the City of *Hamilton*, was called in, and having been sworn, was examined as follows :—

" (*By Counsel*.)—Do you know Captain and *Mrs. Beresford*, and for how long a period of time? If so, state whether you have served upon *Mrs. Beresford* a duplicate or copy of the Bill now before this House, providing for the Divorce of the said Captain *Beresford* from his said wife, and how you have made such service?"

" I know the parties since the spring of eighteen hundred and fifty one. I have served upon *Mrs. Beresford* a duplicate of the said Bill by going on the twenty second of March instant to the House where she resides near *Rochester*, State of *New York*, and enquiring for her, and endeavouring to obtain admittance to the house for the purpose of seeing her and serving her with the said duplicate, and by delivering the said duplicate to *Daniel Gallagher*, upon his stating that he was her Agent and that any papers for her should be delivered to him, and upon his refusing to admit me into the house."

" (*By a Member*.)—“ Do you know that the person who so refused you admittance was *Daniel Gallagher*, who has for some time past resided with *Mrs. Beresford*?”

" I do."

" How do you know that the house to which you went in *Rochester* was that in
" which *Mrs. Beresford* resided at the time ? "

" I had been past the house and was told that she lived in it, and on the first of
" February last I was in the house at the funeral of her child, and saw her
" there."

(*By Counsel.*)—" Produce the document being a duplicate of the Bill served by you
" on *Mrs. Beresford*, and state whether you compared the document served
" by you with the document now produced, and ascertained that it was a correct
" copy before you served it, as stated in your last answer."

" I produce the said document with which I compared the document served by me
" on *Mrs. Beresford*, and ascertained the same to be a true copy thereof."

(Here the Witness produced a duplicate of the Bill and a copy of the Order for its
second reading, certified by the Clerk of this House.)

" Did you serve the Order now produced with the said Bill by leaving a copy of it
" with the said Bill at the time you made the service already mentioned ; and
" did you compare the two to ascertain that you served a true copy of such Order ?"
" I did."

" Have you reason to know or believe that the refusal to admit you to serve the
" said Bill and order personally was to avoid such service ? If so state why
" you believe so."

" I should presume so, because they probably thought it might prevent the passing
" of this Bill."

" Were you known to the said *Daniel Gallagher* and to *Mrs. Beresford* as the
" High Bailiff of the City of *Hamilton* ? "

" I do not suppose that I was. At the time I was first known to them I was Chief
" Constable. Since then I have been appointed High Bailiff."

" Was the said *Daniel Gallagher* in the service of Captain and *Mrs. Beresford*,
" at *Hamilton* ? If so, in what capacity, and how long to your knowledge ? "

" He was, in the capacity of a Coachman. I cannot say how long ; but I have
" frequently seen him driving *Mrs. Beresford's* carriage. I remember in par-
" ticular one Sabbath day, when I had occasion to arrest *Mrs. Beresford*.
" It was in May, eighteen hundred and fifty one."

" Was the said *Daniel Gallagher* in the service of *Mrs. Beresford* or appear to you
" to be so at the time of the funeral of her child to which you have already
" referred."

" I could not tell whether he was a servant or the man of the house. He was
" there."

" State where the house was situated, in or near *Rochester*, the size of it, and give a description of it so as to indentify it in the locality in which it is situated."

" It was a small house, perhaps two miles and a half or some such matter from the City of *Rochester*, a frame house not painted. It was a little distance from the highway."

" Can you name any of the neighbours residing near Mrs. *Beresford*? If so mention their names."

" I know none by name but one Mr. *Leggett*."

" Has Mrs. *Beresford* been separated from her husband, and if so how long, and where has he resided since the separation?"

" They separated some time in August, eighteen hundred and fifty one. I was told so by Mr. *Beresford*. There was a general report that she had gone away. I do not know of the separation otherwise than by having heard so. I hear that he has resided in *Toronto*, I have seen him in *Toronto*."

" Did Mrs. *Beresford* leave *Hamilton* at or about the time mentioned in your last answer? If so, did the said *Daniel Gallagher* leave with her and at the same time?"

" I know nothing about it of my own knowledge. I heard that he went away first and that she followed him, and I heard also that he had come back again. What I know of it is from hearsay. I did not pay much attention."

(By a Member.—" What is the distance from *Hamilton* to *Rochester*, and from *Hamilton* to *Quebec*?"

" From *Hamilton* to *Rochester* is about one hundred and twenty five miles. From *Hamilton* to *Quebec* is about six hundred milles."

" What induced you to go to the residence of Mrs. *Beresford* in February last?"

" I was requested by Mr. *Gamble* to go there with another person for the purpose of pointing her out to that person as Mrs. *Beresford*."

(By Counsel.)—" What is the best route for travelling from *Rochester* to *Quebec* and how long does it take to travel from one place to the other?"

" I should suppose the best route at present is by the Railroads on the American side. It takes between three and for days to travel from the one place to the other."

The witness was directed to withdraw.

Then Mr. *Robert Leggett* was called in; and having been sworn, was examined as follows:—

- (By Counsel.)—"What is your name and profession and where do you reside?"
- "My name is *Robert Leggett*. I am a farmer. I reside at *Irondequoit, Monroe County, State of New York, near Rochester.*"
- "Do you know *Mrs. Beresford*, wife of *Captain Beresford*? If so, how long and when did you first become acquainted with her and where?"
- "I know a lady who calls herself *Catherine Emma Beresford*, and says she is the wife of *Captain William Henry Beresford*. I have known her since the fore part of August, eighteen hundred and fifty one, when I became acquainted with her in the Town of *Irondequoit.*"
- "How far is your residence from *Rochester*?"
- "About two miles and a half from the centre of the City."
- "Has *Mrs. Beresford* resided near you? If so, how long and at what distance from your residence?"
- "*Mrs. Beresford* has resided about four or five rods from my residence since about the eighth or ninth of August eighteen hundred and fifty one."
- "What is the description of house in which *Mrs. Beresford* has so resided? State the size of the house and who has resided with her since she has been your neighbour?"
- "It is a story and a half house, about eighteen feet by twenty four on the ground, built of wood, not painted. A young man of the name of *Daniel Gallagher* has resided with her since she has been my neighbour."
- "Has any person resided in the house other than the said *Daniel Gallagher* since *Mrs. Beresford* has resided in your neighbourhood?"
- "None to my knowledge, except a brother that she had who came from *New York*, and staid with her two or three months."
- "Do you know the last witness, and do you recollect seeing him at *Mrs. Beresford's* house, and when, and how often?"
- "I know the last witness. I recollect having seen him at *Mrs. Beresford's* house about the first of February last, for the first time. He was at my house after that and told me he had been to *Mrs. Beresford's*, but I did not see him there. I think it was a week ago last Monday or Tuesday."
- "Were you or your family in habits of intimacy for any and what length of time with *Mrs. Beresford*? If so, while your intimacy lasted was it such as to enable you to know the number of inmates in her house?"

" Mrs. *Beresford* came to my house in the first place, and we were very intimate until about the last of July, when she broke off the intimacy. She used to be at my house about two thirds of the time, while our intimacy lasted it was such as to enable me to know the number of inmates in her house."

" When did you see *Daniel Gallagher* in or about the premises of Mrs. *Beresford*, for the last time? State also whether he resided with her at the time *McCracken* paid his last visit to *Rochester*, a week or two since?"

" I think it was the twenty first or twenty second of this month. He resided with her at the time referred to in this question."

" Do your premises overlook the house and premises of Mrs. *Beresford*? If so, state in what way and to what extent."

" My premises overlook the premises of Mrs. *Beresford* in such a way and to such an extent that I can see what passes on her premises from my house as well as if I was there. Her house stands further back from the street than mine does. The front of it is about as far back as the rear of mine, about forty two feet."

" State whether for any, and what length of time persons, and what persons, have been denied admittance to Mrs. *Beresford's* house; and whether the same has been kept closed for any and what purpose?"

" Mrs. *Beresford's* house has been kept closed ever since the fifteenth of August last, and many persons who have gone there have been told that Mrs. *Beresford* was not at home. No one was admitted except two ladies who got in there by accident. It was for the purpose of not having it known that she had had a child."

(By a Member.)—" Was Mrs. *Beresford* known by any other name?"

" No."

" Since Mrs. *Beresford* has resided in or near the neighbourhood of *Rochester*, has Mr. *Beresford* been seen in or about that place?"

" Not to my knowledge. I do not know him."

" Is it to your knowledge that Mrs. *Beresford* left her residence near *Rochester* to go and meet Mr. *Beresford* in *Toronto*?"

" It is not."

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw.

It was then moved that the further consideration and second reading of the Bill be put off until to-morrow, and that the same do stand as the first item upon the Orders of that day.

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 Mr. *Christie* (of *Gaspé*) and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act supplementary to the Act to detach for judicial purposes, the settlements of *Sainte Anne des Monts* and *Cap Chat* from the District of *Gaspé*, and annex the same to the District of *Kamouraska*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Crawford* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Crawford* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Brockville Gas & Light Company*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the same without any amendment.

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

Friday, 1st April, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Etienne Hallé* and others, of *Ste. Claire, Ste. Marguerite, Ste. Marie* and other places, praying for a grant of money to enable them to make a road from their lands through the Township of *Frampton* to that of *Cranbourne* ;

And also, a Petition from *Jean Samson* and others, owners and masters of *Schooners* and other Crafts, and otherwise interested in the navigation of the River *St. Lawrence*, praying that the Bill for transferring the possession and control of the *Cul-de-Sac* Harbour from the Trinity House of *Quebec* to the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*, may not become law.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *George K. Smith* and others, of *Quebec*, praying to be incorporated as a Mining Company.

Ordered, that the same do lie on table.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Petition be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Petition from *George K. Smith* of *Lake Superior*, praying that an Act may be passed to incorporate a Mining Association in the vicinity of the said Lake.

The Honorable Mr. *Wilson* enters.

It was moved,

That the return to an Address of this House to His Excellency the Governor General dated 21st October 1852, for copies of the correspondence which has taken place between the Executive Government and *J. E. Turcotte*, Esquire on the subject of his claim for Salary as Solicitor General in 1847, together with all papers and documents having reference thereto, as also extracts from any orders in Council

that

that may have been passed relating to the said claim, be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

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 authorize the Municipal Council of the Town of *Amherstburg* to sell the site of the old Market in that Town," 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 separate the Township of *Georgina* from the County of *Ontario* and annex it to the County of *York*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* enters.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to remove certain doubts existing as to the true meaning and effect of the sixth section of the Act passed during the present session intituled, 'An Act to amend the Act passed in the session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, , An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Niagara Harbour and Dock Company*.'" it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Tuesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton and Port Dover* Rail-way Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Matheson* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day, being read for putting the House into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, "An Act to establish a consolidated Municipal Loan Fund for *Upper Canada*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Monday 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 incorporate the *London and Port Sarnia* Rail-way Company."

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 6, Line 6.—Leave out from “ authority ” to “ at ” in line 7.

Page 6, Line 8.—After “ Company ” insert “ or at any time after the completion of
“ the said Rail-way with or without the consent of the said Di-
“ rectors of the *London and Port Sarnia Rail-way Company.* ”

Page 6, Line 9.—After “ By laws ” insert “ of the said *Great Western Rail-road*
“ Company. ”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, “ An Act to incorporate the
“ *Brockville and Ottawa Rail-way Company,* ” was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Matheson* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to incorporate the *Montreal*
“ and *Bytown Rail-way Company,* ” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

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. *De Boucherville* enters.

The Order of the Day, being read for the further consideration and second reading of the Bill intituled, “ An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford,* ” and for hearing Counsel for and against the same.

Counsel were accordingly called in.

And *George O. Stuart*, Esquire, appearing as Counsel on behalf of the Petitioner ;

And no Counsel appearing on behalf of Mrs. *Beresford* ;

Then Mr. *William Breck* was called in ; and having been sworn, was examined as follows :—

“ What is your name and profession and where do you reside ? ”

“ My name is *William Breck*, I am an Attorney by profession, and I reside in the
“ City of *Rochester*, in the state of *New York.* ”

“ Do

- “ Do you know *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, wife of *William Henry Beresford*, late a Captain in Her Majesty’s Rifle Brigade, and how long have you known her? State as nearly as you can the exact period when you become acquainted with her and where.”
- “ I know the person referred to in this question, and have known her since the month of January eighteen hundred and fifty two, when I first saw her in the City of *Rochester*. I have since seen her there several times.”
- “ Where has the said Mrs. *Beresford* resided since you became acquainted with her? Describe the house and premises in which she has resided since she has been residing at or near *Rochester*.”
- “ I suppose in the Town of *Irondequoit*, near *Rochester*; at least so I have been informed. A small wood coloured house a story and a half high, about twenty feet by thirty on the ground, next to that in which Mr. *Robert Leggett* resides in that town, was pointed out to me as the residence of Mrs. *Beresford*.”
- “ When did you see Mrs. *Beresford*, in *Rochester*, and in whose house, and how often?”
- “ I saw her last in *Rochester* in the month of April eighteen hundred and fifty two. I saw her in the office of a lawyer there twice or three times, I think.
- “ State the name of the lawyer in whose office you saw Mrs. *Beresford*, and in what capacity he acted for Mrs. *Beresford*, if in any.”
- “ The lawyer’s name was *Charles Clarke*. He acted for Mrs. *Beresford* in the capacity of her agent and attorney at that time, and he has been to my office frequently since as her attorney.”
- “ Was Mrs. *Beresford* present when the said *Charles Clarke* acted as her attorney and has she sanctioned his acts as her attorney to your knowledge?”
- “ She was present and did sanction his acts. I never saw Mrs. *Beresford* except in the presence of Mr. *Clarke*.”
- “ What was the nature of the business in relation to which the said *Charles Clarke* acted as her attorney.”
- “ In the receipt of moneys that were sent to me by *Clarke Gamble*, Esq., of *Toronto*, on account of Captain *Beresford*, for Mrs. *Beresford*, which were paid quarterly, and of which I have received three quarters and paid them to Mr. *Clarke* in her presence, taking her receipt for them.”
- “ Have you ever been requested, and by whom, to make a service on Mrs. *Beresford* of the Bill for a Divorce now before this House? If so state when.
- “ I received from Mr. *Gamble* of *Toronto*, by mail on the nineteenth of March last, the Bill and Order together with the duplicates to be served, the same that were afterwards served by Mr. *McCracken*, to whom, I gave them.

- " Did you succeed in the making of such service? If not, how were you prevented from so succeeding? State the circumstances under which you attempted it, and the cause of your failure."
- " On the next day, the twentieth of March, I went to a house in *Rochester*, Doctor *Van Ingen's* house, where I thought *Mrs Beresford* was. I had the Bill and Order and Duplicates with me, to serve if I saw her. I there met her attorney *Mr. Clarke*, and told him what I had with me. I suggested that he had better let me serve the papers on *Mrs. Beresford*, rather than let me send an officer to the house where she resided, which I should otherwise have to do. He told me that he had given orders to *Mrs. Beresford*, as her attorney, not to receive any papers from any one, nor allow any one to serve papers upon her at her house. He added further that if I had these papers to serve I had better send them down to her house, and if they were given to *Dan Gallagher*, he was her agent and would receive them and give them to *Mrs. Beresford*. We had some conversation about sending an officer down or having the papers served quietly, and he told me he had given orders to *Mrs. Beresford* not to receive any papers. Doctor *Van Ingen* told me afterwards that she was in the house at the time. I am not sure that *Mr. Clarke* read the papers. He stated to me that he knew what they were, that he had received information from *Quebec* that an application had been made for a Divorce.
- " Who is Doctor *Van Ingen*, and in what relation does he stand to *Mrs. Beresford*, if any?"
- " Doctor *Van Ingen* is Rector of *Grace Church, Rochester*. He officiated at the funeral of *Mrs. Beresford's* child, on the first day of February last. On the day I received the papers, the nineteenth of March, he told me he had had frequent conversations with *Mrs. Beresford* since the funeral about the manner in which she was living. The reason he gave me for not wishing me to serve the papers on her on that day was that he might have an opportunity of further conversing with her on the subject and inducing her to change her mode of life. He told me on the twentieth that he had been to see *Mrs. Beresford* at her house, in *Irondequoit*, and that she, immediately after he had left, came up to *Rochester* and called on *Mr. Clarke* and came with him to his, Doctor *Van Ingen's* house, and was there when I was there."
- " Is it not a fact that *Mrs. Beresford's* being in *Dr. Van Ingen's* house while you were there was concealed from you? And is it not true that if you had known of her being there you would have served the Bill for a Divorce and Order on her?"
- " The fact of *Mrs. Beresford's* being in *Dr. Van Ingen's* house while I was there was concealed from me until after she had left. If I had known of her being there, I would have served the Bill and Order on her if I could have seen her."

" Is Doctor *Van Ingen* an Episcopalian, and does M^s. *Beresford* belong to his
" Congregation?"

" Doctor *Van Ingen* is an Episcopal Clergyman. I do not know whether Mrs.
" *Beresford* belongs to his Congregation or not,"

" Is it not true that in consequence of your not having been able to serve the Bill for
" a Divorce and Order yourself on Mrs. *Beresford* personally, you gave
" them to Mr. *McCracken* who has been examined as a witness before this
" Honorable House?"

" It is true."

Then the Documents produced by Mr. *James McCracken* were shewn to the
witness, and he was further examined as follows :

(*By Counsel.*)—" Look at the Bill for a Divorce and Order produced by Mr.
" *McCracken*, and state whether the same are the documents which were sent
" to you and whether you gave the same to Mr. *McCracken* to serve on Mrs.
" *Beresford.*"

" They are the same."

" Are you aware of another attempt having been made by Mr. *Vanslych*, a Bailiff in
" *Rochester*, to serve the said Bill for a Divorce on Mrs. *Beresford*? If so,
" when?"

" I am aware that another attempt was made to serve the said Bill upon Mrs.
" *Beresford*. It was made by Mr. *Vanslych*, a Bailiff, on the twenty third
" of March last."

" Are you acquainted with the handwriting of the said *Vanslych* from having seen
" him write?"

" I am."

" Are you acquainted with *Samuel W. D. Moore*, Esquire of *Rochester*? If so,
" does he hold any, and what public office?"

" I am acquainted with *Samuel W. D. Moore*, Esquire, of *Rochester*. He is
" Police Justice for the City of *Rochester*?"

" Are you acquainted with his handwriting from having seen him write?"

" I am."

" Look at the signature "*A. W. Vanslych*" subscribed to the paper-writing or
" affidavit now shewn to you, and state whether the same is the signature of
" Mr. *Vanslych*, the Bailiff to whom you have referred, and of his hand-writing.
" State also whether the signature "*S. W. D. Moore*" to the jurat at the
" foot of the said affidavit is that of the said Police Justice.

The signature "*A. W. Vanslych*," subscribed to the paper-writing, or affidavit "now shewn to me is that of *Mr. Vanslych*," the Bailiff to whom I have referred "and of his handwriting. And the signature "*S. W. D. Moore*" to the jurat at the foot of the said affidavit is that of the said Police Justice.

The same was delivered in, (annexed to a copy of the Bill printed by the printers to the Legislative Council,) and read as follows:—

State of *New York*,
County of *Monroe*,
City of *Rochester*,
To wit :

Personally appeared before me, *Samuel W. D. Moore* Esquire, Police Justice of the said City of *Rochester*, *Addy S. Vanslych*, of the said City of *Rochester*, Bailiff, who

being sworn upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God deposeth and saith, that he is acquainted with *Emma Catherine Lawrence* and *Daniel Gallagher* in the annexed printed paper named, and hath known them for more than one year; that on the twenty-third day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three this deponent proceeded to the residence of the said *Emma Catherine Beresford*, situate in the Town of *Irondequoit* in the said County, for the purpose of serving a copy of the annexed printed paper upon the said *Emma Catherine Beresford*, which copy this deponent had compared with the said paper hereunto annexed and knew to be a true copy thereof; that this deponent entered the dwelling house of the said *Emma Catherine Beresford* and met therein the said *Daniel Gallagher*; that this deponent asked the said *Daniel Gallagher* if the said *Emma Catherine Beresford* was within, to which he replied that it was no matter; that this deponent then attempted to enter the bed room in the dwelling house of the said *Emma Catherine Beresford* for the purpose of such service, but found the same locked and could not open the same, and the said *Daniel Gallagher* said she was not there; that the said deponent handed the said copy to the said *Daniel Gallagher* who received the same, and this deponent left the said premises; that after this deponent had got outside of the fence of the said premises the said *Daniel Gallagher* threw the said copy into the road leading by the said premises; that this deponent hath been to the said premises before, and always found the door locked except upon this present occasion; and this deponent believes that the said *Emma Catherine Beresford* was within the said room when this deponent tried to enter the same, and remained therein to prevent this deponent from seeing her; and lastly this deponent further saith that he doth verily believe that no personal service could be effected upon the said *Emma Catherine Beresford* of any paper unless violence was used or a breach of the peace.

A. W. VANSLYCH.

Sworn before me at *Rochester* aforesaid,
this 23rd day of March, 1853.
S. W. D. MOORE,
Police Justice.)

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw.

It was then moved that the further consideration and second reading of the said Bill be put off until Monday next, and that the same do stand as the first item upon the Orders of that day.

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

Ordered, accordingly.

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

Monday, 4th April, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
DEBOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,
BELLEAU,
WILSON.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Wilson* presented a Petition from the Community of the Sisters of Charity of the General Hospital, of *Montreal*, praying for authority to sell or otherwise dispose of their farm at *Point St. Charles*, near that City, and that the provisions of the Act 9th Vict. Cap. 92, enabling them to sell their property at *Pointe à Callières* may be explained.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the *Quebec* Board of Trade praying that the Representation Bill may be so amended as that the present Electoral Boundaries of the City of *Quebec* may not be disturbed and that the Commercial Community of the said City may be fairly represented in Parliament.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* from the Select Committee to whom were referred the allegations in the Petitions of *George K. Smith* and others, praying to be incorporated as a Company for the purposes of exploring for, and working mines of Copper and other Ores, and of smelting the same, on the shores of Lakes *Superior* and *Huron* and elsewhere in this Province, reported in obedience to the Orders of reference of the thirty first ultimo, and the first instant, that they have examined the same and now beg leave to report upon the matter thereof in favour of the introduction of a Bill founded thereon.

Ordered, that the report be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said Report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* then presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the *Michipicoten* Mining Company."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *London and Port Sarnia* Rail-way Company," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act supplementary to the Act to detach for Judicial purposes, the settlements of *Sainte Anne des Monts* and *Cap-Chat*, from the District of *Gaspé*, and annex the same to the District of *Kamouraska*," was read a second time.

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

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, "An Act to establish a Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund for *Upper Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with 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.

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

Ordered,

Ordered, That the said Bill with the amendment be printed and read a third time on Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal and Bytown* Railway Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Matheson, Bourret, Belleau* and *Wilson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Corporation of *St. Andrew's Church, Quebec*, praying that authority may be given them to borrow a certain sum of money for the purpose of erecting a new Church ;

Also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Township of *Lanark and Darling* ;

Also, a Petition from *Harvey Miller* and others, of *Brockville*, severally praying that except for Medicinal and Mechanical purposes the manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited ;

Also, a Petition from *John Burke* and others, of the Township of *Newton* in the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for certain alterations in the Registry Laws of *Lower Canada* ;

And also, two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the United Township of *Lanark and Darling*, praying that the system of penny postage may be established in this Province ; and praying that all labour on the Provincial Canals and in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Mayor and Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipality of the County of *Terrebonne*, on behalf of the Council of the said Municipality, praying that the provisions of the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund Act may be extended to *Lower Canada* ;

And also, a Petition from *Pierre Pelletier* and others, of the County of *Kamouraska*, in support of the Petition *Joseph Robitaille*, Esquire, praying for a pension for his services.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Order of the Day, being read for the further consideration and second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*," and for hearing Counsel for and against the same ;

It was moved that a due service of Copies of the said Bill and Order upon the Petitioner's Wife, as required by a Standing Order of this House, be considered to have been fully proved, and that the said Bill be now further proceeded with.

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

Ordered, accordingly.

Counsel were accordingly called in.

And *George O. Stuart*, Esquire, appearing as Counsel on behalf of the Petitioner ;

And no Counsel appearing for *Mrs. Beresford* ;

Mr. Stuart was heard to open the allegations of the Bill.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw.

It was then moved that the further consideration and second reading of the Bill be put off until to-morrow.

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 *Sir Allan N. MacNab* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the "Great Western Rail-road Company and to alter the name of the said Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Tuesday, 5th April, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MATHESON,
BOULTON

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DEBEAUJEU,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *G. J. Grange* and others, praying for the incorporation of the *Canada North Western Mining and Fishing Company*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *William Henry Beresford* of the City of *Toronto*, praying that in the event of the Legislative Council deeming his evidence desirable he may be examined on the Bill for his relief, touching the question as to whether there exists any collusion or connivance between him and his wife *Emma Catherine Lawrence*.

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

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

The Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Taché* and *Wilson* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* and *Bytown* Rail-way "Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the Report be now received and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 1 Line 30.—Leave out "or" and insert "and"

Page 3 Line 48.—Leave out "procure" and insert "be furnished by and at the
"expense of the said Company with."

Page 5. Line 10.—Leave out “usual” and after “fee” insert of “one shilling and three pence.”

Page 5, Line 21.—Leave out from “Company” to “at” and insert “shall.”

Page 5. Line 32.—After “office” insert “receiving for the registration of each such debenture a fee of one shilling and three pence and no more.”

Page 5 Line 37.—After “*Bellingham*” insert “*Theodore Hart*.”

Page 10 Line 34.—Leave out from “Company” to “and” in line 38.

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, “An Act supplementary to the Act to detach for judicial purposes, the settlements of *Sainte Anne des Monts* and *Cap Chat* from the District of *Gaspé*, and annex the same to the District of *Kamouaska*,” it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged.

Ordered, that last mentioned Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Taché*, *Bourret* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, “An Act to remove certain doubts existing as to the true meaning and effect of the sixth section of the Act passed during the present session intituled, “An Act to amend the Act passed in the session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty’s Reign intituled, ‘An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company.”

It was moved that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

Which being debated.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Boulton* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Ordered, That the said Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart* and others, with a Bill intituled, “An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to construct

“construct a Rail-road on the North Shore of the River *St. Lawrence* from the City of *Quebec* to the City of *Montreal* or to some convenient point on any Rail-road leading from *Montreal* to the western Cities of this Province,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Solicitor General *Chauveau* and others, with a Bill intituled, “An Act to amend an Act passed in the session of the Provincial Parliament held in the fourth and fifth years of Her Majesty’s Reign intituled, “An Act to regulate the taking of securities in all offices in respect of which security ought to be given and for avoiding the grant of all such offices in the event of such security not being given within a time limited after the grant of such office, and for other purposes,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Sir *Allan N. MacNab* and others, to return the Bill intituled, “An Act to incorporate the *London and Port Sarnia* Rail-way 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 Mr. *Gamble* and others, with a Bill intituled, “An Act to repeal so much of the amended assessment Act of *Upper Canada* as requires the County Councils to meet on the first day of May in each year, to equalize the assessments, and appointing another day instead thereof for that purpose,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Clapham* and others, with a Bill intituled, “An Act to incorporate the *Megantic Junction* Rail-way and Navigation Company,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for the further consideration and second reading of the Bill intituled, “An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*,” and for hearing Counsel for and against the same.

Counsel were accordingly called in.

And *George O. Stuart*, Esqr., appearing as Counsel on behalf of the Petitioner;

And no Counsel appearing for Mrs. *Beresford*;

Then

Then the Reverend *William Agar Adamson* was called in; and having been sworn, was examined as follows:—

(*By Counsel.*)—"Look at the certificate of Marriage between *William Henry Beresford*, formerly a Captain in Her Majesty's Rifle Brigade, with *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, now produced, and state by whom the same is signed and in what capacity the person who has signed the same was acting in the City of *Montreal* in the month of July 1850, when the Marriage therein mentioned was contracted?"

"This certificate is signed by the Reverend *William Bond* who was in the year eighteen hundred and fifty, Assistant Minister of *St. George's Church Montreal.*"

The same was delivered in and read as follows:

William Henry Beresford of *Montreal*, Bachelor, and *Emma Catherine Lawrence* of the same place, Spinster, were married by license on the tenth day of July eighteen hundred and fifty.

WITNESSES <i>George Platt,</i> <i>Thos. Critchley.</i>	}	BY ME, WILLIAM BOND. This Marriage was duly solemnized between us <i>W. H. Beresford</i> , Captain Rifle Brigade, <i>Emma Catherine Lawrence.</i>
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I do hereby certify and attest, unto all whom it may concern, that what is written above is a true and faithful copy of an original entry in the Register of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, of and for *St. George's Chapel* of the Protestant Parish of *Montreal*, by me diligently compared and collated with the said original entry in the said Register, deposited of Record in the said Chapel.

Given under my hand at the City of *Montreal*, this first day of March, in the year of our Lord Christ eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Wm. BOND.

"Does Mr. *Bond* still continue to be Assistant Minister in *St. George's Church*?"

"I believe he does."

"What Church is *St. George's Church*, and to what denomination of Christians does it belong?"

"*St. George's Church* is an Episcopal Church under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of *Montreal.*"

By

" By whom is the certificate at the foot of the said certificate of Marriage certifying the said certificate of Marriage to be a correct extract from the Parish Register, signed?"

" By the said Reverend *William Bond*."

" Have you not yourself resided in the City of *Montreal*? If so, how long, and what duty did you then perform?"

" I resided in *Montreal* for eight years, ending last May, during which time I was Assistant Minister of Christ Church Cathedral."

" Is it from a personal acquaintance with the Reverend Mr. *Bond* and from having seen him write that you have testified to his hand writing to the said certificate?"

" From having frequently seen him write, and from being able confidently to swear to that as his signature."

" Is the said Reverend Mr. *Bond* a Minister of the Episcopal Church, and was he so at the time the said Marriage appears to have been performed?"

" He is, and was."

" Will you state your own name, and the Church in which you are a Minister, and the duty you perform?"

" My name is *William Agar Adamson*, I am a Doctor of Civil Law, and Minister of the United Church of England and Ireland, and the duties I now perform are those of Chaplain and Librarian of the Legislative Council."

(*By a Member*.)—" Were you acquainted with Captain *Beresford* at the time of his Marriage, and how long before?"

" I have never had any acquaintance with Captain *Beresford*."

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Then Mr. *James McCracken* was again called in, and further examined as follows:

(*By Counsel*.)—" Are you the person who has already been examined as a witness before this House in relation to the service of the Bill now before the House for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*, under the name of *James McCracken*?"

" I am."

" Were you residing in the City of *Hamilton*, in *Upper Canada*, in the month of May 1851, and what was then your office, and what duty did you perform?"

" I resided in the City of *Hamilton* in the month of May 1851. I was then Chief Constable of the City, and performed the duties of that office."

" Are

- “ Are you aware whether Captain *William Henry Beresford*, late a Captain in the Rifle Brigade, and *Emma Catherine Lawrence* his wife, were then residing in the City of *Hamilton* as man and wife ? ”
- “ I am aware that they lived together in *Hamilton* at that time, and acknowledged each other as man and wife.”
- “ Who was the Police Magistrate at *Hamilton* in May 1851 ? ”
- “ *George H. Armstrong*.”
- “ Are you aware of any application having been made to Mr. *Armstrong* by the said *William Henry Beresford* ? If so, state what it was and when it was made.”
- “ I think it was in May 1851, that I was desired by the Police Magistrate to go to Captain *Beresford's* house, where I would be told the purpose for which I was wanted. I think the Magistrate told me also what it was that I was wanted for. It so happened that I did not get much of it from Captain *Beresford* himself.”
- “ What did the Magistrate state that you were required for at the said Captain *William Henry Beresford's* house ? ”
- “ He said he was apprehensive that Mrs. *Beresford* and *Daniel Gallagher* would leave his house together and take the children with them, as they had already made an attempt to do, and that he wanted some one to be in the house to prevent them.”
- “ Did you, under the orders of the said Magistrate, proceed to the said *William Henry Beresford's* house ? If so, state the hour of the day you so went.”
- “ I went, according to the order. It was in the evening, perhaps between eight and nine o'clock.”
- “ Did you go alone or in company with any other person ? ”
- “ I went alone.”
- “ Whom did you see on your arrival at the said *William Henry Beresford's* house ? ”
- “ The first person I saw was Mr. *Beresford*. I shortly after saw Mrs. *Beresford*.”
- “ Did he request you to remain in the house that night for his protection so soon as you had arrived at the house ? ”
- “ He did.”
- “ Was any room, and whose room, in the house shewn to you for your occupation during the night ? ”
- “ There was a room shewn to me, and I shortly afterwards ascertained that it belonged to *Daniel Gallagher*.”

" Did you learn at the same time, or afterwards, that *Daniel Gallagher* had been
 " discharged from the said *William Henry Beresford's* service that same
 " evening?"

" I cannot say as to that."

" Was the said *Daniel Gallagher* in the house at the time, or did you see any thing
 " of him while you were in the house, or did you see him there at any time
 " afterwards?"

" I did not see him that night at all. I saw him the next morning in the Street
 " a short distance from the place.

Where did Captain *Beresford* go after he left you in *Gallagher's* room?"

" He remained about the House. He came into the room where I was occasionally.

" After you were in *Gallagher's* room, and how long after, did you hear any noise?
 " If so, of what description?

" I cannot say how long after it was, but I heard noises, and he came in, and I
 " asked him what they meant. He told me it was his wife throwing bottles and
 " glasses at his head. He tried to keep out of her way, but she followed him
 " I saw her at one time throw a tumbler at his head."

" What was the deportment of Captain *Beresford*, was he quiet and tranquil, or
 " the contrary, when the tumbler was thrown at him, and did you see any provo-
 " cation on his part?"

" He was quiet, and I did not see any provocation on his part.

" Was Mrs. *Beresford* in a violent passion when she threw the tumbler at her
 " husband?"

" She appeared so.

" Do you mean to say that Captain *Beresford's* conduct was calm and temperate
 " and of a description to allay the violence of the passion of his wife?"

" I saw nothing on Captain *Beresford's* part like violence."

" After this, and how long after, during the same evening, did you see any other act
 " of violence?"

" Some short time after, I cannot say precisely how long, I saw another act of
 " violence.

" State the nature and particulars of the act of violence to which you now refer.

" The act of violence I saw was striking him with a candlestick. She struck him
 " some three blows with the butt of the candlestick before I could get to his
 " assistance. When her arm was raised to strike him the fourth time, I caught
 " it and took the candlestick from her and put her into a room. It was a
 " heavy candlestick and she struck him on the head with it.

" What

"What was Captain *Beresford's* deportment during this last mentioned act of violence?"

"I thought it was very quiet. He scarcely used strength enough to prevent her. He tried to get away from her."

"What was the length and weight of the candlestick?"

"It was a silver candlestick, standing about a foot high, and apparently loaded at the bottom to make it stand steadily."

"Where were wounds inflicted by the blows from the candlestick? If so state the nature of them."

"There were pretty severe cuts on the forehead and on the head inflicted by the blows from the candlestick. The blood flowed pretty freely down to his feet."

"You have stated that after this act of violence you placed Mrs. *Beresford* in a room. How long did she remain there?"

"She remained there for a while—I cannot say exactly how long—and then she came out again."

"What was the next occurrence after she left the room?"

"When she came out of the room she told me that she wanted to go to gaol, and insisted on being taken to gaol. I told her she had better stay at home, and reasoned with her a little about her conduct to her husband. I told her she had hurt him considerably, and asked her if she was not sorry. She answered no, she was only sorry she had not killed him. She wished she had killed him. She then again insisted that I should take her to gaol. I told her I could not; that she might go there if she chose, but I could not take her. It was then a late hour at night, and she asked me if I did not keep house myself. I said I did, and she asked me to let her go home with me, and that she would go to gaol in the morning, as I told her it was too late for her to go to gaol that night. She had been drinking and appeared tipsy."

"In the course of the disturbance made by Mrs. *Beresford* this same evening, was there at any time, and when, a gun sent for by any one, and whom, and from what place?"

"There were two guns in the room that I was placed in. A servant came and took hold of the guns to take them out. I told her to leave them where they were. She did so, and went away. She came back a second time for the guns, and I told her she could not have them. Captain *Beresford* told me for God's sake not to let them go, that they were loaded, that the double barrelled one had both barrels loaded. The third attempt to get the guns was made by Mrs. *Beresford* and the servant girl together. I succeeded in preventing them from
"getting

- “ getting the guns, and gave them to Captain *Beresford*, who put them outside, out of the way.”
- “ Were these attempts to obtain possession of the guns before or after the attacks made by Mrs. *Beresford* on her husband with the candlestick?”
- “ I cannot say positively; but to the best of my knowledge I think it was before.”
- “ To what extent was force used by Mrs. *Beresford* and the servant woman to obtain possession of the guns?”
- “ The force was pretty violent; so much so that I had to use a good deal of force to get them away. In taking one of the guns from Mrs. *Beresford*, I had to use so much force that she complained I had wrenched her hand.”
- “ Did you examine one or both of the guns for the purpose of ascertaining whether they were loaded, and if so were they loaded, or not?”
- “ I afterwards examined both of the guns, and found that both barrels of the double barrelled gun were loaded.”
- “ You have stated that Mrs. *Beresford* was desirous of leaving her husband’s house to go to yours. Did she do so this same evening?”
- “ She went away with me, at about three o’clock in the morning.”
- “ Was there any circumstance which led you to believe that the acts of violence to which you have testified were in consequence of *Daniel Gallagher* having been dismissed from Captain *Beresford’s* service before your arrival?”
- “ I cannot say particularly as to that. I do not remember whether I heard any thing about that or not, but I may have.”
- “ When you left Captain *Beresford’s* residence with Mrs. *Beresford* as you have stated, at three o’clock in morning, did you so leave in a vehicle or on foot?”
- “ On foot.”
- “ Did you then proceed to your own house, and did Mrs. *Beresford* pass the night there?”
- “ Yes we went to my house, and Mrs. *Beresford* remained there until seven o’clock the same morning.”
- “ What course of conduct did Mrs. *Beresford* then adopt, or what was done with her after that hour?”
- “ When she insisted upon going home with me I took Captain *Beresford* aside and told him what she wanted to do. He said for God’s sake to let her go to my house with me and keep her there until he could go to the Police Office and get a warrant, and that he would try and do so before she left my house; but he did

- " not get one as soon as he expected, and before he came with it she had left my house and gone home again. I went to his house after her in a carriage and arrested her ; and on coming away I met *Daniel Gallagher* for the first time on that occasion, although I had seen him at several other times before that. Mrs. *Beresford* desired the driver of the carriage to stop, and called *Gallagher* up to the side of the carriage calling him " Dan." She said " Dan, I am going to Gaol, and you must be a good boy : I shall be out again pretty soon," or words that effect. She had some further conversation with him, but I cannot recollect what it was."
- " Was Mrs. *Beresford* bound over to keep the peace, and did she afterwards return to her husband's residence ?"
- " I lodged her in Gaol ; and some time in the course of the day, in the afternoon, she was bailed out. She was bound over to keep the peace, and return to her husband's residence."
- " Do you know, or was it understood in the City of *Hamilton*, that *Daniel Gallagher* after this period was no longer in Captain *Beresford's* service ?"
- " It was understood that it was not."
- " Can you state on what day the occurrences already stated took place in the month of May eighteen hundred and fifty one. State to the best of your knowledge whether it was at the beginning, middle or end of the month ?"
- " I cannot tell either the day or the time of the month. It was on a Saturday evening that I went to the house."
- " Do you know if Mrs. *Beresford* left the City of *Hamilton* after these occurrences ?
- " If so, under whose protection was it understood that she so left ?"
- " I was told by Captain *Beresford* that she left *Hamilton* after these occurrences, under the protection of her brother. It was a common report, and I had heard it from others before I heard it from him."
- " When and where did you see Mrs. *Beresford* for the first time after she left the City of *Hamilton* with her brother ? State the exact period."
- " I saw her next in *Rochester*. It was between the second and the seventh of March eighteen hundred and fifty two, as nearly as I can recollect. I think it was on the third, fifth and seventh."
- " At what place in *Rochester* did you see her, and in whose Company was she at the time."
- " I met her in the Arcade, in Company with *Gallagher* the first time, in the Arcade the second time, and in a sleigh with *Gallagher* the third time. On the same day that I saw her for the second time in the Arcade, I saw him in her Company shortly after."

" When

" When and where did you next see Mrs. *Beresford* and *Gallagher* together, or separate, after these occasions."

" On the 1st of February eighteen hundred and fifty three, at the place where they now reside near *Rochester*, I saw them together in the house and in a carriage. I went there in Company with another person to indentify Mrs. *Beresford*. We saw her in her own house at a time when her infant child was to be buried."

" Do you know Mrs. *Doud* a practitioner in midwifery at *Rochester* ?"

" I know Mrs. *Doud* so called."

" Is she now in attendance at the Bar of this House to be examined as a witness ?"

" She is."

" Did you at the funeral of Mrs. *Beresford's* child point out Mrs. *Beresford* to Mrs. *Doud* as *Emma Catherine Lawrence* the wife of Captain *William Henry Beresford*, the Petitioner now before this House ?"

" I pointed her out as Mrs. *Beresford*, wife of Captain *Beresford*."

" At what place did you so point her out ? Describe the house and place and whether it was at the residence of Mrs. *Beresford* at *Irondequoit* near Mr. *Leggett's*."

" The most particular place where I pointed her out was at the Burying Ground.

" I pointed her out to Mrs. *Doud* and said that is Mrs. *Beresford*."

" Did you point her out to Mrs. *Doud* both at the house at *Irondequoit* and at the Burial Ground ?"

" I think I did at both places.

(*By a Member.*)—" Were you not acquainted with Captain *Beresford* at the time he was residing in *Hamilton* ? If so, say whether Captain *Beresford* had any children, their number, and their respective ages to the best of your knowledge."

" I was acquainted with Captain *Beresford* at the time he was residing in *Hamilton*. He had two children. I should think the youngest might be about four years of age in May 1851, and the other between five and six."

" Is it not true that those children were considered as the children of Captain *Beresford* and of *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, and as having been born previous to their marriage ?"

" I have heard so."

" In referring to the children Captain *Beresford* was afraid to see carried away by his wife and *Daniel Gallagher*, do you mean to say that those children were the issue of the marriage of Captain *Beresford* and *Emma Catherine Lawrence* ?"

" By the way he stated it to me, I thought so. I know nothing to the contrary at that time."

" Did

" Did Captain *Beresford* absent himself from *Hamilton* after the month of May 1851? Say how often and for what space of time."

" I cannot say. I heard him say he had been away. This was the evening I was there. After Mrs. *Beresford* left I never knew of his being away until he removed to *Toronto* ?

" In how many hours could you go from the residence of Captain *Beresford* in *Hamilton*, or from *Toronto*, to the place where Mrs. *Beresford* lived near *Rochester* ?"

" I should suppose it would take about twenty four hours."

(*By Counsel.*)—" Is it not true that you can go to *Rochester* as soon again now as you could in May and the summer of 1851 ?"

" I do not know. I have never gone there in summer. It has always happened that I have gone there in winter."

" Do you know the period when Captain and Mrs. *Beresford* were married ?"

" I do not."

" Supposing them to have been married in July 1850, were not the children that you saw at Captain *Beresford's* in May 1851 of too advanced an age to be born since the marriage ?"

" Certainly."

(*By a Member.*)—" Have you heard, or are you aware, that Mrs. *Beresford* received any ill treatment from her husband before leaving his house at *Hamilton* ?"

" I have not heard so, nor am I aware that such was the case."

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw.

It was then moved that the further consideration and second reading of the Bill be put off until to-morrow.

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

Ordered, accordingly.

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

Wednesday, 6th April, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
WALKER,
DEBOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DE BRAUJEU,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU,
WILSON.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from *Alexander Gillespie* and others, praying to be incorporated for the purpose of working mines and minerals in the Counties of *Sherbrooke*, *Shefford*, *Stanstead*, *Megantic* and *Drummond*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the *Toronto* and *Guelph* Rail-way Company, praying for the passing of a public general Act to determine the manner in which land reserved in Cities for the termini of different Rail-roads may be partitioned and allotted among the various Rail-way Companies which may require it for building or other purposes.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the Reverend *John Cook* D. D. on behalf of the Trustees of the Protestant Burying Ground in St. John Street in the Suburbs of *Quebec*, praying that in any Bill which may be passed to prohibit Interments in the City of *Quebec* provision may be made to secure compensation to all those whose rights may be injured thereby.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* and *Bytown* Rail-way Company," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the *Great Western* Rail-road Company, and to alter the name of the said Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker, J. Morris, Boulton, Matheson* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, An Act to establish a consolidated Municipal Loan Fund for *Upper Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for the further consideration and second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*," and for hearing Counsel for and against the same ;

Counsel were accordingly called in ;

And *George O. Stuart*, Esqr., appearing as Counsel on behalf of the Petitioner ;
And no Counsel appearing for *Mrs. Beresford* ;

Then *Eliza Bradford*, was called in ; and having been sworn, was examined as follows :—

(*By Counsel*.)—"What is your name, and where do you reside ?"

"My name is *Eliza Bradford*. I reside in *Toronto*."

"Have you been married, and are you now a widow ? How long is it since you were married, and how long is it since you have been a widow ?"

"I was married in 1823, and I have been a widow five years."

"Who was your husband ? And state whether you have a family grown up."

"Lieutenant *William Bradford*, of the 8th Regiment, was my husband. I have four children grown up."

"Do you know *William Henry Beresford*, formerly a Captain in Her Majesty's Rifle Brigade, and *Emma Catherine Lawrence* his wife ? If so, how long have you known them ?"

"I became acquainted with Captain *Beresford* through the intervention of the Revd. *William Gamble Geddes*, Rector of *Hamilton*, in May 1851. At the request of Mr. *Geddes* I went to reside with Captain *Beresford* on the 28th of May 1851. After I went to the house, I saw *Mrs. Beresford*: I went as a friend."

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- “ Will you state why you were requested by the Reverend Mr. *Geddes* to reside
“ with Mr. and Mrs. *Beresford* ? ”
- “ I think it was that I might be a restraint upon Mrs. *Beresford*'s violence.”
- “ Did you subsequently reside with Captain and Mrs. *Beresford*, and on what day
“ did you enter their house ? ”
- “ I went to Captain *Beresford*'s house on the 28th of May 1851, and resided there
“ with him until the 12th of May 1852. Mrs. *Beresford* went away on the 30th
“ of July 1851 with her brother, and I have not seen her since.”
- “ While Mrs. *Beresford* remained in the house from the 28th of May until the 30th
“ of July 1851, what was the conduct of Captain *Beresford* to Mrs. *Beresford* ? ”
- “ I considered it the most forbearing I ever met with ; and I ever found him most
“ anxious for her welfare.”
- “ What was the conduct of Mrs. *Beresford* towards him ? ”
- “ I cannot affirm that I actually witnessed any acts of violence ; but many marks of
“ disrespect and irritating conduct.”
- “ Upon your entering into Captain *Beresford*'s house, how long a period elapsed
“ before you saw Mrs. *Beresford* ? ”
- “ A day and a half or two days, I think, when I had an interview with her and
“ endeavoured to give her such advice as a Christian ought to give. She received
“ it with anger, but I continued to give it for two weeks, when she declared she
“ would leave Captain *Beresford*, even if she had to leave the children.”
- “ Did Mrs. *Beresford* meet her husband at their meals, and on what terms were
“ they during the period you remained with them previous to her departure ? ”
- “ I never met her at table with Captain *Beresford*. She did not meet him at their
“ meals. They were on unpleasant terms. I should think they seldom met, and
“ that by accident.”
- “ Did they at any time occupy the same apartment while she remained in the house ? ”
- “ I should think not. She had her apartments at the opposite side of the house, and
“ had her meals at different hours. She occupied the apartment which I understood
“ had formerly been occupied by *Daniel Gallagher*, the servants apartments
“ being occupied by female servants when he was there, he was put in that
“ room.”
- “ Was Mrs. *Beresford*'s having separate apartments and separate meals her own
“ choice or not.”
- “ I understood it was her own choice, and have reason to think so.”
- “ Had *Daniel Gallagher* left the service of Captain *Beresford* before you entered
“ his house ? Did you see him at any time during your residence with Captain
“ *Beresford*.”

" He had left, and I did not see him ; nor would I have known him if I had seen
" him."

" Was the apartment which you have said *Daniel Gallagher* occupied a servant's
" apartment ? If not, what apartment was it, and upon what flat of the house ?"

" It was not a servant's apartment. It was an apartment intended for one of the
" family. It was on the second flat. It had a communication down to the ser-
" vant's kitchen, which might make her prefer it."

" How long did Captain *Beresford* reside at *Hamilton* after Mrs. *Beresford* left
" his house with her brother ?"

" Until the 3rd of October 1851."

" Between the day she left and the 3rd of October 1851, was Captain *Beresford*
" absent from home ? If so, when, for what purpose, where did he go to, and how
" long was he absent ?"

" He went to *Toronto* on the 15th of August, and was there two or three days.
" He went to engage a house. He intended to move down there. He went to
" sell a pair of horses."

" Are you positive in stating that Captain *Beresford* did not leave *Hamilton* at any
" other time between the day Mrs. *Beresford*, left and the 3rd of October 1851,
" except on the 15th of August, as you have stated, when he went to *Toronto* ?"

" I think he did not to the best of my recollection."

" Were you in the habit of seeing Captain *Beresford* every day between the period
" of Mrs. *Beresford's* departure and the 3rd of October 1851, except when he
" went to *Toronto* ? If so how often ?"

" I saw him at each meal. We breakfasted, dined and took tea together. He was
" never absent three hours at a time from the house."

" If Captain *Beresford* had absented himself for twelve or twenty four hours at any
" other time between Mrs. *Beresford's* departure and the 3rd of October 1851,
" except when he went to *Toronto*, would you not have noticed it and
" remembered it ?"

" I should have known it had he done so, and should have remembered it."

" You have stated that Captain *Beresford* gave up his residence at *Hamilton* on
" the 3rd of October 1851. Had he then retired from the army, and had he left
" the army when you went to reside with him the May previous ?"

" He had."

" Did Captain *Beresford* take up his permanent residence in *Toronto* on the 3rd of
" October 1851, and has he been resident and domiciliated there since ?"

" He

- “ He move down to *Toronto* on the 3rd of October 1851, and remained there until
 “ the 12th of May 1852. He was permanently resident in *Toronto* until the
 “ latter date, when he went to the United States and returned in September.
 “ To the best of my knowledge, I think it was the latter end of September.”
- “ Although Captain *Beresford* went to the States in May 1852, is it not true that it
 “ was only on a visit, and that he kept up an establishment in *Toronto* during
 “ his absence?”
- “ He went to *New York* for his health, and kept still his establishment in *Toronto*.”
- “ Did he return to his residence in *Toronto* in the fall of 1852, and is he now there
 “ permanently resident?”
- “ He returned in the fall of 1852 to his residence in *Toronto* and was living in the
 “ same house until he came to *Quebec*. His establishment is still there.”
- “ How long did you reside with Captain *Beresford* after the 3rd of October 1851,
 “ when he came to *Toronto*, and for what purpose?”
- “ I resided with him until the 12th of May 1852, for the purpose of educating his
 “ daughter.”
- “ Between the 3rd of October 1851 and the 12th of May 1852, did you see Captain,
 “ *Beresford* daily?”
- “ He was never absent three hours from the house at one time during that period
 “ I saw him daily.”
- “ Did you take your meals every day with Captain *Beresford*, between the 3rd of
 “ October 1851 and the 12th of May 1852?”
- “ I did.”
- “ Are you positive in stating that he was not absent from his house at *Toronto* for
 “ a night or a day, or for any period exceeding three hours, between the 3rd of
 “ October 1851 and the 12th of May 1852?”
- “ I am positive.”
- “ Do you mean to say that it was impossible for him to go to *Rochester* in the
 “ United States, or even to *Hamilton*, during that period, without your knowing
 “ it; and are you positive in stating that he did not go to the one place or the
 “ other during that period?”
- “ I feel quite certain that he could not have gone to either place without my
 “ knowing it; and I feel equally certain that he did not.”
- “ To what Church do Captain and Mrs. *Beresford* belong, and who was their Clergy-
 “ man while they were at *Hamilton*?”

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" They attended the Episcopal Church.—The Reverend *William Gamble Geddes*, was their Clergyman."

" How long had Captain *Beresford* left the army before you went to reside with him and Mrs. *Beresford* in 1851? In what corps did he serve, and what was his rank in the Corps."

" He served in the Rifle Brigade, as Captain.—I cannot say exactly how long he had left the army."

" Did you understand from Captain and Mrs. *Beresford*, or either of them, when or after you went to reside with them in May 1851, how long they had been married?"

" I did not."

" When Mrs. *Beresford* left *Hamilton* in 1851, with her brother, did she take a son with her; and what name was he known by in the family?"

" She took a little boy about four years old, who was called Charlie."

(*By a Member*,)—" Did you accompany Mr. *Beresford* to *Toronto* when he went there between July and October 1851. If not, how do you know that he did go there and no where else, and how long was he absent?"

" I did not. I went in his carriage, with his horses, driven by his servant. He went in a steamer. I met him in *Toronto*, and I returned before him. This was in August 1851. To the best of my knowledge he was absent two days. He returned the day after I did."

" Did Captain *Beresford*, between October 1851 and May 1852, absent himself for some length of time? State for how long. And where did he go to, and have you a personal knowledge of that fact?"

" He was never absent three hours at any one time during that period."

" Did Captain *Beresford*, between the 12th of May and September 1852, absent himself for some length of time? State for how long. And where did he go to, and have you a personal knowledge of that fact?"

" I understood from himself that he was going to *New York*. He took his little daughter with him. I have a personal knowledge of the fact as far as bidding him farewell when he went on board of the boat for that purpose. He kept up his establishment in *Toronto*, leaving a servant in charge of the house."

(*By Counsel*,)—" How old was the child he took with him?"

" I should think she was seven years old, or very near it."

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

" Then

Then Mrs. *Lettice H. Doud* was called in ; and having been sworn, was examined as follows :—

(*By Counsel*,)—“ What is your name, where do you reside, and what is your occupation ? ”

“ My name is *Lettice H. Doud*. I reside in the City of *Rochester*, in the State of *New York*, and my occupation is the practice of *Medecine, Surgery and Obstetrics*.”

“ Have you been graduated as a *Physician and Surgeon*, and were ; and have you received a diploma ? ”

“ I have graduated as a *Physician, Surgeon and Obstetrician* at the *Central Medical College, Rochester, New York* ; and I have a diploma to that effect.

“ Have you practiced in your Profession at *Rochester*, and how long ? ”

“ I have practiced there from *April 1852*.”

“ Do you reside within the City of *Rochester* ? ”

“ I do.”

“ Have you any recollection of a female calling at your residence in *Rochester*, enquiring for Board and Lodging ; and under what circumstances, and when, in the year *1852* ? ”

“ I recollect that a woman called on me about the *1st of July 1852*, and said she wanted rooms. She said she had been teaching in *Canada*, and thought she would come to *Rochester* and stay during the *Holidays*. I asked her if she was a *Canadian*. She said she had as it were always lived in *Canada*. I told her I had a room that I could spare, but I should want good references from any one I should let it to. She said she had a recommendation from a Gentleman in *Toronto*. I waived the subject, because that would be of no use to me. I knew no Gentleman in *Toronto*. I then talked with her on indifferent subjects. I knew I could not let her into my house on that recommendation but I did not want to be hard. While we were talking I observed her form ; and when she was seated she told me she had been unfortunate and that was the reason of her being there. I asked her in what way, and she said she was seven months *enceinte* without being married. I told her I was very sorry for her, but I could not take her into my house. As she said she was seeking concealment I said “ but you do not intend to add murder ” she said no, she knew an old lady that would take the child. She mentioned her mother and I begged her then to go back to her mother. She wept and said no she could not it would break her mother’s heart, that her mother was a widow. She then asked me if I knew any room that she could get, with some old lady, some quiet place retired. She said she could have a room in a large brick house very near the

“ main

“ main street, but that was not sufficiently retired. She wrought so much upon my sympathies that I said if I were living in a private capacity I would screen her, but that standing before the public in an official capacity as I did she must see that I could not do so. She said she would be as if she were not in the house. I made her no reply, and she went on talking. She said she would not mind paying for the room a month in advance. There was some further conversation, and she went away. When she was going I told her she had my sincere sympathy.”

(*By a Member.*)—“ When did you see her next ? ”

“ On the, 14th of August 1852, I saw a woman whom I fully believe to be the same.”

(*By Counsel.*)—“ Did you remark the features and person of the individual with whom you had the conversation which you have stated ? ”

“ I looked her full in the face all the time she was talking. She looked me full in the face from the time she entered my house.”

“ After she left your house, was any application made by any one, and whom, for your professional assistance, without mentioning the name of the person who required it ? If so, describe the person who made the application.”

“ A man called at my house on the 4th of August 1852, a sallow black haired man, quite genteel in his personal appearance and quite complaisant, in his manners. He asked me if I attended woman in confinement, saying there was a woman who would rather have a woman to attend her. I asked him where, and he said North of the Rail-road, and when, and he said in four or five days. I was very much indisposed then, but I told him I thought I should be able to go by that time. He said he had a good waggon and would come for me. On the 9th of August he called again, and said I should probably be needed that day or the next. I heard nothing more from them until the 14th of August when he came in the night. I satisfied myself by questioning him that he was the same person, and went with him. He went North of the Rail-road and continued to go quite a long ride as I thought. I noticed that we made two turns in our road after we got North of the Rail-road. He told me when he first called that he lived in the City ; and when I found the road so long that evening I said to him that he could not live in the City. He said he did, at least just beyond the boundary. We entered a small house ; there was a woman sitting there alone.”

“ State what took place while you were in the house ? ”

“ The woman was sitting in her night dress at the end of a table, leaning her head on her arm and her arm on the table. She sat so until I approached her, and laid my hand on her shoulder, and asked her how she felt. She raised her head long enough to reply, and then reclined it again. I then asked her if she had

- “ no neighbours, that she was there alone. She answered that she had neighbours, but she did not want any women there talking. She then said: “ I have a friend who wanted me to go to you six weeks ago, and board.” I assisted her soon after to a bed in a little room adjoining, and the business for which I was called there went on. She was delivered of a female child about three o'clock in the morning of the 15th of August.”
- “ What person or persons were present in the house immediately before and at the confinement, and did such person or persons assist in making any, and what preparations for it? Did you hear the name of such person or persons mentioned by the female whom you confined?”
- “ The man that took me there was in the house. There was no other person. There was some lifting to be done in preparing the room which was too much for my strength, and the woman called the man in to do it, which he did, and left the room immediately. She called him *Dan*.”
- “ Was there, at the same time, a child in the house, and if so, where?”
- “ There was a child in an adjoining room.”
- “ Did the female whom you confined express any wish that the person she called *Dan* should absent himself? If so, did he, and where did he go to?”
- “ She told him to go out, and he went into the adjoining room. She then told him to go outside, and he went into a shanty.”
- “ Had you occasion to call in the man, and at what hour in the same night; and did you enquire from the said female his name, and what did she answer?”
- “ I wanted to call the man, and asked her his name. She said *Barcum*, and I called him *Mr. Barcum*, and told him to go for a nurse to take charge of the child, as I had to attend to the mother.”
- “ Did you, during the same evening at any time, address the said female as Mrs. *Barcum*. and did she answer to that name?”
- “ I called her Mrs. *Barcum*, but she made no reply, as there was no necessity for her to make any.”
- “ Did you hear the child in the adjoining room called by any name? If so, by what name and by whom?”
- “ The woman called him *Charlie*.”
- “ When the person designated as *Dan* or *Barcum* arrived with you at the house that evening, were the premises closed, and what means were taken by him to effect an entrance into the house?”
- “ I cannot say how he entered. He left me standing before the door, while he entered by some other way, and opened it from the inside.”

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"What description of house was it, and how many rooms are there in the house?"

"It was a small frame house. There were three rooms below. I do not know any thing about the upper part of the house."

"How far is it from *Rochester*, and what is the name of the place in which it is situated?"

"I have heard that it is about two miles and a half from the centre of the city, and that the name of the place is *Irondequoit*."

"Did you refer to *Dan* or *Barcum* as the husband of the female you confined in her presence, and did she say whether he was so or not, on the evening of the confinement?"

"When she told him to go out, she said she did not want any men about. I said I thought she might allow her husband to be present, and she answered that he had best be off. She did not say whether he was her husband or not."

"Are you positive as to the day on which you confined the said female being the 15th of August, 1852?"

"I am."

"Did you leave the house the same morning? If so, did you go home, and who went with you?"

"I left the house the same morning about nine o'clock, and *Dan* went with me. I went home."

"Were you taken home by the person called *Dan* in a waggon or on foot, and were you taken home by the same road that he brought you to the house?"

"I was taken in a waggon, and a part of the way was a different road."

"On the ensuing day, in the afternoon, did the person called *Dan* return to your house? If he did, for what purpose was it, and what did he say to you?"

"He returned on the same day in the afternoon, and said that he happened to be near my house, and called to say that if any one asked me where I had been, I was not to tell."

"On what day was this?"

"This was on Sunday the 15th of August, 1852."

"Did the man, at this time or any other, refer to the position in society of the female whom you confined?"

"He, at that time, said: 'The woman is not as she has been.'"

"Did the same man call again on you to visit the same female, and when, and did you go? If so, state all that occurred during your visit."

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" The same man called upon me again on the afternoon of the 16th, and I went with him. This was according to an arrangement which I had made with him on the 15th. It is the general custom to visit such patients the day after. I found the woman alone. She asked me if any one had called the day before to enquire where I had been. I told her no, and she said no one?" I told her finally that a constable had called and taken me to the Police Office, in consequence of it. She said: "I am in trouble, and want a friend, and that friend who wanted me to go to you said I could confide in you. That man who is here is not my husband, but he is a married man and a friend of mine. My husband is an Irishman and a Nobleman, and he is so enraged because I will not return to him, that he is determined to take that dear little boy from me, and this baby. He has one sweet little girl that he has torn from me. Do you know any one who will take this baby, and take care of it?" I told her no, and that the baby could not be taken from her legally. She had told me that she wanted a friend and she said; I will give you a hundred dollars, or two hundred, if you want it for any thing. She said: If I could get this baby taken care of, if it were only for a week, I should get up so much better. She then said: "You need not be afraid of suffering any inconvenience, you shall not, if I should have to go away five hundred miles. My Attorney's wife, the friend who recommended you was very anxious for me to be with you, as I could be so well secreted," I made her no reply, except when she asked me a question directly."

" Did she tell you where her husband resided, and did she allude in any and what way to a divorce."

" She did not tell me where he resided, but she told me that he was going to try to get a divorce, at the approaching Canadian Parliament, and that she was going to try to get one also.

" Did she ask you any questions at any time, and when, as to your being able to identify the house, herself, or the boy *Charlie*; and can you say whether she is the same person that had applied to you for rooms in *Rochester*."

" She asked me on that day if I could identify her, and the boy, and the place. On the 16th of August, at the moment I first saw her face in her own house, I knew I had seen her before. I have not been willing to swear to it, but I am satisfied in my own mind she was the same person."

" Did the man called *Dan* take you home on this occasion; and were any directions given to him by the same female?"

" He took me home; and the woman told him to carry me an entirely different road from any he had carried me yet."

" Did she express any wish as to the notice that you yourself were to take of the place?"

" When

" When she asked me if I thought I should know the place, and I said I should not, she asked me not to look about so, that I might know it again. I told her I did not know it when I arrived there that day. It was then I first had the conviction that she was the same person I had seen before. It was from her look when I made that reply."

" Did you visit the house again, and when? If you did, who went with you, were the doors open or locked, who opened the door for you, and for what purpose did you go there?"

" I went again on the eighth day after the woman's confinement, the next Sunday. I went with a friend who did not know the road, and I found the place myself by recollecting the turns in the road. I went to the door and knocked, and the door was opened by *Dan* immediately. I do not know whether the door was locked or not. I made no effort to open it. I went there because I wanted my fee, and to see how they were prospering."

" How long was it after this that you again visited the house?"

" I do not recollect whether it was three days or ten days, the middle of the same week or the middle of the following week. I went with other friends for the same purpose."

" Are you acquainted with Mr. *McCracken*, the High Bailiff of the City of *Hamilton*, and did you see him examined here as a witness yesterday?"

" I have some acquaintance with him, and I saw him examined here as a witness yesterday."

" After the last occasion you have spoken of, had you occasion, and when, to go to the same house in which you confined the said female?" If you did, in whose company did you go there?"

" On the first of February 1853. I went there in company with Mr. *McCracken*."

" On what occasion did you go there?"

" On the occasion of the funeral of an infant which was buried on that day from that house."

" Did you see the female whom you confined as you have stated; and did you ascertain from her what infant it was that was about being buried?"

" I saw the woman and told her I had heard the baby was dead and I wanted to see it. That was all that was said about the identity of the child."

" Did she shew you the child or say to you where you would see it?"

" She said: 'There it is, go and look at it.'"

“ Did you understand from her that this was the child of which she was delivered
“ on the 15th of August last ? ”

“ She said nothing to the contrary. I spoke of its being the same child as a matter
“ of course.”

“ Who were in the house when you arrived there with Mr. *McCracken*, and who
“ attended the funeral of the child ? ”

“ There were two women and a Clergyman, Doctor *Van Ingen*, of Grace Church,
“ *Rochester*.”

“ Was the person called *Dan* then present, and did he attend the funeral of the
“ child, and in what capacity ? ”

“ He was present and attended the funeral of the child. He went to the funeral
“ in the carriage with the woman I had confined and the Clergyman. He
“ seemed to be very much at home about the house.”

“ Did you see the boy called *Charlie* at the same time there ? ”

“ I did.”

“ Did the said Mr. *McCracken*, whom you have made mention of as having gone
“ with you to the said funeral, point out to you there the said female whom you
“ delivered of the child on the 15th of August 1852 ? And if so, did he do so in
“ the house where you delivered her, and as what person did he point her out to
“ you ? ”

“ He pointed her out to me twice in the house, and once at the grave, as Mrs.
“ *Beresford*.”

“ Are you quite certain that the person Mr. *McCracken* pointed out to you on
“ that occasion as Mrs. *Beresford* was the person who was delivered of the child
“ as you have stated ? ”

“ I am.”

“ In the course of the conversation with Mr. *McCracken* did you learn from him
“ who the person called *Dan* is ? ”

“ Yes, he talked about him as *Dan* and as *Daniel Gallagher*.”

“ Did you understand from Mr. *McCracken* in what relation *Daniel Gallagher*
“ had stood towards Mrs. *Beresford* and her husband at *Hamilton*, and whether
“ he had been in their service ? ”

“ I had heard before in what capacity he had served the family ; and I think Mr.
“ *McCracken* spoke of him in my presence as such. I understood he had been
“ their Coachman.”

“ Was the house in which you attended at the funeral and confinement near Mr.
“ *Leggett's*, or did you learn that he was one of the neighbours ? ”

" I learned that Mr. *Leggett* was the nearest neighbour.

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Then Mr. *James McCracken* was again called in, and further examined as follows :

" You have heard Mrs. *Doud* examined as a witness this day. Is she the person
" to whom you pointed out Mrs. *Beresford*, at the funeral as you have stated ?
" and was the person you then pointed out to her Mrs. *Beresford* ? "

" She is the person to whom I pointed out Mrs. *Beresford*, and Mrs. *Beresford*
" was the person I pointed out to her at the funeral, as I have stated."

" Do you recollect having conversation with Mrs. *Doud* at the said funeral, in
" which *Daniel Gallagher* was referred to as *Daniel Gallagher* whom you
" have referred to in your own examination as having been Captain *Beresford's*
" Coachman ? "

" I do."

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw.

It was then moved that the further consideration and second reading of the Bill be put off until to-morrow.

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 Mr. *Wright* (of East York) and others, with a Bill intituled, " An Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby* " and Lake *Huron* Rail-road Company " to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Thursday, 7th April, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
DEBEAUJEU,
MILLS,
PANET.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *Laura F. Terrill* Widow of the late *Hazard Bailey Terrill*, late Member for the County of *Stanstead*, who died of Cholera during the present Session while in the discharge of his duties as a Member of Parliament, praying for relief.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the School Commissioners of the Municipality of *St. Louis* in the County of *Kamouraska*, praying for aid to rebuild and furnish the School House in that Municipality recently destroyed by fire.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *Samuel Ault* and others, of *Stormont* and *Charlottenburg*, praying that the route to be selected for the Grand Trunk Rail-way may pass through *Cornwall* and the other Towns along the Bank of the *St. Lawrence*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from the Town Council of the Town of *Brantford*, praying that should the Municipal Act of *Upper Canada* be amended a provision may be introduced to extend the Elective franchise and to declare that Mayors, Reeves, and other Town and County Officers may be elected directly by the people and that the votes shall be by ballot.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Messieurs *Belleau* and *Wilson* enter.

It was moved,

“ That

That The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* be substituted for the Honorable Mr. *Ross* upon the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act relating to the Fisheries on the *Labrador* and North Shore of the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*."

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 enable the Corporation of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec* to borrow, an additional sum for the construction of the Water Works," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the *Michipicoten* Mining Company," it was,

Ordered, That the same be discharged until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorise the formation of a Company to construct a Rail-road on the North Shore of the River *St. Lawrence* from the City of *Quebec* to the City of *Montreal* or to some convenient point on any Railway leading from *Montreal* to the *Western Cities* of this Province," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *Panet* and *Belleau* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Megantic Junction Railway and Navigation Company*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *Bourret* and *Belleau* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Port Whitley and Lake Huron Rail-road Company*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Boulton* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Messieurs *De Boucherville* and *Godhue* enter.

The Order of the Day, being read for the further consideration and second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*," and for hearing Counsel for and against the same;

Counsel

Counsel were accordingly called in ;

And *George O. Stuart*, Esqr., appearing as Counsel on behalf of the Petitioner ;

And no Counsel appearing for Mrs. *Beresford* ;

Then *Robert Leggett*, was again called in, and further examined as follows :—

(*By Counsel*.)—“ Have you been already sworn and examined as a witness in the matter for a divorce now before this House ? ”

“ I have.”

“ You have stated that Mrs. *Beresford*, came to *Irondequoit* in the month of August 1851. Will you state the day of the month, and whether she and *Daniel Gallagher* have since resided near you without leaving their residence there further than to go to *Rochester* or that neighbourhood ? ”

“ She came there on the eighth or ninth of August 1851. She and *Daniel Gallagher* have since resided near me, without leaving their residence there, further than to go to *Rochester* or that neighbourhood.

“ Will you state how long your intimacy with Mrs. *Beresford* lasted after her arrival at *Irondequoit* in August 1851, and when it was broken off, and for what reason ? ”

“ It lasted about eight months, and was broken off about the first of March 1852, because *Daniel Gallagher* accused my little girl of laughing at another young lady in the neighbourhood for going there to sleep with him. That was his complaint. I think the next morning I told *Daniel Gallagher*, if he was going to behave that way, we should settle up, and that if we could not live neighbours each should keep their own side of the fence. A few days after that, the gate I had sawed through my fence at Mrs. *Beresford's* request was nailed up by her or some of her family. From that time to the present we have had no communication with each other.”

“ You have stated that a gate was closed. Was this gate made and used for the purpose of communication between your premises and those of Mrs. *Beresford* ? State when the gate was made, and how long after Mrs. *Beresford's* arrival ? ”

“ It was made at Mrs. *Beresford's* request for communication betwixt her place and mine and used, for that purpose. She requested me to make it some two or three days after she came there. She did not like to go out into the Street to go to my house ? ”

“ How many times a day, and how often in the evening, was Mrs. *Beresford* in the habit of visiting your house during your intimacy ? State at the same time the degree of intimacy that existed between the members of your family and the members of Mrs. *Beresford's* ? ”

“ Mrs.

- “ Mrs. *Beresford* was in the habit of visiting at my house two or three times a day
 “ and of staying there until eight or nine o'clock at night very frequently. After
 “ a short time my wife rather declined her intimacy. She began to think she made
 “ herself too much at home at our house. We were not so intimate after January
 “ 1852. She intimated to my wife that she thought she rather absented herself
 “ to avoid her company; and that was the case. We were very intimate from
 “ August 1851, to January 1852 but not so much so afterwards.”
- “ Were the members of your family in the habit of visiting every day and evening
 “ the family of Mrs. *Beresford* until January 1852?”
- “ They did have correspondence every day. They saw and spoke to each other.”
- “ Was it possible for Mrs. *Beresford* to have absented herself from *Rochester* for
 “ twelve or twenty-four hours previous to January 1852, without its being known
 “ by you or in your family?”
- “ It was not.”
- “ Could Captain *Beresford* have visited Mrs. *Beresford* at any time during your
 “ intimacy with her without its being known to you or the neighbourhood?”
- “ I do not think he could.”
- “ Did you ever hear of his having been at *Irondequoit* or in that neighbourhood?”
- “ I never did.”
- “ You have stated that Mrs. *Beresford's* house had been kept closed since the 15th
 “ of August 1852, for the purpose of concealing that she had had a child. Were
 “ you aware of this being the case at that time, and if so, whence did you derive
 “ your knowledge?”
- “ I was aware on the 15th of August that such had been the case. On that day
 “ I was in company with another gentleman and we followed *Daniel Gallagher*
 “ with the woman he took from the house. The Police Justice Mr. *Moore*, told
 “ me on the 16th that the child was at Mrs. *Beresford's* house. She kept herself
 “ concealed after that I should think some six weeks before she was seen. After
 “ the six weeks I was in the habit of seeing her every day some three or four
 “ times a day up to the twenty first of last month.”
- “ When, were, and under what circumstances were you in the habit of seeing her
 “ so often?”
- “ She would go out to the barn with Dan and play with him. I work up my wood
 “ on the North side of my house fronting to theirs, which gives me a better oppor-
 “ tunity of seeing all that goes on at their house.”
- “ Do you mean to say that she secreted herself again on or about the 21st of March
 “ last? If so, for what reason?”

- “ She did secrete herself again at that time. I do not know for what reason, unless
 “ it was that she dreaded the service of the papers. I saw her an hour before
 “ Mr. *McCracken* was at my house.”
- “ Did you see the funeral of Mrs. *Beresford's* child? If so, state when. State the
 “ names of the persons who were present at it, and any occurrence that you
 “ may have observed at the funeral.”
- “ I saw the funeral of Mrs. *Beresford's* child. I think it was on the 1st of February,
 “ 1853. There were present at it Mr. *A. D. Jennings*, his wife and daughter,
 “ Mr. *Eneas Ganyard* and his wife, Mr. *McCracken*, Mrs. *Doud*, and a young
 “ lady and two gentlemen whom I did not know. I learned afterwards that
 “ one of them was a Clergyman. I saw Mrs. *Beresford*, and *Daniel Gallagher*;
 “ and the boy *Charlie* there. Dan looked very wild when the carriage drove
 “ up with Mr. *McCracken* and Mrs. *Doud*. He looked them full in the face
 “ until they went into the house. I knew it was Mrs. *Doud*—I had seen her
 “ twice before.”
- “ Did any persons go to the funeral in the same vehicle with Mrs. *Beresford*? If
 “ so, who were they?”
- “ There was *Dan*, Mr. *Ganyard*, the Clergyman, and the boy *Charlie*.”
- “ After Mrs. *Beresford* came into your neighbourhood, what was her deportment,
 “ character and conduct until July, 1852?”
- “ The neighbours found no fault with her conduct or character until about January
 “ 1852. They began to find fault then.”
- “ In her communication with you and your family, how did she behave herself until
 “ January, 1852?”
- “ She behaved herself very much like a lady until that time.”
- “ Had you ever any conversation with Mrs. *Beresford*, and when, concerning Cap-
 “ tain *Beresford*, her husband. If so, state the particulars of it.”
- “ I had a conversation with her on the subject of her husband about December,
 “ 1851. She told me that she had a husband, I think in *Toronto* or *Hamilton*
 “ a Captain in the Rifle Regiment. The way I got into this conversation with
 “ her was, that she came to my house with some papers for me to look at. The
 “ papers were in the name of *William Henry Beresford*, I think, and stated
 “ that he was a Captain in Her Majesty's service. Her name was also stated
 “ as *Emma Catherine Beresford*. I told her I was not an Attorney. She then
 “ asked me if I could recommend her to any one. I recommended her to Judge
 “ *Selden*. The papers were from *Toronto*. They had been sent by her hus-
 “ band's Lawyer. I think it was Mr. *Gamble*.
 “ When

" When Mrs. *Beresford* first came to *Irondequoit*, who did she say *Daniel Gallaher* was ? "

" When she first came she did not say who he was. The first time I saw them I called her his wife, and neither of them said anything to the contrary. The next day they came to my house again, and she said he was not her husband, but her brother—that she had a husband in England."

" Has Mrs. *Beresford*, had any servant or inmate in her House except *Gallagher* and the boy *Charlie* since she has resided at *Irondequoit* ? "

" She has not. She has had no servant except *Gallagher* and the boy *Charlie*, and no inmate except her brother *Charles Lawrence*, who was from *New York*, as she said."

(*By a Member*.)—" Did you take communication of the papers that were shown to you by Mrs. *Beresford*, and what were their contents ? "

" I read some of them. They were for her to sign and send back to *Toronto*, I was not well enough acquainted with the contents to know; that was the reason I advised her to go to a Lawyer. She told me afterwards what the contents were. She told me her Lawyer said it was well she had not signed them, as it would have left her penniless. That was the same evening, after she returned from seeing the Lawyer."

(*By Counsel*.)—" Can you state when her brother arrived at *Irondequoit*, and when he left the place ? "

" I cannot state the precise day. I think he arrived some time in January, 1852, and went away in May 1852."

" Did Captain *Beresford* ever, to your knowledge, visit *Irondequoit* ? "

" He never did."

" Did Mrs. *Beresford* ever, to your knowledge, leave her residence at *Irondequoit* ? "

" Not till about the first of July, 1852."

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Then Mr. *William Breck* was again called in, and further examined as follows :—

" Are you in any and what public situation in *Rochester* the duty of which you discharge besides that of the legal profession ? If so, state whether, in either of your capacities, you have known Mr. *Leggett* and Mrs. *Doud*, who have been examined at the Bar of this House, and their character, position and standing at the City of *Rochester* ? "

" I hold the office of Collector of Customs for the District of *Genesee*, and have held it for the last two years. I have known Mr. *Leggett* personally for the last twelve months, and I knew of him previously. He is a highly respectable man

" and

“ and has held some public situations in the Town of *Irondequoit*. I have known
 “ Mrs. *Doud* personally for the last five months. I knew of her four or five
 “ months previously as a Physician. She is a highly respectable woman ; I never
 “ heard anythink against her.”

The Witness was directed to withdraw.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw.

It was then moved that the further consideration, and second reading of the said Bill be put off until Wednesday next.

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

Ordered, accordingly.

It was moved,

That the Petition presented to this House yesterday from the Reverend *John Cook*, D. D. on behalf of the Trustees of the Protestant Burying Ground in Saint John Street in the Suburbs of *Quebec*, praying that in any Bill which may be passed to prohibit interments in the City of *Quebec*, provision may be made to secure compensation to all those whose rights may be injured thereby, be printed for the use of Members.

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

Ordered, accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “ An Act to enable the Corporation of the Mayor and Councillors “ of the City of *Quebec* to borrow an additional sum for the construction of the “ Water Works,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from *Joseph Desfosses* and others, of the Parish of the *Immaculate Conception* of the Holy Virgin of *Three Rivers*, praying that the Bill for confirming certain proceedings of the Roman Catholic inhabitants of that Parish may become Law.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from the Trustees of *Dunham High School* praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Friday, 8th April, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
DEBOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU,

PRAYERS

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Corporation of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*, to borrow an additional sum for the construction of the Water Works." was read a third time. The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act passed in the Session of the Provincial Parliament held in the fourth and fifth years of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, 'An Act to regulate the taking of securities in all offices in respect of which security ought to be given and for avoiding the grant of all such offices in the event of such security not being given within a time limited after the grant of such office, and for other purposes,'" was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order was adjourn during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* 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 on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal so much of the amended Assessment Act of *Upper Canada* as requires the County Councils to meet on the first day of May in each year to equalize the Assessments, and appointing another day instead thereof, for that purpose," was read a second time.

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

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The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act to allow Notaries to call meetings of Relations and Friends in certain cases without being thereto specially authorized by a Judge and for other purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendment be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Mayor and Corporation of the City of *Montreal* to borrow a certain sum of money and to erect therewith Water Works for the use of the said City," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House on Tuesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relative to Emigrants and Quarantine," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* and *Bytown* Railway Company," and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *Robert W. Kittson* and others, of *Sorel* and its neighbourhood in the District of *Montreal*, praying for the repeal of the Ordinance of *Lower Canada* 3rd Vict. Cap. 25. relating to winter carriages.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Monday, 11th April, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to transfer the place of meeting of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of *Drummond* number two to the Village of *St. Christophe d'Arthabaska* in the said Municipality," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Mégantic Junction* Rail-way and "Navigation Company," 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 8 Line 12.—Leave out "six" and insert "eight."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon: the same was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed and the said Bill (as amended) read a third time to-morrow.

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The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Pickering Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts for the incorporation of the City of *Montreal*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House on Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act passed in the Session of the Provincial Parliament held in the fourth and fifth years of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, "An Act to regulate the taking of securities in all offices in respect of which security ought to be given and for avoiding the grant of all such offices in the event of such security not being given within a time limited after the grant of such office, and for other purposes," 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 repeal so much of the amended Assessment Act of *Upper Canada* as requires the County Councils to meet on the first day of May in each year to equalize the assessments, and appointing another day instead thereof for that purpose," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the *Michipicoten* Mining Company," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Monday next.

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act to allow Notaries to call Meetings of Relations and Friends in certain cases without being thereto specially authorized by a Judge and for other purposes."

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :—

Page 1, Line 21.—Leave out from "that" to "the" where it occurs for the first time in line 22 and insert "for and notwithstanding any thing in the said Act."

Page 1, Line 31.—Leave out from "question" to the end of the Bill.

IN THE TITLE OF THE BILL.

Line 1.—Leave out from "explain" to "the."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relative to Emigrants and Quarantine," was read a second time.

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

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

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

Tuesday, 12th April, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
WALKER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DEBEAUJEU,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of *Belleville*, praying for an amendment to the Common School Act so as to withdraw the power now vested in Boards of Trustees to demand from the Council the sum or sums which they may require from time to time, and to place the power of levying and collecting all funds for Common School purposes exclusively in the hands of the said Boards of Trustees.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *A. Ross*, and others, of the Townships of *Frampton* and *Cranbourn*, praying for a grant of money to construct a new road through a portion of the Seignioriy of *Joliette* and to improve an old one through the Township of *Frampton* ;

Also, a Petition from the Mayor and Municipal Councillors of the Municipality of the County of *Dorchester* division number two, praying that provision may be made for the establishment of Turnpike roads in that Municipality ;

Also, a Petition from the School Commissioners of the School Municipality of the Village of the Parish of *St. François du Lac* in the County of *Yamaska*, praying for a grant of money to enable them to build a School House.

And also, a Petition from *Joseph Plante* and others, Pilots for and below the Harbour of *Quebec*, praying that the Bill intituled, "An Act to regulate the " Pilotage for and below the Harbour of *Quebec*," may be passed into a Law.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the London Savings Bank made up to Monday 28th February 1853.

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 Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *St. Francis* for the year 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to construct a Rail-road on the North Shore of the River *St. Lawrence* from the City of *Quebec* to the City of *Montreal* or to some convenient point on any Railway leading from *Montreal* to the Western Cities of this Province," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the Report be now received and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:

Page 2, Line 21.—Leave out "fifty" and insert "twenty five."

Page 4, Line 32.—After "River" insert "Saint."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the Great Western Rail-road Company and to alter the name of the said Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton and Port Dover* Rail-way Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act supplementary to the Act to detach for judicial purposes the Settlements of *Ste. Anne des Monts* and *Cap Chat* from the District of *Gaspé*, and annex the same to the District of *Kamouraska*," reported that they

had

had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be please 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.—Leave out from “therefore” to “enacted.”

Page 1, Line 17.—Leave out from “hereby” to “enacted” in line 18.

Page 1, Line 19.—Leave out “have” and insert “having.”

Page 1, Line 20.—Leave out from “been” to “by.”

Page 1, Line 21.—Leave out from “Session” to “detached.”

Page 1, Line 25.—After “aforesaid” insert “shall be subject, and after “and”
“insert “the same are hereby.”

Page 1, Line 28.—Leave out from “Courts” to the end of the Bill, and insert “in
“the said Act mentioned.”

IN THE PREAMBLE OF THE BILL.

Page 1, Line 1.—Leave out from “whereas” to “by.”

Page 1, Line 5.—After “are” insert “detached and withdrawn from the juris-
“diction of the Courts in and for the County and District of
“Gaspé and made to form, for judicial purposes, part of the
“District of Kamouraska and they were intended to be” and
leave out from “also” to “placed” in line 6.

Page 1, Line 6.—After “placed” insert “but were not thereby placed.”

Page 1, Line 9.—Leave out from “and” to “it” and leave out “remove” and
insert “supply the omissions of the said Act in that behalf.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Thursday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, “An Act to incorporate the
“Mégantic Junction Rail-way and Navigation Company,” 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,

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with an amendment to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, being read for the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Mayor and Corporation of the City of *Montreal* to borrow a certain sum of money and to erect therewith Water Works for the use of the said City," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged.

Ordered, That the said Bill and report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive 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, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relative to Emigrants and Quarantine.

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from A. *Simpson* and others, praying to be incorporated as the *Canada Loan Company*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Port Whitley* and Lake *Huron* Rail-road Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now receive, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 2, Line 10.—Leave out "procure" and insert "be furnished by and at the
" expense of the said Company with."

Page 3, Line 20.—After "and" insert "on the first Monday in June."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

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

Wednesday, 13th April, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
DEBOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *Hiram Cook* and others, praying to be incorporated as the International exploring Mining and Smelting Company.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the Reverend *J. Nellegan* and others, Officers and Members of the *St. Patrick's Catholic Institute Quebec*, praying that the Common School Act of *Upper Canada* may be so amended as that separate and distinct Schools may be secured to the Roman Catholic inhabitants of that section of the Province, for the education of their children.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the employment in the streets and other places of the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal* of persons convicted of certain offences and sentenced to hard labour in punishment thereof."

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. *Belleau* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal so much of a certain Ordinance of the Province of *Quebec* therein mentioned as provides for the annual appointment of Peace Officers in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*."

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. *Walker* from the Joint Committee of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly for the management and direction of the Library of Parliament presented their second report.

Ordered, that it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows:

The Joint Committee of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly, for the management and direction of the Library of Parliament, beg leave to present a second report.

The Committee have taken into their serious consideration the several Petitions referred to them by the Legislative Assembly, from parties desirous of Parliamentary aid and encouragement in the publication or circulation of Literary Works, and herewith submit their recommendations in reference thereto.

Mr. *Ossaye* of *La Tortue* Agent for the *Lower Canada Agricultural Society* petitions for aid to enable him to publish a work, relating to Agriculture, entitled, "*Les Veillées Canadiennes*."

Mr. *Stanislas Drapeau* of *Quebec*, applies for aid to enable him to publish an elementary treatise on Agriculture, entitled, "*The Cultivator*," which he designs for the use of schools in *Lower Canada*.

Mr.

Mr. *William Ruthven*, of *St. Louis de Lotbinière*, requests aid to promote the circulation of a work, already published by him, on Agricultural Chemistry, adapted to the use of schools. The Committee do not feel justified in recommending assistance to be given to any of these undertakings. No proof has been adduced of their special merit or value, so as to enable the Committee to decide whether they are deserving of aid from the public funds; and it is not thought advisable to encourage indiscriminate applications of this nature, or to make appropriations on their behalf unless in the case of works of special excellence or utility. In regard to the Petition of Mr. *Ruthven*, the Committee find, on referring to their report to Parliament in 1849, that the same or a similar production to that for which he now solicits patronage was recommended to be encouraged by the purchase of copies to the value of £12 10s, they therefore cannot at present recommend any further grant for a similar purpose.

On investigating into the particulars of an application from Mr. *W. H. Smith* for indemnification for expenses incurred in the compilation of his work on the Topography of *Western Canada*, the Committee have ascertained that the sum of £50 was voted, in 1850, to the Publisher thereof, with a view to its encouragement. It would appear, however, that this sum was absorbed in the cost of publication, and that hitherto the author has received little or no pecuniary benefit from his literary labours. Regarding the work as one of public interest, and of commendable character, and considering that its circulation in *Europe* might prove beneficial in disseminating accurate and interesting information to intending emigrants, with respect to the condition and resources of *Upper Canada*, the Committee have agreed to recommend the purchase from Mr. *Smith*, of copies of his book, to the amount of £50, in order that they may be circulated as aforesaid, under the direction of the Provincial Government.

The attention of the Committee has also been directed to an Essay lately published on the Registry Laws of *Lower Canada*, by *John Bonner Esq.*, of *Quebec*. This little work they conceive to be highly deserving of encouragement, not only on account of the ability it displays in the discussion of an important question, connected with the Jurisprudence of the Country, but also because, from its limited circulation, it is impossible that the author could derive any adequate return for the labour and research he has expended in his investigations. They therefore recommend the purchase of copies of this Essay to the value of £25.

In their first Report, the Committee laid before Parliament papers connected with the mission of *G. B. Faribault*, Esquire, Clerk Assistant of the Legislative Assembly, under the directions of both Houses of the Legislature, at the last Session, for the purchase of Books in Europe, for the augmentation of the Library. They, at the same time, took the opportunity to record their complete satisfaction at the manner in which Mr. *Faribault* had discharged the trust confided to him. Up to this time, no special allowance has been made to that gentleman in remuneration for his services, his ordinary expenses only, having been defrayed by the Legislature.

The Committee therefore have determined to recommend that he should be presented with a gratuity of £250, in acknowledgment of his zeal, economy and fidelity in the performance of the duty he undertook, and of the number and value of the donations with which, by his successful endeavours, the Library has been enriched. As it appears that a balance somewhat exceeding this amount, still remains unexpended of the Library Grant of last year, the proposed gratuity could be defrayed from this source, in place of being made chargeable upon other funds; the Committee therefore trust that their proposition on behalf of this meritorious officer will meet with the entire concurrence of Parliament.

Many applications have been made to the Committee by persons having Books which they desire to dispose of; but, as a general rule, all such offers have been discouraged, it being considered that, through the regular channels of Trade, Books necessary or suitable for the Library, can be better obtained and at more reasonable rates than by making purchases from private individuals. An exception should be made, however, in reference to copies of the Journals of either branch of the Legislature since the Union of the Provinces, and your Committee have authorized the Librarians to purchase any copies of these Journals they may meet with for sale, on reasonable terms, as well for the ordinary purposes of reference, as in order to make each Branch of the Legislature as far as possible, a place of deposit for the Journals and Records of its own proceedings, whether in print or manuscript.

It having been represented to the Committee that the Library apartment, spacious as it is, will speedily become inadequate for the accommodation of our growing and magnificent collection, unless provision can be made for the placing the series of Parliamentary papers of the Houses of Lords and Commons, elsewhere, they have directed, with the concurrence of the Honorable The Speaker of the Legislative Council, that the Room now used as a News-room by their Honours, together with the small apartment opposite, shall be added to the Library, and be set apart as a receptacle for the Papers above mentioned, a purpose to which, from its size and proximity to the main Library, it is admirably adapted. Thanks are especially due to the Honorable Members of the Legislative Council for the readiness with which they have acceded to this arrangement for the better accommodation of the Joint Library.

In conclusion, the Committee would advert to an alteration in the mode of access to the Library, by strangers during the sittings of Parliament, which at their suggestion, has been enforced by the two Speakers. Hitherto strangers have been admitted upon the introduction of a Member of either House, but it has been found that the presence of an indiscriminate number of persons, during Session, occasions great inconvenience to Members, and impairs the usefulness of the Library to those for whose benefit it is primarily and especially intended; they therefore recommend the adoption of a new Rule, permitting access, during a Session of Parliament, to such persons only as may receive an Order of admission from the Speaker of either House.

Library of Parliament, 12th April, 1853.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the said Report be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act to allow Notaries to call Meetings of Relations and Friends in certain cases without being thereto specially authorized by a Judge and for other purposes," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to construct a Rail-road on the North Shore of the River *St. Lawrence*, from the City of *Quebec* to the City of *Montreal* or to some convenient point on any Rail-way leading from *Montreal* to the Western Cities of this Province," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the *Great Western* Rail-road Company and to alter the name of the said Company," 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 incorporate the *Hamilton and Port Dover* Rail-way Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Mayor and Corporation of the City of *Montreal* to borrow a certain sum of money and to erect therewith Water Works for the use of the said City," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby and Lake Huron* Rail-road Company," 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

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act of the Legislature of *Upper Canada* passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth and intituled, 'An Act to amend the Law respecting real property and to render the proceedings for recovering possession thereof in certain cases less difficult and expensive."

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

Ordered, that the said Committee have leave to sit again on the second day of May next.

The Order of the Day, being read for the further consideration and second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*," and for hearing Counsel for and against the same;

Counsel were accordingly called in;

And *George O. Stuart*, Esq., appearing as Counsel for the Petitioner;

And no Counsel appearing for *Mrs. Beresford*;

Mr. *Stuart* delivered in two documents, and stated that that he did not think it necessary to trouble the house with any further evidence.

The documents delivered in were read as follow :—

PROVINCE OF CANADA,) EXTRACT FROM THE REGISTER OF THE ACTS
District of Quebec.) OF BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES, AND BURIALS, of
St. George's Church in the City of *Montreal*,
 said *District*, for the year one thousand eight
 hundred and fifty.

William Henry Beresford, of *Montreal* bachelor, and *Emma Catherine Lawrence* of the same place, spinster, were married by license on the tenth day of July, eighteen hundred and fifty, by me

(Signed,) Wm. BOND.

This marriage was duly solemnized between us

(Signed,) *W. H. Beresford*, Capt. Rifle Brigade.

(Signed,) *Emma Catherine Lawrence*.

Witnesses,

(Signed,)

George Platt,

(Signed,)

Thos. Critchley.

We, the Prothonotary of the Superior Court for *Lower Canada*, in the District of *Montreal*, do hereby certify, that the foregoing is a true Extract from the Register of the Acts of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials of the said *St. George's Church*, for the said year, in the said District.—The said Register deposited in our office.

GIVEN AT *Montreal*, this eighth day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty three.

MONK, COFFIN & PAPINEAU,
P. S. C.

On this day, the tenth of July, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty, before us, the undersigned Public Notaries duly admitted sworn and acting in and for that part of the Province of *Canada*, heretofore constituting the Province of *Lower Canada*, residing in the City of *Montreal* in the said Province;

Personally came and appeared *William Henry Beresford*, Bachelor, at present in the said City of *Montreal*, a Captain in Her Majesty's Rifle Brigade now stationed in *Kingston* in the heretofore Province of *Upper Canada* of the first part, and *Emma Catherine Lawrence* Spinster, late of *Halifax, Nova Scotia*, at present in the said City of *Montreal*, *filie majeure et usante de ses droits* of the second part; Which said *William Henry Beresford* and *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, with the view and in the intention of uniting themselves in the Holy Bonds of matrimony, have formed and entered into the following contract and agreement, that is to say: they the said *William Henry Beresford* and *Emma Catherine Lawrence* agree to, have the said intended marriage solemnized with all possible despatch according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is expressly covenanted and agreed by and between the said *William Henry Beresford* and *Emma Catherine Lawrence* that there shall not be any community of property, *communauté des biens*, between them, neither with respect to any real or personal moveable or immoveable property which may now, and prior to said intended marriage, belong to them or either of them, nor with respect to any real or personal moveable or immoveable property which they or either of them may acquire by donation, succession, legacy, gift, purchase, exchange or in any other manner or way whatsoever at any period after said intended marriage, any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding. And the said contracting parties hereby expressly exclude, derogate from, and renounce to, any such law usage or custom and more particularly to the custom of *Paris, coutume de Paris*, now in force in that part of the said Province heretofore *Lower Canada*, and commonly called *Canada East*. And it is further agreed by and between the said parties hereto that they the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence* and *William Henry Beresford* shall each remain and be the exclusive owner of any property real or personal, moveable or immoveable which he or she now has or hereafter may acquire and have:—

And

And it is hereby specially declared that the separate and exclusive property of the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence* consists of her wearing apparel, jewels, trinkets and paraphernalia and rights of any kind which she now has, and such as she may or will hereafter have by donation inheritance succession will or otherwise howsoever.

And it is hereby mutually declared and agreed by and between the said parties hereto that he the said *William Henry Beresford* shall bear and pay all house and family expenses, and provide all necessary apparel and commodities for the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence* his said intended wife, and also for the child or children of them the said contracting parties, and shall cause them the said children to be educated without the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence* being either personally, or in her property present or to come, in any wise, held bound or liable therefor or any part thereof:—And all property and rights which may, at the present moment, or which may at any time hereafter, belong or come to the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, together with all rents issues or profits thereof shall, by the said *William Henry Beresford*, be faithfully kept, managed and husbanded, and be paid, given and made over to her the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence* at and after the termination of the said marriage, as her own sole right; And all debts and liabilities of each and either of the said contracting parties, contracted before the said marriage shall not be levied or chargeable upon the property moveable or immoveable of the other of them.

And in consideration of the premises the said *William Henry Beresford* did and doth hereby give, grant, transfer and make over to the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, *avec promesse de garantir, fournir et faire valoir*, the sum of one thousand pounds current money of *Canada*, being part of that certain obligation and Hypotheque from *George Alford* of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire, to and in favour of the said *William Henry Beresford*, bearing date the sixth day of April last past, and executed at *Quebec* aforesaid, before *J. Childs* and his colleague Notaries, together with all the proportion of rights of hypotheque to said one thousand pounds belonging and derivable under the said deed of hypotheque as of right, with the same right to her the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, to hold and detain the said property so hypothecated until full payment of said one thousand pounds, as he the said *William Henry Beresford* has under the said Hypothecation hereby substituting and subrogating her the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence* therein and thereto, and divesting himself, the said *William Henry Beresford*, thereof, in favour of his said intended wife; for the carrying out and fulfilment of the objects and intent of these presents, hereby granting to his said intended wife, full power and authority to carry out and complete the same, and constituting her the Attorney in the premises; the said sum to be by her the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, jointly with her said intended husband or his heirs or assigns, received and gotten in when due under the aforesaid hypotheque, and to be invested as hereinafter provided, and after the

death of the said *William Henry Beresford*, by her to be held used and enjoyed during her natural life, together with all the rents issues, interests, and profits, then and thereafter arising thereout, *en usufruit*, and the same to be by her collected, received, gotten in, and disposed of, as of her own exclusive right; and at the death of her the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, the said sum of one thousand pounds shall go and belong to the child or children of them the said contracting parties, to their the said child or children's heir or heirs or assign or assigns, and in the event of there being no child or children at the time of the death of the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, of them the said contracting parties, the said sum of one thousand pounds shall become and be the property of the lawful heirs of the said *William Henry Beresford*. And it is hereby provided as hereinbefore alluded to, that when and so soon as the whole amount of the said hypotheque shall become due and be paid to the said *William Henry Beresford* or his heirs or assigns, the said sum of one thousand pounds shall be by him the said *William Henry Beresford* if living, or if dead by his heirs or assigns, without delay, well and securely invested in some remunerating valuable and paying real securities or investment, jointly with her the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, but in her own name only, and in the said heretofore Province of *Lower Canada*, so that she may, as far as practicable, be held freed from annoyance loss or expense in and about the premises and in said investment, and thereafter to remain in the name of the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence*, but to the use of the said *William Henry Beresford*, until the commencement or operation of the rights of the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence* to the same, *en usufruit* as aforesaid, on pain, &c., &c.

And in consideration of the foregoing premises it is hereby expressly declared that the said intended marriage shall not give rise to any dower either legal or conventional *soit coutumier ou prefix* neither in favour of her the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence* nor in favour of the child or children of them the said contracting parties all which is hereby specially renounced and abandoned.

And for the signification and enregistrement of these presents the said parties hereto do hereby constitute the bearer hereof or of an authentic copy hereof their Attorney to whom they give all necessary power and authority to that effect For thus &c.

And for the execution of these presents and of every the premises the said parties hereto have made and do make election of domicile in the office of the undersigned *George Platt* in *Montreal* aforesaid, Where &c.

Done and passed at the said City of *Montreal* in the office of the undersigned *George Platt*, on the day, month and year, first aforesaid, and signed by the said contracting parties with and in presence of us said Notaries, also hereunto subscribing these presents having been first duly read to them by the said *George Platt* in

whose *Notariat* the same remains of record *pour perpétuelle demeure* numbered, three hundred and two.

(Signed,) WILLIAM HENRY BERESFORD,
Capt. Rifle Brigade.

(Signed,) EMMA CATHERINE LAWRENCE.

(Signed,) GEORGE PLATT, N. P.

(Signed,) H. J. Meyer, N. P.

Two words obliterated are void.—Four marginal notes are valid.

A true Copy of the original hereof remaining of record in my Office.

GEORGE PLATT, N. P.

N^o. 11,359.

I hereby certify that this document was entered and registered at the Registry Office for the County of *Quebec*, at noon, on the ninth of August eighteen hundred and fifty, as number eleven thousand three hundred and fifty nine, in Register B. Vol. 29, page 299.

C. N. MONTIZAMBERT,
Registrar.

Mr. *Stuart* was then heard to close the case.

The Counsel was directed to withdraw.

Ordered, that the further consideration, and second reading of the said Bill be put off until Friday next.

Ordered, that the said Bill, together with the evidence produced before this House, be printed in both languages for the use of the Members.

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts for the incorporation of the City of *Montreal*."

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed and read a third time on Friday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the contingent accounts of this House for the present session presented their second report.

Ordered, that it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Committee Room, 13th April, 1853.

The Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session beg leave to make a second Report.

The reference to your Committee on the ninth of November last of the Petition of *Joseph Eugène Doucet* one of the Writing Clerks of this House for an increase of Salary has led to the investigation by your Committee of the subject of the Salaries of the Officers Clerks and Servants of the House generally; and your Committee taking into consideration the decrease in the number of the Officers of the House and the increase in the amount of the work to be performed by them since the present scale of Salaries was adopted, with other circumstances have unanimously agreed to recommend that the following sums should be added to the annual Salaries of the following Officers and Clerks, namely, to the Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Law Clerk and Chief Office Clerk, fifty pounds each, to the Chaplain and Librarian one hundred pounds and to the Writing Clerks twenty five pounds each to be paid to each of them by the Clerk in monthly payments out the Contingent Fund of the House. Such increase to take effect from the first day of January last: and that to each of the four Messengers there should be paid also by the Clerk, out of the same fund, a sum of five pounds for each Session beginning with the present in addition to the stated allowances they have hitherto enjoyed.

Your Committee cannot recommend that any addition be made to the salaries of the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, the Sergeant at Arms, the Chief Messenger and the Door keeper being of opinion that the present Salaries of one hundred and fifty pounds to each of the three former and sixty pounds to the latter, sufficiently remunerate their respective services.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WALKER,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the said report be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Terrill* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly* "Rail-road Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Clapham* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Megantic Junction* "Rail-way and Navigation 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.

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

Thursday, 14th April, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the Reverend A. F. *Hébert* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Kamouraska*, praying for aid to re-build the School House occupied by "*Les Frères de la Doctrine Chrétienne*" and which was recently destroyed by fire.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *Robert Gibbons* and others, Inhabitants of that part of *Upper Canada* known as the *Huron Tract*, praying that an enquiry may be made by Government to ascertain whether the *Canada Company* has fulfilled the various duties stipulated in its charter, and especially that measures may be adopted to avert the calamities which will necessarily result from the Leasing System now adopted by the said Company.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Rail-way " 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 received them.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 2, Line 16.—Leave out from "to" to "with" in line 17 and insert "be furnished by and at the expense of the said Company with Books."

Page 3, Line 25.—Leave out "nine" and insert "twelve."

Page 3, Line 27.—Leave out "nine" and insert "twelve."

Page 3, Line 28.—Leave out from "Rail-way" to "Act" and insert "Clauses consolidation."

Page 3, Line 37.—Leave out from "the" to "private."

Page 3, Line 39.—Leave out "nine" and insert "twelve."

Page 3, Line 48.—After "the" insert "said private."

Page 3, Line 50.—Leave out "nine" and insert "twelve."

Page 4, Line 7.—Leave out "two" and insert "one."

Page 3, Line 8.—Leave out "fifty" and insert "twenty five."

Page 5, Line 30.—Leave out from "aforesaid" to "and" in line 49.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to remove certain doubts existing as to the true meaning and effect of the Sixth Section of the Act, passed during the present Session intituled, 'An Act to amend the Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's reign intituled, 'An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of the *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Report be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from the *Ontario, Simcoe and Huron* Rail-road Company, praying that they may be saved from the consequences

of having failed to lodge in one of the Public Offices plans of their work within the time specified by Law, and also that their Charter may be amended.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act supplementary to the Act to detach for judicial purposes, the settlements of *Sainte Anne des Monts* and *Cap Chat* from the District of *Gaspé*, and annex the same to the District of *Kamouraska*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to construct a Rail-road on the North Shore of the River *Saint Lawrence* from the City of *Quebec* to the City of *Montreal* or to some convenient point on any Rail-way leading from *Montreal* to the Western Cities of this Province," as amended, it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Mayor and Corporation of the City of *Montreal* to borrow a certain sum of money and to erect therewith Water Works for the use of the said City," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for taking into consideration the amendments reported from the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Monday next.

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of the second Report of the Joint Committee on the Library, and

The same being again read by the Clerk, it was

Ordered, that the said Report be adopted.

The Order of the Day, being read for taking into consideration, the second Report of the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House for the present Session, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Reverend *John Fletcher* and others, Members of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland* in the Townships *Mono*, *Mulmer*, *Adjala* and *Tosorontio*, praying that the proposed Bill to amend the Marriage Law of *Upper Canada* may not be passed into a Law.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Friday, 15th April, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
BOURRET,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* presented a Petition from *William McMicking* and others, of the Township of *Stamford* in the County of *Welland*, praying that an Agent may be sent to *Great Britain* to promote Emigration from thence to this Province.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Messieurs *Taché*, *J. Morris* and *Walker* enter.

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts for the incorporation of the City of *Montreal*."

It was moved,

That the said Bill be now read a third time

In amendment.

It was moved to leave out "now" and after "time" insert "on Thursday next."
Wich being objected to,

After debate,

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

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, it was also
Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the
"employment in the Streets and other public places of the Cities of *Quebec* and
" *Montreal* of persons convicted of certain offences and sentenced to hard labour
in punishment thereof," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bourret*, *Moore* and
Belleau to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day, being read for the further consideration and second reading
of the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Monday next, and that the same do
stand as the first item upon the Orders of that Day.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act
"to amend the Act incorporating the *Ontario*, *Simcoe* and *Huron* Rail-road Union
"Company."

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. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred
the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Welland* Canal Gas Light and Water
"Company," reported that they have given their attentive consideration to the said
Bill in which they have not found any objectionable provisions; but that being of
opinion that it would be advisable to provide by a general law for the formation of
incorporated Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns in *Upper Canada* with
Gas and Water, they recommend that the said Bill be not further proceeded with.

Ordered, that the said Report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* then presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An
"Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns in
" *Upper Canada* with Gas and Water."

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. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *J. Redpath* and others, heretofore acting as Trustees of the *Montreal* Provident and Savings Bank, praying that the Bill now before the House of Assembly, having for its object to make them accountable to newly constituted authorities for Acts performed by them in behalf of the said Institution, may not be passed into a Law.

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly* Rail-road Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie, Moore, Walker, Bourret* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The House according to Order, proceeded to the consideration of the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill intituled, "An Act to remove certain doubts existing as to the true meaning and effect of the sixth section of the Act passed during the present Session intituled, 'An Act to amend the Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, 'An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of the *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company.'" Which said Report being again read by the Clerk.

It was moved.

That the said Report be now adopted.

Which being also objected to,

It was moved in amendment.

That the said Report be not now adopted, but that the said Bill be read a third time this day six months.

Which being also objected to

After a long debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was Resolved in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

It was then moved 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act relating to the Fisheries on the *Labrador* and North Shore of the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the Honorable *Philippe Panet* and others, Roman Catholic Citizens of *Quebec*, praying that an Act may be passed defining clearly and explicitly the rights and privileges of separate Schools in *Upper Canada*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House the Public Accounts for the year 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, of *Kingston*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to explain an Act intituled, 'An Act to provide a remedy against absent Defendants,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Sir *Allan Napier MacNab* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the City of *Hamilton* to negotiate a loan of fifty thousand pounds to consolidate the City Debt and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Sir *Allan Napier MacNab* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to indemnify the Brock Monument Building Committee, and for other purposes therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Sir *Allan Napier MacNab* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to remove doubts touching the Act incorporating the *Burlington Bay Dock and Ship Building Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie* (of *Gaspé*) and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to constitute a Provisional Municipal Council in the County of *Essex* for certain purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *St. Roch's* Reading Room," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Poulin* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act to allow "Notaries to call Meetings of Relations and Friends in certain cases without being thereto specially authorized by a Judge and for other purposes," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Wright*, (of *East York*) and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby* and *Lake Huron* Rail-road 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 the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the "Laws relating to the University of *Toronto* by separating its functions as a University from those assigned to it as a College, and by making better provision for the management of the property thereof and that of *Upper Canada* College," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Dumoulin* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the Parish of " *St. François du Lac* better to regulate the Common of *St. François*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the British

“ North American Electric Telegraph Association,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Monday, 18th April, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
DEBOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
MILLS,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* presented a Petition from *Philip Low* and others, of the Town of *Picton* in the County of *Prince Edward*, praying for an Act of incorporation to enable them to construct a Rail-road from some point on the Grand Trunk Rail-way through the said County to *Long Point* on *Lake Ontario*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from *McKean McLarty* and others, Merchants and Ship-owners interested in the Trade between the *British North American Colonies* and the United Kingdom, praying to be incorporated as the *Canadian Steam-Navigation Company*.

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Brockville and Ottawa Rail-way Company*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act relating to the *Fisheries on the Labrador and North Shore of the Gulf St. Lawrence*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* enters.

The Order of the Day, being read for the further consideration and second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*."

It was moved.

That the sixty fourth Standing Order of this House requiring the attendance of the Petitioner upon the second reading of this Bill be dispensed with.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

It was then moved.

That the said Bill be now read for the second time.

Which being debated.

It was moved.

That the debate upon the motion for a second reading of the said Bill be adjourned until to-morrow and that it do stand as the first item upon the Orders of that Day.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

Ordered, that the remaining Orders of the Day, be postponed until to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie* (of *Gaspé*) and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act supplementary to the Act to detach for judicial purposes the settlements of *Sainte Anne des Monts* and *Cap Chat* from the District of *Gaspé*, and to annex the same to the District of *Kamou-raska*," 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 the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* and others, as follows :

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Monday, 18th April, 1853.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council to request their Honors will permit the Honorable *George S. Boulton*, one of their Members to attend the Select Committee to which is referred the Petition of *William Lyon MacKenzie*, Esquire, acting Executor to the Estate of the late *Robert Randall*, Esquire, of *Chippawa*, on Wednesday next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference.

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

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk Assembly.

And then they withdrew.

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

It was then moved, that the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* do have leave to go to the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, as desired by that House in their Message of this day, if he thinks fit.

And the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, being present in his place, acquainted the House "that he was willing with the leave of the House, to go to the said Committee."

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council do give leave to the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* to attend the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, to which is referred the Petition of *William Lyon MacKenzie*, Esquire, acting Executor to the Estate of the late *Robert Randall*, Esquire, of *Chippawa* on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said reference, if he thinks fit.

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

Tuesday, 19th April, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *William Dickson* and others, of the County of *Waterloo*, praying to be incorporated as the *Waterloo and Saugeen* Rail-road Company.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Hamilton* College."

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. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Antoine Fournier* and others, of *St. Jean Port Joli* in the County of *L'Islet*, praying that a Harbour in that County known as *Havre des Trois Saumons* may be improved at the expense of the Province.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the employment in the Streets and other public places of the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal* of persons convicted of certain offences and sentenced to hard labour in punishment thereof," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to transfer the possession and control of the *Cul-de-Sac* Harbour from the Trinity House of *Quebec* to the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with an amendment which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendment be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned debate of yesterday on the motion for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*."

Which motion being objected to.

After a further debate.

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

Whereupon the said Bill was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee 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 directed him to report the same with certain 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, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* enters.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading, of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the *Michipicoten* Mining Company," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until this day fortnight.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal so much of a certain Ordinance of the Province of *Quebec* therein mentioned as provides

" for

" for the annual appointment of Peace Officers in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Mont-real*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Bourret*, *Panet* and *Belleau* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, " An Act to incorporate the "*Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company."

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow.

Page 1, Line 44.—After " that " insert " the said " and leave out from " Dunbar " to " Samuel."

Page 1, Line 45.—Leave out from " White " to " together " in line 47.

Page 2, Line 21.—Leave out from " Company " to " Provided " in line 24.

Page 2, Line 27.—After " Banking " insert " or to purchase more real estate than " is absolutely necessary for the purposes for which they are " hereby incorporated."

Page 2, Line 39.—After " tons " insert " each."

Page 2, Line 40.—After " over " insert " each."

Page 3, Line 1.—After " fresh " insert " per cwt."

Page 3, Line 9.—After " Cattle " insert " each."

Page 3, Line 10.—After " Calves " insert " each."

Page 3, Line 13.—After " underground " insert " per ton."

Page 3, Line 16.—After " Turpentine " insert " per barrel."

Page 3, Line 34.—After " 12 " insert " per do."

Page 3, Line 44.—After " Barrels " insert " each."

Page 4, Line 23.—Leave out from " shall " to " until " in line 24.

Page 4, Line 26.—Leave out from " the " to " and " in line 28 and insert " present " Directors of the said Company."

Page 4, Line 30.—Leave out from " January " to " by " and insert " one thousand " eight hundred and fifty four."

Page 6, Line 48.—Leave out from " officer " to " and " in page 7 line 1.

Page 7, Line 32.—Leave out from " law " to " and " in page 8 line 14.

IN THE PREAMBLE OF THE BILL.

Page 1, Line 1.—After “Whereas” insert “*David Clark, William Dunbar, Trueman P. White and Samuel Reesor*, have by their Petition to the Legislature represented that.”

Page 1, Line 16.—Leave out “Whereas” and insert “that.”

Page 1, Line 31.—Leave out “Whereas” and insert “that.”

The first seventeen amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

The eighteenth amendment being read a second time.

It was moved to adopt the same.

In amendment.

It was moved,

That the eighteenth amendment reported by the Select Committee be not now adopted but that the Bill and report be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

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

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* reported from the said Committee that they had taken the said Bill and report into consideration, and had directed him to report another amendment in stead of the eighteenth amendment as proposed by the Select Committee which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The substituted amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows.

Page 8, Line 13.—After “Company” insert “Provided always that the whole amount so borrowed or added to the Stock of the said Company shall not exceed four thousand pounds.”

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

The nineteenth, twentieth and twenty-first amendments proposed by the Select Committee were then read a second time, and the question of concurrence being put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, being read for a consideration of the second report of the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House for the present Session, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until Friday next.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain an Act intituled, 'An Act to provide a remedy against absent Defendants,'" was read a second time.

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 incorporate the *St. Roch's* Reading Room," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *De Beaujeu, Panet* and *Belleau* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the inhabitants of the parish of *St. François du Lac*, better to regulate the Common of *St. François*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Bourret* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the British North American Electric Telegraph Association," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Taché, Bourret* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Ontario, Simcoe* and *Huron* Rail-road Union Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Matheson* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the City of *Hamilton* to negotiate a loan of fifty thousand pounds to consolidate the City debt and for other purposes," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the said Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie, Goodhue* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to remove doubts touching the Act incorporating the *Burlington* Bay Dock and Ship Building Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to the last mentioned Select Committee to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to constitute a Provisional Municipal Council in the County of *Essex*, for certain purposes," was read a second time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Canada Military Asylum*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cartier* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Grey Nuns of Montreal* to dispose of certain property at *Point St. Charles* near the City of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Wednesday, 20th April, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable *RENÉ E. CARON*, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
BOURRET,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the City of *Hamilton* to negotiate a loan of fifty thousand pounds to consolidate the City debt and for other purposes," reported that

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 now read for the third time.

The same was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to remove doubts touching the Act incorporating the *Bur-lington Bay Dock and Ship Building Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The same was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Rail-road Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the inhabitants of the Parish of *St. François du Lac* better to regulate the Common of *St. François*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Saint Roch's* Reading Room," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The same was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the British North "American Electric Telegraph Association," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The same was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal so much of a certain Ordinance of the Province of " *Quebec* therein mentioned as provides for the annual appointment of Peace Officers " in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to received them.

Ordered, that the report be now receive, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed and read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An " Act to authorize the formation of a Company to construct a Rail-road on the North " Shore of the River *Saint Lawrence* from the City of *Quebec* to the City of " *Montreal* or to some convenient point on any Rail-way leading from *Montreal* " to the Western Cities of this Province," as amended, it was.

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*."

It was moved that the said Bill be now read for the third time.

Which being objected to,

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

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill to which the desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *De Boucherville* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the "*Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain an Act " intituled, "An Act to provide a remedy against absent Defendants," 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 constitute a " Provisional Municipal Council in the County of *Essex* for certain purposes," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the " formation of Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns in *Upper Canada* with " Gas and Water," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie*, *Moore*, *J. Morris*, *Boulton* and *Taché*; to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to indemnify the Brock Monument Building Committee and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* 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 amendmnet.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Laws relating to the University of *Toronto* by separating its functions as a University from those assigned to it as a College and by making better provision for the management of the property thereof and that of *Upper Canada* College," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

The House according to Order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the employment in the Streets and other public places of the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal* of persons convicted of certain offences and sentenced to hard labour in punishment thereof."

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The House according to Order, proceeded to the consideration of the amendment reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to transfer the possession and controul of *Cul-de-Sac* Harbour from the Trinity House of *Quebec* to the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*."

Which said amendment was then read by the Clerk.

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

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendment be printed and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Canada Military Asylum*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* 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 the third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Grey Nuns of Montreal* to dispose of a certain property at *Point St. Charles* near the City of *Montreal*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs, *Moore*, *Bourret* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Mount Royal Cemetery Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Crawford* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Brockville* and *Ottawa Railway Company*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Street* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Thursday, 21st April, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
BOURRET,
DE BHAUJEU,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from *John Clark* and others, of the neighbourhood and District of *Montreal*, praying that the care and management of the Turnpike Roads in the neighbourhood of *Montreal* may be withdrawn from the Trustees and imposed upon the Municipal Councils.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Grey Nuns of *Montreal* to dispose of certain property at *Point St. Charles* near 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.

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

The same was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Messieurs *Taché*, and *Walker* enter.

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts for the incorporation of the City of *Montreal*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged, and

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

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* 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 please to receive it

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk.

The said amendment being read a second time and the question of concurrence put thereon the same was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendment be printed and read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to construct a Rail-road on the North Shore of the River *Saint Lawrence* from the City of *Quebec*, to the City of *Montreal* or to some convenient point on any Rail-way leading from *Montreal* to the Western Cities of this Province," as amended, it was.

Ordered, that the same be discharged, and

Ordered, that the said Bill and amendments be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the said Bill and amendments.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* reported from the said Committee that they had taken the said Bill and amendments into consideration and had directed him to report the same with a further 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 further amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 11, Line 10.—Leave out from "funds" to "and" in line 45 and insert Clauses A and B.

CLAUSE A.

" And be it enacted, that it shall be lawful for the Governor
 " in Council, at any time after the expiration of twenty one
 " years from and after the first day of January next, after the
 " day on which the certificate mentioned in the second sec-
 " tion of this Act shall be delivered by the Secretary of this
 " Province to the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*,
 " to purchase the said Rail-way, with all its hereditaments
 " stock and appurtenances, in the name and on behalf of Her
 " Majesty, upon giving to the said Company three months
 " notice in writing of his intention, and upon payment of a

" sum

" sum equal to twenty years purchase of the annual profits
 " divisible upon the subscribed and paid up Capital Stock of
 " the said Rail-way, estimated on the average of the seven
 " then next preceding years ; Provided that the average rate
 " of profits for the said seven years shall not be less than the
 " rate of ten pounds in the hundred ; and it shall be lawful
 " for the Company, if they shall be of opinion that the said
 " rate of twenty years purchase of the said average profits is
 " an inadequate rate of purchase of the said Rail-way, refe-
 " rence being had to the prospective profits thereof, to require
 " that it shall be left to arbitration, in case of difference, to de-
 " termine what (if any) additional amount of purchase money
 " shall be paid to the said Company ; Provided also, that such
 " option of purchase shall not be exercised, except with the con-
 " sent of the Company, while any order in Council reducing
 " the tolls fixed and regulated by any By-law of the said Com-
 " pany shall be in force.

CLAUSE B.

" And be it enacted, that from and after the commencement of
 " the period of seven years next preceding the period at which
 " the said option of purchase will become available, full and
 " true accounts shall be kept by the Directors of the said
 " Company of all sums of money received and paid on account
 " of the said Rail-way ; and the said Company shall once in
 " every half year during the said period of seven years cause a
 " half yearly account in abstract to be prepared, shewing the
 " total receipt and expenditure on account of the said Rail-way
 " for the half year ending on the thirtieth day of June and on
 " the thirty first day of December respectively, under distinct
 " heads of receipt and expenditure, with a statement of the
 " balance of such account duly audited and certified, under
 " the hands of two or more of the Directors of the said Com-
 " pany, and shall send a copy of such account to the Inspector
 " General on or before the last days of August and February
 " respectively ; and it shall be lawful for the Governor in
 " Council, if and when he shall think fit, to appoint any proper
 " person or persons to inspect the accounts and books of the
 " said Company during the said period of seven years ; and it
 " shall be lawful for any person so authorized, at all reasonable
 " times, upon producing his authority, to examine the books,
 " accounts, vouchers and other documents of the Company, at
 " the principal office or place of business of the Company, and
 " to take copies or extracts therefrom.

The said further amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon the same was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said further amendment be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to indemnify the Brock Monument Building Committee, and for other purposes therein mentioned," 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 Laws relating to the University of *Toronto* by separating its functions as a University from those assigned to it as a College, and by making better provision for the management of the property thereof and that of *Upper Canada College*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal so much of a certain Ordinance of the Province of *Quebec* therein mentioned as provides for the annual appointment of Peace Officers in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*," 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 transfer the possession and control of the *Cul-de-Sac* Harbour from the Trinity House of *Quebec* to the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Canada Military Asylum*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly* Rail-road Company."

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow.

Page 2, Line 48.—After "*Fréchette*" insert "*L. S. Huntingdon, Francis Judd.*"

Page 4, Line 14.—Leave out "procure" and insert "be furnished by and at the expense of the said Company with."

Page 5, Line 6.—After "Rail-way" insert "without registration."

Page 5, Line 8.—Leave out "and."

Page 5, Line 11 —After "Rail-way" insert "and provided also that the whole amount raised by such Bonds shall not exceed five hundred thousand pounds."

Page 6, Line 24.—Leave out from "that" to "and" in line 36 and insert "the said Company may, if they think proper to purchase the Bridge built by *John Yule* the younger over the River *Richelieu* in the vicinity of the Village of *Chambly*, and if they can agree with him as to the indemnity to be paid therefor (but not without his consent) acquire from him the said Bridge and all the rights and privileges whatsoever thereunto relating or therewith connected, and to him belonging; and the same, if so acquired, shall thereafter be vested in the said Company, and may be held and exercised by them as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as they now are or can be by the said *John Yule* the younger.

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Mount Royal* Cemetery Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs, *Moore, Bourret* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the *Niagara Falls* Suspension Bridge Company," was read a second time.

Ordered,

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Boulton* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act further to amend the Laws relating to duties of customs," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Ridout* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to extend the powers of the Consumers Gas Company of *Toronto*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Seymour* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to attach a certain portion of the Township of *Kingston* in the County of *Frontenac* to the Township of *Pittsburgh* for Municipal and other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

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 a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the employment in the streets and other public places in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal* of persons convicted of certain offences and sentenced to hard labour in punishment thereof," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

Ordered, that the Petition presented to the House on the twenty third day of September last, from *J. Douglas* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying that an Act may be passed prohibiting Burials within the limits of Cities or Towns in this Province, be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to prohibit interments in certain Burial Grounds in the City of *Quebec*," and

Ordered, that the said Committee have power to send for Persons, papers and records.

It was moved,

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

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative.

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

Friday,

Friday, 22nd April, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.

MATHESON,
TACHÉ,
BOUBRET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Honorable *Peter McGill* and others, Merchants and Bankers of *Montreal*.

Also, a Petition from *James Campbell* and others, of *Goderich*.

Also, a Petition from *Adam Goldie* and others, of *Caledonia*.

Also, a Petition from *Robert Lindsay* and others.

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *William Ormiston* and others, of *Clarke*.

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *J. Porteous* and others, of *Beverley and Flamborough*.

Also, a Petition from *Alexander Adams* and others, of *Caledon and Erin*.

Also, a Petition from *Daniel Allan* and others, of *North East Hope*;

Also, a Petition from *William Norman* and others, of *Ancaster*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department and on the Provincial Canals may be suspended on the Lord's Day;

Also, a Petition from *Marie Adelaide Robitaille* of the Parish of *Malbaie* in the County of *Saguenay*, Widow of the late *Antoine Baucher Belleville* of the same Parish, complaining of the conduct of the late curé in refusing the rites of religious and Christian Burial to her said husband and praying for relief;

Also, a Petition from *Francis Earle* and others, of the County of *Two Mountains* praying that a new election may be made of Commissioners to regulate the improvements of the River *du Chêne* in the said County;

Also,

Also, a Petition from *Michael Gander* and others, of *Willoughby*, praying that no change may be made in the Charter of the University of *Toronto* ;

And also, a Petition from *William S. Scott* and others, of the Village of *Hornby*, praying that the Professorships in the faculties of Law and Medecine in the University of *Toronto* may not be abolished.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the *Niagara Falls Suspension 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.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Mount Royal 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.

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

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that he had received a communication announcing the intention of His Excellency the Governor General to come down to the House this day at four o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of assenting in Her Majesty's name, to certain Bills passed by the two Houses of the Legislature.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the employment in the Streets and other public places in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal* of persons convicted of certain offences and sentenced to hard labour in punishment thereof," 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 provisions of the several Acts for the incorporation of the City of *Montreal*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to construct a Rail-road on the North Shore of the River *St. Lawrence* from the City of *Quebec* to the City of *Montreal* or to some convenient point on any Rail-way leading from *Montreal* to the Western Cities of this Province," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly* Rail-road Company," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Hamilton* College," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the same on Monday next.

The Order of the Day, being read for considering the second report of the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House for the present Session, it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Tuesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act further to amend the Laws relating to Duties of Customs," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* 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 forty sixth 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to extend the powers of the Consumers' Gas Company of *Toronto*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Goodhue*, *Walker* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to attach a certain portion of the Township of *Kingston* in the County of *Frontenac* to the Township of *Pittsburg* for Municipal and other purposes," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the same on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cauchon* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to construct a Rail-road on the North Shore of the River *St. Lawrence*, from the City of *Quebec* to the City of *Montreal* or to some convenient point on any Rail-way leading from *Montreal* to the Western Cities of this Province," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Terrill* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Stanstead*, *Shefford* and *Chambly* Rail-road 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 Mr. *Gamble* and others, as follows:

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Friday, 22nd April, 1853.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council to request that their Honors will be pleased to communicate to this House a Copy of the

the Minutes of Evidence taken before their Honors in the case of the Bill intituled,
 "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*."

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

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,
 Clerk Assembly.

And then they withdrew.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed

His Excellency the Right Honorable JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick* and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c., being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Speaker commanded the Gentlemen Usher of the Black Rod to let the Assembly know "it is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House."

Who being come with their Speaker.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, read the Titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follow :

An Act to incorporate the *Brockville Gas Light Company*.

An Act to amend the Charter of the City of *Toronto Gas Light and Water Company*.

An Act to separate the Township of *Georgina* from the County of *Ontario* and annex it to the County of *York*.

An Act to authorize the Municipal Council of the Town of *Amherstburgh*, to sell the site of the old Market in that Town.

An Act to incorporate the *London and Port Sarnia Rail-way Company*.

An Act to incorporate the *Montreal and Bytown Rail-way Company*.

An Act to amend an Act passed in the Session of the Provincial Parliament held in the fourth and fifth years of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, "An Act to regulate the taking of securities in all offices in respect of which security ought to be given, and for avoiding the grant of all such offices in the event of such security not being given within a time limited after the grant of such office, and for other purposes."

An Act to repeal so much of the amended Assessment Act of *Upper Canada*, as requires the County Councils to meet on the first day of May in each year to equalize the Assessments and appointing another day instead thereof for that purpose.

An Act to transfer the place of meeting of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of *Drummond*, number two, to the Village of *St. Christophe d'Arthabaska*, in the said Municipality.

An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relative to Emigrants and Quarantine.

An Act to incorporate the *Megantic Junction Rail-way and Navigation Company*.

An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the *Great Western Rail-road Company*, and to alter the name of the said Company.

An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton and Port Dover Rail-way Company*.

An Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby and Lake Huron Rail-way Company*.

An Act to explain the Act to allow Notaries to call Meetings of Relations and Friends in certain cases, without being thereto specially authorized by a Judge, and for other purposes.

An Act relating to the Fisheries on the *Labrador* and North Shore of the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*.

An Act supplementary to the Act to detach for Judicial purposes the settlements of *Ste. Anne des Monts* and *Cap Chat* from the District of *Gaspé*, and annex the same to the District of *Kamouraska*.

An Act to explain an Act, intituled, "An Act to provide a remedy against absent Defendants."

An Act to constitute a Provisional Municipal Council in the County of *Essex*, for certain purposes.

An Act to authorize the City of *Hamilton* to negotiate a Loan of Fifty thousand pounds to consolidate the City Debt, and for other purposes.

An Act to remove doubts touching the Act incorporating the *Burlington Bay Dock and Ship Building Company*.

An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the Parish of *St. François du Lac*, better to regulate the Common of *St. François*.

An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of the *British North American Electric Telegraph Association*.

An Act to incorporate the *Brockville and Ottawa Rail-way Company*.

An Act to indemnify the *Brock Monument Building Committee*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An Act to incorporate the *Canada Military Asylum*.

An Act to authorize the Grey Nuns of *Montreal* to dispose of certain property at *Point St. Charles*, near the City of *Montreal*.

An Act to amend the Laws relating to the University of *Toronto*, by separating its functions as a University from those assigned to it as a College, and by making better provision for the management of the property thereof and that of *Upper Canada College*.

An Act to incorporate the *St. Roch's Reading Room*.

An Act further to amend the Laws relating to Duties of Customs.

An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Mount Royal Cemetery Company*.

An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to construct a Rail-road on the North Shore of the River *St. Lawrence*, from the City of *Quebec*, to the City of *Montreal* or to some convenient point on any Rail-way leading from *Montreal* to the Western Cities of this Province.

An Act to incorporate the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Rail-road Company*.

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 Legislative Assembly having withdrawn His Excellency was please to retire.

Ordered, that a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly to communicate to that House a copy of the Minutes of Evidence taken before this House in the case of the Bill intitled, "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*," as requested in their Message received this day.

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

Monday,

Monday, 25th April, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
DEBEAUJEU,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *Joseph Doure* and others, of *Montreal*, praying that they may be incorporated as a Literary and Scientific Association by the name of "*Institut Canadien*."

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a statement of the affairs of the *Streetsville* plank road Company for the year 1852.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from *Charles Bourget* and others, of *Point Levi*, praying that Steamers and other Vessels of a less draught of water than eleven feet plying between *Quebec* and *Montreal* may not be taxed for the improvement of the Navigation of Lake *St. Peter*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns in *Upper Canada* with Gas and Water," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive 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, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed and read a third time on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to extend the powers of the Consumers' Gas Company of "Toronto," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Hamilton* "College."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* reported from the said Committee that they had taken the said Bill into consideration, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Tache* 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, and is as follows.

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE,

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council the accompanying copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies on the subject of the Clergy Reserves.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Quebec, 25th April, 1853.

(For Despatch Vide Sessional Papers.)

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to attach a certain portion of the "Township of *Kingston* in the County of *Frontenac* to the Township of *Pittsburg* "for Municipal and other purposes."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* 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 now read for the third time.

The same was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr *Smith* (of Durham) and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to vest the Harbour of *Port Hope* and adjacent premises in Commissioners," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Wright* (of *East York*) and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the "*Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock 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 Mr. *Cartier* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Exchange," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Tuesday, 26th April, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

GOODHUE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The House according to Order, proceeded to the consideration of the second report of the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House, for the present Session.

Which said Report being again read by the Clerk.

It was moved;

That the said report be now adopted.

In amendment, it was moved, that the said report be not now adopted but that the same be altered so as to provide for an addition of one hundred pounds *per annum* instead of fifty pounds to the salary of the Law Clerk, for additions of fifty pounds *per annum*, instead of twenty five pounds to the salaries of the two Senior Writing Clerks, and for the designation of the two last mentioned officers by titles corresponding to the nature of the duties performed by them, that is to say, Mr. *Doucet* as Additional French Translator and Mr. *Maigny* as second office Clerk.

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, it was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

It was then moved,

That the Salary of the Reverend Doctor *Adamson*, the Chaplain and Librarian of this House, be increased to the extent of one hundred pounds *per annum*, dating from the first day of January last.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

It was moved,

That the Salary of Mr. *Montizambert*, the Law Clerk of this House, be increased to the extent of one hundred pounds *per annum*, dating from the first day of January last.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

It was moved,

That the Salary of Mr. *Taylor* the Clerk of this House be increased to the extent of fifty pounds *per annum*, dating from the first day of January last.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

It was moved.

That the Salary of Mr. *Le Moine* the Clerk Assistant and French Translator of this House be increased to the extent of fifty pounds *per annum*, dating from the first day of January last.

The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was agreed to by the House.

It was moved,

That the Salary of Mr. *Fennings Taylor* the Additional Clerk Assistant and Chief Office Clerk of this House, be increased to the extent of fifty pounds *per annum*, dating from the first day of January last.

The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was agreed to by the House.

It was moved.

That the Salary of Mr. *Doucet* the Additional French Translator of this House be increased to the extent of fifty pounds *per annum*, dating from the first day of January last.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

It was moved,

That the Salary of Mr. *Mainy* the second Office Clerk of this House, be increased to the extent of fifty pounds *per annum*, dating from the first day of January last.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

It was moved,

That that the Salary of Mr. *James Adamson* one of the Writing Clerks of this House, be increased to the extent of twenty five pounds *per annum*, dating from the first day of January last.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

It was moved,

That the Salary of Mr. *Couillard* one of the Writing Clerks of this House be increased to the extent of twenty five pounds *per annum*, dating from the first day of January last.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

It was moved.

That the Sesssional allowances of the four Messengers of this House be increased to the extent of five pounds per Session each, commencing with and including the present Session.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and again put into of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Hamilton College*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain 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 and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed and read a third time on Thursday next.

Ordered, that the Order made yesterday for a third reading on Wednesday next of the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns in *Upper Canada* with Gas and Water," be discharged.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred back to the same Select Committee to which it was formerly referred.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to vest the Harbour of *Port Hope* and adjacent premises in Commissioners," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Boulton* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal Exchange*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs, *Walker, Boulton* and *De Beaujeu*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Morrison* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Erie and Ontario Insurance Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a General Statement of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Montreal* for the year 1852.

Ordered,

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

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

Wednesday, 27th April, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

GOODHUE,
WALKER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,

The Honorable Messieurs

MÉTHOT,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal Exchange*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Friday, 22nd April, 1853.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, to request that their Honors will be pleased to give leave to the Honorable *Joseph Dionne*, one of their Members, to attend the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the advantages which would result to Navigation, Trade and the cultivation of a great extent of land on the Shores of the River *St. Lawrence* from the formation of an Ice Bridge every winter on the said River, above the *Richelieu* Rapids, and the means by which such Bridge might be secured.

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

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk Assembly.

And then they withdrew.

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

It was then moved,

That the Honorable Mr. *Dionne* do have leave to go to the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, as desired by that House in their Message received this day, if he thinks fit.

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

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint House that the Legislative Council doth give leave to the Honorable Mr. *Dionne* to attend the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the advantages which would result to Navigation, Trade and the cultivation of a great extent of Land on the shores of the River *St. Lawrence*, from the formation of an Ice Bridge every Winter on the said River, above the *Richelieu* Rapids, and the means by which such Bridge might be secured if he thinks fit.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to vest the Harbour of *Port Hope* and adjacent premises "in Commissioners," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Erie and Ontario Insurance Company*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Goodhue, Boulton and Mills* to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

Thursday, 28th April, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

GOODHUE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS,
PANET.

PRAYERS

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* presented a Petition from the President of the *Industry Village and Rawdon Rail-road Company*, praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the said Company.

And also, a Petition from the *Montreal and New-York Rail-way Company*, praying that the powers conferred by their charter may be extended.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Erie and Ontario Insurance Company*,"

"pany," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. J. Morris from the Select Committee to whom was again referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns in *Upper Canada* with Gas and Water," reported that they had again gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with several further amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The said further amendment was then read by the Clerk.

The said further amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed and read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Belleau enters.

The Honorable Mr. J. Morris from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Ontario, Simcoe* and *Huron* Railroad Union Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be please to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill and Report on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Hamilton* College," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Friday,

Friday, 29th April, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

GOODHUE,
WALKER,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

TACHÉ,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Montreal* and *New York* Rail-road Company to extend their connections and granting facilities for the same."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Mayor and Corporation of the City of *Montreal* to borrow a certain sum of money and to erect therewith Water Works for the use of the said City," and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 3, Line 35.—After "affidavits" insert "or before any one of the said appraisers."

Page 4, Line 12.—After "Corporation" insert "to purchase and acquire, take and hold."

Page 4, Line 14.—After "Canal" leave out to "Water Works" in line 17 inclusive, and insert "the rear portions of such property."

Page 4, Line 18.—Leave out "to purchase and acquire such portion also" and insert "as shall not be necessary for the purposes of the said "Water Works."

Page 4, Line 35.—After "Canal" insert "or to make a new tail race or discharge a part from the said little River."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered,

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Rolph* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to establish the Boundery Lines of Lots in certain Ranges in the Township of *Grenville*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Smith* (of *Durham*) and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend certain Acts for the relief of Religious Societies," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Malloch* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Bytown* and *Pembroke* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Ridout* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Company for the erection of an Hotel in the City of *Toronto*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

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. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *Thomas Robson* of *Sackville* in the Province of *New Brunswick*, praying that letters Patent may be issued, free of charge, to secure to him the exclusive right to certain Inventions projected by him for the greater security of ships and other craft in foggy weather.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of *St. Andrews* Church *Quebec* to alienate or hypothecate certain property for the purpose of raising funds to build a more convenient Church, Manse, and School," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time

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

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

Monday

Monday, 2nd May, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

CROOKS,
MACAULAY,
HAMILTON,
MCKAY,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Crooks*, *Hami'on* and *Widmer* came to the table and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *John Fennings Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal to administer the Oath to the Members of the Legislature.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns in *Upper Canada* with Gas and Water," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act of the Legislature of *Upper Canada* passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the fourth and intituled, 'An Act to amend the Law respecting real property and to render the proceedings for recovering possession thereof in certain cases less difficult and expensive.'

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* reported from the said Committee that they had taken the said Bill into consideration had made some progress therein and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, that the said Committee have leave to sit again this day week.

The

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Ontario, Simcoe and Huron* Rail-road Union Company," together with the report of the Select Committee thereon.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Widmer* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive 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 and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed and read a third time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to establish the Boundary lines of Lots in certain Ranges in the Township of *Grenville*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Boulton* and *Matheson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Company for the erection of an Hotel in the City of *Toronto*," was read a second time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Corporation of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec* to borrow an additional sum for the construction of the Water Works," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the said Bill with a certain 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 35.—After "bonds" leave out "to" and insert "which with those already issued for the said purpose, shall not exceed."

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cartier* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to empower the Municipalities of the Counties of *Two Mountains* and *Terrebonne* to take Stock in any Rail-road Companies for the construction of Rail-ways passing through the said Counties respectively and to issue Bonds to raise funds for the payment of the same," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Mongenais* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Vaudreuil* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Tuesday, 3rd May, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.
CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
MACAULAY,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
McKAY,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
IRVING,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
DE BEAUJEU,
MÉTHOT,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU,
WILSON.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Town of *Simcoe*, praying that the Charter of the *Niagara* and *Detroit* Rivers Rail-road Company may be revived.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *Charles Harrower* and others, of the Parishes of *Notre Dame de Bonsecours de l'Islet* and *Cap St. Ignace* and of the Seigniorship of *St. Cyrille de Lessard* in the County of *l'Islet*, praying that the Bill for enlarging the representation of the people of this province in Parliament may be so amended as to leave the present County of *l'Islet* entire and give it two Members, or otherwise that the Parish of *Cap St. Ignace* may be detached from the proposed County of *Montmagny* and added to that of *l'Islet*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* presented a Petition from *L. F. Charlesbois*, of the Parish of *Notre Dame de la Pointe Levi*, Member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of *Lower Canada*, praying for aid towards the trial of his method of curing Asiatic Cholera.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *William Brooks* and others, of *Sherbrooke*, praying for the incorporation of the *Stanstead Bank*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the *Michipicoten Mining Company*."

It was moved that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

After Debate,

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

Whereupon the said Bill was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker, Boulton* and *Mills* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Montreal and New-York* Rail-road Company to extend their connections and granting facilities for the same," was read a second time.

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

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

It was moved that the Honorable Messieurs *W. Morris* and *Fergusson* be added to the Select Committee to which has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the *Michipicoten Mining Company*."

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 certain Acts for the relief of Religious Societies," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a third time on Friday next.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General under his Sign Manual which his Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows :

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE,

The Governor General informs the Honorable the Legislative Council that the Honorable *Robert S. Jameson* has tendered his resignation of his seat in that House and that His Excellency has been pleased to accept of the same.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Quebec, 3rd May, 1853.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Bytown and Pembroke* Rail-way Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McKay*, *Ferrier* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Trustees of *St. Andrews* Church *Quebec* to alienate or hypothecate certain property for the purpose of raising funds to build a more convenient Church, Manse and School," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *W. Morris*, *McKay* and *Walker*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Vaudreuil* Rail-way Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs, *Fergusson*, *Matheson* and *Taché*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *McDonald* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Cataragui* and *Peterborough* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Dixon* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *London and Port Stanley* Railway Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Sir *Allan N. MacNab* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Joint Stock Company for the purpose of erecting an Hotel in the City of *Hamilton*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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. *Badgley* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts for the incorporation of the City of *Montreal*," and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly 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 2.—After "debt" insert "and no assessments for which the said Corporation shall have been collocated by any judgment of distribution of the proceeds of any real property, to the prejudice of any mortgage or privileged claimant thereon, other than for the assessments upon such real property, shall be held to be paid by the person or persons owing such assessments, but the mortgage or privileged claimant so prejudiced shall be to all intents and purposes subrogated in the rights of the said Corporation as to such assessments, and shall have the power to proceed in his or her own name for the recovery of such assessments either by action or opposition, to the same extent, and in the same manner, that the said Corporation could have done if such collocation had not taken place."

Ordered, that the said amendment be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the same to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, 'An Act to establish a consolidated Municipal Loan Fund in *Upper Canada*,'" and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have passed the said Bill with an amendment to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which

Which said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows.

Page 3, Line 4.—After "Town" insert "or for constructing or aiding in the construction of any plank roads or macadamized roads, the making of which will benefit the inhabitants of such Town."

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

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

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

Wednesday, 4th May, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

McGILL,
MORRIS, W.
CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
MACAULAY,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
McKAY,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
IRVING,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
MÉTHOT,
TURGEON,
CRANE,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU,
WILSON.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from *L'Institut National of Montreal*, being a Library Association and Mechanic's Institute incorporated under 14th and 15th Vict. Cap. 86, praying for a grant of money.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Bytown and Pembroke* Rail-way Com-pany," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendments be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said amendments on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Company for the erection of an Hotel in the City of *Toronto*," 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 the same.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows :

Page 3, Line 8.—After "Shareholders" insert "who have paid not less than ten
" shillings per share."

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

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Friday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Montreal and New-York* Rail-road Com-pany to extend their connections and granting facilities for the same," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be printed and read a third time on Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the twenty ninth day of March last, the House was called :—

THE HONORABLE

RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,	Present.
PETER B. DE BLAQUIERE,	Absent.
PETER MCGILL,	Present.
WILLIAM MORRIS,	Present.
ALEXANDER FRASER,	Absent.
JAMES CROOKS,	Present.

ADAM

THE HONORABLE

ADAM FERGUSSON,	Present.
JOHN MACAULAY,	Present.
JOHN HAMILTON,	Present.
ADAM FERRIE,	Present.
PAUL H. KNOWLTON,	Absent.
THOMAS MCKAY,	Present.
PHILIP H. MOORE,	Present.
JOSEPH DIONNE,	Absent.
GEORGE J. GOODHUE,	Present.
WILLIAM WALKER,	Present.
CHRISTOPHER WIDMER,	Present.
J. ÆMILIUS IRVING,	Present.
P. BOUCHER DE BOUCHERVILLE,	Present.
JAMES MORRIS,	Present.
JAMES GORDON,	Absent.
HAMNETT PINHEY,	Absent.
JAMES FERRIER,	Present.
RODERICK MATHESON,	Present.
GEORGE S. BOULTON,	Present.
DENIS B. VIGER,	Absent.
ETIENNE P. TACHÉ,	Present.
JAMES LESLIE,	Present.
FREDERICK AUGUSTE QUESNEL,	Present.
JOSEPH BOURRET,	Present.
GEORGE S. DE BEAUJEU,	Present.
JOHN ROSS,	Absent.
LOUIS MÉTHOT,	Present.
JOSEPH O. TURGEON,	Present.
SAMUEL CRANE,	Present.
JAMES WYLIE,	Absent.
SAMUEL MILLS,	Present.
LOUIS PANET,	Present.
NARCISSE F. BELLEAU,	Present.
CHARLES WILSON,	Present.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to enlarge the Representation of the people of this Province in Parliament."

It was moved,

That the said Bill be now read for the second time.

Which being debated,

It was moved in amendment,

That all the words after "that" in the original motion be
 "expunged, and the following inserted in lieu thereof "whe-
 "never the population of either section of *Canada* as formerly
 "divided

“ divided shall appear by the Census Returns, to exceed that
 “ of the other section by one hundred and fifty thousand, then
 “ and in such case, at the next General Election thereafter, the
 “ three Counties in such section having such excess of population
 “ and authorized by this Act to send only one Member and
 “ containing the greatest number of inhabitants next to those
 “ Counties in such section being authorized already by this
 “ Act to send two Members, shall be entitled in like manner
 “ to send two Members; Provided always that should such
 “ Census Returns shew such increase of population during a
 “ Parliament no new election shall take place during such
 “ Parliament nor until a General Election.”

Which being objected to,

After a long debate,

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

It was then moved,

That the debate upon the motion for the second reading of the Bill be postponed until Wednesday the twenty fifth day of the present month.

In amendment it was moved,

That the Bill be read a second time this day three months.

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon and the same was

Resolved in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

Ordered, that the remaining Orders of the Day be postponed until Friday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to regulate the Currency,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Smith* (of *Durham*) and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Rail-way Company,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Friday,

Friday, 6th May, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

McGILL,
MORRIS, W.
CROOKS,
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
IRVING,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from the *Quebec* Board of Trade, praying that the Bill to regulate the Pilotage for and below the Port of *Quebec* may not be passed into a Law.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to establish the Boundary Lines of Lots in certain Ranges in the Township of *Grenville*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *W. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the *Michipicoten* Mining Company," reported that the had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the said Bill be printed and read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Vaudreuil* Rail-way Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow.

Page 2, Line 45.—After "Company" insert "with the consent of the Governor
" in Council."

Page 3, Line 36.—Leave out "Registrars" and insert Registrar."

Page 9, Line 1.—Leave out from "Law" to "in."

Page 9, Line 2.—Leave out "and" and insert "or."

Page 9, Line 3.—After "*Canada*" insert "on the application of the Government."

Page 9, Line 43.—After "*Montreal*" insert "*Kemptville*."

Page 10, Line 9.—Leave out from "arrangements" to "with" in line 10.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend certain
" Acts for the relief of Religious Societies," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate a
" Company for the erection of an Hotel in the City of *Toronto*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with an amendment to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the
" *Montreal* and *New-York* Rail-road Company to extend their connections and
" granting facilities for the same," was read a third time.

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The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to empower the Municipalities of the Counties of *Two Mountains* and *Terrebonne* to take stock in any Rail-road Companies for the construction of Rail-ways passing through the said Counties respectively and to issue Bonds to raise funds for the payment of the same.

It was moved, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

Which being debated.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Ferrier, Taché, De Beaujeu* and *Turgeon* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Joint Stock Company for the purpose of erecting an Hotel in the City of *Hamilton*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *W. Morris, Crooks* and *Ferrie* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Cataraqui* and *Peterborough* Rail-way Company," was read a second time.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *London* and *Port Stanley* Rail-way Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Goodhue* and *Boulton* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole, on the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly to the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts for the incorporation of the City of *Montreal*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* reported from the said Committee that they had taken the said amendment into consideration, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, that the said Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to regulate the Currency."

It was moved,

That the said Bill be now read for the second time.

Which being debated,

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

Resolved in the affirmative,

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act further to amend the act incorporating the *Peterborough and Port Hope* Rail-way Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks, Macaulay, Goodhue, J. Morris* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day, being read for moving an Address to His Excellency the Governor General respecting the proposed alteration in the constitution of the Legislative Council.

An Address was accordingly moved and read by the Clerk as follows :

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

The Legislative Council of the Province of *Canada* in Provincial Parliament assembled, while they approach Your Excellency with feelings of unabated attachment to the Parent State, are desirous of expressing their extreme regret that any measure should be introduced into the other Branch of the Legislature to disturb the elements of the Constitution, and alter in a very essential point the organization of this House.

It is assumed that this project must be carried out, and is indispensable to the efficiency of Parliament, and that unless the Upper Branch becomes dependent, like the

the Lower one, on the direct voice of the popular will, the progress of good legislation would be embarrassed and retarded. This assumption would appear chiefly to rest upon an opinion that this House, as hitherto composed, did not fully enter into the duties assigned to it, that the Members seldom attended in full numbers, and that their views were not sufficiently in harmony with popular sentiments and wishes. The Legislative Council on these points would briefly state to your Excellency that there never has been any inattention on their part to the business submitted to the House, or any unnecessary delay in the discharge of it: that the Members, except during the present very unusually long Session, have generally kept up the *Quorum* for business, although at a much greater sacrifice than is made by Members of the other House, and that as respects harmony with popular sentiments and wishes, no better or more conclusive evidence need be adduced than the Journals of the two Houses. As respects the assertion that Members failed greatly in point of attendance during the Session, the Legislative Council is aware that several Members, from age and infirmity have occasionally been unable to attend, and that the proper remedy would be a reasonable addition to the number of Councillors, such an addition in fact (drawn impartially from all divisions of the Province) as would facilitate the ordinary attendance during a Session, of at least one third of the Members, and without entailing the burthen now experienced in maintaining a *Quorum* especially at certain periods of the year. It thus appears to this House that the proper mode of adding to its usefulness is to enlarge and also limit the number of the Members, and that no good grounds exist for disturbing the elementary principle whereby it maintains as nearly as possible an essential feature in similarity to the British Constitution, of which it was at its origin said by the first Governor of *Upper Canada* to be "the image and transcript."

The Legislative Council therefore respectfully submits to Your Excellency the importance of carefully guarding the Canadian Constitution, as far as may be practicable, intact, in all its fundamental principles, so that a free and well regulated Society may ever flourish in this great country.

Ordered, that the said Address be taken into consideration by the House on Wednesday next, and that in the mean time it be printed for the use of Members.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Polette* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An 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*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the

" *Quebec* Bank to facilitate the transfer of shares in certain cases and for other purpose relative to the said Bank," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Monday, 9th May, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.
CROOKS,
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
IRVING,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
QUESNEL,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Cataraqui* and *Peterborough* Rail-way Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 2, Line 12.—Leave out from "to" to "with" and insert "be furnished by
" and at the expense of the said Company with books."

Page 2, Line 15.—Leave out "Book" and insert "books."

Page 6, Line 2.—After "Company" insert "with the consent of the Governor
" in Council."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *London and Port Stanley* Rail-way "Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act "incorporating the *Ontario, Simcoe and Huron* Rail-road Union Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the *Michipicoten* Mining Company," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the "*Vaudreuil* Rail-way Company," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Manufacturing Company," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act of the Legisla-

" ture of *Upper Canada* passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the fourth and intituled, 'An Act to amend the Law respecting real property and to render the proceedings for recovering possession thereof in certain cases less difficult and expensive.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* 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 26.—After "accrued" insert "Provided always that this Act shall
" not be held to affect any title, possession, interest, or case
" which may be in litigation at the time of the passing of
" this Act."

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

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Bytown* and *Pembroke* Rail-way Company," and the report of the Select Committee thereon.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with several amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and the said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 2, Line 14.—Leave out "*Amprior*" and insert "*Arnprior*."

Page 2, Line 19.—Leave out "*Amprior*", and insert "*Arnprior*."

Page 2, Line 24.—Leave out "*Amprior*" and insert "*Arnprior*."

Page 2, Line 25.—Leave out "*Pembroke*" and insert "*Arnprior*."

Page 2, Line 26.—After "*Bay*" insert "of Lake *Huron*."

Page 2, Line 27.—After "them" insert "and from thence to *Sault Sainte Marie*."

Page 2, Line 30.—After "may" insert "at the option of the Company and."

Page 2, Line 34.—After “Deeds” insert “and all other Deeds under this Act for
“ such lands.”

Page 3, Line 9.—Leave out from “Stock” to “And” in Page 4, line 16.

Page 4, Line 18.—Leave out from “Egan” to “John” where it occurs the first
time.

Page 4, Line 19.—Leave out from “Porter” to “John,” and leave out from
“Macdonell” to “and” where it occurs the first time in line
20, and insert “Daniel O’Meara, Robert Farley, Edward
“ Griffin, Edward McGillivray.”

Page 4, Line 20.—After “Aumond” insert “with Alexander Moffatt, John L.
“ McDougall, Jason Gould, John Mackinnon, Hamnett
“ Pinhey, Daniel McLachlin, Hamnett Hill, Edward
“ Malloch, John Bower Lewis, the Mayor of Bytown for
“ the time being, and the Warden of the County of Carleton
“ for the time being.”

Page 4, Line 25.—Leave out “with” and insert “and they or a majority of them
“ shall have.”

Page 4, Line 33.—Leave out from “subscribed” to “the” in line 34.

Page 4, Line 34.—Leave out “to” and insert “shall.”

Page 4, Line 41.—After “present” insert “having paid ten per cent on their
“ Stock subscribed shall,” and after “proxy” leave out “shall.”

Page 4, Line 42.—After “manner” insert “and qualified,” and leave out from
“ mentioned” to “and” in Page 5, Line 1.

Page 5, Line 18.—Leave out from “Directors” to “shall” in line 20, and insert
“ with the said *ex-officio* Directors.”

Page 5, Line 27.—Leave out “one” and insert “two.”

Page 5, Line 28.—Leave out from “Stock” to “and” in line 36.

Page 5, Line 36.—Leave out from “that” to “call” in line 43, and insert “the Di-
“ rectors of the said Company shall have power from time to
“ time to make such calls of money from the proprietors of
“ shares in the Capital Stock of the said Company who shall
“ not already have paid the full amount due or payable in res-
“ pect of their respective shares, as they shall deem necessary
“ so that no such call shall at any time exceed the sum of one

“ pound

“ pound and five shillings, upon each share which any person
 “ or Corporation shall be possessed of or entitled unto in the
 “ said undertaking, nor made payable at a less interval than
 “ two months from the previous call, and thirty days notice at
 “ least shall be given of every such.”

Page 5, Line 44.—Leave out “they” and insert “the Directors.”

Page 5, Line 45.—Leave out from “That” to “and” in line 48, and insert “the
 “ number of votes to which each Shareholder shall be entitled
 “ on every occasion when votes of the Shareholders are to be
 “ given, shall be in proportion to the number of shares held
 “ by him.”

Page 6, Line 4.—After “meeting” insert “and any Municipal Corporation whose
 “ Warden, Mayor, or Town Reeve, shall be *ex-officio* a Di-
 “ rector of the said Company, shall not vote or be intitled to
 “ vote in or for the election of other Directors of the Company
 “ to be elected by the Shareholders, or to vote at any general
 “ meeting of the Shareholders.”

IN THE SCHEDULES TO THE BILL.

Leave out “Schedule B.”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Thursday next.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly to the Bill intituled, “An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts for the incorporation of the City of *Montreal*.”

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said amendment of the Legislative Assembly and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said amendment be adopted.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to their amendment made to the last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, “An Act to amend the Currency Act.”

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec* Bridge Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Gouin* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to declare valid the articles of Clerkship of Law " Students enregistered within a certain period after the delay granted by the Act " to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada* and to amend the said Act," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*, praying that the Mayor of the said City may not be elected by the Citizens generally, but may continue to be elected by the Members of the City Council thereof.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Tuesday, 10th May, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.
CROOKS,
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Joint Stock Company for the purpose of erecting an Hotel in the City 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.

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

The Honorable Messieurs *Irving* and *Taché* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Cataraqui* and *Peterborough* Rail-way Company," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the *Michipicoten* Mining Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act of the Legislature of *Upper Canada* passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the fourth and intituled, 'An Act to amend the Law respecting real property and to render the proceedings for recovering possession thereof in certain case less difficult and expensive," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with an amendment to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Mutual Assurance Association of the Fabriques of the Dioceses of *Quebec* and of *Three Rivers* and of *Montreal* and *Saint Hyacinthe*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *De Beaujeu*, *Panet* and *Belleau* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore*, enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the *Quebec* Bank to facilitate the transfer of Shares in certain cases and for other purposes relative to the said Bank," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Panet* and *Belleau* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Manufacturing Company."

It was moved,

That the said Bill be read a second time this day three months.

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 Mr. *Ridout* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Company for the erection of an "Hotel in the City of *Toronto*," 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 Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Wednesday, 11th May, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, W.
CROOKS,
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
IRVING,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
QUESNEL,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
PANET.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Widmer* presented a Petition from *M. P. Hayes* and others, of *Toronto*, praying to be incorporated as the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company.

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

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

The Honorable Mr. *De Boucherville* presented a Petition from *M. E. De Montnach* and others, Proprietors of Fiefs and Seigneuries in *Lower Canada*, praying to be heard by Counsel against the Bill passed by the Legislative Assembly intituled, "An Act to define Seignioral Rights in *Lower Canada* and to facilitate the redemption thereof."

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

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

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The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend a certain Act of the Parliament of *Upper Canada* therein mentioned and to make further provision for the settlement of difficulties between owners of lands in the Townships of *Saltfleet* and *Binbrooke*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for the consideration of the Address to His Excellency the Governor General on the constitution of the Legislative Council.

It was moved,

That the same be discharged until Monday the twenty third day of May instant.

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 a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec Bridge Company*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the *Quebec Bank* to facilitate the transfer of Shares in certain cases and for other purposes relative to the said Bank," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* presented a Petition from *Alexander Scott* and others, of *Caledonia* in the County of *Haldimand*, praying that measures may be adopted to enable them to recover certain debts due to them by the six Nations Indians, or that the section of the Act for the protection of the Indians which prevents creditors recovering their claims by actions at Law may be repealed.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Sicotte* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Ordinance passed in the second year of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, "An Ordinance concerning the erection of Parishes and the building 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.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Mongenais* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Vaudreuil* Rail-way 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 Mr. *Christie*, of *Wentworth*, and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act authorizing the Grand River Navigation Company to raise a certain sum of money by loan," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to define Seigniorial Rights in *Lower Canada* and to facilitate the redemption thereof," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

It was moved,

That the said Bill be read a second time on Friday the twentieth day of May instant.

In amendment,

It was moved,

That all the words after "on" in the original motion be struck out and the following inserted in lieu thereof, "Wednesday the twenty fifth day of May instant, and that leave be granted to the parties interested to be heard by Counsel at the Bar of the House on the allegations of the said Bill and that there be a call of the House on that day."

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was Resolved in the negative.

It was then again moved in amendment of the main motion.

That the said Bill be not read a second time on Friday the twentieth day of May instant, but that it be read a second time on Monday the twenty third instant.

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

Resolved in the affirmative,

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, it was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

It was moved,

That Counsel be then heard at the Bar of this House against the second reading of the last mentioned Bill.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

Ordered, that the Petition presented this day from *M. E. de Montenach* and others, Proprietors of Fiefs and Seigniories in *Lower Canada*, praying to be heard by Counsel against the Bill passed by the Legislative Assembly intituled,

"An

"An Act to define Seigniorial Rights in *Lower Canada* and to facilitate the redemption thereof," be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

It was then moved,

That there be a call of the House on Monday the twenty third instant, being the day appointed for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to define Seigniorial Rights in *Lower Canada*, and to facilitate the redemption thereof."

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

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

Thursday, 12th May, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

CROOKS,
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WIDMER,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An 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.

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 incorporate the *Bytown* and *Pembroke* Rail-way Company," 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,

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the *Quebec* Bank to facilitate the transfer of Shares " in certain cases and for other purposes relative to the said Bank," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Messieurs *Irving* and *Walker* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to declare valid " the Articles of Clerkship of Law Students enregistered within a certain period " after the delay granted by the Act to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*, and " to amend the said Act," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *De Boucherville* and *Belleau* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Messieurs *Taché* and *J. Morris* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the " *Quebec* Bridge Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *Taché* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act " authorizing the Grand River Navigation Company to raise a certain sum of money " by loan," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Crooks*, *Goodhue* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

Friday, 13th May, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON**, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

CROOKS,
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
IRVING,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act authorizing the Grand River Navigation Company to raise a certain sum of money by loan," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Mutual Assurance Associations of the Fabriques of the Dioceses of *Québec* and of *Three Rivers*, and of *Montreal* and *Saint Hyacinthe*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* enters.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend a certain Act of the Parliament of *Upper Canada* therein mentioned

" and

“ and to make further provision for the settlement of difficulties between owners of
 “ Lands in the Townships of *Saltfleet* and *Binbroke*,” it was
Ordered, that the same be discharged until Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *De Boucherville* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, “ An Act to amend an Or-
 “ dinance passed in the second year of Her Majesty’s Reign intituled an Ordinance
 “ concerning the erection of Parishes and the building of Churches, Parsonage
 “ Houses and Church-Yards,” was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *De Beaujeu*, *Turgeon*
 and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr.
Merritt and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to incorporate the *Port Dalhousie*
 “ and *Thorold* Rail-way Company,” to which they desire the concurrence of this
 House.

The said Bill was read for the first time

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr.
 Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to confer
 “ Equity Jurisdiction upon the several County Courts in *Upper Canada* and for
 “ other purposes therein mentioned,” to which they desire the concurrence of this
 House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr.
 Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to amend
 “ the *Upper Canada* Juror’s Act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty and to
 “ repeal certain parts thereof,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.
 The said Bill was read for the first time

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Seymour* and
 others, with a Bill intituled, “ An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock
 “ Companies for the construction of Piers, Wharves, Dry Docks and Harbours,” to
 which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Seymour* and others,
 to return the Bill intituled, “ An Act to incorporate the *Cataragui* and *Peterbo*

“*rough* Rail-way 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 the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, to return the Bill intituled, “An Act to amend an Act of the Legislature of *Upper Canada* passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the fourth and intituled, ‘An Act to amend the Law respecting real property and to render the proceedings for recovering possession thereof in certain cases less difficult and expensive,” 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. *De Beaujeu* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “An Act to empower the Municipalities of the Counties of *Two Mountains* and *Terrebonne* to take Stock in any Rail-road Companies for the construction of Rail-ways passing through the said Counties respectively and to issue Bonds to raise funds for the payment of the same,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 1, Line 27.—Leave out from “to” to “one” and insert “an amount not exceeding.”

Page 3, Line 27.—After “effect” insert Clause A.

CLAUSE A.

And be it enacted, that it shall not be lawful for the Municipal Council of either of the said Counties to adopt any of the proceedings hereinbefore mentioned unless there shall have been made within the next preceding five years by the assessors or other proper persons a valuation of the rateable immoveable property of the inhabitants of the Municipality; and such valuation shall be considered as the basis of any special rate or assessment to be leived in the Municipality under the provisions of this Act.”

Page 6, Line 20.—After “Act” insert “or under the provisions of any Act or Law in force in *Lower Canada* in relation to the establishment of Municipal authorities therein.”

IN THE SCHEDULE TO THE BILL.

Page 6, Line 24.—After “*Terrebonne*” insert “or *Rouville* or *Missisquoi*.”

Page 6, Line 28.—After "*Terrebonne*" insert or *Rouville* or *Missisquoi*.

IN THE PREAMBLE OF THE BILL.

Page 1, Line 3.—Leave out from "of" where it occurs the second time to "Rail-roads" in line 4.

Page 1, Line 8.—Leave out from "of" to "Rail-ways" and after "passing" insert "through."

Page 1, Line 10.—Leave out "Petition" and insert "Petitions" and to extend the same privilege for a similar purpose to the counties of *Rouville* and "*Missisquoi*."

IN THE TITLE OF THE BILL.

Line 2.—Leave out "and" and after "*Terrebonne*" insert "*Rouville* and *Missisquoi*."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

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

Monday, 16th May, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

CROOKS,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
WIDMER,
IRVING,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* presented a Petition from *Robert Hobson*, praying that the Act to enable the Municipal Council of the County of *Welland* to acquire certain Lands may be extended.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from the Town Council of *Cobourg*, praying that the power to convey original allowances for Roads may be vested in the Municipal Council.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Widmer* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend and consolidate, as amended, the Laws relative to the *Toronto* General Hospital."

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. *Crooks* presented a Petition from *John McCarthy* and others, of the Township of *Niagara*, praying that the *Erie* and *Ontario* Rail-way Company may be authorised to use a certain allowance for Road therein mentioned.

And also, a Petition from *John Lemon* and others, of the County of *Welland*, praying for the passing of an Act to give a remedy at law against owners, whose dogs have worried and destroyed sheep.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Rail-way Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The said amendments was then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 1, Line 15.—Leave out "Assembly" and insert "Council."

Page 1, Line 16.—Leave out "Council" and insert "Assembly."

Page 2, Line 12.—After notwithstanding insert "Provided always that no subscriber to the Stock Book under the original act incorporating the said Company cited in the first Section of this Act shall be held to be a Stockholder, or be responsible as such under the Act passed during the present Session amending the same if such original subscriber shall within one month from the passing of this Act signify in writing to the President of the Company his intention of withdrawing therefrom."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Crooks* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to continue and extend the Act to enable the County of *Welland* Municipal Council to purchase the Great *Cranberry Marsh* and for other purposes."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec 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.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Ordinance passed in the second year of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, 'An Ordinance concerning the erection of Parishes and the building of Churches, Parsonage Houses and Church Yards,'" reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to declare valid the Articles of Clerkship of Law Students enregistered within a certain period after the delay granted by the Act to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada* and to amend the said Act," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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,

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

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to empower the Municipalities of the Counties of *Two Mountains* and *Terrebonne* to take Stock in any Rail-road Companies for the construction of Rail-ways passing through the said Counties respectively and to issue Bonds to raise funds for the payment of the same," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend a certain Act of the Parliament of *Upper Canada* therein mentioned and to make further provision for the settlement of difficulties between owners of Lands in the Townships of *Saltfleet* and *Biubrooke*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until this day fortnight.

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

Tuesday, 17th May, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
IRVING,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BOUCHERVILLE,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *De Boucherville* presented a Petition from the *Curé* and *Marguilliers* of the Parish of *St. Cyprien*.

And

And also, a Petition from *Prisque Trépanier* and others, of the County of *Huntingdon*, severally complaining of the rejection of their claims by the Commissioners under the *Lower Canada Rebellion Losses Act* of 1849, and praying for relief.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented two Petitions from *Thomas C. Lee* of the City of *Quebec*, Ship-builder, praying that the Draw Bridge across the River *St. Charles* may be removed to a more convenient site and also praying for a grant of money to deepen the River *St. Charles*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *George H. Ryland* and others, Registrars of Deeds in *Lower Canada*, praying for the adoption of certain measures by which their duties may be more satisfactorily performed, and their emoluments increased.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Messieurs *Panet, J. Morris* and *Boulton* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to prohibit interments in certain Burial Grounds in the City of *Quebec*" presented their Report.

Ordered, that it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Committee Room, 17th May, 1853.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to prohibit interments in certain Burial Grounds in the City of *Quebec*," have in obedience to the order of reference of the third day of March last considered the said Bill; and having taken evidence on the subject matter thereof, which is herewith submitted, they have agreed to report thereon as follows :—

Your Committee are of opinion that it is necessary for the health of the City, as well as for the sake of decency and of respect for the remains of the deceased, that interments in the Burial Grounds in question, otherwise than in vaults, should cease as soon as possible; and that one year from this date is as long as they should be allowed to continue to be made in open ground therein.

And with a view to afford to the parties interested the benefit of the above delay for procuring burial grounds elsewhere, your Committee recommend that the said Bill be not further proceeded with during the present Session.

All which is respectfully submitted.

N. F. BELLEAU,

Chairman.

Questions

Questions severally put to the Witnesses on the foregoing subject, with their answers to the same.

1. What is your name? what is your profession? and where do you reside?
2. Do you know the Protestant Burial Ground in the *St. John's Ward* of the City of *Quebec*? If so, state what religious denominations now use it, or have used it as a Burial Ground.
3. Is it not true that the Burial Ground in question is used also for the interment of persons dying in the neighbourhood of *Quebec*, or in the parishes near *Quebec*?
4. What share has your Congregation or your Church in the Burial Ground in question? or, in what proportion does it possess and enjoy the same.
5. For how many years has the ground in question served for the burial of protestants generally? Is it not true that the level of the said Burial Ground is much higher than that of *St. John Street* in front thereof? State the cause of such difference of level between contiguous and adjacent pieces of ground?
6. Is it not to your knowledge that persons of your Church or Congregation who died of Cholera where interred in that Burial Ground? and is it not notorious that in those times of epidemic, Coffins remained exposed on several occasions in the Burial Ground for several hours before they could be interred?
7. Is it not true that this Burial Ground is situated in the centre of the *St. John's Ward* of this City and in the most frequented part of it, or at least that part of it which is most important by its position? And is it not true that dwelling houses surround the Burial Ground on its four sides?
8. On the grounds of decency and of the respect due to the dead; do you not consider this Cemetery too much in the midst of the busy life of industry and commerce and of the population residing in the surrounding habitations? Is it not true also that this Burial Ground is incumbered in consequence of the number of burials which have taken place in it? State also for how many years they have been taking place there?
9. Do you object yourself, or does your Congregation or Church object, to the cessation of burials in that Burial Ground? If such is the case, be pleased to give the reasons for your objections.
10. Do you think that a delay of a year or two would be sufficient to give you time to procure another Ground for a Cemetery outside of the limits of the City?

Answers to Questions on the subject of the Protestant Burial Ground in St. John's Suburbs, Quebec.

1. *Edmond Willoughby Sewell*, Clerk in Holy Orders in the Church of *England*, and I reside at *Quebec*.

2. I know the Protestant Burial Ground in *St. John's Ward* of the City of *Quebec*. The religious denominations that have used it are the members of the Churches of *England* and *Scotland*, and of late years the members of the "Free" Church of *Scotland*.

3. The Burial Ground in question has been, and is still, used for the interment of persons dying in the neighbourhood of *Quebec*, and in parishes near the City.

4. As members of the Church of *England*, they may demand interment within its limits. Some of them possess vaults therein, or have burial lots enclosed or unenclosed; but I am unable to state "in what proportion my Congregation possess a share in the ground in question."

5. The portion granted by the Crown has served for burial for the last seventy years. One part purchased by the Trustees from the heirs *Kerr*, has been used for twenty years, and the garden bought from *Dr. Naultz*, for twelve years. The level of the oldest part of the Burial Ground facing *St. John Street*, is about three feet higher than that of the street, and this is owing to the numbers that have been interred from time to time, partly also to tombs and vaults near the wall. The level of that part which comprises the new portions, (*Kerr's* and *Dr. Naultz Ground*) is also higher but results from the natural rise of the Ground.

6. Members of my Congregation, who have died from asiatic cholera, have been interred in this Ground, but I have no personal knowledge of the fact that coffins have remained exposed for several hours before they were interred, and I think it very unlikely to have occurred.

7. Yes.

8. This Burial Ground is too much in the midst of the population and is surrounded by habitations. The oldest part is encumbered by the vast numbers of interments which have taken place there for 70 years; but not the portions to which I have alluded in my answer to question No. 5:—namely, those purchased from the late Judge *Kerr* and *Dr. Naultz*, many vaults also belonging to private individuals are by no means filled up.

9. I am not aware that my Congregation would object to the cessation of Burials in this ground. But I myself object as in part a proprietor of a vault, and should consider myself aggrieved if deprived of my rights as such, persons belonging to my
Congregation

Congregation who possess vaults or ground would I have no doubt view the matter in the same light that I do : and if deprived of their right of interment would expect compensation, or ground in another Cemetery.

10. Two years would be ample time to procure another Ground for a Cemetery outside the limits of the City.

E. W. SEWELL,
Incumbent of the Chapel of the Holy Trinity at Quebec.

Answers to a Series of Questions on the subject of the Protestant Burial Ground in St. John's Suburbs, put to me on behalf of a Committee of the Honorable the Legislative Council.

1. *William Smith Sewell, Sheriff of Quebec, resident at Quebec.*

2. I know the Protestant Burial Ground on *St. John's Road*. It is the common burial place of members of the Church of *England* and of the established and Free Churches of *Scotland*, of the Congregational and Baptist Churches and of others, but I cannot name them.

3. This is true.

4. I have stated all I know about the ground itself in my answer to Query 2.

5. From about the years from 1760 to 1765, the level of the ground is much above *John Street*, caused—I have no doubt by the frequent interments during a period approaching to a century. This burial place I am aware is in a very crowded state.

6. It is to my knowledge that many persons who have died of Asiatic Cholera, have been buried there, but I am not aware that in times of epidemic, coffins have remained exposed.

7. This is all true.

8. My associations on this subject do not lead me to feel that there is any want of decorum or of respect to the dead in burying there. But I am persuaded that on sanitary grounds a large and over crowded burying place such as this, situated in a busy and crowded part of the City, closely surrounded with buildings where drainage is imperfect and where for several weeks of the year the sun's rays have almost tropical intensity must ever exercise a very sensible influence on the surrounding inhabitants who breathe the miasma which rises from it and drink of the streams which run through it, this is so well understood by medical men and others who have turned their attention to these matters, that no sooner does an epidemic rage than you find the Board of Health turning its attention to the different places of interment and watching them with anxiety. I know this from having been a member of a Board of Health on several lamentable occasions of epidemic.

9. I should not myself object to the closing of any and every intra mural burial place and I could not anticipate that any Christian Church would do so; once convinced of the evil of such places, the public health would be considered of paramount importance and minor inconveniences forgotten.

10. I think a year's delay would give ample time for all the arrangements which a legislative enactment is likely to render necessary.

W. S. SEWELL.

Quebec, 26th April, 1853.

Answer of the REV. JOHN BORLAND, to the foregoing Questions.

1. *John Borland, Minister of Religion, St. Ursule Street, Quebec.*
2. Yes. Principally the Episcopalians and Presbyterians, occasionally the other protestant sects.
3. Yes.
4. Several of them own lots:—the exact number I do not know.
5. I do not know. I apprehend it is. Several causes may be assigned for this: yet I think the principal one is the great number of interments which have taken place in it.
6. Yes. I do not know this to have ever been the case.
7. It is. Yes.
8. I do. I think it is. I do not know.
9. I do not: nor do I think my Congregation or Church would, provided they were indemnified for their lots. Some, I have reason for believing own lots that are valuable inasmuch as but few burials have been made in them.
10. I think that a delay of a year would be all that is necessary; many having new lots in the *Mount Hermon Cemetery*, and all would, doubtless, who could procure lots also.

It is highly expedient that some place ought to be procured for the burial of the poor and friendless, but I suppose that this belongs more to the City Council to consider than to the Legislature.

Answers of the REV'D. ARMINE WALE MOUNTAIN, *to the foregoing Questions.*

1. *Aarmine Wale Mountain*, curate of *Quebec at Quebec*.
2. The Church of *England* and the established Church of *Scotland*.
3. Some such instances have come to my knowledge, but they were chiefly in the case of persons whose families had lots in the ground, as residents in the City.
4. The ground is held in common between the Churches of *England* and *Scotland* without any division or the assignment to either of any portion or share.
5. There has been no other burial ground used for the interments of Protestants generally except *Mount Hermon Cemetery*. The Wesleyan Methodists have had a ground of their own in *d'Artigny* street, for upwards, I believe, of twenty years. Other protestants have, I believe, been buried by Ministers of the Church of *England* or of the Church of *Scotland*, in the ground in *St. John* Street. In some cases the Minister of a denomination which had no right to the ground, has performed a service in the house of the deceased, and the body has been committed to the ground without the performance of any religious ceremony upon the spot.

With regard to the level of the ground, I believe the street was lowered after the fire of 1845. But I can give no certain information on this point. I do not think however, that the great height within the wall is attributable to any accumulation of remains; but every time a grave is dug, the hearth taken from the space occupied by the coffin is placed on top of the grave, which of course raises the level of the ground. There is no perceptible difference between the level of the ground and that of an adjacent piece, which the Trustees acquired a few years ago as an addition.

6. Some interments of persons dying of cholera took place in this ground; but in 1832 and 1834 the great majority of interments were made, so far as the Church of *England* was concerned, at the ground near the Marine Hospistal, and in 1849, at the Potters field. I have never heard of the exposure of coffins: and I read this question to a meeting of members of the Congregation worshipping in *St. Matthew's* Chapel on the ground, and could not learn that any person present had heard of it either, though several lived in the immediate neighbourhood of the ground. I have known repeated instances in which, in times of epidemic, a body has been brought to the ground without notice to any clergyman, and the sexton has, in such cases, immediately interred it leaving the grave not quite filled up, and the service to be afterwards performed.

7. Yes. Yes.

8. If by this question it is meant to be implied that there is anything offensive in the ground, or injurious to the neighbourhood, I beg leave to express a decided opinion

to the contrary, founded both on my own experience, and on information derived from persons living in the immediate vicinity. I believe, however, that it is in some parts inconveniently crowded, though there is a portion, lately acquired as an addition, in which there is plenty of room. The ground has been in use upwards of sixty years. I cannot speak more exactly upon this point.

9. Notwithstanding what I have said under No. 8. I think it is desirable, for the reasons stated in that question, that the ground should be closed, and I have reason to think that no objection would be felt to its being closed, if the following points were secured.

A. That persons whose families are buried there should receive compensation to aid in the expense of their removal.

B. That persons holding lots by purchase should receive compensation to enable them to purchase elsewhere.

C. That other ground should be furnished by the Legislature.

D. That in simple justice recourse to *Mount Hermon* Cemetery for the purposes of interment, should not be made compulsory, the distance being inconveniently great. These points are the substance of a resolution passed at a meeting to which I have already referred and at which I was requested to embody them in my reply to this question as the unanimous opinion of the Congregation as there represented. The members of the Church of *England* to whom I stand related as a pastor (being those who are residents in *St. John* and *St. Louis* Suburbs) are principally persons of the middle or lower classes of Society. Three fourths at least, of the number of families within my charge (about three hundred) belong to this class. One fourth may be able to have recourse to *Mount Hermon* Cemetery, but in the case of the remainder, I am confident that there is an unanimous feeling in favor of the present Ground, unless one more accessible to them than *Mount Hermon* Cemetery shall be substituted for it, I think it my duty to mention this, as rumours are current respecting arrangements likely to be made between the Trustees of the present ground and the Directors of *Mount Hermon* Cemetery, for which the sanction of the Legislature will be sought. There may possibly be no foundation for such rumours: but they have gained sufficient ground to call forth a strong feeling on the subject, and I have been particularly urged to insist upon this point in my reply. The burial of persons of limited [means, or of paupers, at *Mount Hermon* Cemetery, at the present rate of expense, is simply impossible; but

10. I think that in two years we might without difficulty obtain a piece of Ground without the limits of the City, if provision were made for the points A. B., and to some extent at least C, under No. 9. It must be remembered that the provision already made in *Mount Hermon* Cemetery for the requirements of the wealthier

classes

classes would prove an obstacle in the way of their joining, to any sensible degree, in an endeavor to procure a new Ground. The burden, therefore would fall upon those only who cannot have recourse to *Mount Hermon* Cemetery, and who are the least able to bear it.

Answers of the REV. DR. COOK, to the Questions put to him, as Trustee of the Protestant Burying, Ground by the Committee of the Honorable the Legislative Council.

1. *John Cook*, Minister of the Church of *Scotland*, *Quebec*.
2. I do. It has been used by all Protestant denominations, but properly belongs to the Churches of *England* and *Scotland*.
3. It has been so used to a small extent.
4. The ground belongs to the Churches of *England* and *Scotland* in common.
5. The eastern part for at least sixty or seventy years, but of a recent addition on the west, about half only has been used. There is a considerable difference of level, caused partly at least by the frequent interments.
6. It is. Not to my knowledge,—it may have been in 1832 or 1834.
7. It is. Yes.
8. It would certainly be on many accounts better that the Cemetery was in a less public place. The old Burial Ground is very full, a recent addition has only been partly used.
9. I do not object,—Nor do I think there will be general objection, provided parties having purchased the permanent right of burial receive compensation.
10. I do not. I think the parties who request or authorize one burying ground to be shut up for the public benefit, should provide another, as convenient as may be for the poor as well as the rich.

JOHN COOK.

Quebec, 10th of May, 1853.

Answers of the REV. DR. MACKIE, to the Questions put to him, by the Committee of the Honorable the Legislative Council.

1. *George Mackie*, Clergyman of the Church of *England* and Assistant Minister of the Cathedral, *Quebec*.

2. I do. It has been used by various Protestant denominations, but properly belongs to the Churches of *England* and *Scotland*.
3. It has been so used,—to a small extent.
4. The ground belongs to the Churches of *England* and *Scotland*, in common.
5. The old Burial Ground on the east has been in use for at least sixty or seventy years; but the late addition on the west is not more than half used. There is a considerable difference of level caused, partly at least, by the frequent interments.
6. It is,—Not to my knowledge,—it may have been in 1832 or 1834.
7. It is,—Yes.
8. It would certainly be on many accounts better if the Cemetery were in a less public place. The old Burial Ground is very full. A recent addition has only been partly used.
9. I do not object,—Nor do I think that there will be general objection, provided parties having purchased the permanent right of burial receive compensation.
10. I do not. I think the parties who request or authorize one Burying Ground to be shut up for the public benefit, should provide another as convenient as may be, for the poor as well as the rich.

GEORGE MACKIE, D. D.

Quebec, 11th May, 1853.

Answers of the REV. GEORGE COWELL, Chaplain to the Forces, to the foregoing Questions.

1. *George Cowell*, Clergyman, 14, Esplanade, *Quebec*.
2. I know the Protestant Burial Ground in *St. John's Ward*, City of *Quebec*, and I believe it is used only for members of the Churches of *England* and of *Scotland*.
3. I believe it is used for such purposes.
4. My Congregation consists of the Military Departments only, which possess no particular proportion of the ground in question.
5. I cannot say how long the ground in question has served for the Burial of Protestants generally. I think the level of the ground is higher than that of *St. John Street* in front thereof, and the cause of such difference, must, I think, arise from the numbers of interments.

6. Soldiers who died of Cholera were interred in that Burial Ground, but I never saw coffins exposed for several hours previous to interment.

7. This is all perfectly true.

8. I think the position of the Burial Ground in question to be very objectionable. I believe it to be very much incumbered in consequence of the numbers of interments, but I cannot say for how many years, they have been taking place there, beyond my own experience, viz. fifteen years.

9. I do not object myself, nor would the Military Congregation object, provided some other place of burial be provided.

10. I think that in the course of a year or two, the military authorities would provide a portion of ground beyond the limits of the City, for military interments.

GEORGE COWELL,
Chaplain to H. M. Forces.

Ordered, that the said report be adopted, and

Ordered, that the said Bill and Report as also the Petitions and evidence be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the *Peterborough and Port Hope* Rail-way Company," as amended, it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Wednesday the twenty fifth instant.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Port Dalhousie and Thorold* Rail-way Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Irving, J. Morris* and *Boulton* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to confer Equity Jurisdiction upon the several County Courts in *Upper Canada* and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Goodhue, Irving, J. Morris, Boulton* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the *Upper Canada* Juror's Act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty and to repeal certain parts thereof," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to the last mentioned Select Committee to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Piers, Wharves, Dry Docks, and Harbours," was read a second time.

Ordered,

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Goodhue*, *Moore* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Dumoulin* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act passed during the present Session of the Legislature intituled, 'An Act to ascertain and establish the rights of the co-proprietors of the Common of *St. Antoine de la Baie*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to remedy certain irregularities and omissions in preparing the List of Jurors for the District of *St. Francis*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Wednesday, 18th May, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
IRVING,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
TACHÉ,
TURGEON,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Port Dalhousie and Thorold* 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.

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to confer Equity Jurisdiction upon the several County Courts in *Upper Canada* and for other purposes therein mentioned," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the *Upper Canada* Juror's Act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty, and to repeal certain parts thereof," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend and consolidate as amended the Laws relative to the *Toronto* General Hospital," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Goodhue*, *Widmer*, *Irving*, *J. Morris* and *Taché*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to remedy certain irregularities and omissions in preparing the Lists of Jurors for the District of *St. Francis*," was read a second time.

Ordered,

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

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Widmer* 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 to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cartier* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to empower the Municipalities of the Counties of *Two Mountains* and *Terrebonne* to take Stock in any Rail-road Companies for the construction of Rail-ways passing through the said Counties respectively, and to issue Bonds to raise funds for the payment of the same," 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 Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Thursday, 19th May, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
IRVING,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *De Blaquièrè* came to the table and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by Law which was administered by *John Penning's Taylor Senior*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal to administer the Oath to the Members of the Legislature.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Piers, Wharves, Dry Docks and Harbours," 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 the same.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows :

Page 5, Line 11.--Leave out from "work" to "and" in Line 13.

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

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Widmer* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend and consolidate as amended, the Laws relative to the *Toronto* General Hospital," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive 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, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend certain irregularities and omissions in preparing the Lists of Jurors for the District of *St. Francis*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to notice it was moved 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 copies of the following documents, viz :

The Instrument erecting *Cap Tourmente* near *Quebec*, into a Barony, in favor of Mr. *Emmery de Caen* and bearing date at *St. Germain-en-Laye* April 1640, registered in the office of the Provincial Register, or in the Registers of the *Quebec* Historical Society.

A copy of the Retrait Féodal exercised by M. *Paul de Choméday* Governor of *Montreal* upon *Pierre Gasban* being No. 282 of the Minutes of M^{re}. *Basset* Notary at *Montreal* and bearing date the 18th December 1660.

Letters patent granting nobility to Mr. *Antoine Picody de Contreœur* and bearing date at *Paris*, January 1661, Registered at *Quebec* 25th February 1687.

The *arrêt* confirming the nomination made by Mr. *de Mézi* Governor and the Bishop of *Pétrée* of Messrs. *de Saily Lemoyne* and *Basset*, as Royal Judges and Kings attorneys at *Montreal* on the 18th October 1663 folio 5.

The *arrêt* ordering a compensation by the Governor to *Sieur Poirier*, for wood taken in His Seigniory dated 6th August 1664 folio 19.

The grant of a Seigniory by the Chevalier *de Mézi*, Governor, and *Francois de Laval* Bishop of *Pétrée*, to Mr. *Etienne Pezard*, Ecuyer, *Sieur de la Touche Champplain* on the 8th August 1664 and the ratification of the same by the King under date at *Versailles*, the 24th May, 1689 registered at *Quebec* on the 1st December 1692.

The *arrêt* ordering the habitants of the *côte* of *Lauzon* to pay into the hands of the Register the amount of their farms and right of fishing dated the 8th November 1664.

The verification of the Letters of nobility to the *Sieur de Legardeur* July 1667.

The Letters Patent granting nobility to *Simon Denis* under date at *St. Germain-en-Laye* March 1668 and Registered 13 March 1680.

The grant of a Seigniory with the River *La Magdelaine* to *Antoine Caddé* in 1668 Reg: B. folio 5.

The Letters Patent granting nobility to *Nicolas Dupont de Neuville* and bearing date at *St. Germain-en-Laye*, 30th April 1669 Registered at *Quebec* 24 March 1670.

The instrument erecting the *Bourg Royal Bourg-la-Reine* and *Bourg Talon* into a Barony under the name of the Barony *des Islets*, and bearing date at *St. Germain-en-Laye* 14th March 1671 Registered at *Quebec* 17th September 1672.

The Letters Patent of nobility to *Sieur Jean Philippe de Hautmenil* Son of *Pierre Philippe de Marigny* and bearing date at *St. Germain-en-Laye* 16th March 1671, Registered at *Quebec* 5th October 1672.

A statement of the military services of the family of the *Joybert de Soulanges* and the Genealogy of the same Registered at *Quebec* according to the *arrêt* on the 5th December 1672.

Instrument erecting the *Barony des Islets* into a County (Comté,) in favor of Mr *le Baron de Talon* under the name of the County *d'Orsainville*, and bearing date at *St. Germain-en-Laye* May 1675 Registered at *Quebec* 23rd September 1675.

Established proof of Nobility in favor of *Sieur Leneuf*, Registered at *Quebec* according to the *arrêt* on the 24th September 1675.

The *arrêt* declaring good the seizure for *Lods et ventes* and Seigniorial Rents bearing date the 24th February 1676 folio 265.

The Instrument erecting the *Island of Orleans* near *Quebec*, into a County, under the name of the County of *St. Laurent*, in favor of Mr. *Berthelot*, Commissaire Général of Artillery of Powder and Saltpetre in *France* bearing date *Camp-de-Condé*, April 1676 Registered at *Quebec* 29th October 1676,

The instrument erecting the Seigniorship of *Portneuf* into a Barony, in favor of Mr. *René Bobineau* *Sieur de Bécancour* knight (chevalier) *de St. Michel*, bearing date at *St. Germain-en-Laye* March 1681 Registered at *Quebec* 27 April 1683.

A copy of the Seizure made on the 12th August 1683 of the Fief *Vilié* declared good by Mr. *Guillaume de la Rue*, Judge of the Fief and Seigniorship of *La Touche*, *Champlain* and of the Parish of *Batiscan* according to the Ordinance (Register and carnet from 1683 to 1738.)

A copy of the permission granted by the King to the nobility, to make commerce in *Canada*, bearing date 10th March 1685.

Brevet of Ratification by the King of a Seigniorship in favor of *Etienne Jezard*, *Ecuier*, *Sieur de la Touche*, bearing date at *Versailles*. the 24th May 1689.

A copy of the grant by Messrs. *Jean Bochart* et al, to *Sieur Nicolas Denis* and ratified in favor of *Richard Denis de Fronsac*, being a Seigniorship at the place called *Miramichi* of fifteen leagues by fifteen with the River *à la Truite* included, bearing date 18th April 1690 and ratified by the King on the 16th March 1690, Registered at *Quebec* on the 6th April 1693.

The instrument granting nobility to *Sieur Nicolas Juchereau de St. Denis* and his descendants for Military Services rendered in *Canada* bearing date at *Versailles* January 1692 and enregistered at *Quebec* in 1700.

A copy of the grant made in Seigniorship by Messrs. *La Bart et De Meulles*, to *Sieur Mathieu D'armour* on the River *St. Jean*, the said River included and even the River *Ramocla*, and the Brevet of ratification bearing date at *Versailles* 1st March 1693 Registered at *Quebec* 8th March 1694.

The Letters Patent granting nobility to *Sieur Aubert de la Chenaye* and to his descendant son *Sieur Aubert*, intendant general of the fortification of the Town and Citadel of Amiens bearing date at *Versailles* March 1693, Registered at *Quebec* 11th January 1700.

A copy of the Ordinance bearing date March 1695, that obliged the Judge of *Champlain* and *Batiscan* to hold the Court sittings every week.

A copy of the Ordinance bearing date 28th July 1706 that condemned the habitants of *Montreal* holding emplacements in the *Lower Town* to pay the Rents to the Seigneurs according to their Deeds, in default to give up the said emplacements.

A copy of the Ordinance bearing date 14th August 1701 rendered against the *Sieur d'Auteuil* and *Madame de la Forest*.

The Letters Patent granting nobility to *Mr. P. Bouché* for his Military Services rendered in *Canada* dated *Versailles* 7 June 1707 and registered in *Quebec* on the 6th October 1710.

The copy of an Ordinance bearing date 3rd September 1706 that explains the Ordinance of the 28th July 1706, relating to the emplacements in the *Lower Town* of *Montreal*.

A copy of the Grant made in Seigniority by the Governor to *Mr. de Beauharnois* of the *Port Matouin* on the Coast of *l'Acadie* bearing date 2nd April 1707.

The Instrument creating the *Port Matouin* into a Barony in favor of *Mr. de Beauharnois*, and bearing date at *Versailles* June 1707.

A copy of a Deed of Concession made by *Dame Magdeleine Pezard de la Touche Champlain*, widow of the late *Messire Joseph Dejordy*, *Ecuyer Sr. de Cabamac*, Major of the place aux Government of *Three Rivers* to *Réné Poupart*; *Mtre. Tailieudière* Notary at *Boucherville*, on the 18th August 1717 to be found at the Provincial Archives in the bundle of Deed.

A copy of the commission of Judge of the Seigniority of part of the South River belonging to *Mr. Louis Couillard* and bearing date of 1742.

A copy of the Judgment rendered on the 9th July 1749, at the request of Seignior of the *côte* of *Beaupré* and condemning an habitant of *St. Joachim* who had built on a land of half an arpent to demolish his House.

A copy of the Deed of concession made by *Mr. Marchand* Seignieur, to *Joseph Jasmin* on the 29th May 1752, Registered at *Quebec* in 1764.

The title of the Seigniority of *St. François* with the River *St. François* granted by *Mr. de Lauzon* Councillor of state, to *Sieur Boucher de Gros-Bois* as having the guardianship of his grand children. The said title dated April 20th 1662.

The Lease by *Sieur Sarrayin* and *Sieur Jourdain* et al, to *Sieur Gastin* the Lands Seigniorly and Fief of *La Grande Vallée des Monts*, *Notre Dame* of the River *de la Magdeleine*, and of *L'Ance du Grand Etang* with divers rights before *Barbet*, Notary of *Quebec* on the 5th April 1725, and now deposited in the Prothonotary's Office.

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

Resolved in the affirmative,

Ordered, that the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General by such members of the Executive Council as are members of this House.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act passed during the present Session intituled, 'An Act to ascertain and establish the rights of the co-proprietors of the common of *St. Antoine de la Baie*,'" was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Turgeon*, *Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Industry Village and Rawdon Rail-road Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cartier* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Steam Navigation Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time

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

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

Friday, 20th May, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,

MORRIS, J.

MOORE,

BOULTON,

GOODHUE,

TACHÉ,

WALKER,

TURGEON,

WIDMER,

PANET,

IRVING,

BELLEAU.

DE BOUCHERVILLE,

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *John Lynch* and others, Reeves of the County of *Peel*, praying that the representation Bill may be so amended as that the said County may have two Members to represent it in Parliament.

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

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

Ordered, that the said Petition be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend an Act passed during the present Session of the Legislature intituled, "An Act to ascertain and establish the rights of the co-proprietors of the Common of *St. Antoine de la Baie*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Piers, Wharves, "Dry Docks and Harbours," 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,

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendment to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend and consolidate as amended the Laws relative to the *Toronto* General Hospital," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to continue and extend the Act to enable the County of *Welland* Municipal Council to purchase the Great Cranberry Marsh and for other purposes," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Goodhue*, *J. Morris* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Steam Navigation Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs, *De Blaquière*, *Walker* and *Taché*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by *Mr. Malloch* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Bytown* and *Pembroke* Rail-way 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.

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that he had received a communication announcing the intention of His Excellency the Governor General to come down to the House on Monday next, at four o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of assenting in Her Majesty's name to certain Bills passed by the two Houses of the Legislature.

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

Monday, 23rd May, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
MORRIS, W.
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MCKAY,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
IRVING,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

MATHESON,
BOULTON,
VIGER,
TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
MÉTHOT,
TURGEON,
CRANE,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU,
WILSON.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Viger* and *Knowlton* came to the table and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by Law, which was administered by *John Fennings Taylor*, Senior Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal to administer the Oath to the Members of the Legislature.

The Honorable Mr. *De Blaquièrè* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Steam 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.

It was moved,

That the said Bill be now read a third time.

In amendment,

It was moved,

To expunge "now" and after "time" to insert "on Wednesday next."

After a short debate,

The motion of amendment was by leave of the House withdrawn.

The question of concurrence being then put on the original motion, the same was Resolved in the affirmative.

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,

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

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* presented a Petition from *Bartholemew Conrad Augustus Gugy*, Esquire, praying that the Bill from the Legislative Assembly to define Seigniorial Rights in *Lower Canada* may not be passed into a Law.

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

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

Ordered, that the said Petition be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Seymour* and others, to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint "Stock Companies for the construction of Piers, Wharves, Dry Docks and Harbours," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Shaw* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Perth* and *Kemptville* Railway "Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Jobin* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Institut Canadien*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie* of *Wentworth* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Directors of the "Grand River Navigation Company, to place the said Navigation under the control "and management of the Provincial Government under certain conditions," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

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. *De Beaujeu* enters.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend "the Law relating to Grammar Schools in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honorable JAMES EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick* and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c., being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to let the Assembly know, it is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House.

Who being come with their Speaker.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follow.

An Act to incorporate the *Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company.

An Act to extend the powers of the Consumers' Gas Company of *Toronto*.

An Act to vest the Harbour of *Port Hope* and adjacent premises in Commissioners.

An Act to incorporate the *Erie* and *Ontario* Insurance Company.

An Act to authorize the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*, to borrow a certain sum of money, and to erect therewith Water Works for the use of the said City, and to extend and amend the provisions of any Act relating thereto.

An Act to enable the Corporation of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec* to borrow an additional sum for the construction of the Water Works.

An Act to explain and amend the Act, intituled, "An Act to establish a Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund in *Upper Canada*."

An Act to amend certain Acts for the relief of Religious Societies.

An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts for the incorporation of the City of *Montreal*.

An Act incorporate the *London* and *Port Stanley* Rail-way Company.

An Act to incorporate a Company for the erection of an Hotel in the City of *Toronto*.

An Act to incorporate a Joint Stock Company for the purpose of erecting an Hotel in the City of *Hamilton*.

An Act to incorporate the *Vaudreuil* Rail-way Company.

An Act to authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the *Quebec Bank*, to facilitate the transfer of Shares in certain cases, and for other purposes relative to the said Bank.

An Act to amend an Act authorizing the Grand River Navigation Company to raise a certain sum of money by loan.

An 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 incorporate the *Cataraqui* and *Peterborough* Rail-way Company.

An Act to amend an Act of the Legislature of *Upper Canada*, passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, and intituled, "An Act to amend the Law respecting Real property, and to render the proceedings " for recovering possession thereof in certain cases less difficult and expensive."

An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Exchange.

An Act to amend an Ordinance passed in the second year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Ordinance concerning the erection of Parishes, and the " Building of Churches, Parsonage Houses and Churchyards."

An Act to declare valid the Articles of Clerkship of Law Students enregistered within a certain period after the delay granted by the Act to incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*, and to amend the said Act.

An Act to incorporate the *Quebec* Bridge Company.

An Act to confer equity Jurisdiction upon the several County Courts in *Upper Canada* and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An Act to amend the *Upper Canada* Juror's Act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty and to repeal certain parts thereof.

An Act to incorporate the *Port Dalhousie* and *Thorold* Rail-way Company.

An Act to empower the Municipalities of the Counties of *Two Mountains*, *Terrebonne*, *Rouville* and *Missisquoi* to take Stock in any Rail-road Companies, for the construction of Rail-ways passing through the said Counties respectively, and to issue Bonds to raise funds for the payment of the same.

An Act to remedy certain irregularities and omissions in preparing the Lists of Jurors for the District of *St. Francis*.

An Act to incorporate the *Bytown* and *Pembroke* Rail-way Company.

An Act to amend an Act passed during the present Session of the Legislature intituled, "An Act to ascertain and establish the rights of the co-proprietors of the
" Common of *St. Antoine de la Baie*."

An Act to incorporate the Canadian Steam Navigation Company.

An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Piers, Wharves, Dry Docks and Harbours.

An Act to remove certain doubts arising as to the true meaning and effect of the sixth Section of the Act passed during the present Session intituled, "An Act to
" amend the Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years
" of Her Majesty's Reign intituled, 'An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of
" the *Niagara* Harbour and Dock Company."

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 Legislative Assembly having withdrawn His Excellency was please to retire.

The Order of the Day, being read for the consideration of the Address to His Excellency the Governor General relative to an alteration in the constitution of the Legislative Council, moved for on Friday the sixth day of May last.

It was moved to adopt the said Address.

Whereupon debates ensued.

And on a question of Order being raised as to whether the Address in its present form should be further entertained on account of this House having no official information of any proceedings said to be pending in the Legislative Assembly relative to a change in the constitution of the Legislative Council.

An appeal was made to the Chair.

Whereupon debates again ensued.

After which the Honorable the Speaker decided that the said Address ought not in his opinion to be further entertained by this House.

It was then moved that the decision of the Honorable the Speaker be appealed from.

Which being objected to,

After a long debate.

The question was put whether to confirm the decision already declared in relation to this subject.

It was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

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

THE HONORABLES

RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,	Present.
PETER B. DE BLAQUIÈRE,	Present.
PETER MCGILL,	Absent.
WILLIAM MORRIS,	Present.
ALEXANDER FRASER,	Absent.
JAMES CROOKS,	Absent.
ADAM FERGUSSON,	Absent.
JOHN MACAULAY,	Absent.
JOHN HAMILTON,	Present.
ADAM FERRIE,	Present.
PAUL H. KNOWLTON,	Present.
THOMAS MCKAY,	Present.
PHILIP H. MOORE,	Present.
JOSEPH DIONNE,	Present.
GEORGE J. GOODHUE,	Present.
WILLIAM WALKER,	Present.
CHRISTOPHER WIDMER,	Present.
J. ÆMILIUS IRVING,	Present.
P. BOUCHER DE BOUCHERVILLE,	Present.
JAMES MORRIS,	Present.
JAMES GORDON,	Absent.
HAMNETT PINHEY,	Absent.
JAMES FERRIER,	Absent.
RODERICK MATHESON,	Present.
GEORGE S. BOULTON,	Present.
DENIS B. VIGER,	Present.
ETIENNE P. TACHÉ,	Present.
JAMES LESLIE,	Present.
FREDERICK AUGUSTE QUESNEL,	Present.
JOSEPH BOURRET,	Absent.
GEORGE S. DE BEAUJEU,	Present.
JOHN ROSS,	Absent.
LOUIS MÉTHOT,	Present.
JOSEPH O. TURGEON,	Present.
SAMUEL CRANE,	Present.
JAMES WYLIE,	Absent.
SAMUEL MILLS,	Present.
LOUIS PANET,	Present.
NARCISSE F. BELLEAU,	Present.
CHARLES WILSON,	Present.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to define Seigniorial Rights in *Lower Canada* and to facilitate the redemption thereof," and for hearing Counsel against the said Bill.

It was moved,

That the same be discharged until Friday next.

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Industry Village and Rawdon* Rail-road Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Dionne* and *Méthot*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

Wednesday, 25th May, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
MCGILL,
MORRIS, W.
FRASER,
FERGUSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MCKAY,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
IRVING,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
VIGER,
TACHÉ
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
MÉTHOT,
TURGEON,
CRANE,
WYLIE,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU,
WILSON.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Fraser* and *Wylie* came to the table and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by Law which was administered by *John Fenning's Taylor Senior*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal to administer the Oath to the Members of the Legislature.

The Honorable Mr. *De Boucherville* presented a Petition from *William Fenwick Lighthall* of *Durham* in the County of *Beauharnois*, praying that an Act may be passed to render valid the Registers kept by the Reverend *Alexander McWattie*, late Minister of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* there.

And also, a Petition from *Elie Rochon* and others, of the County of *Terrebonne*, praying that justice may be done to the persons whose claims have been rejected by the Commissioners under the *Lower Canada Rebellion Losses Act* of 1849.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* enters.

The Order of the Day being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the *Peterborough and Port Hope* Rail-way Company," as amended, it was
Ordered, that the same be discharged until Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day, being read for moving the House (pursuant to notice) in respect of the Speaker's right to vote upon the Representation Bill.

It was moved,

That the Honorable the Speaker be requested in the exercise of his undoubted right as a Member of the Legislative Council under the provisions of the Act 3rd and 4th Vict. Chap. 35, Section 26th to record his vote on the question to be taken into consideration this day with reference to a Bill received from the Legislative Assembly for a change in the representation of that House.

Upon which debates having ensued,

The said motion was by leave of the House withdrawn.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned debate upon the motion for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to enlarge the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament."

Which motion being objected to,

After a further long debate.

The Members were called in, and

There were present.

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,

McGILL,

MORRIS, W.

FRASER,

FERGUSSON,

MACAULAY,

HAMILTON,

FERRIE,

KNOWLTON,

MCKAY,

MOORE,

DIONNE,

GOODHUE,

WALKER,

WIDMER,

IRVING,

DE BOUCHERVILLE,

MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIER,

MATHESON,

BOULTON,

VIGER,

TACHÉ

LESLIE,

QUESNEL,

BOURRET,

DE BEAUVIEU,

MÉTHOT,

TURGEON,

CRANE,

WYLLIE,

MILLS,

PANET,

BELLEAU,

WILSON.

The question of concurrence being then put whether this Bill should now be read for the second time, it was

Resolved in the affirmative, by the concurrence of twenty eight Members being more than two thirds of the number of Members composing the House.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

DISSENTIENT.

Because, the interest of one Section of the Province has been sacrificed to the interest of the other Section.

Because, that unless a general code be, as soon as practicable adopted for the Province of *Canada*, the re-union Act, instead of being a blessing to re-united *Canada*, will tend to promote future discord and will necessitate a demand for its repeal.

Because, the inhabitants of the Western Section fully appreciating their position ; cannot consent to the separation, without great sacrifices be made in their favour by the inhabitants of the Eastern Section of the Province.

PIERRE BOUCHER DE BOUCHERVILLE.

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* then retired from the House.

It was then moved,

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

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

Ordered, that the forty sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill.

It was then moved,

That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

Which being objected to,

The Members were called in, and

There were present.

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
MCGILL,
MORRIS, W.
FRASER,
FERGUSON,
MACAULAY,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MCKAY,
MOORE,
DICKNE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
VIGER,
TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
MÉTHOT,
TURGEON,
CRANE,
WYLIE,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU,
WILSON.

The question of concurrence being then put whether this Bill should now be read for the third time, it was

Resolved in the affirmative by the concurrence of twenty eight Members being more than two thirds of the number of Members composing the House.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was unanimously resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Institut Canadien*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Quésnel*, *Bourret* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

Friday,

Friday, 27th May, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MCGILL
FRASER,
MACAULAY,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE.
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
VIGER,
TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
BOURRT,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
CRANE,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Quesnel* presented a Petition from *William Adams* and others, proprietors of Land and Premises situated in the Fiefs *Nazareth*, *Lagan-chetere*, *Closs*, *St. Joseph* and other Fiefs within the County of *Montreal*, praying that the said Fiefs may not be exempted from the Bill now before Parliament to define Seigniorial Rights in *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *William Mountain of Sorel*, praying to be indemnified for certain Losses sustained by him during the Rebellion of 1837—38.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Industry Village* and "*Rawdon* Rail-road Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Institut Canadien*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to continue and extend the Act to enable the County of *Welland* Municipal Council to purchase the Great *Cramberry* Marsh 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.

Ordered, that the said Bill be printed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act to restrain the injurious practice of inoculating for the small pox."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Perth* and *Kemptville* Rail-way Company," was read a second time.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Directors of the Grand River Navigation Company to place the said Navigation under the control and management of the Provincial Government under certain conditions," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay*, *J. Morris* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Law relating to Grammar Schools in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

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

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* 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 the third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice it was moved 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 the following documents, viz :

Copies of all correspondence which may have taken place between Her Majesty's Government or any Member thereof, or any of the principal officers of Her Majesty's Ordinance, or from the head of the Military Department in *England*, with the Government of this Province, or with the Attorney General of the said Province, from about eight months previous to the passing of the 8th Vic. Chap. 42, intituled, " An Act the better to facilitate optional commutation of the tenure of lands *en roture* in the Seigniories and Fiefs in *Lower Canada*, into that of *franc alev roturier*, down to the present day, in relation to the wild and unconceded lands in Seigniories held by the Crown in trust for the *Indians*, or in relation to the Fiefs *Nazareth, St. Augustin, St. Joseph*, and the Fiefs and Seigniories formerly held by the late order of Jesuits and those actually held by other ecclesiastical or religious Bodies, and also in relation to the Seigniory of *Sorel* and others, held by the principal officers of Her Majesty's Ordinance, and to the Seigniory of *Lauzon*."

Also, all the correspondence which may have taken place between the persons acting in this Country for the proprietors of the above Fiefs and Seigniories, or those interested in the same, or their Agents with the Executive Government, or with the Attorney General of the Province, from and before the 29th of July 1844, down to the present day.

And also, copies of three of the Deeds of Concession granted to any of the *Censitaires* in the Seigniory of *Lauzon*, and a similar number of Deeds granted in each of the Seigniories formerly held by the late order of the Jesuits, containing the highest rates of *cens et rentes*, at which lands held *en roture*, have been granted by the proper authorities, in the said Fiefs and Seigniories, down to the year 1850.

Also, a Statement of the number of *Censitaires* contained in the said several Fiefs and Seigniories, together with the superficial extent of the unconceded lands still remaining in the same.

And, also a Statement of the names of all the land held in *Lower Canada en franc alev noble*, with the names of the Proprietors.

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

Ordered, accordingly.

Ordered,

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

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to define Seigniorial Rights in *Lower Canada*, and to facilitate the redemption thereof," and for hearing Counsel against the same.

It was moved,

That the said Order be discharged, and that the said Bill be read a second time this day three months.

Which being objected to,

After a long debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the performance of the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions in *Upper Canada*, with respect to summary Convictions and Orders," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the performance of the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions in *Upper Canada*, with respect to persons charged with Indictable Offences," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to protect Justices of the Peace in *Upper Canada* from vexatious Actions," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Saturday, 28th May, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

FRASER,
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
IRVING,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
VIGER,
TACHÉ,
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House part of the Return to an Address of the Legislative Council to His Excellency, of the 19th instant, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of various documents relating to Seigniorial Tenure, in *Lower Canada*.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Grand River Navigation Company, to place the said Navigation under the control and management of the Provincial Government, under certain conditions," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

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

The said Bill was then read a time time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Ordered, that the Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* be added to the Select Committee, to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Registry Law of *Upper Canada*."

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to continue and extend the Act to enable the County of *Welland* Municipal Council to purchase the Great *Cranberry* Marsh and for other purposes," it was *Ordered*, that the same be discharged until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Law relating to Grammar Schools 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the performance of the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions in *Upper Canada*" with respect to summary convictions and Orders," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the performance of the duties of Justice of the Peace out of Sessions in *Upper Canada*" with respect to persons charged with indictable offences," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to protect Justices of the Peace in *Upper Canada* from vexatious actions;" was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill on Monday next.

It was moved,

That the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Registry Law of *Upper Canada*," be discharged.

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

Ordered, accordingly.

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

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill on Monday next.

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

Monday, 30th May, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
TACHÉ
LESLIE,
QUESNEL,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
MILLS,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, that the fifty seventh Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the presentation of a Petition from *John Porter Esquire*, and *Andrew Stuart*, Advocate, both of *Quebec*, proprietors of the *St. Maurice Iron Works*, praying for an Act of incorporation as "*the St. Maurice Iron Works Company*."

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented their said Petition,

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

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

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to continue and extend the Act to enable the County of *Welland* Municipal Council to purchase the Great *Cranberry* Marsh, and for other purposes," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend a certain Act of the Parliament of *Upper Canada* therein mentioned

" and

“ and to make further provision for the settlement of difficulties between owners of
“ Lands in the Townships of *Saltfleet* and *Binbroke*,” it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until next Wednesday week.

The Order of the Day being read for moving pursuant to notice, a series of resolutions on the constitution of the Legislative Council, it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Thursday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled, “ An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Industry* Village and *Rawdon* Rail-road Company.”

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Press 1, Line 40.—Leave out from “ office” to „ with” in line 41.

Press 2, Line 2.—Leave out from “ office” to “ and” in line 10.

Press 3, Line 1.—Leave out “ shall.”

Press 3, Line 5.—Leave out from “ Company” to “ or” in line 6.

Press 3, Line 7.—After “ Company” insert “ with the counter signature of the
“ Secretary of the Company.”

Press 3, Line 19.—After “ draw” insert “ accept.”

Press 3, Line 40.—Leave out “ six” and insert “ four.”

Press 4, Line 6.—After “ appointed” insert “ as follows, that is to say, “ one by each
“ Company and a third or umpire by the other two before pro-
“ ceeding to business; and in the event of either Company
“ refusing or neglecting to appoint an arbitrator within twenty
“ days after having been called upon so to do by the other, by
“ notice in writing duly served on the President or Secretary
“ thereof, or if the two Arbitrators cannot agree as to the ap-
“ pointment of a third or umpire,—an Arbitrator on behalf of
“ the Company so refusing or neglecting or a third or umpire
“ as the case may require shall be appointed.”

Press 4, Line Ult.—Leave out from “ carriage,” where it occurs the first time, to
“ for” in press 5 line 2,

Press 5, Line 24.—Leave out from “ shall,” to “ and,” in line 26, and insert “ be
“ paid over to the Receiver General to be applied to the
“ general purposes of the Province until such time as the same
“ shall be claimed by the party entitled thereto.”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to restrain the injurious practice of inoculating for the small pox," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Taché* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to notice, it was moved,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to inform His Excellency, as provided by the Act of Parliament of the United Kingdom, 3rd and 4th Victoria Chap. 35, that the Bill to increase the Representation of the people in Parliament, which has passed this House during the present Session, has so passed at its second and third reading respectively, with the concurrence of two thirds of the Members of this House for the time being.

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

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

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill, intituled "An Act to facilitate the performance of the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions in *Upper Canada*, with respect to summary convictions and orders."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Turgeon* 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 to-morrow.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole, on the Bill intituled "An Act to facilitate the performance of the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions in *Upper Canada*, with respect to persons charged with Indictable offences."

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

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

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole, on the Bill intituled "An Act to protect Justices of the Peace in *Upper Canada* from vexatious actions."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* 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 to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Christie* of *Wentworth*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act of the Parliament of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, relating to Mutual Insurance Companies," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Stevenson*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Prince Edward* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Stuart*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to explain an Act to authorize *François Verrault* Esquire, to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemins*, in the Parish of *St. Henry*, near the Church, in the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Dixon*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to invest certain portions of *East York* Street, *East Bathurst* Street, and *Wellington* Street, in the Town of *London*, in the *Great Western* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Viger* enters.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole, on the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Registry Law of *Upper Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* 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 :

Press 4, Line Ult.—After "next" insert "Clause A."

CLAUSE

CLAUSE A.

“ And be it enacted, that the following Holidays shall be allowed in the several Registry Offices in *Upper Canada*, namely Christmas, New years day, Good Friday, Ash Wednesday, Easter Monday and the Queen's Birth Day.

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

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill as amended, read a third time on Wednesday next.

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

Tuesday, 31st May, 1853.

The Members convened were :—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
TURGEON,
MILLS.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché*, reported that he had according to Order waited on His Excellency the Governor General, with the Address of this House of yesterday, informing His Excellency, as provided by the Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, 3rd and 4th Vict. Chap. 35, that the Bill to increase the Representation of the People in Parliament which has passed this House during the present Session, has so passed at its second and third reading respectively, with the concurrence of two thirds of the Members of this House for the time being, and that His Excellency was pleased to receive the same graciously, and to say that he would give the subject his best consideration.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *Philip Low* and others, of *Picton*, praying that the *Prince Edward* Rail-way Bill, may not pass in its present shape.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Perth* and *Kemptville* Rail-way Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the said amendments, be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition from *John Porter*, Esquire, and *Andrew Stuart*, Advocate, both of *Quebec*, proprietors of the *St. Maurice* Iron Works, praying for an Act of incorporation, as the *St. Maurice* Iron Works Company, reported that the matter thereof is such as to admit of the introduction of a Bill founded on the said Petition.

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented to the House, a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of *St. Maurice* Iron Works Company."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Industry* Village, and *Rawdon* Rail-road Company," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to facilitate the performance of the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions in *Upper* *Canada*, with respect to summary convictions and Orders," 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 facilitate the performance of the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions in *Upper* *Canada* with respect to persons charged with indictable offences," 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 protect Justices of the Peace in *Upper* *Canada*, from vexatious actions," was read a third time.

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The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act of the Parliament of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, relating to Mutual Insurance Companies," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay*, *J. Morris*, and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Prince Edward* Rail-way Company," was read a second time.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to invest certain portions of *East York* Street, *East Bathurst* Street, and *Wellington* Street, in the Town of *London*, in the *Great Western* Rail-way Company," was read a second time.

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *Sarah Lemmon*, of the Town of *Brantford*, praying that she may receive some indemnity by way of pension, or otherwise, in consequence of the affliction and lunacy of her husband, occasioned by hardship and exposure, during the Rebellion of 1837—38.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

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

Wednesday, 1st June, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
TURGEON,
MILLS,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. Moore presented a Petition from *René Kimber*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, and *O. Vallerand*, Sergent at Arms, praying that their claim for an augmentation of Salary, may be re-considered and favourably entertained.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Ordered, that the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee, appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House for the present Session.

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

The same was then read as follows :

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE,

The Governor Général transmits to the Honorable the Legislative Council, a Statement of the probable Revenue and Expenditure of the Province during the year ending 31st December 1853, together with Estimates of the sums required for the service of the same year.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Quebec, 31st May, 1853.

(For Estimates, &c., Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *J. F. Allsop*, and others, co-proprietors of the Seigniorship of *Jacques Cartier*, praying that they may be indemnified for certain loss and damage sustained by the erection of a Bridge over the River *Jacques Cartier*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act of the Parliament of the late Province of *Upper Canada* relating to Mutual Insurance Companies," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Prince Edward* Rail-way Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 1, Line 45.—Leave out from "thence" to "to" where it occurs the second time.

Page 2, Line 6.—Leave out "procure" and insert "be furnished by and at the expense of the said Company with."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Bellean* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to restrain the injurious practice of inoculating for the "small Pox," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be please 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, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the *Marmora Foundry Company*, praying for the amendment of their Act of incorporation ;

And also, a Petition from *John Bell*, of *Belleville*, praying for an amendment of the Charter of the said *Marmora Foundry Company*.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the City of *Quebec* to raise a loan to consolidate their debt."

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. *J. Morris* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act of *Upper Canada*, incorporating the *Marmora Foundry Company*."

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 a third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the *Peterborough and Port Hope Rail-way Company*," as amended.

It was,

Ordered, that the said Bill, as amended, be not now read a third time, but that it be further amended as follows.

Page 1, Line 27.—After "*Mariposa*" insert "and from thence to some convenient point on the line of the *Ontario, Simcoe and Huron Union Rail-road*."

Ordered, that the said further amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Registry Law of *Upper Canada*," as amended.

It was,

Ordered, that the said Bill, as amended, be not now read a third time, but that it be further amended as follows :

Page 2, Line 42.—After "accordingly" insert "but until the establishment of such separate Registry Offices as may be established under this Act, all Deeds, Wills, Memorials or other instruments, may be registered in the same offices, and with the same effect, as if this Act had not been passed."

Page 4, Line 39.—After "that" insert "the eighth, ninth and tenth sections of."

Page 4, Line 40.—Leave out from “January” to “Schedule” in page five, line one,
“ and insert “one thousand eight hundred and fifty four only.”

Ordered, that the said further amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for a second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to explain the Act, intituled ‘An Act to authorize *François Verrault*, Esquire, to build a Bridge over the River *Etchemins*, in the Parish of *St. Henry*, near the Church, in the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*,” it was
Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee, to the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the *Perth* and *Kemptville* Rail-way Company.”

The House accordingly proceeded to the consideration of the said amendments.

Which were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Press 2, Line 9.—After “aforesaid” insert “and also if they see fit to extend such
“ Rail-way or Road to the Town of *Belleville*, or to the Town
“ of *Peterborough*.”

IN THE PREAMBLE OF THE BILL.

Press 1, Line 5.—After “*Belleville*” insert “or to the Town of *Peterborough*.”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

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

Tuesday, 2nd June, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
TURGEON,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to invest certain portions of *East York Street, East Bathurst Street, and Wellington Street* in the Town of *London*, in the *Great Western Rail-way Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

Ordered, that the Honorable Messieurs *Moore* and *Matheson*, be added to the Select Committee, to whom has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of *St. Andrews Church, Quebec*, to alienate or hypothecate certain property, for the purpose of raising funds to build a more convenient Church, Manse and School."

Ordered, that the Select Committee on the Bill intituled "An Act for the removal of the Head Quarters of the County of *Vaudreuil*," be discharged.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Prince Edward Rail-way Company*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to restrain the injurious practice of inoculating with the small pox," it was *Ordered*, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the *Peterborough* and *Port Hope* Rail-way Company," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Registry Law of *Upper Canada*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, being read for moving pursuant to notice, a series of resolutions on the constitution of the Legislative Council, it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Saturday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of the *St. Maurice* Iron Works Company," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *J. Morris* and *Ferrier*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act of *Upper Canada*, incorporating the *Marmora* Foundry Company," it was

Ordered, that the fifty sixth 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 of five Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay*, *Walker*, *J. Morris*, *Matheson* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to explain the Act intituled 'An Act to authorize *François Verrault*, Esquire, to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemins*, in the Parish of *St. Henry*, near the Church, in the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *J. Morris*, and *Taché*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Industry Village and Rawdon* Rail-road 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 the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*," and to acquaint this House, that they have passed the said Bill with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:

Page 2, Line 12.—Leave out "and the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence* respectively."

Page 2, Line 14.—Leave out "or man" Leave out "either of them" and insert "he."

Page 2, Line 18 and 19.—Leave out "and the said *Emma Catherine Lawrence* " or either of them."

Page 2, Line 21.—Leave out "them" and insert him."

Page 2, Line 23.—Leave out "them or either of them" and insert him."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House, and it was

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

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *Edward Lewis Montizambert*, Law Clerk of this House, praying to be compensated for losses and expenses incurred by him in the service of the House.

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Thursday, 2nd June, 1853.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, communicating to their Honors, for their information, the accompanying Resolutions, adopted by this House on the subject of the constitution of the Legislative Council, and upon which is to be founded an humble Address to the Queen.

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

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk Assembly.

The said Resolutions were then read by the Clerk as follow :

1. *Resolved*,—That under the circumstances in which the Province of *Canada* is placed, in a social, political and economical point of view, the introduction of the elective principal into the Constitution of the Legislative Council, would not only impart greater weight to that important Branch of the Legislature than it can have under existing arrangements, however judiciously the selection of its Members may be made, but would also ensure greater efficiency in carrying out that system of Government which obtains in the Mother Country, and has been happily introduced into this Province.

2. *Resolved*,—That the object in view might best be attained by dividing each of the Sections of the Province into thirty Territorial Divisions, to be hereafter defined by the Provincial Parliament, containing each as nearly as possible an equal amount of population, and by allowing the persons qualified to vote at the election of Members of the Legislative Assembly in each Division, subject to the arrangements hereafter mentioned as to present Members, to elect one person qualified in the manner hereinafter mentioned, to sit in the Legislative Council, which should be composed, after the arrangements as to present Members have had their effect, of sixty persons so elected, one-third of whom shall be required to retire, in rotation every two years, so that except as to Members elected after a dissolution, or to fill any occasional vacancies to replace elected Members, the Members shall be elected for the term of six years ; and Members retiring by rotation, whose term of service shall expire during a Session of Parliament, may continue to serve until the end of that Session.

3. *Resolved*,—That twenty new Members of the said Legislative Council ought to be first elected ; that subject to a dissolution as hereinafter mentioned, the present Members of the Legislative Council ought to continue Members thereof, and to retire in rotation in numbers as equal as may be possible, at the end of two and four years respectively, at each of which respective periods twenty new Members of the said Council ought to be elected, whatever be the number of the Members then retiring ; for which purposes two lists of the present Members, one for each Section of the Province, according to their place of residence at the time they were summoned to the said

said Council shall be prepared, and lots drawn under the direction of the Speaker of the Legislative Council, to determine the time at which they shall retire by rotation as aforesaid;—and to provide for Elections in the first instance, and upon the retirement of the present Members in the manner provided, the said Speaker shall also draw lots separately for each Section of the Province, to determine for which Divisions Members are to be first elected, until all Divisions are represented; the said Speaker to apportion also by lot, on the re-assembling of the Legislative Council after a dissolution, for each said Section of the Province respectively, the order in which Members shall retire; Members elected to fill occasional vacancies to be elected for the Divisions for which the former Members were serving, and for the term only for which they would have been entitled to serve.

4. *Resolved*,—That the persons qualified to be elected Members of the Legislative Council, should be all subjects of Her Majesty, by birth or naturalization, of the full age of thirty years, and residing in this Province, who shall have been at any time previous to such Election, Members of either of the Legislative Councils of *Upper* or *Lower Canada*, or of the Legislative Council of this Province, or Members of either of the Legislative Assemblies of *Upper* or *Lower Canada*, or of the Legislative Assembly of this Province; and also all subjects of Her Majesty as aforesaid, qualified as above as to age and residence, who may be possessed for their own use and benefit of real property situated in this Province, held in free and common Soccage, or *en fief*, or *en roture*, or *en franc aleu*, of the value of one thousand pounds, currency, over and above all debts due and chargeable upon the same; no person who may be disqualified by Law to be elected Member of the Legislative Assembly, being eligible to the said Legislative Council.

5. *Resolved*,—That for the better working of Constitutional Government, the Crown ought to have power to dissolve both Houses of Parliament, or either of them; but that as respects the Legislative Council, such power ought not to be exercised except in the event of the rejection by the said Legislative Council in two successive Sessions, and at least at six months interval of a measure which shall have passed the Legislative Assembly in the same two successive Sessions, nor unless the said measure shall have passed the Legislative Assembly in the second Session by the vote of an absolute majority of the Members of the said Legislative Assembly; the Parliament convened after a dissolution of either House, or of both, being reckoned as a new Parliament.

6. *Resolved*, That Members of the Legislative Council ought to have power to vacate their seats, either in vacation or during the sitting of Parliament; but that no Member of either House, while being so, ought to be a Candidate for election to the other House.

7. *Resolved*,—That under the proposed change in the Constitution of the Legislative Council, it is inexpedient that any pecuniary qualification should be retained for being eligible to the Legislative Assembly.

8. *Resolved*,—That the Legislative Council so constituted ought to possess the exclusive power of adjudicating upon all impeachments preferred by the Legislative Assembly against high Public Functionaries; and that in all other respects the peculiar power and privileges now possessed and exercised by each of the two Houses of Parliament, should be maintained inviolate, in so far as they may not be repugnant to the foregoing Resolutions.

9. *Resolved*,—That when any Member of the Legislative Council shall accept any office, the holding of which would disqualify him for a seat in the Legislative Assembly, he shall vacate his seat; and when he accepts any office, the holding of which would cause him to return to the people for re-election if he held a seat in the Legislative Assembly, he shall only hold such seat with such office after being re-elected.

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

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

Friday, 3rd June, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,

The Honorable Messieurs.

MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BRAUVEU,
TURGEON,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* presented a Petition from *William Bignell* and others, of *Quebec*, praying to be incorporated as "the *Lower Canada Mining Company*,"

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of the *St. Maurice Iron Works Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments; which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive 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, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of *St. Andrews Church, Quebec*, to alienate or hypothecate certain property for the purpose of raising funds to build a more convenient Church, Manse and School," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive 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 "that" to "the" where it occurs the first time
" in line 20.

Page 1, Line 32.—After "Church" insert "and also to pay off all existing claims
" against the said Trustees in respect of the said property
" now held by them."

Page 2, Line 30.—After "necessary" insert "to pay off all existing claims against
" the said Trustees in respect of the said property now held
" by them and."

Page 2, Line 34.—After "repairing" insert "enlarging."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act of *Upper Canada* incorporating the *Marmora Foundry Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered,

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, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to specify the time when an Act of the present Session relating to the Township of *Kingston* and *Pittsburgh*, shall come in force.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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 restrain the injurious practice of inoculating with the small pox," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the City of *Quebec* to raise a Loan to consolidate their debt," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Taché*, *Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

Saturday, 4th June, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON**, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
FERRIER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BRAUJEU,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under his Sign Manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

The same was then read, and is as follows:

ELGIN AND KINGARDINE,

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the accompanying copies of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of the *Rideau Canal* and of his reply thereto.

(For Despatch & answer thereto Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to explain the Act intituled 'An Act to authorize *Eyres-çois Verrault*, Esquire, to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemins*, in the Parish of *St. Henry*, near the Church, in the said Parish, in the County of "Dorchester," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be please 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 34.—Leave out from "the" to "of" where it occurs the first time and insert "intention" and after "the" where it occurs the second time insert "Legislature in enacting the said."

Page 1, Line 35.—Leave out from "and" where it occurs the first time to "other" and leave out "provision" and insert "the provisions" and leave out from "was" to "that" in line 36.

Page 2, Line 5.—After “hire” insert “and provided also, that nothing in this Act
 “ contained shall be construed so as to subject any person or
 “ persons to liability for having erected or used, or caused or
 “ procured to be erected or used any free bridge, or bridge not
 “ being a Toll Bridge, within the said limits, before the
 passing of this Act.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

Ordered, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to issue his warrant in favor of *John Fenning's Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, as Clerk of this House for the sum of two thousand pounds, currency, to enable him to defray the present demands against the Legislative Council, and to meet its current expenditure during the Recess, for which he will afterwards account.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to authorize the City of *Quebec* to raise a loan to consolidate their debt,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be printed, and read a third time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of the *St. Maurice Iron Works Company*,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Turgeon* enters.

The Order of the Day, being read for moving pursuant to notice, a series of resolutions on the constitution of the Legislative Council.

The same were then read by the Clerk as follows :

1. *Resolved*,—That there is nothing in the actual state of the Province, or in the character and action of its Legislature which calls for alteration in the form of Government, granted by the Imperial Parliament, and modelled, as closely as the local circumstances of a Colony would permit, after that Constitution which has long been the glory of the United Kingdom, and the great source of its prosperity.

2. *Resolved*,—That to refer the selection of Members of the Legislative Council to the popular vote, is to destroy that harmony of system upon which, in accordance with the theory of the British Constitution, the Government of this Country has hitherto been considered to rest; and by thus discarding the principle of appointment by the Crown, which has hitherto been deemed essential to the maintenance of a due balance in the State, to bring the Royal Authority into direct contact with two Houses, both deriving power from, and responsible to the People.

3. *Resolved*,—That by the adoption of any scheme of the nature adverted to in the preceding resolution, safeguards (long held indispensable) against hasty and inconsiderate legislation would become in operative, jealousies would be fostered between bodies, each equally assuming to represent the People, and the chances of collision between them would be increased; the balance of power in the State would become precarious and subject to frequent disturbance, and further elementary changes would soon be demanded of a democratic character, to an extent perhaps, which this House is unwilling to contemplate.

It was moved to adopt the first Resolution.

Which being objected to,

After a long debate,

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

It was then moved to adopt the second Resolution.

Which being also objected to,

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

It was then moved to adopt the third Resolution.

Which being also objected to,

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

DISSENTIENTS:

ED. CARON,
J. MORRIS,
E. P. TACHÉ,
N. F. BELLEAU,
LOUIS PANET.

It was then moved to adopt the following Address to Her Majesty, founded on the foregoing Resolutions.

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly approach Your Majesty with sentiments of profound attachment to Your Majesty's Person and Government.

We

We feel it to be a duty incumbent upon us earnestly to represent to Your Majesty, that in our opinion, there is nothing in the actual state of the Province, or in the character and action of its Legislature, which calls for alteration in the form of Government, granted by Your Majesty, in the Act 3rd and 4th Vict. Chap. 35, and modelled as closely as the local circumstances of a Colony would permit, after that constitution which has long been the glory of the United Kingdom, and the great source of its prosperity.

We would respectfully represent to Your Majesty, that to refer the selection of Members of the Legislative Council to the popular vote, is to destroy that harmony of system upon which, in accordance with the theory of the British constitution, the Government of this Country has hitherto been considered to rest, and by thus discarding the principle of appointment by the Crown, which has hitherto been deemed essential to the maintenance of a due balance in the State, to bring the royal authority into direct contact with two Houses, both deriving power from and responsible to the people.

We crave permission, may it please Your Majesty, to express our fears that should any scheme of the nature adverted to, be unhappily adopted, safeguards long held indispensable, against hasty and inconsiderate Legislation, would become inoperative; jealousies would be fostered between bodies, each equally assuming to represent the people, and the chances of collision between them increased; the balance of power in the State would become precarious, and subject to frequent disturbance; and further elementary changes would soon be demanded of a democratic character, to an extent perhaps, which this House is unwilling to contemplate.

Which being objected to,

After a short debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

It was then moved, that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General in the following words.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, beg leave to approach Your Excellency without respectful request that you will be pleased to transmit our Address to Her Most Gracious

Gracious Majesty on the subject of the constitution of this House, in such a way as Your Excellency may deem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Which being objected to,

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

Ordered, accordingly.

It was then moved,

That the Address to Her Majesty, and also the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, be presented to His Excellency by the whole House.

Which being objected to,

After a short debate.

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

It was then moved,

That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House do wait upon His Excellency the Governor General, humbly to know what time His Excellency will please to appoint to be attended with the said Addresses.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

Ordered, that the Speaker do sign the said Addresses, on the part of this House.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of *St. Andrews Church, Quebec*, to alienate or hypothecate certain property, for the purpose of raising funds to build a more convenient Church, Manse and School," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act of *Upper Canada*, incorporating the *Marmora Foundry Company*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to specify the time when an Act of the present Session relating to the Townships of *Kingston and Pittsburgh* shall come in force," was read a second time.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Pursuant to notice, it was moved,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause copies of the following documents to be laid before this House.

Copy of the *arrêt* of the Council of State of the King, dated 15th April, 1684, and Registered in the office of the *Prévôté* of *Quebec* the 28th October, 1684.

Copy of the grant of a Seignior by the *Marquis de Vaudreuil*, Gouverneur and Mr. *Raudot*, Intendant, to *Charles Morin*, the said grant being in the *Baye des Chaleurs*, Registered on the 2nd May, 1707, D. folio 54.

Copy of the Letters of Nobility to Sr. *Charles Lemoyne*, for Military services rendered in *Canada*, and bearing date at *St. Germain-en-Laye*, March, 1668, Registered at *Quebec*, the 26th February, 1725, Registered F. folio 35.

Letters of nobility granted by the King, to *Godfroy de Tonnancour* for Military services rendered in *Canada*, and bearing date at *Paris*, 22nd May 1685, Registered at *Quebec*, the 13th October 1721, Register E. folio 93.

Copy of the Sale of the Seignior of *Malbaie* by *St. Hazeur* to Mr. *Begon*, acting on behalf of the King, dated 29th October 1724, before *Le Cetièrre*, Royal Notary, (the original is deposited in the Archives of the Prothonotary's office at *Quebec*.)

Copy of the King's acceptance of the sale made on the 29th October 1724, by M. *Hazeur de Lorme* of the Seignior of *La Malbaie*, Registered at *Quebec*, Register, E. folio 88.

Copy of the *arrêt* for bidding the Sr. *Duchesnay* to concede any emplacements in the *Bourg de Fargy*, unless under certain rates dated 29th May, 1713.

Copy of the Letters of Nobility for Military Services rendered in *Canada* to *François Hertel*, bearing dated at *Paris*, April, 1716, Registered at *Quebec* the 23rd November, 1716, Register D. folio 16.

Copy of the Judgment rendered the 4th March, 1743, which confirms the appointment by the Seignior of *Ste. Anne* of his Seigniorial Judge, and that ordains to the Lieutenant General of the *Prévôté* of *Quebec*, to have been recognized in the said capacity.

Copy of the Ordinance of M. *Dupuis*, Intendant, upon difficulties relating to the powers of the Governor General of *Canada*, the Intendant, and of the Conseil Supérieur, dated the 27th March, 1728, 20. R. O.

Copy of the Judgment by *Giles Hocquail*, on the 14th July 1780, in favor of *M. Laperrière* and others, and condemning *Etienne Dumais* and others, their *censitaires* to pay the *cens et rentes* and *rentes constitués*.

Copy of the Indenture of a sale, made on the 30th March 1765, by His Excellency the Honorable *James Murray*, Captain General and Governor in Chief, of the Province of *Quebec*, to *Isaac Werder* of the City of *Quebec*, Esquire, of the Seignory of *River du Loup* or *Wolf River*, also of the Fief *Madawaska*, with the Lake *Temiscouata* and all the Rivers, Water courses, Piscaries and the right of fishing, Registered at *Quebec* on the 28th May 1765, Register A.

Copy of the sale made on the 7th November, 1767 by Dame *Charlotte Aubert*, wife of the Marquis *d'Albergatti Veza*, to *John Grant*, Esquire, one of the Barons of Her Majesty's Court of *Exchequer* in *Scotland* of the Fief and Seignory of *Echemins*, on the south west side of the River *Sault la Chaudière*, with all the Rivers included, Registered at *Quebec*, on the 29th of November 1767, Register A.

Copy of an order in Council respecting the application of *Siméon Larochelle* for commutation of Land in the Seignory of *Lauzon* and the opinions and reports of the Law officers.

Also a copy of the first Order in Council, on the application of the said *Larochelle*, for commutation, with a copy of his Petition.

In amendment,

It was moved,

To leave out the words "the following documents" in the original motion, and insert "such of the following documents as may in the opinion of His Excellency have a bearing on the Seigniorial Tenure."

Which being debated.

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

Resolved in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, it was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of the Executive Council, as are Members of this House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie* (of *Wentworth*) and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the several Acts for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads and other works in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie* (of *Wentworth*) and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Upper Canada* Mining Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Rolph* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of the Heirs and "Devises of the late *Samuel Ryerse*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Langton* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Recovery of the Rates and "Taxes intended to be imposed by certain Bye Laws of the late District Councils "in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Street* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Ontario* " *Simcoe* and *Huron* Rail-road Union 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 Mr. *Shaw* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Perth* and *Kemptville* Rail- "way Company," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amend-ments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stevenson* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Prince Edward* "Rail-way Company," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amend-ments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amend-ment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to "amend the Registry Law of *Upper Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Smith* (of *Dur-* *ham*) and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Act "incorporating

“incorporating the *Peterborough and Port Hope* Rail-way 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.

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Monday, 6th June, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DR BEAUJEU,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Taché* reported that he had according to order waited on His Excellency the Governor General, to know what time His Excellency would be pleased to appoint to be attended with the Addresses of this House, of Saturday last on the subject of the constitution of the Legislative Council, and that His Excellency had appointed to-morrow, Tuesday, at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the Government House in this City.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *Joseph Hamel* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying for a grant to the *St. Roch's* Reading Room, towards the purchase of a Library.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled “An Act to explain the Act intituled ‘An Act to authorize *François Verrault*, Esquire, to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemins*, in the Parish of *St. Henry*, near the Church, in the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*,” 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the City of *Quebec* to raise a loan to consolidate their debt," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to notice, it was moved,

That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly requesting that they will be pleased to communicate to this House, a copy of the evidence delivered by the Honorable *George René Saveuse De Beaujeu*, one of the Members of this House, in the month of August, one thousand eight hundred and fifty one, before the Select Committee of the Assembly, appointed to enquire into the Seigniorial Tenure in *Lower Canada*.

Which being debated,

The said motion was by leave of the House withdrawn.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the several Acts for the formation of Joint Stock Companies, for the construction of roads and other Works in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay, Irving, J. Morris, Matheson* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Upper Canada Mining Company*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to the last mentioned Committee, with power to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of the Heirs and Devisees of the late *Samuel Ryerse*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Boulton* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Recovery of the Rates and Taxes intended to be imposed by certain Bye Laws of the late District Councils in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker, Boulton* and *Taché*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to specify the time when an Act of the present Session, relating to the Townships of *Kingston* and *Pittsburgh* shall come in force," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the *Montreal* and *New York* Rail-road Company to extend their connections, and granting facilities for the same," and to acquaint this House, that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Gaspé*, for the year 1852.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Tuesday, 7th June, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker:

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
WALKER,
IRVING,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable the Speaker reported that the House did this day, wait on His Excellency the Governor General with their Address, on the subject of the constitution of the Legislative Council; to which His Excellency was pleased to return the following Most Gracious reply.

Honorable

Honorable Gentlemen,

In compliance with your request, I will transmit this Address to Her Majesty's Secretary of State, in order that it may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Ordered, that the said Address to Her Majesty, and also the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, on the constitution of the Legislative Council, together with His Excellency's reply thereto, be printed and published in both languages for the use of Members.

Ordered, that the fifty seventh Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to the presentation of a Petition from *William Mathie* and others, of *Brockville*, praying to be incorporated as the *Leeds, Lanark and Renfrew*, Manufacturing Company.

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented the said Petition.

Ordered, that the said Petition do lie on the table.

Ordered, that the fifty fourth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to the introduction of a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Leeds, Lanark and Renfrew* Manufacturing Company."

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented to the House a Bill intituled as aforesaid.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act, incorporating the *Uaper Canada* "Mining Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill, be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of the Heirs and Devisees of the late *Samuel* "Ryerse," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act for the protection of *British* and *American* Patentees of Inventions, and the encouragement of Arts and Manufactures in this Province."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Saturday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* enters.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.
After some time the House was resumed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Street* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to continue and extend the Act to enable the County of *Welland* Municipal Council, to purchase the Great *Cranberry* Marsh, and for other purposes," and to acquaint this House, that they have passed the same 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 37.—After "that" leave out to "County" in line 40, inclusive.

Page 1, Line 40.—Leave out from "said Provisional," to "land" in line 42 inclusive,
" and insert "Chairman of the said Board of Commissioners,
" by and with the consent of the majority of the said Commis-
" sioners, immediately on the completion of the said purchase."

Page 1, Line 45.—After "Mortgages" leave out "a" and insert "in."

Page 1, Line 50.—After "as" leave out to "Council" in page 2, line 1 inclusive,
" and insert "are set forth and contained in the said agreement
" in writing, so as aforesaid made and entered into, between the
" said Board of Commissioners, and the said Commissioners of
" Public Works, or of such other and further stipulations and
" agreements, as the said Commissioners of Public Works may
" reasonably exact or require."

Page 2, Line 4.—Leave out "chargeable" and insert "recoverable."

Page 2, Line 7.—After "into" insert "by the said Provisional, Municipal Council
" or."

Page 2, Line 29.—Leave out from "County" to the end of the Bill.

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Dubord* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to exempt certain Vessels, from the duty imposed by the Act to provide for the Medical Treatment of Sick Mariners," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Smith* (of *Frontenac*) and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to specify the time, when an Act of the present Session relating to the Townships of *Kingston* and *Pittsburg*, shall come in force," and to acquaint this House, that they have agreed to the same without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the several Acts for the formation of Joint Stock Companies, for the construction of Roads and other Works in *Upper Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain 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 20.—Leave out from "Company" to "under."

Page 4, Line 40.—Leave out "requiring" and insert "acquiring."

Page 6, Line 22.—After "or" insert "may be."

Page 9, Line 10.—Leave out "Road" and insert "such."

Page 17, Line 13.—Leave out from "notwithstanding" to "and" in line 25.

IN THE PREAMBLE OF THE BILL.

Page 1, Line 12.—Leave out from "the" where it occurs the first time to "intituled" in line 13 and insert "twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign."

Page 1, Line 16.—Leave out from "the" to "intituled" and insert "Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign."

Page 1, Line 22.—Leave out from "the" to intituled in line 23 and insert "twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the House so decreeing.

Wednesday, 8th June, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

The Honorable Messieurs

MCGILL,

IRVING,

MORRIS, W.

FERRIER,

MACAULAY,

MATHESON,

FERRIE,

BOULTON,

MCKAY,

TACHÉ,

DIONNE,

BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of the Heirs and Devisees of the late *Samuel Ryerse*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the several Acts, for the formation of Joint Stock Companies, for the construction of Roads and other works in *Upper Canada*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend a certain Act of the Parliament of *Upper Canada*, therein mentioned, and to make further provision for the settlement of difficulties between owners of Lands in the Townships of *Saltfleet* and *Binbrooke*," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged.

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 continue and extend the Act to enable the County of *Welland* Municipal Council to purchase the *Great Cranberry Marsh* and for other purposes."

Which

Which said amendments being then again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to their amendments made to this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to exempt certain Vessels from the duty imposed by the Act to provide for the Medical Treatment of Sick Mariners," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McGill*, *Taché* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* enters.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Langton* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Messieurs *De Beaujeu* and *Moore* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Leeds, Lanark and Renfrew Manufacturing Company*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McGill*, *McKay*, *Moore*, *J. Morris* and *Ferrier*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Stuart* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Law *Æde*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered; that the forty sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with, for the remainder of the present Session.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Bill be read a second time presently.

The House was adjourned during pleasure,

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* enters.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns in *Upper Canada* with Gas and Water," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the same 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 20.—After “any” insert “City” and after “Town” insert “or incorporated Village.”
- Page 1, Line 31.—After “the” where it occurs the 4th time insert “City” and after “Town” insert or Village.”
- Page 1, Line 34.—After “Mayor” insert “or Chief Magistrate” after “such” insert “City” and after “Town” insert “or Village.”
- Page 1, Line 36.—Leave out “Town” and insert “Municipal” and after “such” insert “City.”
- Page 1, Line 37.—After “Town” insert “or Village.”
- Page 1, Line 41.—After “Town” insert “City or Village.”
- Page 2, Line 22.—After “Company” insert “if for Cities.”
- Page 2, Line 24.—Leave out “fifty” and insert “seventy five.”
- Page 2, Line 25.—After “Hundred” insert “and fifty.”
- Page 2, Line 27.—After “each” insert “and if for Towns and Villages the sum of
“ fifty thousand and one hundred thousand pounds respectively.”
- Page 2, Line 50.—After “the” where it occurs the first time insert “City” and after “Town” insert “or Village.”
- Page 3, Line 29.—After “enacted” insert “that every shareholder shall be held
“ liable to the Trustees of every such Company for the pay-
“ ment of the full amount subscribed and.”
- Page 3, Line 32.—Leave out from “instalments” to “as” in line 33.
- Page 3, Line 34.—Leave out from “proper” to “if” in line 36, and insert “provided
“ that no one instalment shall exceed 10 per cent, and that not
“ less than three months shall intervene between the calls for
“ any two instalments and.”
- Page 3, Line 39.—After “the” insert “City” and after “Town” insert “or Village.”
- Page 3, Line 40.—After “aforesaid” insert “it shall be lawful for the said Trustees
“ to declare forfeited, the shares upon which the said instalments
“ shall not be paid; Provided always that such forfeiture shall
“ be a discharge to the holders of the shares so forfeited, from
“ all further liability either to the Company or to any third
“ party in respect of the shares so forfeited, but the holders of
“ shares so forfeited, shall lose whatever sum or sums they may
“ have paid on or for such shares and no more.”

“ Provided always and be it enacted, that the said Trustees
 “ may if they think proper sue any Stockholder for the amount
 “ of the call or calls on his Stock due and not paid, instead of
 “ forfeiting the same, and if at the time appointed for the pay-
 “ ment of any call, any Stockholder shall fail to pay the amount
 “ of the call payable by him, he shall be liable to pay interest
 “ at the rate of six pounds per centum per annum for the same,
 “ from the day appointed for payment thereof, to the time of
 “ the actual payment of the same, and may be sued by the
 “ Trustees for such call and the interest thereof, in any Court
 “ of Law or Equity having competent Jurisdiction in this Pro-
 “ vince, the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*,
 “ or in any other of Her Majesty’s Colonies and dependencies,
 “ or elsewhere.

“ And be it enacted, that in any such suit or action to recover
 “ any money due upon any share, it shall not be necessary to set
 “ forth the special matter, but it shall be sufficient to declare
 “ that the Defendant is the holder of one share or more, stating
 “ the number of shares, and is indebted in the sum of money to
 “ which the calls in arrear shall amount, whereby an action
 “ hath accrued to the Company by virtue of this Act, and at
 “ the trial of such action it shall be sufficient to prove the facts
 “ so declared, and the evidence of one witness in respect of all
 “ facts required to be proved, shall be *prima facie* sufficient to
 “ maintain any such action without the production of any docu-
 “ mentary proof whatever.

Page 4, Line 7.—Leave out from “ in” to “ and” in line 8.

Page 4, Line 10.—Leave out from “ Corporation” to “ and” in page 5, line 7.

Page 5, Line 38.—Leave out from “ Company” to “ and” in page 6, line 7.

Page 6, Line 46.—After “ the” where it occurs the first time insert “ City” and
 after “ Town” insert “ or Village.”

Page 7, Line 12.—Leave out from “ be” to “ and” in line 13 and insert “ liable
 “ to a fine of £10 more or less at the discretion of the said
 “ Trustees.”

Page 7, Line 50.—After “ Mayor” insert “ or Chief Magistrate.”

Page 8, Line 12.—Leave out from “ places” to “ for” and insert “ of the said
 “ Municipalities.”

Page 8, Line 45.—After “safety” insert the following clause.

“ Provided always and be it enacted, that no Company to be
 “ formed under this Act, shall commence any of the works
 “ contemplated, until the situation of the works have been
 “ approved of by the Council of the municipality in which
 “ the same are situate, and no such Company shall break up,
 “ or otherwise impede or interfere with any public road or
 “ highway street, or square, or any other public property
 “ without the assent first had and obtained of the Muni-
 “ cipal Council of the Municipality within which such
 “ public highway or other public property is situate, and
 “ every such Company shall as far as regards all such public
 “ highways and other public property as aforesaid, be subject,
 “ to any regulations to be established by any By law or By
 “ laws of such Municipality.”

Page 9, Line 33.—Leave out from “Peace” to “wherein” and insert “or any other
 “ person authorized to Act in that capacity in the locality.”

Page 11, Line 12.—After “provided” insert the two following clauses.

“ And be it enacted, that it shall be lawful for the Company
 “ either in this Province or out of it, to borrow money at such
 “ rate of interest as the President and Directors of the said
 “ Company may deem necessary; Provided that the sum so
 “ borrowed, shall not exceed the sum of £10,000 *Halifax*
 “ currency, to be expended in Gas Works, and the like sum for
 “ Water Works, for any Town or incorporated Village, or the
 “ sum of £25,000, for any City for either Gas or Water Works
 “ as aforesaid, and provided also, that for securing the repay-
 “ ment of money so borrowed, with interest thereon, it shall be
 “ lawful for the said Company or the President thereof, by and
 “ with the consent of a majority of the said Directors, to mort-
 “ gage secure and assign real estate, works, rates, revenues,
 “ rents, and future calls on shareholders of the said Company,
 “ and that all Bonds, Debentures, or other securities, to be
 “ granted, may be payable to bearer, or made transferable by
 “ endorsement or otherwise, as the Directors may see fit: Pro-
 “ vided also that no such Bond or Debenture, shall be made or
 “ granted, for a less sum than fifty pounds.

“ And be it enacted, that the said Bonds, Debentures, future
 “ calls, or other securities, so granted and pledged as securities
 “ for money borrowed, shall be equitable and proportionably
 “ liquidated

“ liquidated, or paid out of the funds or receipts of the said
 “ Company, without preference to any of the said securities
 “ over each other; Provided always, that no such Bonds,
 “ or Debentures, or other securities so pledged, shall prevent
 “ the Directors of the said Company from receiving and
 “ applying such future calls to the purposes of the said Com-
 “ pany, so long as the money due on all such Bonds and
 “ Debentures, does not exceed the amount of all the calls still
 “ remaining unpaid.”

Page 11, Line 32.—After “ Company” insert “ Provided that such Bonds, Bills or
 “ Debentures, shall not exceed the amount which the said Com-
 “ panies are by this Act empowered to borrow.”

Page 11, Line 37.—Leave out from “ before” to “ a” in line 38.

Page 11, Line 39.—Leave out from “ Peace” to “ where” and insert “ any other per-
 “ son authorized to act in that capacity.”

Page 12, Line 3.—After “ Peace” insert “ or any other person authorized to act
 “ in that capacity.”

Page 12, Line 10.—After “ the” where it occurs the first time insert “ City” and
 after “ Town” insert “ or Village.”

Page 12, Line 13.—Leave out from “ Company” to “ and” in page 13, line 1, and
 “ insert “ to nominate and appoint one indifferent person and
 “ the owner or owners of the land so taken or damaged to no-
 “ minate and appoint another indifferent person which two
 “ persons so appointed shall nominate and appoint a third per-
 “ son and it shall be lawful for the said three persons to and
 “ they are hereby required to act as Arbitrators in such matter
 “ of dispute between the said Company and the said owner or
 “ owners of such property; and it shall be the duty of the said
 “ Arbitrators to examine all witnesses, administer all necessary
 “ oaths or declarations to the same and the said Arbitrators
 “ or a majority of them shall award determine and adjudge
 “ what sum or sums of money respectively shall be paid to the
 “ owner or owners of such property so taken or damaged by
 “ the said Company and the sum or sums of money so awarded
 “ shall be paid within three months after the date of such
 “ award and in default of such payment the proprietor may
 “ resume the possession of his or her property with all the
 “ rights appertaining thereto, and in the event of either the
 “ Company or the owners of such property failing to appoint an
 “ Arbitrator

“ Arbitrator after eight days notice from one of the said parties
 “ to the other, or the said two Arbitrators failing to appoint a
 “ third, it shall be lawful for the Judge of the County Court
 “ within which the said property may lay to appoint an
 “ Arbitrator instead thereof, and the decision of the said Arbi-
 “ trators or a majority of them shall be binding on all parties
 “ concerned.”

“ And be it enacted, that nothing contained in this Act shall
 “ extend to authorize any such Company or any person acting
 “ under the authority of the same, to take use or injure for
 “ the purposes of the said Gas or Water Company, any House
 “ or other Building or any Land used or set apart as a garden,
 “ Orchard, Yard, Park, Paddock, Plantation, Planted walk, or
 “ avenue to a House or Nursery Ground for Trees, nor to
 “ convey from the premises of any person any water already
 “ appropriated and necessary for his or her domestic uses
 “ without the consent in writing of the owner or owners thereof,
 “ first had and obtained.

Page 13, Line 8.—After “construction” insert the following Clause, “And be it
 “ enacted, that nothing in this Act shall be construed to au-
 “ thorize any Company to be established under it to interfere
 “ with or infringe upon any exclusive privilege which may have
 “ been granted to any Company.”

IN THE PREAMBLE.

Page 1, Line 6.—After “supplying” insert “Cities” and after “Towns” insert “and
 “ incorporated Villages.”

IN THE TITLE.

Page 1, Line 2.—After “supplying” insert “Cities” and after “Towns” insert
 “ and Villages.”

Ordered, that the said Bill and amendments, be referred to a Select Committee of
 five Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McKay*, *Walker*,
J. Morris, *Boulton*, and *Ferrier*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General
Chauveau and others, with a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act for better
 “ securing the Independance of the Legislative Assembly of this Province,” to which
 they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* presented a Petition from *Edward Hale* and others, of *Portneuf*, praying that all business in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Law *Æde*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Dionne, De Beaujeu* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Leeds, Lanark* and *Renfrew* Loco-motive Manufacturing Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive 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, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendments be printed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The House was ajourned during pleasure,

After some time the House was resumed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the *Woodstock* and Lake *Erie* Rail-way and Harbour Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Cartier* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to make more ample provision for the incorporation of the Town of *St. Hyacinthe*, and to extend its limits," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act supplementary to the Common School Act for *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the House so decreeing.

Thursday,

Thursday, 9th June, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MCGILL,
MORRIS, W.
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
McKAY,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
IRVING,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.
Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay, McKay, J. Morris, Matheson* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act for better securing the Independence of the Legislative Assembly of this Province."

It was moved that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

Which being objected to,

After a short debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the affirmative.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of seven Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McGill, W. Morris, Macaulay, McKay, Taché, Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the *Woodstock* and *Lake Erie* Rail-way and Harbour Company," was read a second time.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to the same Select Committee to which has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*," with power to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to make more ample provision for the incorporation of the Town of *St. Hyacinthe*, and to extend its limits," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Ferrier De Beaujeu, Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Terrill* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Judicature Act and to provide for the service of Circuit Court Writs by Bailiffs in certain cases," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, 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 year one thousand eight hundred and fifty two, and certain other expenses connected with the public service," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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 read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie* (of *Wentworth*) and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to be called the *Paris* Hydraulic Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Dixon*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to vest in the Board of Works a certain portion of Church Street in the Town of *London*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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 read a third time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of *St. Andrews* Church to alienate or hypothecate certain property for the purpose of raising funds to build a more convenient Church, Manse and School," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to explain the Act intituled 'An Act to authorize *François Verrault*, Esquire, to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemins* in the Parish of *St. Henry*, near the Church in the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Egan* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act prohibiting the hunting and killing of Deer and other game within this Province at certain Seasons of the year," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Law *Æde*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the contingent accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session, presented their third Report.

Ordered, that it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Committee Room, 8th June, 1853.

The Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the contingent accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session, beg leave to make a third report as follows:

Your

Your Committee find that at the last audit (vizt. on the 31st day of May 1851,) there was a balance due to the Clerk of this House of £19 14 3½; since which period he has received by Warrants of His Excellency the Governor General the sum of six thousand five hundred pounds, and has paid for the House between the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and fifty one, and the thirtieth day of September 1852, both days inclusive as per vouchers numbered from 1, to 296 inclusively £4750 19 8¼ leaving a balance at the credit of the House on the day last mentioned of £1,729 6 0¼.

All which is respectfully submitted.

Wm. WALKER,
Chairman.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate as amended the Laws relating to the *Toronto* General 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 21.—Leave out from "Mayor" to "shall" in line 25 and insert "Aldermen and Common Council men of the City of *Toronto* and the President and Board of Trade of the said City for the time being, shall each appoint one person, who together with three other persons resident within the said City to be appointed by the Governor General during pleasure."

Page 3, Line 5.—After "heretofore" insert "or may be hereafter for the purposes of the said Hospital."

Page 3, Line 23.—Leave out from "persons" to "and" line 27, and insert "to be appointed by the said Trustees and to hold their offices during pleasure for a period renewable every two years."

Page 3, Line 31.—After "of" insert "and shall also have the power to execute a conveyance of the same in the manner mentioned in the 5th Clause of this Act."

Page 3, Line 34.—Leave out from "Hospital" to "such" in line 35.

Page 3, Line 36.—Leave out "eight" and insert "ten."

Page 4, Line 1.—Leave out after "all the" to "of in same line," and insert "real estate then held by."

Page 4, Line 5.—After "Hospital" insert "save and except for the purpose of raising funds to redeem such debentures and to pay the interest accruing thereon from time to time."

Ordered,

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to exempt Vessels from the duty imposed by the Act to provide for the Medical Treatment of Sick Mariners, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Recovery of the Rates and Taxes intended to be imposed by certain Bye Laws of the late District Councils of *Upper Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 2, Line 26.—After "By law" insert "disallowed by the Governor or."

Page 3, Line 19.—After "been" insert "dissallowed or."

Page 4, Line 25.—After "Councils" insert "which has not been quashed as aforesaid."

Page 5, Line 20.—Leave out "since" and insert "at any time after the expiration of one year from" and after "sale" insert "and before the passing of this Act."

Page 5, Line 27.—After "Province" insert "unless the said original owner choose rather to tender and do tender to the said occupant a good and valid title to the land upon condition of his paying him the actual value thereof only, to be determined as aforesaid, in which case and in default of such occupant paying such value within six months after the determination thereof as aforesaid, the said original owner shall have an absolute and unconditional

“ unconditional right to evict such occupant and re-enter into
 “ possession of the land, and all costs incurred under this
 “ proviso shall be paid in any case by the occupant.”

Page 5, Line 41.—After “redemption” insert “and the amount of all taxes which
 “ have been paid by the purchaser subsequently to the sale
 “ of such lands.”

Page 6, Line 21.—After “jurisdiction” insert “or in any way to make void any
 “ judgment in any of the Superior Courts of *Upper Canada*,
 “ or to affect any suit pending therein, in which the validity
 “ of any such By law may have been called in question.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence
 put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill as amended,
 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable the Speaker, reported to the House, that he had received an
 official communication, acquainting him that it is His Excellency's intention, should
 the state of the public business permit to prorogue the present Session of the Legis-
 lature, on Tuesday next, the 14th instant, at two o'clock P. M.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled “An Act to vest in the Board of Works a
 “ certain portion of Church Street, in the Town of *London*,” was read a third time.
 The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative
 Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this
 Bill, without any amendment.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled “An
 “ Act supplementary to the Common School Act for *Upper Canada*.”

It was moved that the said Bill be now read for the second time,

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

Resolved in the affirmative,

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Com-
 mittee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* 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 to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to be called the *Paris Hydraulic Company*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee to which has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the *Woodstock and Lake Erie Rail-way and Harbour Company*," with power to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Lemieux*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and explain the Ordinance concerning the Registration of Hypothecs in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Lemieux* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled "An Act to incorporate the Pilots for and above the Harbour of *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Shaw* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to establish a Standard Weight for the different kinds of Grain and Pulse, and Seeds in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Ordinance therein mentioned, intituled 'An Ordinance for regulating the Markets of the Towns of *Quebec* and *Montreal*, so far as respects the City of *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the House so decreeing:

Friday, 10th June, 1853.

The Members convened were:—

The Honorable RENÉ E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

McGILL,
MORRIS, W.
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
McKAY,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
IRVING,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *McGill* presented a Petition from *Samuel Alcorn*, on behalf of the Consumers Gas Company of *Toronto*, praying against the passing of the Bill to incorporate the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, 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 year one thousand eight hundred and fifty two and certain other expenses connected with the public service," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the recovery of the rates and taxes intended to be imposed by certain Bye Laws of the late District Councils of *Upper Canada*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, being read for a third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act supplementary to the Common School Act for *Upper Canada*."

It was moved that the said Bill be now read for the third time.

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the affirmative.

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.

DISSENTIENT.

W. MORRIS,
ADAM FERRIE,
R. MATHESON,
J. MACAULAY,
G. S. BOULTON.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Ordinance therein mentioned intituled 'An Ordinance for regulating the Markets of the Town of *Quebec* and *Montreal* so far as respects the City of *Quebec*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Judicature Act and to provide for the service of Circuit Court Writs by Bailiffs in certain cases," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Ferrier* and *Panet*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act prohibiting the hunting and killing of Deer and other game within this Province at certain Seasons of the year," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to the last mentioned Committee with power to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day, being read to reviewing the decision upon a part of the Report of the Select Committee relative to the claims of Messieurs *R. & C. Chalmers* and *Hew Ramsay* for losses.

It was moved,

That the decision of the House relative to that part of the first report of the Select Committee on the subject of those claims be rescinded and that the same be now adopted by the House.

Which being objected to,

After a long debate.

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

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 and consolidate as amended the Laws relative to the *Toronto* General Hospital."

Which said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council hath agreed to their amendments made to this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and explain the Ordinance concerning the Registration of Hypothecs in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Pilots for and above the Harbour of *Quebec*,'" was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *McGill*, *Walker* and *Taché*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to establish a Standard Weight for the different kinds of Grain and Pulse, and Seeds in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act 14th and 15th Victoria Cap. 126, intituled 'An Act to amend

“ an Act intituled ‘ An Act to compel Vessels to carry a Light during the night, and to make sundry provisions to regulate the navigation of the Waters of this Province.”

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to amend and extend the charter of the *Woodstock* and Lake *Erie* Rail-way and Harbour Company,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to be called the *Paris Hydraulic Company*,” reported that they are not of opinion that the said Bill requires any amendment, but they find on enquiry that no Petition for the same has been presented to this House, nor has public notice been given of any intention to present such Petition as required by the Standing Orders of this House.

The House was adjourned during pleasure,

After some time the House was resumed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Tessier* and others, to return the Bill intituled “ An Act to permit of dissentments in certain cases and for other purposes therein mentioned.”

Also, the Bill intituled “ An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled ‘ An Act to make better provision for granting Licenses to keepers of Taverns and Dealers in Spirituous Liquors in *Lower Canada*, and for the more effectual repression of Intemperance.”

And also the Bill intituled “ An Act to transfer the possession and control of the *Cul-de-Sac* Harbour from the Trinity House of *Quebec*, to the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*,” and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have passed these Bills without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart*, and others, with a Bill intituled “ An Act to facilitate the admission in evidence of Foreign

“ Judgments and certain Affidavits and other documents and otherwise to improve the Law of evidence in *Lower Canada*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie* of *Wentworth* and others, to return the Bill intituled “ An Act to amend and consolidate the several Acts for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads and other Works in *Upper 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 the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled “ An Act to extend the Election Franchise and better to define the qualifications of Votes in certain Electoral Divisions by providing a system for the Registration of Voters,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Taché* and others, to return the Bill intituled “ An Act to restrain the injurious practice of inoculating with the small Pox,” and to acquaint this House, that the Legislative Assembly have passed this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled “ An Act to make provision for the erection of certain Public Buildings at *Toronto* for the better accommodation of the Government and of the Legislature at that City,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

It was moved that the said Bill be now read the second time.

Which being objected to,

After a short debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon the Bill was read the second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks*, and others, with a Bill intituled “ An Act to repeal certain duties of excise so far as regards *Upper Canada*, and to vest certain powers in the Municipal authorities of that part of the Province,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to make more ample provision for the incorporation of the Town of *St. Hyacinthe* and to extend its limits," reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

It was moved that the said amendments be considered by the House to-morrow.

After debate,

It was moved in amendment, that the said Bill be referred back to the same Select Committee, to which it was formerly referred, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the Rules of this House in relation to Private Bills have been complied with.

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 the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond*, with a Bill intituled "An Act to extend certain privileges therein mentioned, to a Body of Protestant Christians denominating themselves Adventists," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

It was moved,

That the forty ninth and fifty seventh Standing Order of this House be dispensed with in so far as they regard the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to be called the *Paris Hydraulic Company*."

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the affirmative,

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a letter, and the copy of a despatch which he had received on the subject of a resolution adopted by the two Houses relative to certain contributions made in aid of the reconstruction of the Parliamentary Library.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table, and they are as follow :

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Quebec, 10th June, 1853.

SIR,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor General, to transmit for your information, the accompanying Copy of a Despatch which has been addressed to His Excellency by His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

R. BRUCE,
Governor's Secretary.

The Honorable the Speaker,
of the Legislative Council,
&c., &c., &c.

Copy,
No. 32.

DOWNING STREET,
14th May, 1853.

MY LORD,

I have received from the Speakers of the Legislative Council and Assembly of *Canada*, a letter, dated 21st of April, transmitting a resolution adopted by the two Houses of Parliament, in reference to the donations which have been made by public Departments in this Country and *France*, in aid of the reconstruction of their Library.

I have to request your Lordship to inform the Speakers of the respective Houses, that measures will be taken for making known to the authorities named in the resolution, the sense entertained by the *Canadian* Parliament of the contributions afforded to their Library, and at the same time to assure them that it has been a source of much satisfaction to Her Majesty's Government to be able to promote the object which the Legislature had in view.

I have &c.,

NEW CASTLE,

THE EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE,
&c., &c., &c.

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The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Assessment Laws 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 were then read by the Clerk.

It was moved,

That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

Which being objected to,

After a short debate.

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the affirmative,

Ordered, that the said amendments do stand as the first item on the orders of that day.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Langton*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the recovery of the rates and taxes intended to be imposed by certain Bye Laws of the late District Councils of *Upper Canada*," and to acquaint this House that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Town of *Chatham*, praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the sale of divers lots within the said Town, granted for the use of certain Religious Denominations and for School purposes, and that the proceeds of such sales may be paid over to the Corporations for whose benefit the original grant was made.

Also, a Petition from *Joseph T. Dutton* of *Montreal*, praying that School Teachers may not be prohibited from acting as Secretaries to the Boards of Examiners for School Teachers in *Lower Canada*, and also that the Books used in the Schools may be first examined and approved by the Superintendent of Education in *Lower Canada*.

Also, a Petition from *A. Philpotts* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, praying for an Act of incorporation under the style and title of the *Toronto Locomotive Manufacturing Company*.

Also, a Petition from *William McAlister* and others, of *Sarnia*, praying that the Manufacture and sale of intoxicating Liquors may be prohibited.

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Thomas McPherson* and others, of *Charlottenburg*.

Also, a Petition from *John Walker* and others, of the County of *Two Mountains*.

Also,

Also, a Petition from the Revd. *David Caw* and others, of the Village of *Paris*.

Also, a Petition from *Charles Jarratt* and others, of *Penetanguishine*.

Also, a Petition from *Cameron Anderson* and others, of *West Dumfries*.

Also, a Petition from *James Campbell* and others, of *St. Thomas*.

Also, a Petition from *James Cockshutt* and others, of *Cayuga*.

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Andrew Wilson* and others, of *Port Dover*.

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *William J. Macdowel* and others, of the Village of *Kemptville*.

And Also, a Petition from *Charles P. Treadwell* and others, of *l'Orignal*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department and on the Provincial Canals be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Stuart*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the City of *Quebec* to "raise a loan to consolidate their debt," 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 :

IN THE PREAMBLE.

Page 1, Line 14.—After "City" insert "independent of the Water Works debt
" of the said City."

Page 1, Line 34.—Leave out "or debts" and after "City" insert "exclusive of that
" incurred or to be incurred for the construction of Water
" Works as aforesaid."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council hath agreed to their amendments made to the said Bill, without any amendment.

It was moved,

That the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Leeds, Lanark and Renfrew* "Locomotive Manufacturing Company," be read a third time presently.

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,

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill to which they desire their concurrence

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Burnham* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend An Act to incorporate "the *Cobourgh* and *Peterborough* Rail-way Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Ferrier* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the House so decreeing.

Saturday, 11th June, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable *RENÉ E. CARON*, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MCGILL,
MORRIS, W.
MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MCKAY,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
IRVING,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *Henry Taylor* of *Toronto*, praying that he may receive some consideration from Government as the author of several useful and scientific works.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend an Act to incorporate the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Rail-way Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Judicature Act and to provide for the service of Circuit Court Writs by Bailiffs in certain cases," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act prohibiting the hunting and killing of Deer and other game within this Province at certain Seasons of the year," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and explain the Ordinance concerning the registration of Hypothecs in *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 was then read by the Clerk as follows :

Page 3, Line 41.—Leave out from “day” to “unless” in line 43, and insert “according to law.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

It was moved that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill as amended, read a third time presently.

Which being objected to;

After a long debate.

It was moved in amendment that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House to be further amended.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the said Bill.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with a further amendment, 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 further amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows :

Page 5, Line 4.—Strike out from “aforesaid” to the end of the Bill.

The said further amendment being read a second time.

It was moved to adopt the same.

Which being objected to;

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee, to whom was again referred the Bill intituled “An Act to make more ample provision for the incorporation of the Town of *St. Hyacinthe*, and to extend its limits,” for the purpose of ascertaining whether the Rules of this House in relation to private Bills have been complied with, reported that they have ascertained from the Clerk of this House whose certificate to that effect is herunto annexed, that such Rules have been complied with in this instance.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported yesterday by the Select Committee, as also the further report just presented.

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 3, Line 18.—After “Town” insert “and provided also that upon the Petition
 “ of a majority of the proprietors possessing by authentic
 “ titles land in that extent of territory contained between the
 “ road commonly called the road of the *petit rang* and the
 “ division line between *Joseph Chabot* and *Pierre Edouard*
 “ *Leclerc*, and bounded in front by the River *Yamaska* and in
 “ rear by the line of the lands of the *petit rang*, it shall be
 “ lawful for the said Town Council to annex to the said Town
 “ the said extent of territory, and when once the said extent
 “ of territory shall have been included by a By Law of the
 “ said Town Council upon the Petition as aforesaid of a majority
 “ of the proprietors, the said proprietors whose properties shall
 “ have thus been declared included, shall possess all the
 “ Municipal advantages, and be subject to all the dues, duties
 “ and charges imposed upon property and persons originally
 “ included in the said Town.

Page 3, Line 21.—After “ward” insert “Provided always that as soon as the
 “ extent of territory of which mention is made in the next
 “ preceding section shall have been included as provided by
 “ the said clause, in the limits of the said Town the said extent
 “ of territory shall form a ward by the name of ward number
 “ five and the Municipal Electors residing in the said extent
 “ of territory shall elect in the same manner, and at the same
 “ times as the other wards of the said Town, two Councillors to
 “ the said Town Council, and provided also that when any one
 “ of the wards of the said Town shall contain more than two
 “ hundred and fifty Municipal Electors, such ward shall have
 “ the right to elect three Councillors.

Page 15. Line 12.—After “Lots” where it occurs the second time insert “whether
 “ there are or are not buildings on such Lots.”

Page 15 Line 15.—After “Town” insert “Provided that no land under cultivation,
 “ or kept as a Farm within the limits of the said Town shall
 “ be taxed in virtue of this Act.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence
 put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended,
 read a third time presently.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to establish a Standard Weight for the different kinds of Grain and Pulse, and Seeds in *Upper Canada*," 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 make provision for the erection of certain public buildings at *Toronto*, for the better accommodation of the Government and of the Legislature at that City," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported yesterday by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*."

Which said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 4, Line 5,—Leave out "one" and insert "three" and leave out from "hundred" to "pounds" and after "annually" insert "as follows."

"Seventeenthly, Household effects, books and wearing apparel."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act for the protection of British and American Patentees of inventions and the encouragement of Arts and Manufactures in this Province," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act 14th and 15th Victoria Cap. 126, intituled 'An Act to amend an Act intituled 'An Act to compel Vessels to carry a Light during the night, and to make sundry provisions to regulate the navigation of the Waters of this Province.'" was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Rolph*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law for the sale and settlement of the Public Lands," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Chabot*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws relating to Public Work," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Tessier*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act incorporating the *Cap Rouge* Pier, Wharf and Dock Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Chapais* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to establish a Board of Examiners of School Teachers in certain Districts in *Lower Canada*, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Langton* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies to construct Works necessary to facilitate the transmission of Timber down the Rivers and Streams in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Company in the City of *Toronto*, to be called the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Sicotte*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the conveyance by the Catholic Parishioners of the Parish of *St. Hyacinthe* of the personal property, building and

"immovables

"immovables appropriated to Divine Worship and for other purposes therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Ridout*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act conveying to the City of Toronto certain Water Lots, with power to the said City for the construction of an Esplanade," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Leeds, Lanark and Renfrew Locomotive Manufacturing Company," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to 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 41.—After "Capital" insert "and the place of carrying on the business of the said Company shall be at some place within the said Counties of Leeds, Lanark or Renfrew."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have agreed to their amendment made to the said Bill, without any amendment.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and explain the Ordinance concerning the Registration of Hypothecs in Lower Canada."

Also, the Bill intituled "An Act to make more ample provision for the incorporation of the Town of St. Hyacinth and to extend its limits."

And also, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Assessment Laws of Upper Canada," were, as amended, severally read a third time.

The question was severally put whether these Bills, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to facilitate the admission in evidence of Foreign Judgments and certain Affidavits and other Documents and otherwise to improve the Law of evidence in Lower Canada," was read the second time.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill presently.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *McKay* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the Elective Franchise, and better to define the qualifications of voters in certain electoral divisions, by providing a system for the registration of voters," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal certain duties of excise so far as regards *Upper Canada*, and to vest certain powers in the Municipal authorities of that part of the Province," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* 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.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to extend certain privileges therein mentioned, to a Body of Protestant Christians denominating themselves Adventists," was read the second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie*, *Moore*, and *Taché*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* presented a Petition from *H. Lemesurier*, and others, Protestant inhabitants of the City of *Quebec*, praying for the passing of an Act to render the said City a Municipality liable for all damages done to persons and property during breaches of the public peace therein.

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The said Petition was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Petition do lie on the table.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Langton*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Brown*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*," as regards the keeping of Registers of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Murney*, and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act of *Upper Canada* incorporating the *Marmora Foundry Company*," 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 2, Line 2.—Leave out from "shall" to "Company" in line 10 both inclusive.

Page 2, Line 13.—After "description" insert "belonging to or used by the said *Marmora Foundry Company* under the said Act, or which may be necessary for the use of the Company hereby incorporated."

Page 2, Line 21.—After "each" leave out the remainder of the 3rd Clause.

Page 2, Line 48.—After "managed" insert "at *Marmora* in the County of *Hastings* in *Upper Canada*."

Page 3, Line 2.—Leave out "then,"

Page 3, Line 7.—After "Esquires" insert "which said provisional Directors shall not be required to hold stock in the said Company, unless elected as provided in this Act."

Page 3, Line 27.—After “fifty four” insert “or until such time as their successors shall be elected: Provided always that this Act shall not go into operation until a like amount of £30,000 sterling shall have been paid in, and a certificate thereof to the satisfaction of the Governor shall have been deposited in the office of the Provincial Secretary.”

Page 3, Line 32.—After “year” insert “not being a holiday and then on the next following day not being such holiday.”

Page 3, Line 37.—After “newspaper” insert “in *England* and this Province.”

Page 3, Line 38.—Leave out “thirty” and insert “sixty.”

Page 4, Line 20.—After “Company” insert “the calling of General and Special Meetings.”

Page 4, Line 23.—After “lands” insert “and” after “tenements” insert “necessary for the purposes of the said Company under this Act, and any.”

Page 4, Line 49.—After “appoint” insert “provided that no director shall hold more than two proxies.”

Page 5, Line 44.—Leave out “that.”

Page 6, Line 50.—Leave out “notes” and insert “note.”

Page 7, Line 5.—After “Stock” insert “and any amount thereof remaining to be paid.”

Page 7, Line 9.—After “Act” Leave out to “aforesaid” in line 10 and insert “in the Preamble to this Act mentioned.”

Page 7, Line 17.—After “sale” leave out to “*England*” inclusive and insert “in the said Preamble mentioned.”

Page 7, Line 25.—Leave out “the *Marmora Foundry*.”

Page 7, Line 26.—Leave out “above named” and insert “mentioned.”

Page 7, Line 27.—After “and” insert “on.”

Page 7, Line 32.—After “Company” leave out to “Fourth” in line 33 inclusive, and insert “incorporated as aforesaid under the said Act in the Preamble mentioned.”

Page 8, Lines 12 & 13.—Leave out “The *Marmora Foundry*.”

Page 8, Line 13.—After “Act” Leave out to “Fourth” in line 14 and insert “in the Preamble mentioned.”

Page 8, Line 34.—Leave out from "XXV" to "such" in line 36 inclusive.

Ordered, that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Solicitor General *Chauveau*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Laws relating to the summoning of Jurors in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards*, and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Townships of *Yonge* and *Escott* in the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Greenville*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act 14th and 15th Victoria Cap. 126, intituled 'An Act to amend an Act intituled, An Act to compel Vessels to carry a Light during the night, and to make sundry provisions to regulate the navigation of the Waters of this Province.'"

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 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.

The said amendment being read a second time and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said Bill with the amendment be printed, and read a third time on Monday next.

It was moved,

That the Order made this day, for a second reading on Monday next, of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Company in the City of *Toronto* to be called the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company," be discharged, and that the said Bill be now read for the 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 of five Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Massey*, *Leung*, *Ferrier*, *Matheson* and *Taché*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act incorporating the *Cap Rouge* Pier, Wharf and Dock Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay, Walker* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

It was moved,

That the Order made this day, for a second reading on Monday next, of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies, to construct Works necessary to facilitate the transmission of timber down the Rivers and Streams in *Upper Canada*," be discharged, and that the said Bill be now read for the 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie, J. Morris* and *Ferrier*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

It was moved,

That the Order made this day, for a second reading on Monday next, of the Bill intituled "An Act to establish a Board of Examiners of School Teachers in certain Districts in *Lower Canada*," be discharged, and that the said Bill be now read for the 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 of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Taché, De Beaujeu* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable the Speaker, as Chairman of the Select Committee appointed to consider of the Orders and Customs of this House and Privileges of Parliament, presented their Report.

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Committee Room, 8th June, 1853.

The Select Committee appointed to consider of the Orders and Customs of this House and Privileges of Parliament, and to whom was referred the Report of the Honorable the Speaker on the reference made to him of the latest Rules and Regulations of the Legislative Assembly as to the Public notices to be given and steps adopted in passing of private Bills, beg leave to recommend that the said Report be adopted.

And

And with a view to the due regulation, so far as this House is concerned, of the Library of Parliament, your Committee recommend the adoption of the following Standing Orders to be numbered in continuation of those suggested by the Speaker that is to say: from ninety two to ninety five, both inclusive.

92. That a proper Catalogue of the Books belonging to the Library be kept by the Librarian, who shall be responsible to this House for the custody thereof; and shall report to the House through the Honorable the Speaker at the opening of each Session, the actual state of the Library.

93. That no person whatever shall be entitled to admission to the Library during a Session of Parliament, except the Governor of the Province, the Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils and Legislative Assembly, and the Officers of the two Houses for the time being, and such other persons as may receive a written order of admission from the Speaker of either House.

94. That during a Session of Parliament, no Books belonging to the Library be permitted to be taken out of the building, except upon receipt given by a Member of either House.

95. That during the recess of Parliament, the Library and Reading Room, shall be open every day in each week, Sundays and Holydays excepted, from ten o'clock in the forenoon until three o'clock in the afternoon; and that access to the Library be permitted to persons introduced by a Member of either House, or admitted at the discretion of the Clerk or Librarian of either House, subject to such regulations as may be deemed necessary for the security and preservation of the collection; but that no one shall be allowed to take any Book out of the Library except Members of either House.

And your Committee further recommend, that the Clerk of this House be directed to compile and cause to be printed during the approaching recess, a new edition of the Standing Orders, containing all those which may be in force at the close of this Session, with a copious index and the several appendices contained in the present edition, such new edition to consist of five hundred copies in English and French, to be bound together.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ED. CARON,
Chairman.

Ordered, that the said Report be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next.

Ordered, that the Honorable Mr. Dionne be added to the Select Committee, to which has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act for better securing the independence of the Legislative Assembly of this Province."

Ordered,

Ordered, that the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay* and *Ferrie* be added to the Select Committee to which has been referred the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns in *Upper Canada* with Gas and Water."

The Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the House so decreeing.

Monday, 13th June, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable RENE E. CARON, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
IRVING,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
TACHÉ,
DE BEAUJEU,
PANET.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom were referred the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns with Gas and Water," reported a recommendation that all the said amendments be agreed to, with the exception of the eighteenth, which should, in the opinion of the Committee, be amended by leaving out from "in" to "line" and by leaving out "seven" and inserting "forty" and the twenty fourth, to which the Committee recommend that your Honorable House disagree.

Ordered, that the said report be adopted.

Ordered, that the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns with Gas and Water," be amended as follow :

Leave out so much of the eighteenth amendment, as will restore the fourteenth clause of the Bill.

Leave out the whole of the twenty fourth amendment.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed.

Ordered,

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have agreed to their amendments made to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

It was then moved to

Resolve, that this House doth request a conference with the Legislative Assembly for the purpose of communicating to that House, the reasons which have induced the Legislative Council to amend one, and disagree to another of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the said Bill.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, that the said resolution be communicated to the Legislative Assembly by one of the Masters in Chancery.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act incorporating the *Cap Rouge*, Pier, Wharf and Dock " Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Joint Committee of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly, for the management and direction of the Library of Parliament, presented a final report.

Ordered, that it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows :

The Joint Committee of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly, for the management and direction of the Library of Parliament, BEG LEAVE TO PRESENT A FINAL REPORT :—

The Executive Government having recommended to the Legislative Assembly, during the present Session, to grant the sum of £1,000 for the augmentation of the Library, the Committee have prepared Lists of Books, in both languages, which they have directed to be purchased, under the authority of the two Speakers, during the ensuing recess. The English works to be procured through the Agency of Mr. Rich; the French books through Mr. *Bossange*; and the Works published in the United States, through Mr. *Sinclair*, of this City.

The Committee have given careful attention to the several applications which have come before them, for aid and encouragement to various literary undertakings, and

and with a desire to foster native talent, when directed to matters of historical research, or practical utility, they recommend grants to the following extent, on behalf of the undermentioned publications :

Christie's History of Canada, Vols. 1-4. For the purchase, at the ordinary rates, of 85 additional copies of Vols. 1, 2, and 3, and 65 copies of Vol. 4. One copy of the entire Work to be given to every Member of the present Parliament, who may not have already received a copy, as being a Member of the last Parliament.

Garneau, Histoire du Canada, 2nd edition, 3 Vols. Thirty copies of this revised edition to be purchased, at 7s. 6d., per volume.

Keefer's Report on the Montreal Rail-way Bridge, and *Ossaye's Treatise on Agriculture*, (copies of which have been submitted to the Committee since their last Report,) 250 copies, each.

The Library having been considerably enriched through the liberality of the Authorities in several of the Sister Colonies and adjoining States of the Union, by Donations of their Legislative Proceedings, the Committee are desirous of establishing a regular system of exchange with those Bodies, and accordingly recommend that the Clerk of the Legislative Council and the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, respectively, should be directed to transmit, after the close of every Session, one English copy of the Journals and Appendices of their respective Houses, to the following Public Libraries; (in addition to those already sent to the Imperial Parliament, and to the Legislatures of the Sister Provinces,) viz:—to the Library of Congress, the *New York State Library*, the *Vermont State Library*, the Libraries of the States of *Maine*, *Massachusetts*, *Louisiana*, and the *Island of Jamaica*; to the *Louisiana Library*, a French copy should also be sent; and to the *Smithsonian Institution*, at *Washington*, an English copy; and in each instance, to the Libraries above enumerated, a copy of the Provincial Statutes should be forwarded, together with the Journals; additional copies of the Statutes being obtained for the purpose, from the Queen's Printer. The Committee also recommend that a copy of the Journals of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, for the present and future Sessions, be given to *Dr. E. B. O'Callaghan*, of *Albany*, and to *Stewart Derbishire*, Esquire, of *Quebec*, in acknowledgment of the zeal and liberality manifested by those gentlemen in aid of the re-construction of the Library. In addition to these Official Publications, the Committee have directed the Librarians to forward, from time to time, copies of any Works they may receive on account of purchases in aid thereof, to those Foreign and Colonial Libraries, from whence presents of Books have been, or may be hereafter made to the Library of Parliament.

In reference to the instruction given by the Legislative Assembly to the Members composing the Committee on behalf of that House, to consider of glass or wire cases for the protection of the Books, the Committee have bestowed their best attention

attention to the subject, and while they are not prepared to recommend the adoption of the proposal which has been made, to enclose the whole or greater part of the collection in cases, not being of opinion that it would really prove a safeguard to any material extent,—while, on the other hand, it would occasion much inconvenience to Members in consulting the Books,—yet they are willing to recommend that a selection be made of the rare and curious Works in the American collection and that the same be deposited in a separate case, under lock and key; and they have accordingly given authority to the Librarians to effect the same, if it should appear expedient or advisable to do so.

The Committee have considered a Petition referred to them by the Legislative Assembly, from Mr. *Henry Taylor*, now of *Toronto*, but well known in the Province, from having been engaged for many years in literary and scientific pursuits, representing his inability, from advancing years, and straitened means, to continue his labours, without some assistance. They recommend that the sum of £10 be granted to him, on condition of his furnishing the Library with copies of his works, to that amount.

The Committee further recommend that a gratuity of £10 be given to *James Curran*, the Library Messenger, in consideration of the extraordinary duration of the Session, and of his general good conduct.

Library, 11th June, 1653.

Ordered, that the said Report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to extend certain privileges therein mentioned, to a body of Protestant Christians denominating themselves Adventists,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act for better securing the independence of the Legislative Assembly of this Province;” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies to construct Works necessary to facilitate the transmission of timber down the Rivers and Streams 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.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to establish Board of Examiners of School Teachers in certain Districts 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.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *Antoine Lachance*, and others, Messengers of the Legislative Council, praying that they may receive some consideration on account of the extreme length of the Session, and the expenses and losses to which have been subjected thereby.

Ordered, that the said Petition be now read.

The same was then read by the Clerk accordingly.

Ordered, that the last mentioned Petition be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report on the contingent accounts of this House for the present Session.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Company in the City of *Toronto*, to be called the *Metropolitan* Gas and Water Company," 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.

It was moved, that the forty ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows :

Page 10, Line 35.—After "jurisdiction" insert clause A.

CLAUSE A.

" And be it enacted, that the main pipes that shall be laid
" down by the said Company, shall be at least three feet
" distant from the main pipes of any other Company, or when
" such shall be impracticable then as nearly so as the cir-
" cumstances of the case shall admit, and that the said main
" pipes shall have the initials of the said Company cast upon
" each of them, and also the ends of the service pipes and
" stop cocks which shall appear in the cellars of the houses
" or buildings to be supplied with Gas or Water, shall be
" legibly and permanently stamped or marked with the
" initials of the said Company, to distinguish them from those
" of any other Company, under a penalty of five pounds
" currency for each offence or neglect thereof, which penalty
" shall be paid to the Company prosecuting and be recovered
" by civil action in any Court of competent civil jurisdiction ;
" Provided always, that if any difference shall arise between
" the Company chartered by this Act, and any other Gas or
" Water Company, established or to be established in the
" City of *Toronto*, as to the practicability of either Company
" so laying its pipes, that they shall be at a distance of at least
" three feet from those of the other Company, then such
" difference shall be decided by the Surveyor of the said
" City, who if he shall be of opinion that it is not practicable
" to lay the pipes at such distance as aforesaid, shall direct
" the mode in which the pipes of the respective Companies
" shall be laid at such place, and the distance at which they
" shall be apart, not exceeding the distance aforesaid ; Provi-

" ded

“dod always, that an appeal shall lie from any such decision
 “of the said Surveyor to the Recorder’s Court of *Toronto*, at
 “any sitting of the said Court held after the day on which the
 “decision of the said Surveyor shall be notified to the parties.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled “An Act to facilitate the admission in evidence of foreign Judgments and certain affidavits and other Documents, and otherwise to improve the Law of evidence in *Lower Canada*,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill, intituled “An Act to amend the Act 14th and 15th Victoria Cap. 126, intituled ‘An Act to amend an Act intituled “An Act to compel Vessels to carry a Light during the night, and to make sundry provisions to regulate the navigation of the Waters of this Province.” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Law for the sale and the settlement of the Public Lands,” was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* 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 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,

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws relating to public works," was read a second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the conveyance by the Catholic Parishioners of the Parish of *St. Hyacinthe*, of the personal property, buildings and immoveables appropriated to Divine worship, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

It was moved that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

Which being objected to,

After debate.

It was moved in amendment to expunge "now" and after time to insert "this day three months."

After debate.

The motion of amendment was by leave of the House withdrawn, and

The question of concurrence being put on the main motion, it was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of five Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Dionne, Taché, De Beaujeu, Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act conveying to the City of *Toronto* certain Water lots, with power to the said City for the construction of an Esplanade," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay, Walker* and *Matheson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, as regards the keeping of Registers of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay, Ferrie* and *Moore*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Chapais* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to establish a Board of Notaries for the Districts of *Kamouraska* and *Gaspé*, and further to amend the Act for the organization of the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Tessier* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to remove certain doubts as to the mode of making Searches in the Registry Offices in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Polette* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity of *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Jobin* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the School Law of *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Terrill* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act fourteenth and fifteenth Victoria Chapter ninety two, relating to the illegal detention of real property in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Poulin* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled 'An Act to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned, relating to Agriculture, and to provide for the remedy of abuses prejudicial to Agriculture.'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Mongenais* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal so much of the Act providing for the optional commutation of the Tenure of Lands in the Fiefs and Seigniories in
" *Lower*

" *Lower Canada*, as allows the commutation of the right of *lods et ventes* without the commutation of the other Seigniorial rights on the same lands," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Polette* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Ecclesiastical Society of *St. Michel*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act for the formation of incorporated Joint-Stock Companies, for Manufacturing and other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Langton* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the making of certain annual returns to the Government," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the more equal distribution of the business in, and to improve the practice of the Superior Courts of Common Law in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read the second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Upper Canada* Division Courts Act, of one thousand eight hundred and fifty, and to extend the jurisdiction of the said Courts," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the holding of General Sessions of the Peace in the Districts of *Kamouraska*, *Ottawa* and *St. Francis*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Rolph* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to confirm certain titles in the Township of *Aldborough*, and rectify difficulties which have arisen from an erroneous survey," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Rolph* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for the better management of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act regulating the inspection of Pot and Pearl Ashes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.*

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Egan* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act to regulate the culling and measurement of Timber," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Lemieux* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and explain the Ordinance concerning the Registration of Hypothecs in *Lower Canada*," and to acquaint this House, that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Lemieux* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the exercise of certain rights of Lessors and Lessees in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to encourage the issue by the Chartered Banks in this Province, of Notes secured in the manner provided by the General Banking Law," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *McKenzie* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to exempt the Tools or Implements of any Debtors Trade or calling, and the wearing apparel, the bedding and other furniture necessary for the use of his family, from seizure and sale under execution for debt," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

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 extend the Elective Franchise, and better to define the qualifications of Voters in certain Electoral Divisions, by providing a system for the registration of votes," was read a second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Receiver General *Tache* acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House and

The same was then read as follows :

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE,

The Governor General recommends to the Legislative Council an addition of £500 to the Salary of the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly for the year 1853.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Quebec, 11th June 1853.

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 the Act of *Upper Canada*, incorporating the *Marmora Foundry Company*."

Which

Which said amendments being then again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have agreed to their amendments made to the said Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Townships of *Yonge* and *Escott*, in the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee 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.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the report made on Saturday last, by the Select Committee appointed to consider of the Orders and Customs of this House and Privileges of Parliament.

Which said report being then again read by the Clerk, it was

Ordered, that the same be adopted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Laws relating to the summoning of Jurors in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* 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 29.—After “Juror” insert Clause A.

CLAUSE A.

“ And be it enacted that notwithstanding any thing to the
 “ contrary contained in the fourteenth section of the Act
 “ hereinbefore lastly cited, the Sheriffs of the Districts of
 “ *Quebec* and *Montreal* respectively, shall not hereafter be
 “ required to complete the renewal of the various lists of Jurors
 “ in the said Act mentioned, before the fifteenth day of August,
 “ in every second year.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate a Company in the City of *Toronto*, to be called the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company,” 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act for the relief of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, as regards the keeping of Registers of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in *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 was then read by the Clerk as follows :

Page 1, Line 34.—Leave out “and” and insert “or.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill as amended, read a third time presently.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act conveying to the City of *Toronto*, certain Water Lots,

“ with

" with power to the said City for the construction of an Esplanade," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to remove certain doubts as to the mode of making Searches in the Registry Offices in *Lower Canada*."

It was moved that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

In amendment it was moved to leave out "now," and after "time," insert "this day three months."

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, it was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity of *Quebec*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* 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 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the School Laws of *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Taché, Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, as regards the keeping of Registers of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in *Lower Canada*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with an amendment to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Laws relating to the summoning of Jurors in *Lower Canada*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act fourteenth and fifteenth Victoria, Chapter ninety two, relating to the illegal detention of real property in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* 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 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled 'An Act to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned relating to Agriculture and to provide for the remedy of abuses prejudicial to Agriculture,'" was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Be Beaujeu, Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal so much of the Act providing for the optional commutation of the Tenure of Lands in the Fiefs and Seigniories in *Lower Canada*, as allows the commutation of the right of *lods et ventes* without the commutation of the other Seigniorial rights on the same lands."

It was moved that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

In amendment it was moved to leave out "now," and after "time," insert this day "three months."

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was Resolved in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Ecclesiastical Society of *St. Michel*," was read a second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* and others, as follows.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Monday, 13th June, 1853.

Resolved, That this House doth agree to the conference desired by the Legislative Council, for the purpose of communicating to this House, the reasons which induced their Honors to amend one and disagree to another of the amendments, made by this House, to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies, for supplying Towns with Gas and Water."

Ordered,

Ordered, that the said Resolution be communicated to the Legislative Council by Message.

Ordered, that the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Assembly.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, that a Committee be appointed to prepare Reasons to be offered to the Legislative Assembly, at the Conference for this House amending one, and disagreeing to another of the amendments made by that House, to the said Bill.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay* and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the said Committee presented their report.

Ordered, that it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows :

Reasons to be offered to the Honorable the Legislative Assembly, at a Conference for amending one, and disagreeing to another of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly, to the said Bill intituled " An Act to provide for the formation of " incorporated Joint Stock Companies, for supplying Towns with Gas and Water."

The Legislative Council disagree to so much of the amendment in page 4, line 10, as proposes to leave out the Clause No. 14, and have accordingly amended the said amendment so as to restore the said Clause, for the following Reason.

Because the provisions of the Clause are necessary for ensuring the prudent and efficient management of Corporations entrusted with important public interests, which it is the object of the Bill to provide for the formation of, without the direct sanction and approval of the Legislature.

The Legislative Council disagree to the amendment in page 8, line 45, for the following Reason.

Because the provisions of the Clause thereby proposed to be inserted in the Bill, are already included in that part of the first Clause of the Bill, which makes the consent of the Municipal Council of the locality expressed in a By Law, to the laying down of their Gas or Water pipes, or both, under the Streets, &c., of the City, Town or Village, essential to the formation of a Company under the Bill.

Which Report having been agreed to by the House, it was

Ordered, that the said Reasons be communicated to the Legislative Assembly, at the Conference just agreed to.

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Managers on the part of this House at the said Conference, are to be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay*, *Walker* and *James Morris*, who will be ready to meet the number of Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly required by Parliamentary usage, at eight o'clock this evening, in the Conference Chamber of the Legislative Council.

Pursuant

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies, for manufacturing and other purposes," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same 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 23.—After "period" leave out to "five" and insert "not exceeding."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the more equal distribution of the business in, and to improve the practice of the Superior Courts of Common Law in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* 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.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Upper Canada* Division Courts Act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty, and to extend the jurisdiction of the said Courts," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* 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 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for Manufacturing and other purposes," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the making of certain annual Returns to the Government," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:

Page 2, Line 5.—After "that" insert "the Treasurer of any County in *Upper*
 " *Canada* shall be authorized to retain in his hands any
 " moneys payable to any Municipality, if it shall be certified to
 " him by the Clerk of the County that the Clerk of such
 " Municipality has not made the Returns hereinbefore required;
 " and the Receiver General shall be authorized to retain in

“ his hands, any moneys payable to any Municipality, if it
 “ shall be certified to him by the Provincial Secretary that the
 “ Clerk of such Municipality has not made the Returns herein-
 “ before required, and.”

IN SCHEDULE A OF THE BILL.

Page 2, Line 33.—After “ of” insert “ all.”

Page 3, Line 1.—Leave out “ for” and insert “ and.”

Page 3, Line 18.—Leave out from “ Municipality” to 39 in line 20.

Page 3, Line 20.—Leave out “ 39” and insert “ 38”

Page 3, Line 21.—Leave out “ 40” and insert “ 39” after taxes insert “ 40 balance
 “ in hands of Treasurer. 41 all other property owned by
 “ Municipality.”

Page 3, Line 22.—Leave out “ 41” and insert “ 42.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The said Bill was as amended, 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The House being informed that the Managers of the Conference for the Legislative Assembly, were ready in their Honors' Conference Chamber:

The names of the Managers for this House were called over.

Then the House was adjourned during pleasure, and their Honors went to the Conference.

Which being ended the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *James Morris* reported that the Managers of the Conference on the part of the Legislative Council, for disagreeing to a part of one, and the whole of another, of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly, to the Bill intitled “ An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns with Gas and Water,” had met the Managers for the Legislative Assembly at the said Conference, which on their part was managed by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* and others, to whom they delivered the reasons of this House for disagreeing to the said amendments.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit, whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 5, Line 10.—Leave out "*Christophe*" and insert "*Norbert*."

Page 5, Line 31.—Leave out "July" and insert "August."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the holding of General Sessions of the peace in the Districts of *Kamouraska, Ottawa and St. Francis*," was read a second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

It was moved,

That when the House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until to morrow, at ten o'clock in the morning.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to confirm certain titles in the Township of *Aldbrough*, and rectify difficulties which have arisen from an erroneous survey," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* 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 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act for the better management of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* 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 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order being read, for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act regulating the inspection of Pot and Pearl Ashes."

It was moved,

That the said Bill be now read for the second time.

In amendment, it was moved to leave out "now" and after time to insert "this day three months."

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act to regulate the culling and measurement of Timber," was read a second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the exercise of certain rights of Lessors and Lessees in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

It was moved that the said Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

In amendment,

It was moved to leave out the whole from "be" in the original motion, and insert "in lieu thereof;" referred to a Select Committee of three Members."

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to encourage the issue by the Chartered Banks in this Province, of notes secured in the manner provided by the General Banking Law," was read a second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Order being read, for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to exempt the Tools or Implements of any Debtor's Trade or calling, and
"the

" the wearing apparel, the bedding and other furniture necessary for the use of his family, from seizure and sale under execution for debt," it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged until to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to establish a Board of Notaries for the Districts of *Kamouraska* and *Gaspé* and further to amend the Act for the organization of the Notarial profession in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Chauveau* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts and Ordinances therein mentioned and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the "Municipal Acts of *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the 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.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Lemieux* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Quebec and Trois Pistoles* Navigation Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for supplying Towns with Gas and Water," and to acquaint this House that they do not insist upon their amendments made to this Bill, to which the Legislative Council have disagreed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton Gas Light Company*,' to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay*, *J. Morris* and *Ferrier*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act assigning fixed annual Salaries in lieu of Fees, to certain Officers of Justice in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the 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.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the same to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to make better provision for the administration of Justice in the unorganized tracts of Country in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the 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.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the same to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Prince* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to legalize the use of Strychnine in *Upper Canada* for the destruction of Wolves and other noxious animals, and to restrict the hunting of Deer with hounds at certain seasons," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating Liquors on or near the line of public works in this Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Brown* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Locomotive Manufacturing Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie*, *J. Morris* and *De Beaujeu*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Rolph* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to confirm a certain allowance for Road in the Township of *Monaghan*, and to provide for the compensation of persons suffering loss by the confirmation of such allowance," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay*, *Ferrie* and *Matheson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Laurin* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the proceedings in cases of voluntary lictation," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

The said Bill was then read a second accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie*, *Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. Solicitor General *Chauveau* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees of the *Quebec Turnpike Roads* to issue Debentures to a certain amount, and to place certain Roads under their control," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the 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.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Dixon* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the safety of Her Majesty's Subjects and others on the Highways in *Upper Canada*, and to regulate the travelling thereon," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay*, *Ferrier* and *Matheson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to separate the County of *Halton* from the County of *Wentworth*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members, with an instruction to ascertain whether the Rules of this House relating to private Bills have been complied with.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay*, *Moore* and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Rolph* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law of *Upper Canada* with respect to the solemnization and Registration of Marriages," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the 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.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Badgley* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Loan Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Walker, Ferrier* and *Matheson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Rolph* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to establish the Boundary of Lots in the West Gore in the Township of *Beverly*, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Company in the City of *Toronto*, to be called the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Brown* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, as regards the keeping of Registers of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, in *Lower Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Solicitor General Chauveau* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Laws relating to the summoning of Jurors in *Lower Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Lemieux* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled 'An Act to define the mode of proceeding before the Courts of Justice in *Lower Canada*, in matters relating to the protection and regulation of Corporate rights and to writs of Prohibitive, and for other purposes therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Bailegley* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act in addition to the General Rail-way Clauses consolidation Act," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Macaulay, Moore* and *Walker*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Cauchon* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Institute of *St. Roch's, Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the 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.

Ordered, that the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Potette* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Common of *Maskinongé* among the Co-proprietors thereof," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *De Beaujeu, Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Lemieux* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to remove doubts with respect to the proper Courts of review for appeals from Bye laws of the Municipal Councils and to amend the Municipal Laws of Lower Canada," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of three Members.

Ordered, that the Committee be the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie, Panet* and *Belleau*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Barrier* presented two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*, praying that the Bill to amend the Common School Law of

Upper Canada, may not be passed into a Law, also praying that measures may be adopted to prevent infirm and disorderly coloured persons from emigrating to this Country.

Also, a Petition from the Reverend *Thomas Green* and others, of *Wellington Square*.

And also, a Petition from *Andrew Wilson*, and others, of *Cannonsville*, severally praying that all labour in the Post Office Department may be suspended on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the House so decreeing.

Tuesday, 14th June, 1853.

The Members convened were—

The Honorable **RENÉ E. CARON**, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

MACAULAY,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIER,
MATHESON,
DE BEAUJEU,
PANET,
BELLEAU.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act in addition to the General Rail-way Clauses consolidation Act," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the safety of Her Majesty's subjects and others, on the Highways in *Upper Canada*, and to regulate the travelling thereon," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Loan Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the proceedings in cases of voluntary Licitation," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Quebec* and *Trois-Pistoles* 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.

Ordered,

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Institute of *Saint Roch's*, "*Quebec*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the School Laws of *Lower Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit, whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:

Page 1, Line 12.—Leave out from "Act" to "any" in line 35.

IN THE PREAMBLE OF THE BILL.

Page 1, Line 3.—After "*Canada*" insert "so as to provide more effectually for
"removing the difficulties which some times arise with respect
"to the election of School Commissioners in *Lower Canada*."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Common of *Mashinonga*, among the co-priors thereof," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

Ordered,

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to remove doubts with respect to the proper Courts of Review for appeals from Bye Laws of the Municipal Councils, and to amend the Municipal Laws of *Lower Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Locomotive Manufacturing Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to separate the County of *Halton* from the County of *Wentworth*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to confirm a certain allowance for road in the Township of *Monaghan*, and to provide for the compensation of persons suffering loss by the "confirmation of such allowance," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the exercise of certain "rights of Lessors and Lessees 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.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An "Act to exempt the Tools or Implements of any Debtor's, Trade or Calling, and the "wearing apparel, the Bedding, and other furniture necessary for the use of his "family, from seizure and sale under Execution for debt."

It was moved,

That the said Bill be read a second time this day three months.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Belleau* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the conveyance by the Catholic Parishioners of the Parish of *St. Hyacinthe* of the personal property, building and immovables appropriated to Divine Worship and for other purposes therein mentioned," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

It was moved, that the said Bill be read a third time presently.

In amendment it was moved, to leave out "presently" and after time insert "this day three months."

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was

Resolved in the affirmative; and

Ordered, accordingly.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the School Laws of *Lower Canada*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton Gas Light Company*,'" 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 7.—Leave out "said" and after "Act" insert "passed in the Session
" held in the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her Majesty's
" Reign intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton Gas*
" Light Company."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill as amended, read a third time presently.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Acts assigning fixed
" annual Salaries in lieu of Fees, to certain Officers of Justice in *Lower Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Acts of *Upper Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Macaulay* 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 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled "An Act to make better provision for the administration of Justice, in the unorganized tract of Country in *Upper Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* 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 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Stuart* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of the *St. Maurice Iron Works Company*," 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 31.—After "Company" Leave out to "pleasure" in line 39 inclusive.

Page 1, Line 42.—After "successors" leave out to "particularly" in line 43 inclusive.

Page 1, Line 44.—After "Works" insert "or any estate real or personal necessary for the use of the said Company."

- Page 1, Line 47.—After “expedient” insert “Provided always, that it shall not
 “ be lawful for the said Company to purchase, have or hold
 “ any real estate, other than such as shall be necessary for the
 “ use of the said Company, and the purpose thereof, and for the
 “ Manufactory aforesaid, and that the same shall be subject to
 “ the consent of the Governor in Council,”
- Page 1, Line 49.—Leave out “one hundred and fifty” and insert “eighty.”
- Page 2, Line 1.—After “into” leave out the remainder of the Clause, and insert
 “ forty thousand shares of two pounds sterling each.”
- Page 2, Line 18.—Leave out “said *Andrew Stuart* and *John Porter*” and insert
 “ Directors to be appointed as hereinafter provided, and as such
 “ Directors shall direct.”
- Page 2, Line 21.—After “shares” insert “to be.”
- Page 2, Line 23.—Leave out “*Andrew Stuart* and *John Porter*”, and insert
 “ Directors.”
- Page 2, Line 30.—Leave out “and its powers” and insert “at the *St. Maurice*
 “ Iron Works in the County of *St. Maurice*, where an Office
 “ shall be kept; and the said business shall be.”
- Page 3, Line 1.—After “August” leave out to “August” in line 5, inclusive.
- Page 3, Line 5.—After “fifty four” insert “or until such time as their successors
 “ shall be elected; Provided always, that this Act shall not
 “ go into operation until a like amount of £30,000 sterling,
 “ shall have been paid in, and a certificate thereof to the
 “ satisfaction of the Governor shall have been deposited in the
 “ office of the Provincial Secretary, that such payment has
 “ been *bonâ fide* made, and the said amount deposited.”
- Page 3, Line 10.—After “year” insert “not being a holiday, and then on the next
 “ following day not being a holiday.”
- Page 3, Line 15.—After “Newspapers,” insert “in *England* and this Province.”
- Page 3, Line 16.—Leave out “thirty” and insert “sixty.”
- Page 4, Line 3.—Leave out “tenements,” and insert “and tenements necessary
 “ for the purposes of the said Company under this Act, and any.”
- Page 4, Line 29.—After “appoint” insert “provided that no Director shall hold
 “ more than two proxies.”
- Page 4, Line 33.—Leave out “are” and insert “shall be.”

Page 4, Line 40.—Leave out “one or more” and insert “two.”

Page 5, Line 4.—After “voting” leave out the remainder of the Clause.

Page 5, Line 25.—Leave out “that.”

Page 6, Line 11.—After “shareholder” insert “and further provided that the
“ service of all writs, process, and legal proceedings at the
“ Office of the said Company at the said works shall be and
“ be held to be legal service upon the said Company.”

Page 6, Line 33.—Leave out “notes” and insert “note.”

Page 6, Line 40.—After “stock” insert “and such part of the said stock as may
“ remain unpaid.”

Page 6, Line 41.—Leave out from “and” to “such” in line 43 inclusive.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House, and it was

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have agreed to their amendments made to this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Sicotte* and others, to return the Bill intituled “An Act to make more ample provision for the incorporation of the Town of *St. Hyacinthe*, and to extend its limits,” and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendments of the Legislative Assembly, were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Line 3.—Of 1st amendment of the Legislative Council, after “proprietors” insert
“ in number and value of property and residing therein.”

Line 29.—Of said first amendment, after “Town” insert “provided nevertheless, that
“ after the annexation of the said extent of territory to the
“ said Town as above prescribed, the said proprietors residing
“ in the said extent of territory shall be and shall continue
“ to be eligible to and capable of holding any Municipal
“ office in the Municipality of the County of *St. Hyacinthe*.”

Which said amendments of the Legislative Assembly being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House, and it was

Ordered

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have agreed to their amendments, made to the amendments of this House to the last mentioned Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Langton* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the making of certain Annual Returns to the Government," and to acquaint this House, that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Street* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for Manufacturing and other purposes," and to acquaint this House, that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton Gas Light Company*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act prohibiting the sale of intoxicating Liquors, on or near the line of public works in this Province," was read a second time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, that the House be now put into a Committee on the same.

The House according to Order, was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

Ordered,

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Order of the Day, being read for a second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize the use of Strychnine in *Upper Canada* for the destruction of Wolves and other noxious animals, and to restrict the hunting of Deer with hounds at certain seasons."

It was moved,

That the said Bill be now read for the second time.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the negative.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees of the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads to issue Debentures to a certain amount, and to place certain Roads under their control."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* 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 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law of *Upper Canada*, with respect to the solemnization and Registration of Marriages."

After some time the House was resumed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act, intituled "An Act to define the mode of proceeding before the Courts of Justice in *Lower Canada*, in matters relating to the protection and regulation of Corporate Rights and to Writs of Prerogative, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a second time.

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,

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Pilots for and above the Harbour of *Quebec*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, that the report be now received, and

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows :

Page 1, Line 27.—Leave out from "Cities" to "and" in line 37.

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, that the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time presently.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled "An Act to establish the Boundary of Lots in the West Gore in the Township of *Beverly*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* reported from the said Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *De Beaujeu* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled 'An Act to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned relating to Agriculture, and to provide for the remedy of abuses prejudicial to Agriculture," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment.

Ordered, that the said Bill be 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of the Act of the present Session, empowering certain Municipal Councils in *Lower Canada*, to take shares in the Capital Stock of certain Railroad Companies," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to regulate Ferries beyond the local limits of the Municipalities in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Drummond* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act more effectually to prevent the Desertion of Seamen," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Stuart* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide a remedy against the Corporation of the City of *Quebec*, in case of injury to property by any Mob or during Riots in the said City," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Laurin* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate *La Congrégation des Hommes de Ville Marie*, in the City of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty three, of the cost of certain Public Works and for certain other expenses connected with the Public Service," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read for the second time.

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,

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Hincks* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act for raising " on the credit of the consolidated revenue fund, a certain sum required for the " Public Service," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read a second time.

The said Bill was then 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 one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Cartier* and others, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws relative to Commissioners' " Courts for the trial of small causes in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, that the said Bill be now read a second time.

The said Bill was then 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act in- " titled 'An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton* Gas Light Company,'" and to acquaint this House, that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Jobin* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the School Laws of *Lower Canada*," and to acquaint this House, that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Pilots for and above the Harbour of *Quebec*," 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 one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by Mr. *Lemieux* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Pilots for and above the Harbour of *Quebec*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Richards* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled 'An Act to amend An Act intituled 'An Act to compel Vessels to carry a light during the night, and to make sundry provisions to regulate the Navigation of the Waters of this Province,'" and to acquaint this House, that they have agreed to the said Bill with certain 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 45.—Leave out "October" and insert "January."

Page 1, Line 46.—Leave out "three" and insert "four."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, the were severally agreed to by the House, and it was

Ordered, that one of the Masters in Chancery, do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have agreed to their amendments made to this Bill, without any amendment.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honorable JAMES, EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c., being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Speaker commanded the gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to let the Assembly know "it is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House.

Who being come with their Speaker, the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follow.

An Act to enlarge the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament.

An Act to incorporate the *Institut Canadien*.

An Act to enable the Directors of the Grand River Navigation Company, to place the said Navigation under the control and management of the Provincial Government under certain conditions.

An Act to amend the Law relating to Grammar Schools in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to facilitate the performance of the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in *Upper Canada*, with respect to Summary Convictions and Orders.

An Act to facilitate the performance of the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in *Upper Canada*, with respect to persons charged with Indictable Offences.

An Act to protect Justices of the Peace in *Upper Canada* from vexatious Actions.

An Act to amend an Act of the Parliament of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, relating to Mutual Insurance Companies.

An Act to invest certain portions of *East York Street*, *East Bathurst Street*, and *Wellington Street* in the Town of *London*, in the *Great Western Railway Company*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Industry Village and Rawdon Rail-road Company*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Ontario, Simcoe and Huron Rail-road Union Company*.

An Act to incorporate the *Prince Edward Rail-way Company*.

An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the *Peterborough and Port Hope Rail-way Company*.

An Act to incorporate the *Perth and Kemptville Rail-way Company*.

An Act to amend the Registry Laws of *Upper Canada*.

An Act to specify the time when an Act of the present Session, relating to the Townships of *Kingston* and *Pittsburgh*, shall come in force.

An Act to authorize the *Montreal and New York Rail-road Company* to extend their connections, and granting facilities for the same.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Upper Canada Mining Company*.

An Act to continue and extend the Act to enable the County of *Welland* Municipal Council to purchase the *Great Cranberry Marsh*, and for other purposes.

An Act for the relief of the heirs and devisees of the late *Samuel Ryerse*.

An Act to repeal the Law *Æde*.

An Act to exempt certain Vessels from the duty imposed by the Act to provide for the Medical Treatment of Sick Mariners:

An Act to enable the Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, Quebec*, to alienate or hypothecate certain property for the purpose of raising funds to build a more convenient Church, Manse and School.

An Act to explain the Act intituled "An Act to authorize *François Verrault, Esquire*, to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Etchemins*, in the Parish of *St. Henry*, near the Church in the said Parish, in the County of *Dorchester*."

An Act to vest in the Board of Works, a certain portion of *Church Street* in the Town of *London*.

An Act Supplementary to the Common School Act for *Upper Canada*.

An Act to repeal an Ordinance therein mentioned, intituled An Ordinance for regulating the Markets of the Towns of *Quebec* and *Montreal*, so far as respects the City of *Quebec*.

An Act to permit of disinterments in certain cases, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An Act to explain and amend the Act, intituled An Act to make better provision for granting Licenses to keepers of Taverns and Dealers in Spirituous Liquors, in *Lower Canada*, and for the more effectual repression of intemperance.

An Act to transfer the possession and control of the *Cul-de-Sac Harbour* from the Trinity House of *Quebec* to the Mayor and Councillors of the City of *Quebec*.

An Act to amend and consolidate the several Acts for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads and other Works in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to amend and consolidate, as amended, the Laws relative to the *Toronto General Hospital*.

An Act to authorize the formation of a Company to be called the *Paris Hydraulic Company*.

An Act to amend and extend the Charter of the *Woodstock and Lake Erie Rail-way and Harbour Company*.

- An Act to restrain the injurious practice of inoculating with the small-Pox.
- An Act to provide for the recovery of the rates and taxes intended to be imposed by certain By-Laws of the late District Councils of *Upper Canada*.
- An Act to authorize the City of *Quebec* to raise a loan to consolidate their debt.
- An Act to amend and extend the Act to incorporate the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Rail-way Company.
- An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Judicature Act, and to provide for the service of Circuit Court Writs by Bailiffs in certain cases.
- An Act to amend the Act prohibiting the hunting and killing of Deer and other Game within this Province at certain seasons of the year.
- An Act to amend and consolidate the assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*.
- An Act to repeal certain duties of excise, so far as regards *Upper Canada*, and to vest certain powers in the Municipal authorities of that part of the Province.
- An Act to establish a Standard Weight for the different kinds of Grain and Pulse, and Seeds in *Upper Canada*.
- An Act to make provision for the erection of certain public buildings at *Toronto*, for the better accommodation of the Government, and of the Legislature at that City.
- An Act to incorporate the *Leeds, Lanark* and *Reufrew* locomotive Manufacturing Company.
- An Act to amend the Act for better securing the independence of the Legislative Assembly of this Province.
- An Act to extend certain privileges therein mentioned, to a Body of Protestant Christians denominating themselves Adventists.
- An Act incorporating the *Cap Rouge* Pier, Wharf and Dock Company.
- An Act to establish a Board of Examiners of School Teachers in certain Districts in *Lower Canada*.
- An Act to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies to construct works necessary to facilitate the transmission of Timber down the Rivers and Streams in *Upper Canada*.
- An Act to amend the Laws relating to public works.
- An Act to amend the Law for the Sale and the Settlement of the public Lands.

An Act to extend the Elective Franchise, and better to define the qualifications of Voters in certain Electoral Divisions, by providing a system for the Registration of Voters.

An Act to divide the Townships of *Yonge* and *Essex* in the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville*.

An Act conveying to the City of *Toronto* certain Water Lots, with power to the said City for the construction of an Esplanade.

An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity of *Quebec*.

An Act to amend the Act fourteenth and fifteenth Victoria chapter ninety two, relating to the illegal detention of real property in *Lower Town*.

An Act to repeal so much of the Act providing for the Optional Commutation of the Tenure of Lands in the Fiefs and Seigniories of *Lower Canada*, as allows the commutation of the right of *lods et ventes* without the commutation of the other Seigniorial rights on the same lands.

An Act to incorporate the Ecclesiastical Society of *St. Michel*.

An Act to amend the Act of *Upper Canada* incorporating the *Marmora Foundry Company*.

An Act to provide for the more equal distribution of business in, and to improve the practice of the Superior Courts of Common Law in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An Act to amend the *Upper Canada Division Courts Act* of one thousand eight hundred and fifty, and to extend the jurisdiction of the said Courts.

An Act to regulate the holding of General Sessions of the Peace in the Districts of *Kamouraska*, *Ottawa* and *St. Francis*.

An Act to confirm certain Titles in the Township of *Aldborough*, and rectify difficulties which have arisen from an erroneous Survey.

An Act for the better management of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*.

An Act to amend an Act to regulate the culling and measurement of Timber.

An Act to encourage the issue by the Chartered Banks in this Province, of Notes secured in the manner provided by the General Banking Law.

An Act to establish a Board of Notaries for the Districts of *Kamouraska* and *Gaspé*, and further to amend the Act for the organization of the Notarial Profession in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to amend and explain the Ordinance concerning the Registration of Hypothecs in *Lower Canada*.

An Act for the relief of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, as regards the keeping of Registers of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to incorporate a Company in the City of *Toronto*, to be called the *Metro-politan Gas and Water Company*.

An Act further to amend the Laws relating to the summoning of Jurors in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts and Ordinances therein mentioned, and for other purposes.

An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for supplying Cities, Towns and Villages, with Gas and Water.

An Act in addition to the General Rail-way Clauses Consolidation Act.

An Act to provide for the safety of Her Majesty's Subjects and others on the Highways in *Upper Canada*, and to regulate the Travelling thereon.

An Act to regulate the proceedings in cases of Voluntary Licitation.

An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Quebec and Trois Pistoles Navigation Company*."

An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Institute of *St. Roch's, Quebec*.

An Act to divide the Common of *Maskinongé* among the Co-proprietors thereof.

An Act to remove doubts with respect to the proper Courts of Review for Appeals from By-Laws of the Municipal Councils, and to amend the Municipal Laws of *Lower Canada*.

An Act to incorporate the *Toronto Locomotive Manufacturing Company*.

An Act to separate the County of *Halton* from the County of *Wentworth*.

An Act to incorporate the Canadian Loan Company.

An Act to amend the Act to regulate the exercise of certain rights of Lessors and Lessees, in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to confirm a certain allowance for road in the Township of *Monaghan*, and to provide for the compensation of persons suffering loss by the confirmation of such allowance.

An Act to facilitate the admission in Evidence of Foreign Judgments, and certain affidavits and other documents, and otherwise to improve the Law of Evidence in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to amend the Act to amend the Laws relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to provide for the making of certain Annual Returns to the Government.

An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of the *St. Maurice Iron Works Company*.

An Act to make more ample provision for the incorporation of the Town of *Saint Hyacinthe*, and to extend its limits.

An Act to amend the Act for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for Manufacturing, and other purposes.

An Act to amend the Acts assigning fixed Annual Salaries in lieu of Fees, to certain Officers of Justices in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to prohibit the sale of Intoxicating Liquors on or near the line of Public Works in this Province.

An Act to amend the Municipal Acts of *Upper Canada*.

An Act to make better provision for the Administration of Justice in the unorganized tracts of Country in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to authorize the Trustees of the *Quebec Turnpike Roads* to issue Debentures to a certain amount, and to place certain Roads under their control.

An Act to amend the Act, intituled Act to define the mode of proceeding before the Court of Justice in *Lower Canada*, in matters relating to the protection and regulation of Corporate Rights, and to Writs of Prerogative, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An Act to amend the Act, intituled An Act to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned relating to Agriculture, and to provide for the remedy of abuses prejudicial to Agriculture.

An Act to amend the School Laws of *Lower Canada*.

An Act to amend the Act, intituled, An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton Gas Light Company*.

An Act more effectually to prevent the Desertion of Seamen.

An Act to provide a remedy against the Corporation of the City of *Quebec* in case of injury to property by any Mob or during Riots in the said City.

An Act to extend the provisions of the Act of the present Session, empowering certain Municipal Councils in *Lower Canada* to take Shares in the Capital Stock of certain Rail-road Companies.

An Act to regulate Ferries beyond the local limits of the Municipalities in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to incorporate *La Congrégation des Hommes de Ville Marie* in the City of *Montreal*.

An Act for raising on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, a certain sum required for the Public Service.

An Act to amend the Laws relative to Commissioners' Courts for the Trial of Small Causes in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to attach a certain portion of the Township of *Kingston* in the County of *Frontenac* to the Township of *Pittsburgh*, for Municipal and other purposes.

An Act to establish the Boundary Lines of Lots in certain Ranges in the Township of *Grenville*.

An Act to establish the Boundary of Lots in the West Gore in the Township of *Beverly*.

An Act to regulate the currency.

An Act to amend the Act, intituled An Act to incorporate the Pilots for and above the Harbour of *Quebec*.

An Act to amend the Act, intituled An Act to amend an Act, intituled An Act to compel Vessels to carry a Light during the night, and to make sundry provisions to regulate the Navigation of the Waters of this Province.

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.”

Then the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the title of a Bill to be passed as follows.

An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*.

To this Bill the Clerk of this House, by His Excellency's command did thereupon say :—

“ His Excellency the Governor General, doth reserve this Bill for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon.”

Then the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly addressed His Excellency as follows :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

We Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of *Canada*, attend Your Excellency at the close of a protracted and laborious Session, and present for your acceptance and approval Bills of supply, for the Service of the past and present years.

In conformity with Your Excellency's recommendations, signified in the Speech from the Throne, at the commencement of the Session, we have addressed ourselves to the consideration of several important Questions of vital interest to the Province, and calculated to have a weighty and lasting influence in its future welfare.

The Representation of the People in Parliament, upon the sufficiency and impartiality of which, so much depends, has engaged our most anxious attention, and we have perfected a measure, which we confidently anticipate will meet the requirements of the time, by giving increased efficiency to the Popular Branch of the Legislature, and extending the benefits of the Franchise to remoter settlements, which are rapidly increasing in wealth and importance; concurrently with this subject and of equal magnitude, is the question of Reform in the organization of the Legislative Council, various schemes for the attainment of this object, and for ensuring more effectual to this honorable Branch of the Legislature, the respect and public confidence which it justly claims, as an essential and valuable element in our constitution, have been deliberated upon, and an address prepared to Her Most Gracious Majesty, embodying the views and principles upon which we conceive a re-construction of that House should be effected.

The great impetus given to public and private enterprise, by the introduction into this Province of the Railway system, has also demanded our careful consideration, while a large influx of British Capital has enabled us to project and mature gigantic plans, for developing the resources of this noble and improving Country;—which if carried to a successful issue, will hasten incalculably its growth and progress,—yet on the other hand, there is great danger of these advantages being wholly lost, from a want of combined action, and from an undue prominence being given to local projects. Our earnest endeavours have been bestowed to avert such a calamity, and to concentrate the efforts of our Capitalists, and men of enterprise, to those plans of local improvement, from which the greatest amount of public advantage might be anticipated. To this end the Provincial Guarantee has been extended to the great arterial lines of Rail-way, and a measure has been passed authorising the County

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and other Municipalities in *Upper Canada*, to borrow money for constructing any Public Works, upon the credit of a consolidated Municipal Loan Fund, established under the direction of the Provincial Government. This Law while it will materially facilitate local improvement, will also tend to prevent the adoption of extravagant and ill considered undertakings: as the approval of the Governor in Council is required to all By Laws for effecting loans on the credit of this Fund, for carrying out any projects which the Municipalities may be desirous to promote.

Mindful of the tie which connects us with our Sister Provinces on this Continent, and of our common interest, in all questions in which each others' welfare is concerned, we have addressed the Imperial Government on behalf of the North American Fisheries, deprecating a surrender of the rights of those engaged therein, without a full and fair equivalent. We have also solicited Her Majesty to recommend to the Imperial Parliament the adoption of measures, to facilitate and secure the benefit of reciprocity of trade between Foreign Countries, *Great Britain*, and the entire North American Colonies.

These are the most prominent questions which have come under our notice during the present Session. There are others also, of minor importance, but of great practical utility, to which our attention has been equally directed.

It is our earnest hope that the result of our Legislation may be productive of good to all classes in this Province, and that the feeling of loyalty and attachment to our Sovereign and Her Authority, which has animated us, may be perpetuated among our fellow subjects.

We have now to crave Your Excellency's Assent to two Bills of supply, the one for defraying the expenses of the Civil Government for the past year, and the other providing for similar expenses for 1853.

The Speaker then delivered two certain money Bills to the Clerk of this House, who brought them to the table, when the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the same, to be passed as follows:

"An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty two, and certain other expenses connected with the Public Service."

"An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty three, for the cost of certain Public Works, and for certain other expenses connected with the Public Service."

To these Bills, the Clerk of this House, by His Excellency's command, did thereupon say:—

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“ His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill, in Her Majesty's name.”
Then His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to deliver the following Speech.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :
Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

I am enabled, at length, after a Session of unusual duration, to relieve you from further attendance in Parliament.

I thank you for the care and attention which you have bestowed on the various subjects that have been brought under your consideration.

I trust that the Province will be benefitted, and that its moral and material interest will be promoted, by the many important measures which you have passed.

I have had much satisfaction in giving the Royal Assent to the Act for enlarging the Representation of the people in Parliament. There is, I think, reason to hope that this measure, which has been sanctioned by large Parliamentary majorities, will have the effect of imparting greater weight to the deliberations of the Legislature, and increased stability to the Institutions of the Province.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

I thank you in Her Majesty's name for the supplies which you have granted for the service of the year.

Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen.

The tranquillity which has for some time past prevailed in the Province, and which has proved in so remarkable a degree conducive to its progress, and to the establishment of its credit, has been, I regret to say momentarily interrupted at *Quebec* and *Montreal*, by disturbances originating in religious controversy, and attended in one instance by very lamentable consequences. I have reason to believe that these occurrences, which are a scandal to the religion that we profess, are deeply deplored by the great majority of the inhabitants of the Province of all denominations, and that the authorities will be fully supported in adopting such measures as may be necessary to prevent their recurrence.

On former occasions in addressing you from this place, I have sometimes felt that it was incumbent on me to dilate upon the resources and capabilities of the Province, in order to give encouragement to persons who might be disposed at seasons of temporary depression to take a desponding view of its prospects. I am sensible however, that no such representations are at present called for. The progress which the Province is now making, is so marked and decisive, that few will

be found to question it. I have only to express the hope that the spirit of enterprise which prevails so generally, may be tempered by discretion and prudence, and that a Gracious Providence will continue to extend to *Canada*, that protection which is not less indispensable in prosperity than in Adversity.

The Speaker of this House then said :—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.

“ It is His Excellency the Governor General's will and pleasure, that this Provincial Parliament be prorogued until Saturday the twenty third day of July next, to be here held, and this Provincial Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Saturday the twenty third day of July next.

A P P E N D I X .

A P P E N D I X No. 1.

(*Vide Journal, page 34.*)

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE HONORABLE THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

To the Honorable the Legislative Council of *Canada*, the Librarian on behalf of the Legislative Council, of the Joint Library of Parliament, begs leave respectfully to Report.

In pursuance of the order of the 14th August 1851, all the books and records belonging to the Library were safely packed in cases, and conveyed to this City in a Vessel chartered for that purpose by the Provincial Government, which Vessel arrived at this Port in the month of October last year.

The new wing of the Parliament building in which was the room appropriated for the reception of the books, not being prepared to receive them, *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire, the Clerk of the Honorable the Legislative Assembly suggested that they should be placed, *pro tempore*, in the ward robe of the east wing, where, a fire being kept during the winter, they remained unopened, protected from the effects of humidity, or any other injury.

During the winter and spring of the past and present year, a room of noble proportions, handsomely decorated, and admirably adapted for a Library was constructed by Mr. *George Brown*, the Architect of the Government, and was ready for the reception of the books on the 21st day of June last.

The arrangement and classification of the books was immediatly commenced, and continued, until the whole were deposited in the several compartments appointed to receive them.

Your Librarian has much satisfaction in stating that although the books had from necessity remained many months in the cases unopened, they were found upon examination free from injury, and having been carefully packed, had sustained in their transport to this City, no damage, but were in excellent condition.

The Library contained, previous to the purchases made in *Europe* during the past winter, about five thousand volumes, almost the whole of which, were in the English language. These had been procured since the year 1849, by appropriations of money voted for that purpose, and consisted principally of works on Legislation and Parliamentary Law, including a valuable donation of the Journals of the Lords and Commons of the Imperial Parliament, and the Sessional papers of the latter in 1500 volumes.

At the close of the Session of Parliament in 1851, *G. B. Faribault*, Esquire, the Clerk Assistant of the Honorable the Legislative Assembly, was, by a resolution then passed, directed to proceed to *Europe*, on a special mission for the purchase of works for the Library, in the English and French languages. That gentleman accordingly left *Quebec*, in the month of October 1851, and returned to this City early in July last. The acquisitions made by him have materially augmented the collection both in number and value, and your Librarian feels it a duty to give his humble tribute of praise to the exertions of *Mr. Faribault*, and the very successful manner in which he has discharged the arduous duties of the mission, with which he was honored by your Honorable House.

An afflicting bereavement and painful disease having rendered it necessary that *Mr. Faribault* should obtain assistance towards the close of his operations, and *G. W. Wicksteed*, Esquire, the law Clerk to the Honorable the Legislative Assembly, being then in *Europe* he was instructed by the Government to proceed to *Paris*, for the purpose of aiding *Mr. Faribault*, both there and in *London*, in completing the labours of the mission, and it is due to the latter gentleman to state, that by his valuable assistance, the whole was brought to a satisfactory conclusion.

The donations of books made by the several departments of the State in *France* are of great value. They are handsomely and in some instances magnificently bound, are chiefly works of history and scientific research, and the generous manner in which they have been presented to the Parliament of *Canada*, Your Librarian would take the liberty of saying does great honor to the liberality of the French Nation. It is a gift worthy of a great people, and cannot fail to be highly appreciated by the inhabitants of this Country.

Mr. Faribault furthermore succeeded in procuring from the Admiralty office at *London*, a magnificent set of charts and plans of the Gulf and River *St. Lawrence*, and of other parts of the *North American Coast*, together with copies of some scientific publications issued by the Admiralty for the use of Navigators; These are donations of great interest and value, and will be more fully described in the Library catalogue.

In its present state, the Library is composed of works in several European languages, principally however of French and English, some six cases of books are still to be received, amongst the contents of which are a complete set of the records of *Great Britain*, published by the record commission, and presented by the Imperial Government; as also some further donations from the Government of *France*.

The collection of books in its several classes, comprises works of the best authors, and of the greatest utility in civil, constitutional, Parliamentary, English, and International Law, also in Political economy, Statistics, History Science and Art, Geography, Belles Lettes and the Ancient Classics, forming the foundation of an extended Provincial Library, which will prove of great value to the literature and progress of the Country, in the Arts and Sciences.

Mr. *Faribault* has with much labor and research, succeeded in procuring a numerous collection of rare works, on the History of *America* generally, and *Canada* in particular, which will in a great measure, if not wholly supply the loss of that which was unfortunately destroyed in the year 1849.

From the lateness of the period at which the apartment for the Library was finished, and the time necessarily consumed in arranging and classifying the books therein, it has been impossible to prepare before the meeting of the Legislature, a full and classified catalogue of the collection, but such a perfect list of short titles has been compiled for distribution to the Members of both Houses of Parliament, as it is hoped will be found satisfactory for present use. The list of books in the class of the History of *America* has been separately made out in alphabetical order, and will be found of easy reference.

A more complete catalogue of the collection will be prepared, and with the authority of your Honorable House, printed in such a number of copies for private and public circulation, as in your wisdom may seem meet.

The whole of the books in the Library at present are in excellent condition, and the gross number of volumes is 12150.

All which is most humbly and respectfully submitted.

W. AGAR ADAMSON.

Librarian.

APPENDIX No. 2.

(Vide Journal, pages 62 & 528.)

EXTRACT FROM A DESPATCH IN ANSWER TO THE ADDRESS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO HER MAJESTY ON SEIGNIORIAL TENURE.

MY LORD,

I have had the honor to lay before the Queen, the Address transmitted in Your Lordship's Despatch, No. 102, of the 26th August, from the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Parliament assembled, praying Her Majesty to cause to be laid before that House, Copies of certain Correspondence on the subject of Seigniorial Tenure.

I am commanded by Her Majesty to transmit to Your Lordship, for the information of the Legislative Council, and in answer to the Address from that Body, the enclosed Copies of Correspondence respecting the Seigniorial Tenure, which has been obtained from the State Paper Office; together with a list of other Documents, deposited in that office, relating to the same subject.

These papers comprise all the Documents referred to in the Address, which, after a careful search, can be found amongst the Official Records of the Secretary of State.

(Copy.)

STATE PAPER OFFICE, 10th November, 1851.

SIR,

Agreeably to the directions of Earl Grey, conveyed to me by your letter of the 4th instant, that I should cause the Colonial Department to be supplied with Copies of the Correspondence which took place in or about the year 1766, between His Excellency *Guy Carlton*, Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Earl of *Shelburne*, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, relative to the titles to lands held *à titre de fief et Seigneurie avec haute moyenne et basse*

15th April, 1767.
30th October, 1767.
24th December, 1767.
12th April, 1768.
6th July, 1781.

justice, granted in *Canada* by His Most Christian Majesty the King of *France*, and which, after the Session of *Canada*, passed under the British Crown; I have the honor to transmit herewith Copies of the Correspondence, so far as I have been enabled to find it in this office.

I also beg leave to transmit herewith, for Earl *Grey's* information, a list of Documents preserved in this office, relating to the subject of Seigniories in *Canada*, although not forming part of the Correspondence.

I am, &c,

(Signed,) H. HOBHOUSE.

T. F. Elliott, Esquire,
&c., &c., &c.
Colonial Office.

(Copy.)

STATE PAPER OFFICE—AMERICA AND WEST INDIES.—Vol. 326.

(Lieutenant Governor CARLTON to the Secretary of State.)

Quebec, 15th April, 1767.—R. 1st July.

In obedience to His Lordship's letter of 11th December, he transmits several papers together with a List of them. The revenue of *lots et ventes, cens et rentes*, and Quit rents, he understands properly belong to the King's Privy Purse; the money arising from Licenses to retail Liquors is appropriated to charitable uses, and these are the only funds raised in that Province, except the duties laid by Acts of Parliament, received and accounted for by the collector, so that the expenses of that Colony fall entirely on His Majesty's Treasury. The charge of supporting the Province, he thinks might be lessened, unless His Majesty should think proper to repair his houses or erect some Military Works, both of which he thinks highly advisable. The registers of the grants prior to the conquest have been so much tossed about and are in such confusion, that it will require a considerable time to arrange and put them in order. The expense attending the registering them is so considerable that few have complied with the order for that purpose given by General *Murray*, so that at present it is impossible to be as particular in that article as His Lordship's letter requires.

The following are the titles of the enclosed papers :—

- Inclosure, No. 1.—List of the Civil Establishment of the Province of *Quebec*.
Do No. 2.—Estimate of the annual contingent expense for the Province of *Quebec*.
Do No. 3.—Military Establishment of the Garrisons of *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

Inclosure

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- Inclosure, No. 4.—Account of the *lots et ventes* received by *Thomas Mills*, Esq., Receiver General for the Province of *Quebec*.
- Do No. 5.—Explanation of the Tenure of Lands in the Province of *Quebec* before the Conquest.
- Do No. 6.—List of persons in arrear for *lots et ventes*.
- Do No. 7.—Account of Lands granted since the Establishment of Civil Government, in August, 1764.
- Do No. 8.—Account of Money received for Licenses for retailing Liquors.
- Do No. 9.—Debt of the Government of *Quebec* for Fees of Office, Contingencies and Claims, upon 24th December, 1766.
- Do No. 10.—Account of Salaries due to the 24th December, 1766.

By the paper No. 5, (an explanation, &c,) it appears that the *lots et ventes* are fines paid to the King upon the alienation of lands, one-fifth of the purchase money upon the Seignior, and one-twelfth upon the *terres en roture*, which were lands granted to the King out of his reserved Domain for a yearly rent. It has been customary for the King to remit a third of those Fines. The *cens et rentes* is the annual Quit Rent upon the *terre en roture*, but is very trifling. Both these Revenues are perpetual.

(Copy.)

STATE PAPER OFFICE—AMERICA AND WEST INDIES.—Vol. 326.

(Mr. FRAS. MACKAY.)

Quebec, 30th October, 1767.—R. 14th December.

He hopes soon to be honored with full instructions from His Lordship, as without them he will be at a loss how to act, in his office; for many of the Lands within that Province having been granted by the French King, without the least reservation whatever, those who hold those Lands imagine that His Majesty's Surveyor is not entitled to appropriate the Timber to His Majesty's use. In other grants the French King reserves the Masts and *Bois de construction* only.

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STATE PAPER OFFICE—CANADA.—Vol. 6.

(GUY CARLETON to the Earl of SHELBURNE.)

No. 23.

Quebec, 24th December, 1767.

MY LORD,

To conceive the true state of the people of this Province, so far as the Laws and Administration of Justice are concerned, and the sensations they must feel in their present situation, 'tis necessary to recollect, they are not a migration of Britons, who brought with them the Laws of *England*, but a populous and long-established Colony, reduced by the King's Arms, to submit to His dominion, *on certain conditions*: That their Laws and Customs were widely different from those of *England*, but founded on natural justice and equity, as well as these; That their Honors, Property, and Profits, as well as the King's Dues, in a great measure depended upon them; That, on the mutation of Lands by sale, some special cases excepted, they established fines to the King, in lieu of Quit Rents, and to the Seigneur Fines and Dues, as his chief profits, obliging him to grant his Lands at very low rents.

This system of Laws established subordination, from the first to the lowest, which preserved the internal harmony they enjoyed until our arrival, and secured obedience to the Supreme Seat of Government from a very distant Province: All this arrangement, in one hour, we overturned by the Ordinance of the seventeenth of September, One thousand seven hundred and sixty-four; and Laws ill-adapted to the genius of the Canadians, to the situation of the Province, and to the interests of *Great Britain* unknown and unpublished, were introduced in their stead; a sort of severity, if I remember right, never before practised by any conqueror, even where the people, without capitulation, submitted to his will and discretion.

How far this change of Laws which deprives such numbers of their Honors, Privileges, Profits and Property, is conformable to the capitulation of *Montreal*, and treaty of *Paris*; How far this Ordinance, which effects the Life, Limb, Liberty, and Property of the subject, is within the limits of the power His Majesty has been pleased to grant to the Governor and Council: How far this Ordinance, which, in a summary way, declares the Supreme Court of Judicature shall judge all cases, Civil and Criminal, by Laws unknown and unpublished to the people, is agreeable to the natural rights of mankind, I humbly submit; This much is certain, that it cannot long remain in force without a general confusion and discontent.

To prevent some of the misfortunes that must accrue, the enclosed draft of an Ordinance was prepared to be laid before the Council, but when I reflected on the many difficulties that would still remain, I thought it more advisable to leave those important matters as I found them till His Majesty's pleasure was known thereon.

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To show more fully the extent of these alterations, several months ago I directed an abridgment of the Laws of *Canada*, in force on our arrival, to be drawn up, and at the same time desired the Chief Justice and Attorney General to give me their opinion upon the mode at present in practice; This, I thought absolutely necessary to show the true state of these matters, holding it a great importance to the King's Service, that all cause of great or general discontent should be removed and prevented.

A few disputes have already appeared, where the English Law gives to one, what, by the Canadian Law, would belong to another; a case of this sort, not easy to determine, lies at present in Chancery, if decided for the Canadian on the principle that promulgation is necessary to give force to Laws, the uniformity of the Courts of Justice thereby will be still further destroyed, Chancery reversing the judgments of the Superior Court, as that Court reverses those of the Common Pleas; the people notwithstanding continue to regulate their transactions by their ancient Laws, though unknown and unauthorized in the Supreme Court, where most of these transactions would be declared invalid.

So short sighted are men that although these few instances manifest the difference of the old and new Law, and give some uneasiness to the parties, yet I have met with only one Canadian who sees this great Revolution in its full influence, but when time brings forth events, which shall make known to the Canadians, that their modes of inheritance are totally changed, and other alterations which affect the property and interest of every family in the Province, the consternation must become general.

The present great and universal complaint arises from the delay and heavy expenses of Justice; formerly the King's Courts sat once a week at *Quebec*, *Montreal* and *Three Rivers*; From these lay an appeal to the Council which also sat once a week, where fees of all sorts were very low, and the decisions immediate. At present the Courts sit three times a year at *Quebec*, and twice a year at *Montreal*, and have introduced all the chicanery of *Westminster* Hall into this impoverished Province, where few fortunes can bear the expence and delay of a Lawsuit: The people are thereby deprived of the benefit of the King's Courts of Justice; which rather prove oppressive and ruinous than a relief to the injured: This, with the weight of fees in general is the daily complaint; not but a great deal might be said of the inferior Administrators of Justice, very few of whom have received the Education requisite for their Office; and are not endowed with all the moderation, impartiality, and disinterestedness that were to be wished.

The most advisable method in my opinion for removing the present, as well as for preventing future evils, is to repeal that Ordinance as null and void in its own nature, and for the present leave the Canadian Laws almost entire; such alterations might be afterwards made in them, as time and occurrences rendered the same

advisable

advisable, so as to reduce them to that system, His Majesty should think fit, without risking the dangers of too much precipitation; or else, such alterations may be made in the old, and those new Laws judged necessary, to be immediately introduced, and publish the whole as a Canadian Code; as was practiced by Edward the first after the Conquest of Wales.

For a more expeditious and easy Administration of Justice, a Judge should reside at each of the three Towns of *Quebec, Montreal* and *Three Rivers*, with a Canadian assistant to sit at least once a month; it seems to me no less essential that none of the principal Officers of Government and Justice, neither Governor, Judge, Secretary, Provost Marshal or Clerk of the Council, should receive Fee, Reward, or present from the people, on pain of the King's displeasure, though an equivalent should be allowed them by way of Salary, and that the inferior officers be restrained to the fees authorized under the French Government, in order to remove the present reproach, that our English Justice and English Offices are calculated to drain the people of the little substance they have left; as well as to serve as a barrier, to secure the King's interests at this distance from the Throne, from the pestilential dangers of avarice and corruption for ages to come.

What salaries may be necessary to induce gentlemen of the Law, of integrity and abilities with a knowledge of the French Language, to come into this Country, I cannot tell: such characters, however, are more indispensably necessary in this than in any other of the King's Provinces; for here, every fault and error of the men becomes a National reproach. But men of the stamp of our present Chief Justice and Attorney General not being always to be met with, if unexceptionable characters, such as above described, cannot be procured; it will be better for the Province to be satisfied with any men of sound sense and probity, it can afford, who with good intentions and the advice and assistance of these two gentlemen, may prove of more service than an ignorant, greedy and factious set.

I could almost venture to promise that in a little time the Provincial duties may pay all the Officers necessary for Government and the administration of Justice, on the footing I propose, of procuring persons properly qualified without fees, together with all necessary extraordinary expenses (I except, however, sinécure Salaries and all Public Works) without giving the least discontent: The Canadians in general, particularly the gentlemen, greatly disapprove of the verdict given last year against the Crown, on the trial for the duties, and both Canadian and English Merchants, the Colonists excepted, would have fixed the rates in the scheme I inclosed to your Lordship in my letter (No. 22) higher than I thought judicious for the first essay; These things I thought proper to mention at present, lest the economy, necessary

at home, might be an objection to the arrangements essential to the King's Service and the interest of *Great Britain*.

I am, &c.,

(Signed,) GUY CARLETON.

To the Earl of SHELBURNE,

One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State,

&c., &c., &c.

(Copy.)

An Ordinance for continuing and confirming the Laws and Customs that prevailed in this Province in the time of the French Government, concerning the Tenure, Inheritance and Alienation of Lands.

WHEREAS, from the extensive words use in the great Ordinance of this Province, dated the 17th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, 1764, intituled, an Ordinance for regulating and establishing the Courts of Judicature, Justices of the Peace, Quarter Sessions, Bailiffs, and other matters relative to the distributions of Justice in this Province, by which the two principal Courts of Judicature, erected thereby in this Province, are impowered and directed, the one of them to hear and determine all Criminal and Civil Causes, agreeable to the Laws of *England* and to the Ordinances of this Province, and the other to determine matters of Property above the value of ten pounds agreeable to equity, having regard nevertheless to the Laws of *England*, and an appeal is allowed from this latter Court in cases wherein the matter in contest is of the value of twenty pounds and upwards, to the former Court, which is strictly enjoined to proceed according to the Laws of *England* and the Ordinances of this Province as aforesaid; certain doubts have arisen, and may arise, that in consequence thereof, the Rules of Inheritance of Lands and Houses in this Province, and the terms and conditions of the tenures thereof, and the Rights, Privileges, Profits and Emoluments thence arising either to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, or to divers of his said Majesty's subjects that are owners of Lands in the said Province, were in the whole or in part abolished, and the Laws and Customs of *England*, relating to the said points at once introduced in their stead; which great and sudden alteration of the Laws concerning these important subjects would not only be in no wise useful to the said Province, but by unsettling men's ancient and accustomed rights and reasonable expectations founded thereon, would be attended with innumerable hardships and inconveniences to the inhabitants thereof,

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and produce a general confusion : In order therefore to prevent these evils, and to quiet the minds of the Inhabitants with respect to them :—It is ordained and declared by the Lieutenant Governor of this Province, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of the same, that all Laws and Customs that prevailed in this Province, both such as were held immediately of the Crown, and such as were held of subjects, and the terms and conditions of such Tenures ; and concerning the Rights, Privileges and Pre-eminences annexed to any of the said Tenures, and the burthens, duties, and obligations to which they were subject ; and concerning the inheritance and succession to the said Lands upon the death of any of the proprietors thereof, and concerning the forfeiture, confiscation, re-annexing or re-uniting to the Demesne of the Lord, Escheat, Reversion or other Devolution, whatsoever of any of the said Lands, either to the King's Majesty or any of His Majesty's subjects of whom they are held ; and concerning the power of divising or bequathing any of the said Lands by a last Will and Testament, and concerning the power of Alienating the same by the Proprietors thereof in their lifetime ; and concerning the power of limiting, hypothecating, charging, or any way incumbering or affecting any Lands in the said Province ; shall continue in full force and vigor until they are changed in some of these particulars by Ordinances made for that purpose, and expressly mentioning such changes, and setting forth in a full and distinct manner the Laws introduced in the stead of those which shall be so changed or abolished, to the end that all the inhabitants of this Province, Canadians as well as English, may fully understand and be made acquainted with the said new Laws that shall be so introduced : any Laws, Customs or usages of *England*, or any Ordinances of this Province, to the contrary hereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Also the said French Laws and Customs hereby continued and confirmed, shall be deemed and taken to have continued without interruption, from the time of the Conquest of this Country by the British Arms to the present time : any former Ordinance or Ordinances of this Province to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

And further, this Ordinance shall extend not only to all Lands in this Province held immediately of the Crown, by grants made by the French King before the Conquest of this Country, and to all Lands held under the immediate Tenants of the Crown, who are comonly called *Seigneurs*, by grants made by the said Seigneurs to inferior Tenants or Vassals before the said Conquest, but likewise to such Lands as have been granted by the said Seigneurs to the said inferior Tenants since the said Conquest, and likewise to all such Lands as shall be granted hereafter by the said Seigneurs to the said inferior Tenants or Vassals, both those that shall hereafter be made, and those that have been made already, shall be subject to the same Rules, Restrictions and Conditions as were lawfully in force concerning them in the time of the French Government, at or immediately before the time of the said Conquest of this Province by the British Arms. But this Ordinance shall not extend to or any

way affect any new grants of Land in this Province, made by the King's Majesty since the said Conquest, or hereafter to be made by His said Majesty; but the Laws and Rules relating to such Royal Grants shall be the same as if this Ordinance had not been made.

Given by the Honorable GUY CARLETON, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of *Quebec*, Brigadier General of His Majesty's Forces, &c. &c., in Council at the Castle of *St. Lewis*, in the City of *Quebec*, the
day of _____ in the _____ year of His Majesty's Reign, and in the
year of Our Lord, 176.—

(Copy.)

STATE PAPER OFFICE—AMERICA AND WEST INDIES.—Vol. 326.

(Governor CARLETON to the Secretary of State.)

(No. 33.)

Quebec, 12th April, 1768.—R. 15th June.

MY LORD,

Again I find myself under a necessity to repeat very near the same apologies as in my last about the Fees; the truth is, that while offices are farmed out to the best bidder, Tenants will make the most of their Leases, and in their turn hire such servants as work at the cheapest rate, without much enquiry whether the same is well or ill-done; the enclosed list of grants prior to the conquest of the Country, has been greatly retarded from the persons employed therein not being thoroughly versed in the languages; at the same time it must be fairly acknowledged, the ancient records of the Country are by no means so clear and accurate as one could wish, however it will in general tolerably well exhibit on what terms the Seigniorial Grants are held, for as to the *Terres en Roture* held immediately of the King in the Towns of *Quebec* or *Trois Rivières* or elsewhere the same is not yet completed, but is in hand and shall be transmitted without loss of time as soon as finished.

Some of the privileges contained in those grants appear at first to convey dangerous powers into the hands of the Seigneurs, that, upon a more minute enquiry, are found to be really little else than ideal; the *haute moyenne et basse justice*, are terms of high import, but even under the French Government were so corrected as to prove of little signification to the proprietors, for besides that, they could appoint no judge without the approbation of Government, there lay an appeal from

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all the private, to the Royal Jurisdictions in every matter exceeding half a crown; it could not therefore be productive of abuse, and as the keeping of their own Judges became much too burthensome for the scanty incomes of the Canadian Seigneurs, it was grown into so general a disuse, there were hardly three of them in the whole Province at the time of the conquest.

All the lands here are held of His Majesty's Castle of *Saint Lewis*, and nothing, I am persuaded, would be so agreeable to the people, or tend more to securing the allegiance of the new subjects to His Majesty, as well as ensuring the payment of those fines and dues, which here stand in the lieu of Quit Rents, than a formal requisition of all those immediately holding of the King, to pay faith and homage to him at his Castle of *St. Lewis*. The oaths which the Vassals take upon the occasion is very solemn and binding; they are obliged to furnish what they here term their *Aveu et Dénombrement*, which is an exact account of their Tenants and Revenues, and to discharge whatever they owe their Sovereign, and to appear in Arms for his defence in case his Province is ever attacked; And at the same time that it would prove a confirmation to the people of their Estates and Immunities, after which they most ardently sigh, it might be a means to recall out of the French Service, such as have yet possessions in this Country, or at least oblige them to dispose of their effects here, and although it may not be possible, at least for a time, entirely to prevent that intercourse, every measure that can tend towards putting an end to it must be useful.

The Canadian Tenures differ, it is true, from those in the other parts of His Majesty's American Dominions, but if confirmed (and I cannot see how it well can be avoided without entirely oversetting the properties of the people) will ever secure a proper subordination from this Province to *Great Britain*; if its detached situation be constantly remembered, and that on the Canadian Stock we can only depend for an increase of population therein, the policy of continuing to them their customs and usages will be sufficiently evinced.

For the foregoing reasons it has occurred to His Majesty's Servants here that it might prove of advantage, if whatever lands remain vacant in the interior parts of the Province bordering upon those where the old customs prevail, were henceforth granted on the like conditions; taking care that those at *Gaspé* and *Chaleurs Bay*, where the King's Old Subjects ought chiefly to be encouraged to settle, were granted on such conditions only as are required by His Royal Instructions; And upon this consideration, have some grants in the interior parts been deferred carrying into execution until I could receive the sense of Government thereupon.

Your Lordship may have perceived by some of my former letters, that long before His Majesty's Order in Council of the 28th of August, came to my hands, the matter therein recommended had been the object of my most serious consideration, the receipt of that Order has induced me to alter some part of the plan I at first

proposed

proposed to myself, and have accordingly directed the abridgement mentioned to Your Lordship in my letter of 24th December, (No. 23,) and undertaken by some of the ablest men in the Province, to be further extended and rendered more full and and copious, and to comprise all the Laws in force at the conquest; in the meantime to give Your Lordship and His Majesty's other Servants some idea of the nature of them, I herewith transmit to Your Lordship a short sketch exhibiting only the heads of those Laws; the several matters recommended by that Order to the King's Servant here, shall be prepared with all the despatch that the importance, as well as extent of the subject can possibly admit of.

I am, &c.,

(Signed,) GUY CARLETON.

1st. Inclosure.—Abstract of Seigneuries granted by the French Governor and Intendant of *Canada*, before the conquest in 1760.

2nd Inclosures—*Coutumes et usages anciens de la Province de Québec.*

(Copy.)

STATE PAPER OFFICE—AMERICA AND WEST INDIES.—Vol. 329.

(Governor HALDIMAND to the Secretary of State.)

(No. 90.)

Quebec, 6th July, 1781.—R. 3rd August.

MY LORD,

I have the honor to transmit by the *Quebec Merchant Ship*, the minutes and proceedings of the Legislative Council during the session of the present year.

On the 29th of last December, I received a letter in cypher from Sir *Henry Clinton*, the Copy of which is enclosed, I had last October discovered and apprehended several persons who were carrying letters to the congress, Mr. *Washington* and the Marquis de la *Fayette*, but though they are confined in separate prisons I cannot trace the combination further than amongst the lower class of Canadians—at the same time a slip of paper found amongst the Letters, contained intelligence wrote in milk, which must have been composed by some person who had more capacity and opportunity to make observations than the lower class of Canadians generally have. Mr. *Du Calvet*, a Merchant at *Montreal*, is in custody on that occasion. The person who has confessed the writing the letters, says that he put *Du Calvet's* name to one of them at his desire; and he who was apprehended with the letters upon him, declares that he undertook the journey to the rebel Colonies at the instigation of Mr. *Du Calvet*.

I ordered the Council to assemble on the 15th of January, and with their concurrence issued the proclamation which Your Lordship will see amongst the minutes.

I did not adopt the mode proposed by Sir *Henry Clinton* of taking the grain and provisions into my possession, and of leaving with the proprietors only a quantity sufficient for the subsistence of their families. The proclamation appeared equally efficacious and less alarming. If the inhabitants complied with the proclamation the cattle and corn upon the approach of an enemy might have been transported to places of safety, and if they disobeyed it, I would have done my duty with less regret in destroying all provisions which could not otherwise have been prevented from falling the hands of the enemy. The Bishop gave me a proof of his good disposition in writing a circular letter to the Clergy, well adapted to the occasion.

The inhabitants of the Towns of *Quebec* and *Montreal*, presented addresses to me full of sentiments of loyalty to the King, and of attachment to the Constitutional Government of the Province. These things, in themselves, are of no great consequence, but as the Merchants in the Town give the tone to the Traders in the Country, who have but too often been the instruments of retailing Sedition and Rebellion to the ignorant inhabitants, I gave my consent to have the Addresses with my Answers to be published in the *Quebec Gazette*.

The Legislative Council renewed the Ordinances which I mentioned to Your Lordship, and made in that for regulating the proceedings of the Courts of Justice the alterations which I proposed, and which experience had suggested, I refer Your Lordship to my former letters for the state of the Clergy.

Sir *Guy Carleton* had thought proper to require, by proclamation, a performance of the Fealty and Hommage due to His Majesty from the proprietors of Seigneuries at the expiration of the year 1777, and had previous to my arrival in the Province by a subsequent proclamation prolonged the delay till the 31st of December, 1778. Perhaps it would have been better not to have taken up that business during the War, but as it had been agitated, I had reason to think that the not insisting upon it might tend to lessen the King's authority amongst an ignorant people, many of whom might think that ceremony necessary before their allegiance could be changed from the King of *France*. I have received the Fealty and Hommage, and the Register of the Acte de Foi and Hommage may be useful in giving a short and clear view of the conditions upon which the different Seigneuries have been granted.

A difficulty was stated by the Attorney General, relative to the Religious communities, and particularly the Seminary, the richest of them, and who have been the most useful and the most zealous for Government upon many occasions. I thought it right to admit them to the performance of fealty and homage, as well as the other Religious communities, that of the Jesuits excepted. They presented

their titles, and offered Foi and Hommage. I have returned their titles, and allow them to enjoy their Estates in the same manner His Majesty has hitherto permitted. In consideration of their poverty and their usefulness, in taking care of the sick and infirm and in the education of youth, I have remitted to the Nuns of the General Hospitals, and to those of the Order of *St. Ursule*, the Quint and other rights which were due to the King.

In my letter of the 25th October last (No. 66.) I transmitted to Your Lordship an account of part of the moneys in the hands of the Receiver General and his Agents arising from the *Quints*, *Lods* and *Ventes* and *Rent* of Domain belonging to the King, and proposed that the purchase of the King's House at *Montreal*, that of the Seigneurie of *Sorel* and of some ground necessary for the fortifications of *Quebec*, should be defrayed from it. The repairs of the King's Houses at *Quebec* and *Montreal*, and such charities to indigent people of birth as become the Royal Munificence to bestow, may be paid from the same fund. I beg that Your Lordship will take that matter into consideration, and acquaint me of His Majesty's determination on that head.

I have, &c.,
(Signed,) FRED. HALDIMAND.

List of Documents preserved in the State Paper Office, relating to the subject of Seigneuries in *Canada*.

Extract from answers made by Colonel *Gage*, Governor of *Montreal*, to Heads
23rd May, 1763. of Enquiry relative to the state of *Canada*, transmitted by
the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantation in their letter of 9th March 1763.

The Lands are held on feudal tenures. They have been granted by the Kings of *Canada*, B. T., Vol. 1. *France* or their Governors duly authorized, (though all grants confirmed by the King) in Lordships from one to three or four leagues in length, upon one, two, or more leagues in breadth, to the Lord and his Heirs for ever, with Rights of Manor, viz., to hold high and inferior Courts of Justice, Hunting, Fishing and exclusive traffic with Savages, on condition of Fealty and Hommage, of accustomed dues and acknowledgments, agreeable to the customs of *Paris*, followed in *Canada* of preserving and obliging their Tenants to preserve all Oak-timber fit for the King's ships, of giving the King advice of all mines and minerals that shall be discovered, etc.

31st May, 1763, *Trois Rivières*.
Canada, B. T., Vol. 1. Answers made by Colonel *Burton*, Governor of *Trois Rivières*, to the Heads of Enquiry of the Lords Commissioners for Trade in their letter of 9th March, 1763.

Copy of the French Registers at *Quebec* of the Fishing Posts, granted by the French King on the Coast of *Labrador*, enclosed in Governor *Murray's* letter of 24th June, 1765.

24th June, 1765, Quebec.
Canada, B. T., No. 2.

24th June, 1766. Extract from Instructions to the Honorable *James Murray*, Governor of *Canada*:—

“ That in all suits and actions relating to titles of land, and the descent, alienations Canada, B. T., Vol. 15. settlements, and incumbrances of real property, and also in the distribution of personal property in cases of intestacy, and the mode of assigning and conveying it, they do govern themselves in their proceedings, judgment and decision, by the local customs and usages, which have heretofore prevailed and governed within that Province, using and applying the said Usages and Customs to the Causes coming before them, in like manner as the Customs and Usages of Normandy are applied in Causes from Jersey brought before the Lords of Our Privy Council.”

Minutes of Council—Read the Petition of *Duncan Anderson* and *William Smith*, in behalf of themselves and *Frederick Dutins*, 1770, April 18th
Canada, B. T., Vol. 20. praying that the quantity of 5000 acres of the above mentioned lands be granted to the Petitioners *Tracadigauch*, and the remaining quantity of 5000 acres at *Paspabiac*; both Tracts in manner of a Seignior, agreeable to the ancient French Custom.

Tableau de toutes les Seigneuries concédées et établies dans l'étendue de la Province de *Québec*, Extrait des Registres d'Intendance et du Conseil Supérieur.

3rd August, 1770, Quebec.
Canada, B. T., Vol. 60.

Tableau des terres en rôtures, concédées à perpétuité, qui se trouvent aujourd'hui hors des limites de la Province de *Québec*, Extrait des Registres d'Intendance et du Conseil Supérieur.

3rd August, 1770, Quebec.
Canada, B. T., Vol. 60.

Report of the Council for Trade to the King, recommending in pursuance of the Representations of Governor *Carleton*, that those articles of the Royal Instructions to the said Governor, which relate to the granting lands, should be revoked; and that the Governor should be authorised to grant, with the advice of his Council, the lands remaining subject to His Majesty's disposal, in Fief and Seignurie, as hath been practised heretofore, omitting in such grants, *haute, moyenne* and *basse justice*, the exercise whereof hath been long disused in that Colony.

24th April, 1771.
Canada, B. T., Vol. 16.

Report

25th May, 1771.
Canada, B. T., Vol. 7.

Report from the Committee of Council for plantation affairs on the same subject.

19th June, 1771.
Canada, B. T., Vol. 16.

The additional instruction for Governor *Carleton* agreeably to the preceding Report of the 24th April.

27th June, 1771.
Canada, B. T., Vol. 7.

The King's approval, in Council, of the additional Instructions.

Minutes of Council, Read an additional instruction from His Majesty to the Governor of this Province, revoking all His Majesty's former instructions for granting lands in the said Province, and empowering the Governor, with the advice of the Council, to grant the lands which remain subject to His Majesty's disposal, in Fief or Seigneurie, as hath been practiced heretofore, antecedent to the Conquest of *Canada*. Omitting, however, in such grants, the reservation of the exercise of such judicial powers, as hath been long disused within the said Province. (The additional instruction is entered at full at the end of the minutes of Council of 30th June, 1772.)

3rd May, 1773, Doctors
Commons.
America and West Indies,
Vol. 480.

Report from the King's Advocate General to His Majesty, on a general plan of Civil and Criminal Law for the Province of *Canada*.

Minutes of Council.—“The Act of the 14th of His present Majesty, under which we have the honor to sit as the Legislative Council of this Province, declares that all His Majesty's Canadian subjects, except the religious Orders and Communities, shall hold and enjoy their property and possessions, together with all customs and usages, relative thereto, and all other their civil rights, in as large and ample manner as may consist with their Allegiance to His Majesty, and subjection to the Crown and Parliament of *Great Britain*.”

Minutes of Council.—“Read the Draught of a Proclamation, requiring the proprietors of Seigniories in this Province, to attend, to render their Fealty and Hommage.” His Excellency approves thereof and orders it to be engrossed for publication, and entered.

Minutes

Minutes of Council.—His Excellency having stated to the Board the inconveniences that might at this juncture result to His Majesty's service and the interests of this Province, by enforcing obedience to a proclamation of Sir *Guy Carleton*, K. B., late Governor of this Province, by the advice of His Majesty's Council in the same, bearing date the 28th day of August, 1777: and the prejudices which might happen to His Majesty's service by altering the mode of making the *Aveux et Dénombrements* for Seigniories, and the declarations for *rôtures*, practiced in this Province before the year 1760:—

Ordered, that the time given by the said proclamation be prolonged to the 31st day of December, which will be in the year of Our Lord 1779, that the manner of making the *Aveux et Dénombrements* for Seigniories, and the declarations for *rôtures* in this Province before the year 1760 be still observed; and that the Attorney General do forthwith prepare a proclamation for the aforesaid purposes.

A P P E N D I X No. 2.

(*Vide Journal Page 528.*)

PART OF A RETURN TO THE ADDRESS OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL,

DATED THE 19TH MAY 1853;

Relating to the Seigniorial Tenure in Lower Canada.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council
Letter B. Folio 56.*

Letters Patent ennobling the *Sieur Antoine Picody de Contreœur*.

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE,
Dauphin of VIENNOIS, Count of VALENTINOIS and DIOIS.

To all present and to come—

GREETING :

SINCE it has pleased God to give us a general peace between the Crowns, we have been prompted to be grateful to those of our subjects who have distinguished themselves in our armies and who continue their services to this state in imitation of their ancestors who acquired for themselves the rank, although they were not careful to preserve or to seek the title, of nobles which we have been used to give to those whom we desire to requite.

Wherefore

Wherefore having been well informed by all the Generals of our Armies of the courage and generosity of our dear and beloved *Antoine Picody de Contreœur*, of our Country of *Dauphiné*, Captain in the Regiment of *Carignan*, who since the raising thereof has given to us and to the late King our highly honored Lord and Father, proofs of his courage, affection and fidelity to our service, in our Armies and Forces, as well of Cavalry and of infantry, for the space of twenty five years having commanded either in the capacity of Lieutenant or in that of Captain for the last fifteen years in the Regiment of *Montezon* or in that of *Carignan*, having been present at all the warlike exploits which occurred, particularly at the Siege of *Pignerol* under the late *Sieur De Montmorency*, in the Company of *La Prape* in the Regiment of *Sault*, as also at the battle of *Thezin* in the Company of light horse of *Dizimieu* under the *Sieur De Crequy*, where he was wounded by a musket shot in the shoulder, and at the Siege of *Valencia*, by a musket shot in the thigh, and since that in the said Regiment of *Carignan*, on its return from *Viguere* at the battle of *Pro*, under Prince *Thomas*, where he was wounded by a musket shot in the head, for which he was trepanned, at the *Fauxbourg d'Estampes*, was wounded by a musket shot through the body, at the *Fauxbourg St. Antoine*, in the said Company, where he was wounded by a musket shot in the arm, of which he remained lame, under our cousin the Viscount de *Turenne* last year, commanding the regiment of *Carignan*, at the assault of *Auxerre*, under our cousin the *Marshal de Gransay* in *Piedmont*, lastly in all the other places whither he has been commanded, so that we have every reason to be satisfied and to deem him worthy of the honor and title of nobility to which he has aspired, and with which being willing to requite him as well in acknowledgment of his services from the proof of which we relieve him, as well in consideration of his said services, as on the application to that effect, which has been made to us by our very dear and much loved cousin the Count de *Soissons*. For these reasons we, of our own motion and special grace, full power and royal authority, have ennobled and do enoble and with the title of Nobles have honored and do honor by those presents signed by our hand the said *de Contreœur* and his children and posterity born and to be born in lawful marriage, it being our will and pleasure that in all deeds and in all places in Court as well as out of Court, they be held accounted and reputed noble and may bear the title of Esquire, and use and enjoy all the honors, pre-eminences, privileges, exemptions, franchises and immunities which other ennobled persons of our Kingdom and Country of *Dauphiné* enjoy, and as such to acquire, hold and possess all fiefs and noble possessions of whatever quality and condition they may be, all the same as other nobles, without being compellable to give them up. We do not mean however to derogate from the reality of the taxes prescribed by the regulation of the month of October, one thousand six hundred and thirty nine, and the decrees, edicts and other regulations made with respect to the terrier of the said Province of *Dauphiné*. Permitting the said *Picody* and his posterity to wear and cause to be set up in their houses and other places as they may see fit, their arms and crests such as they are stamped hereon, without the said *Picody* being bound on account thereof to pay us any fine or indemnity

indemnity, of which, to whatever sum it may amount, we have for the foregoing considerations made him, and by these presents do make him a present and remission and also without his being bound to pay any indemnity to the parishes and corporations of the said country, seeing that there are no lands and estates subject to taxes and when they shall possess any, they will be subject thereto, notwithstanding the present ennobling by means of the reality prescribed by the said regulation.

Whereby we command our beloved and faithful Councillors the persons holding our Court of Parliament and aids at *Grenoble*, and our Court of *Exchequer*, the Presidents and Treasurers of *France* and Chiefs of our Finances at the said place, the Reeve of *St. Marcellin* or his Deputy and to all others our offices, each in his jurisdiction as he may see cause, that they cause these presents to be registered and the said *Antoine Picody de Contreœur*, his children and posterity, born and to be born in lawful marriage, to use and enjoy the contents hereof, fully, peaceably and perpetually, without making, putting or giving or allowing to be made, put or given to them any impediment to the contrary. For such is our pleasure, and in order that this may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our Seal to be set to these presents, saving in other things our right and that of others, in all things.

Given at *Paris*, in the month of January in the year of grace one thousand six hundred and sixty one and of our Reign the eighteenth.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And on the fold, by the King *Dauphin*.

And lower down is written, *Letellier*, with a flourish.

And Sealed with the great Seal on green wax.

And one side is written *visa Seguer*.

To serve for Letters of Nobility granted to the *Sieur de Contreœur*.

Registered in pursuance of decree of the Sovereign Council of this day's, dated at *Quebec*, the twenty fifth of February, one thousand six hundred and eighty seven.

(Signed) PEUVRET.

Extract from the Register of judgments and deliberations of the Superior Council, Letter A. Folio 5.

18th October, 1663.

Decree confirming the nomination of Royal Judge, King's Attorney and Registrar and Notary for Messrs *de Sailly, Le Moyne and Basset*.

This day, on the Report made by the *Sieur Gaudais* that on the nomination of *Monsieur de Mézy*, Governor and Lieutenant General for the King in the Kingdom and Province of *Canada*, and along the River *St. Lawrence*, and of *Mr. François de Laval*, Bishop of *Petrea*, Apostolic Vicar in the said places, he had delivered patents of the Offices of Royal judge in the seneschal's jurisdiction of the Island of *Montreal* and its dependencies, of His Majesty's Attorney and of Registrar and Notary to the *Sieurs de Sailly, Le Moyne and Basset*; considering his approaching departure for said *Montreal*, and provisionally until otherwise ordained by the Council, copies of the said Patents acknowledged by the said *de Sailly, Le Moyne and Basset* and the indenture of the Oath by them taken at the hands of the said *Sieur Gaudais* having been seen by the said Council, and His Majesty's Attorney General having been heard thereon;—the Council has confirmed and does confirm the nomination made by the said *Sieurs de Mézy* and Bishop of *Petrea* of the said *Sieurs de Sailly, Le Moyne and Basset* to hold and exercise provisionally the said Offices of Royal Judge, King's Attorney and Registrar, conformably to the Edict establishing the Sovereign Council of *Quebec*.

(Signed,)

MÉZY.

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FRANCOIS, *Bishop of Petrea*.

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ROUER DE VILLERAY.

Extract from the Register of judgments and deliberations of the Superior Council, Letter A. No. 1, Folio 19.

Of the 10th July, one thousand six hundred and sixty four.

Compensation made to the *Sieur Poyrier* by the Government for wood taken on his Seigniory.

The Council assembled at which were *Monsieur the Governor, Monsieur the Bishop, Messieurs de Villeray, de la Ferté, d'Auteuil, de Tilly and d'Amours*; the King's Attorney General being present. On its being represented by the *Sieur*

Sieur *Poyrier*, that a quantity of wood had been taken off the land conceded to him, by order of the Sieur *Baron Dubois Davaugour* for the construction of the casemates without his having received any compensation for it, although it causes him much damage; requesting that something may be granted to him for that purpose; Having heard the Sieur *Bourdon* who said that he had seen the places where the said wood had been taken,—the Council ordained that the Sieur *Charron* shall pay out of the sum of one hundred and fifty livres which he owes for the price of a casemate the sum of twenty five livres *tournois* to the Sieur *Poyrier*; on doing so and producing these presents and a receipt, credit will be given to him in account accordingly.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter B. Folio 97.*

8th August, 1664.

Concession of the Fief *Champlain* in favor of the Sieur *Etienne Pezard de la Touche*.

24th May, 1689.

Ratification of the said Concession in favor of the said Sieur *Pezard*.

We, Messire *Augustin de Saffray*, *Chevalier*, Seigneur of *Mézy*, *Maréchal de Camp*, Lieutenant General and Governor for the King in the whole of *New France*, and *François de Laval Bishop* of *Petrea*, Apostolic Vicar in the said *New France*, named by His Majesty first Bishop of the said Country, whenever it shall please our Holy Father the Pope to establish one there,—

To all present and to come—

WE, in virtue of the power given to us by His said Majesty for the distribution of the lands in *New France*, have given and conceded, and do give and concede by these presents to *Etienne Pezard*, Esquire, Sieur *de la Touche*, Captain of the garrison of *Three Rivers*, in consideration of the services which he has rendered to His Majesty in this said Country and which he continues to render daily, the quantity of one league and a half of land in front to be taken along the Great River *St. Lawrence* from the River *Champlain* going up the said first mentioned River towards the said *Three Rivers*, by one league in depth towards the interior, the said River *Champlain* to be in common with those who shall occupy the lands on the other side thereof, the said extent of land and all therein contained, as well in woods meadows, Rivers, Rivulets, Lakes, Islands, Islets, as generally all that is comprized within the said limits, to be enjoyed by the said Sieur *de La Touche*, his heirs and

and assigns in full property, with every right of Seigniorly and of Superior Ordinance and Inferior jurisdiction, and with all the honorary privileges usually enjoyed by the Seignors of parishes in the churches when they shall be built there; Provided that appeals from the Court which the said *Sieur de la Touche* or his assign may establish there, shall lie to the Royal Court at *Three Rivers*, and as to fealty that he shall be held to render by one full homage at every change of possessor, with the revenue of one year, according to the Custom of the *Prévotéand Vicomté* of *Paris*, to be rendered to the Sovereign Council at *Quebec*.

Given at *Quebec* under His Majesty's Seal, the eighth day of August, one thousand six hundred and sixty four.

(Signed,) AUGUSTIN DE SAFFRAY MÉZY, &
FRANCOIS, *Bishop of Petrea*,

and Sealed with the Seal of His said Majesty, around which is written, "*visa*, this twenty second September, one thousand six hundred and sixty four."

(Signed,) DAMOURS.

(*Confirmation of the said Concession.*)

This day, the twenty fourth of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and eighty nine, the King being at *Versailles* and desiring to confirm and ratify the concessions made in the name of His said Majesty of lands granted in *Canada* by his Governors and Intendants in the said Country or others to whom he has given the power; His Majesty has confirmed and ratified and doth confirm and ratify the concession made to the *Sieur Etienne Pezard*, Esquire, *Sieur de la Touche*, the eighth of August, one thousand six hundred and sixty four, by the *Sieurs de Mézy*, then Governor in the said Country and *de Laval* Bishop of *Petrea*, of one league and a half of land in front along the Great River *St. Lawrence* from the River *Champlain* upwards towards *Three Rivers*, by one league in depth; to be enjoyed by the said *Sieur Pezard*, his heirs or assigns for ever as their own property with the rights of Superior, Ordinary and Inferior jurisdiction as set forth in the Title Deed of the said concession, and without the said *Sieur Pezard*, his heirs or assigns being bound to pay to His Majesty nor to the Kings, his Successors, any tax or indemnity, of and from which, to whatever sum it may amount, His Majesty hath made him a present and granted him remission by this present Patent, notwithstanding that the value of the said concession is not herein specified and that is has not been confirmed by His Majesty within the time specified in his Letters Patent of the month of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy six. His Majesty enjoins the Governor and Intendant of the said Country to cause the said *Sieur Pezard* his

heirs and assigns to enjoy what is contained in the said concession fully, peaceably and perpetually, and the Officers of the Sovereign Council of the said Country to see to it, also and to enregister the present Patent, which in order to shew that such is his will, His Majesty has been pleased to sign with his hand, and to cause to be countersigned by me Councillor Secretary of State and of his household and treasury.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And lower down.

(Signed,) COLBERT.

Extract from the Register of judgments and deliberations of the Superior Council, Letter A. Folio 30.

8th November 1664.

Decree of the Superior Council directing the settlers on the *Côte de Lauzon*, to pay the amount of their rent and dues for fisheries into the hands of the Registrar, to dispose thereof in the name of His Majesty.

Of the 8th November 1664.

On the Summonses which have been directed to *Pierre Lefebvre* and *Nicolas Bellenger* and *Léonard Leblanc*, at the suit of *Paul Chalifour*, for their parts and portions of their rents for fisheries on the *Côte de Lauzon*, who have represented that the said fisheries are in places neither cleared nor settled, so that we *Sieur de Mézy*, Governor and Lieutenant General for His Majesty in *New France*, have directed the King's Attorney General to oppose the distribution of their monies on the ground that the said rents for which they are sued, belong to His said Majesty according to his Order in Council of the third March one thousand six hundred and sixty three, enregistered, published and posted up wherever it was needful the----- And moreover, according to the declaration made on that subject by us and Monsieur the *Bishop*, bearing date the eight August last, in obedience to the order which the King gave to us in that behalf. And be it ordained that the monies arising from the said rents be placed in the hands of the Registrar, to dispose thereof in the name of His said Majesty. Wherefore the said Attorney General for the King has required that all Seigniors may be prohibited from leasing out any lands or fisheries in places not cleared or settled and from availing themselves of the titles granted to them by the general Seigniors. Requesting that the monies which are due and demanded may be placed in the Registry for the benefit of His Majesty and that the present decree may be read, published and posted up. Whereupon the Council adjudging

hath

hath ordained that the said decrees of His said Majesty, shall be executed according to their form and tenor until further orders from the King; and accordingly that the said *Pierre Lefebvre, Nicolas, Catherine and Léonard Leblanc* and others indebted in the same way as Lessees shall pay the amount of their rents into the hands of the Registrar of this Council who shall give them good and valid receipts for the same; and that the present decree shall be read, published and posted up in order that no one may be ignorant thereof.

(Signed.)	AUGUSTIN DE SAFFRAY MEZY,
“	LE GARDEUR TILLY,
“	DAMOIRS,
“	DENYS,
“	TESSERIE.
“	PERONNE DEMAZÉ,

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter A. Folio 35.*

23rd July, 1667.

Verification of the Patent of Nobility of the Sieur *Legardeur de Tilly*.

Extract from the Registers of the Court of Aids in *Normandy*

Ludovicus Dei Gratiâ, Francorum Rex, ad perpetuam rei memoriam, probitas, merita, nobiles actus, gestusque laudabiles, ac virtutum insignia, quibus personæ decorantur et ornantur, merito nos inducunt ut eis justa opera proprio creatoris exemplo tribuamus, et eos eorumque posteritatem favoribus, congruis, et nobilium honoribus ut nomen Rei consonet, at tollamus ut ipsi hujus modi prærogativa utantur cæterique ad agenda quæ Bona sunt ardentius aspirent et ad honores suffragantur virtutum honorum que operum meritis ad ipisendos alliciantur et advolent; notum igitur facimus universis presentibus et futuris nos attendentes, vitam candabilem morum honestatem fidelitatemque et alia quam plurima virtutum merita, quibus dilecto nostro *Joanni Legardeur Domino de Croysilles* nobiliorum fide dignorum testimonio noscuntur suffragari nec non in favorem quam plurimorum servitiorum et per quosdam suos prædecessores et prædecessoribus nostris et nobis impensorum pro quibus non immerito gratum nobis admodum se reddit nos his de causis, personam et prolem ipsius honorare volentes sicque ipsi et posteritati suæ ac probi perpetuum eâ de re valere ad honorem ejusdem *Joanis Le Gardeur*, cum toto ejus posteritate ac probe utriusque sexûs in legitimo matrimonio procreatæ procreandæ et eorum quemlibet de nostræ regiæ potestatis plenitudine, auctoritate Regiâ, speciali gratiâ nobilitavimus et nobilitamus per presentes, nobilesque facimus et habiles reddimus ad omnia singula quibus cæteri nobiles Regni nostri utantur et uti possunt et

consueverunt

consueverunt itaque ipse *Joannes Le Gardeur* ejusque proles et posteritas in legitimo matrimonio procreata et procreanda agnoscumque milite voluerint militis valeant decorari, concedentes eidem *Joanni Le Gardeur*, universæque posteritati suæ et probi ex legitimo matrimonio procreatæ et procreandæ ut in judicio et extra judicium pro nobilibus et ut nobiles ab omnibus de cætero censeantur et in posterum potiantur quibus cumque nobilitatibus privilegiis prærogativis, franchisiis et juribus universis quibus cæteri nobiles Regni nostri gaudere possunt, pacificè, liberè et quietè utantur et gaudeant et quas ipse *Jouannes Le Gardeur* ejusque posteritas et proles de legitimo matrimonio procreata et procreanda, feuda et retrofeuda, nobilia aliasque possessiones nobiles quocumque quocumque sint et quocumque legitimâ autoritate acquiri possint acquisita et jam habita, et quæ fuerint acquisita per eum ejusque posteritatem et prolem ac in futurum acquirenda et habenda perpetuo retinere, habere et possidere valeant atque possint ac si fuissent vel essent ab antiquâ origine nobiles seu personis nobilibus ex utroque parente procreati absque eo quod ea vel eas aut aliqua eorum in toto vel in parte vendere seu extrâ manum eorum ponere nunc vel quomodolibet in futurum cogantur solvendo nobis tamen *hacincæ* propter hoc finantiam moderatam dùm taxat quo circâ dilectis et fidelibus gentibus comparitoribus nostris et thesaurariis paribusque Bailino nostro cadamensi cæterisque justiciariis nostris aut eorum locum tenentibus et futuris tenore præsentium *Damus* in mandatis quatenus dictum *Joannem Le Gardeur* ejus posteritatem et prolem utruisque sexûs in legitimo matrimonio procreatæ et procreandæ nostris præsentibus nobilitationis concessione et gratiâ uti et gaudere faciant et permittant pacificè et quietè ipsum aut eorum aliquem contra præsentium tenorem ullatenus inquietent aut molestant nunc vel quomodolibet in futurum quod ut firmum et stabile perseveret perpetuo nostrum præsentibus duximus apponere sigillum salvo in aliis jure nostro et omnibus quolibet alieno;—Datum *Divionis* in mense *Mai*, Anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo decimo, et Regni nostri tredecimo. And on the fold was written as follows: *Per Regem Dominum "Dechesnetz"* et aliis præsentibus.

(Signed) "BOURDIN,"

with a flourish, "*visa*" with another flourish, sealed on strings of red and green silk with green wax. Thereon there was also written: These presents have been enregistered in the Registry of the Court of Aids and Finances in *Normandy*, this sixteenth day of April after Easter, one thousand five hundred and fifty six, in pursuance of the decree thereof of the said date,

(Signed,) "DUFOUR,"

with a flourish, and further, on the said fold there was written: *Expedita* in camerâ comparitoris Domini nostri Regis et ibidem registrata libro cartarum hujus temporis folio 342, mediante financiâ ducentorum sentorum auri valentem 300 in thesauro soluta per exonerationem illius de hodiernâ die Dominorum scriptum in præfatâ camerâ secundâ die mensis Augusti, Anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo undecimo.

(Signed,) "BERTHELOT,"

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with a flourish, thesaurus Domini nostri Regis solvit et eidem reddidit and *Joanni Le Gardeur* Domino de Croysilles summam ducentorum sentorum auri valentem 300 at quam pergentes comptores hodiè extitit compositum pro finantiâ suâ nobilitationis virtute brachii ejusdem domini Regis informâ carthâ. Dinioni datum mense Maio millesimo quingentesimo decimo, comptant per eundem thesaurum pro convertendo et implicando in oneribus ipsius scriptum in eodem thesauro secundâ die mensi Augusti, anno millesimo quingentesimo undecimo.

(Signed,) DEPOUCHET,
 “ RIPAULT, &
 CHERMOLUE with three flourishes, and
 “ DE LESTOILLE.

Compared with the original on parchment produced by Monsieur *Le Gardeur*, *Lieutenant Général Criminel* at the *Bailliage* and *Presidial* of *Caën* and to him returned by me the undersigned King's Counsellor Registrar in Chief at the Treasury Office at *Caën*.

(Signed,) CONSTANTIN.

Extract from the Registers of the Court of Aids in Normandy.

The Court having seen the King's Letters Patent in the form of a Charter of Nobility obtained by the late *Jean Le Gardeur* in his life time, *Sieur de Croysilles*, granted in the month of May one thousand five hundred and ten, signed on the fold *Per Regem, Domino “Dechesnaye” et aliis presentibus “Burdin”* with a flourish and enregistered in the Court of *Exchequer*, the second day of August one thousand and five hundred and eleven, the receipt for the sum of two hundred gold Crowns worth at that time, the sum of three hundred livres *tournois* paid by the said deceased for duty on the said Patent of nobility, bearing date the said second day of August one thousand five hundred and eleven, signed “*Depouchet,*” *Ripaault*” and “*Charmolue*” the order of the Commissioners appointed by the King to inquire into the free fiefs et new acquisitions in the Country of *Normandy*, dated the sixteenth day of January, one thousand five hundred and fifty five, by which *Jean Le Gardeur*, son of the said *Jean Le Gardeur*, his father was ordered, to produce the said Patent in the said Court on the first juridical day after Easter last past, the Petition thereupon presented by the said *Jean Le Gardeur*, son of the said deceased, the thirteenth day of the present month of April, with the conclusion of the King's Attorney General written at foot of the said Petition; by which he declares that he does not intend to prevent the said *Le Gardeur* from enjoying the said privilege of nobility; the whole being considered, it is declared that the said Patent of Nobility be enregistered in the Registry of the said Court in order that the said *Le Gardeur* may enjoy the benefits thereof according to its form and tenor,—Delivered in the Court of Aids and Finances at *Rouen*, the sixteenth day of April after Easter, one thousand five hundred and fifty six in the presence of *Guillaume Le Gardeur* son of the said *John*.

(Signed,) “DE LESTOILLE.”

Compared

Compared with the original on parchment produced by *Monsieur Le Gardeur, Lieutenant Général Criminel* at the *Bailliage* and *Présidial* of *Caën* and to him returned, by me, King's Counsellor, Registrar in Chief at the Treasury Office of *Caën* aforesaid.

(Signed,) "CONSTANTIN."

The Patent of Nobility above transcribed has been registered in obedience to the decree of the Sovereign Council, dated the twenty third of the present month of July, one thousand six hundred and sixty seven, by me the undersigned Registrar thereof.

(Signed,) "PEUVRET," with flourish.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council
Letter F. Folio 35.*

March 1668.

Patent of Nobility for the *Sieur Charles Lemoine de Longueuil* his children and posterity, born and to be born.

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE.

To all present and to come :—

GREETING :—

THE Kings our predecessors having always considered that honor was the most powerful motive prompting their subjects to generous actions, have taken care to distinguish by marks of honor those whom extraordinary merit made worthy thereof, and as we are informed of the good actions which the people of *Canada* daily perform either in subduing or disciplining the Savages or in defending themselves against their frequent outrages and those of the *Iroquois*, so we have considered that it was right for us to distinguish by honorary rewards those who have signalized themselves in order to incite others to deserve similar favors; For these reasons, and desiring to treat favorably our dear and well beloved *Charles Lemoine, Sieur de Longueuil*, on account of the good and laudable report which has been made to us of the noble actions he has performed in the said Country of *Canada*, and for other consideration us thereunto moving, and of our special grace, full power and royal authority, we have ennobled, and by these presents signed by our hand, We do enoble and dignify with the title of nobility the said *Charles Lemoine*, together with his wife and children, posterity and progeny, both males and females, born and to be born in lawful marriage. It being our will and pleasure that in all instruments, whether

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judicial or extra judicial they be held deemed and reputed nobles, having the rank of Esquires, and may attain to all degrees of knighthood and of our *gendarmerie*, acquire, hold and possess all sorts of fiefs, seigniories and noble estates of whatever title or quality they may be, and that they may enjoy all honors, prerogatives, pre-eminences, authorities, privileges, franchises, exemptions, and immunities which the other nobles of our Kingdom enjoy and have been accustomed to use and enjoy, and wear arms such as are stamped hereon, without the said *Charles Lemoine*, being bound to pay any duty or indemnity to us or to the Kings our successors for the same from which to whatever sum it may amount we have discharged and do discharge him and of which we have made and do make him a gift by these presents. And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful Counsellors the members of our Court of Parliament of *Paris*, of our Court of *Exchequer* and of our Court of Aids at the said place to cause this Patent of Nobility to be registered and the said *Charles Lemoine*, his children and posterity, born and to be born in lawful marriage, to be permitted and allowed to use and enjoy the same fully, peaceably and perpetually, discontinuing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances notwithstanding any edicts, declarations, decrees, regulations and other things to the contrary, which we have derogated from and do derogate from by these presents, for such is our pleasure; and in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our seal to be set to these presents.

Given at *St. Germain-en-Laye*, in the month of March, in the year of grace one thousand six hundred and sixty eight and of our Reign the twenty fifth. Signed "*Louis*" and on the fold "By the King" *De Lionne*" with a flourish and sealed with the great seal with green wax on strings of red and green silk, *visâ "Seguier"* and after that is written. Transcribed and registered in the Court of *Exchequer* our Lord the King in the Register of charters of the present time after His Majesty's Attorney General having been heard and inquiry having been made into the religion, birth, origin, posterity, property, ability and services of the said *Charles Lemoine*, the grantee by one of the Councillors Master in Ordinary in the said Court appointed for that purpose, in order that the said grantee, his children and posterity born and to be born in lawful marriage may enjoy the said Patent and the provisions thereof according to their form and tenor, in consideration of the sum of one hundred livres by him paid, which has been employed and bestowed in charity, the twenty first day of February one thousand six hundred and eighty.

(Signed,)

DU LULÉ, Contr.

Me. Raportr.

The Patent of Nobility granted by His Majesty to the Sieur *Charles Lemoine* on this and the foregoing pages written was enregistered, the King's Attorney General having been heard and demanding the enregistration thereof to be executed according to its form and tenor, in obedience to the decree of this day's date by me

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the King's Councillor and Secretary Registrar in Chief of the Superior Council of this Country at *Quebec*, the twenty sixth February one thousand seven hundred and twenty five.

(Signed,) DAINE.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council
Letter A. Folio 82.*

March 1668.

Patent of Nobility granted to the Sieur *Simon Denis*, for his Military Services.

LOUIS, by the Grace of *GOD*, King of *FRANCE* and *NAVARRÉ*.

To all present and to come :—

GREETING : .

THE Kings our predecessors having always considered that honor was the most powerful motive prompting their subjects to generous actions, have taken care to distinguish by marks of honor those whom extraordinary merit made worthy thereof, and as we are informed of the good actions which the people of *Canada* daily perform either in subduing or disciplining the Savages or in defending themselves from their frequent attacks and those of the *Iroquois*, so we have considered that it would be right for us to distinguish by honorary rewards those who have signalized themselves the most, in order to incite others to deserve similar favors ; For these reasons and desiring to treat favorably our dear and well beloved *Simon Denis* on account of the good and laudable report which has been made to us of the laudable actions he has performed in the said Country of *Canada*, and for other considerations us thereunto moving, and of our especial grace, full power, and Royal authority, we have ennobled and by these presents signed by our hand we do ennoble and dignify with the title and rank of nobility the said *Simon Denis* together with his wife and children posterity and progeny, both males and females, born and to be born in lawful marriage, it being our will and pleasure that in all instruments whether judicial or extra judicial they be held deemed and reputed nobles, enjoy the rank of Esquires and be free to attain to any degree of Knighthood and of our *gendarmérie*, acquire, hold and possess all sorts of Fiefs, Seigniories, and noble estates of whatever title or quality they may be, and that they may enjoy all honors, authorities, prerogatives, pre-eminences, privileges, franchises, exemptions and immunities which the other nobles of our Kingdom enjoy and have been accustomed to use and enjoy, and wear arms such as are stamped hereon, without the said *Simon Denis* being bound to pay any duty or indemnity to us or to the Kings our Successors for the same, from which, to whatever sum it may amount, we have discharged and do discharge him and of which we have made and do make him a gift by these presents.

And

And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful Councillors the members of our Court of Parliament at *Paris*, Court of *Exchequer* and Court of Aids at the said place to enregister these present Letters of Nobility and to cause the said *Simon Denis* his children and posterity born and to be born in lawful marriage to be allowed and permitted to use and enjoy the provisions thereof fully, peaceably and perpetually, discontinuing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances, notwithstanding any Edicts, Declarations, Decrees, Regulations, and other things to the contrary to which we have derogated and do derogate by these said presents; For such is our pleasure: and in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever we have caused our Seal to be set hereunto.

Given at *St. Germain-en-Laye* in the month of March in the year of grace one thousand six hundred and sixty eight and of our Reign the twenty fifth. (Signed,) "*Louis*" and on the fold "By the King" "*De Lionne*," and sealed with the great Seal with green wax on strings of red and green silk, and on one side there is written *visu* "*Seguier*" to serve for the Patent of Nobility, and below there is also written: "Examined in Council" "*Colbert*" Registered in obedience to the decree of this day's date at *Quebec* the thirteenth day of March, one thousand six hundred and eighty.

(Signed,)

"*PEUVRET*," with a flourish.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter A. Folio 46.*

2nd June, 1668.

Genealogy of the family of the *Joibert* of *Soulanges* and vindication of their Nobility.

Genealogy of the *Joibert* Seigniors of *Aulnay le Chastel*, *Soulanges* and other places originally from *Champagne*. produced before you Monseigneur *de Chaurmartin*, Intendant in *Champagne*, in the month of April, one thousand six hundred and sixty eight.

I.

François de Joibert, Esquire, lived in the fifteenth Century, was married to Demoiselle *Catherine le Cerf*, and was son of *Simon de Joibert*, Esquire, Cup-bearer to the King, married to Demoiselle *Marie le Gourlat*, which *Simon* was son of *Thomas* married to Demoiselle *Catherine de Viennette*, near relation to Mtre. *Henry de Coupesville*, Knight, and of Dame *Marie de Nanteuil*; which *Thomas* after the decease of the said *Catherine de Viennette* his wife recovered from her heirs all the moveables comprized in their community of goods by a judicial sentence in accordance with the Custom of the *Baillage* of *Vitry*, which gives the moveables to the Survivor among nobles without heirs.

II.

Jean de Joibert, first of that name, Esquire, Seigneur of *Soulanges*, married Demoiselle *Marguerite de Balhar*, and they had issue *Jacques*.

III.

Jacques de Joibert, first of that name, Esquire, Seigneur of *Soulanges*, *Aulnay le Chastel*, *Coullemiers* and *Amblancourt* married Demoiselle *Louise Bizet*, and they had issue *Guillaume*, *Jean* and *Pierre*, of whom *Guillaume* died in the King's service, without issue.

IV.

Jean de Joibert, second of that name, Esquire, Seigneur of *Aulnay* and other places, married first Demoiselle *Janne Feret* and secondly Demoiselle *Apolline de Cauchon*, and had issue *Hiérosme*, *Jeanne*, *Louise* and *Nicolle*.

IV.

Pierre de Joibert, Esquire, Seigneur of *Soulanges*, married Demoiselle *Perette le Portier*, and they had issue *Jacques*, *François* and *Claude*.

V.

Hiérosme de Joibert, Esquire, Sieur of *Aulnay le Chastel*, married Demoiselle *Louise True*, and they had issue *Jacques*.

V.

Claude de Joibert, Esquire, Seigneur of *Soulanges*, married first Demoiselle *Magdeleine Moulclerc*, and by her had issue *Claude* and secondly Demoiselle *Claude Brissier* by whom he had issue *Michel*, *Pierre*, *Claude*, *Jacques*, *Marie*, *Marguerite* and *Anne*.

VI.

Jacques de Joibert, Esqr, Seigneur of *Aulnay le Chastel*, *Ardenvil*, *Grivy*, *Loisy sur Marne*, *Condé sur Aisne* and other places, one of the producers having married Demoiselle *Magdelaine Detz*, they had issue *Hiérosme*, a Fusilier in the King's Service, *Philipe*, Captain in the Queen's Regiment, *Jacques*, Ensign in the same Regiment, *Louise* and *Magdelaine*, Nuns.

VI.

Claude Joibert, Esquire, Seigneur of *Soulanges*, married Demoiselle *Antoinette de Haudresson*, and they had issue *Magdelaine*.

VI.

Michel de Joibert, Esqr., Seigneur of *Soulanges*, Lieutenant of Infantry in the Regiment of *Espagny*, died in *Hungary* in the Service of the King against the *Turks*, had married Demoiselle *Marie Linage*, daughter of *François Linage*, Esquire, Seigneur of *Cuy* and *Loisy*.

VII.

Magdeleine de Joibert, Spinster, of lawful age and enjoying the exercise of her rights, one of the producers, "A Gate, argent, with a bar, azure, surmounted by a crescent gules, accompanied with three roses, the same."

VII.

Claude, son of *Michel*, a minor.

Pierre de Joibert, a Cornet in the Regiment of *Briquemault* now serving in *Portugal*.

Claude de Joibert, Lieutenant in the Regiment of *Espagny*, on its return from the expedition to *Hungary*.

Jacques de Joibert, Ensign in the Regiment of *Dampierre*, *Marie Marguerite* and *Anne de Joibert*, Spinsters.

Louis

Louis François Lefebvre de Caumartin, Knight, Councillor of the King in all his Councils, Master of Requests, Ordinary of His Majesty's Household, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance and of His Majesty's Forces, and Commissioner for calling to account the usurpers of nobility in the District of *Champagne*; Having seen the Decree of the Council of State of the twenty second of March, one thousand six hundred and sixty six, the Commission addressed to us for the prosecution of the calling to an account of the usurpers of nobility in the District of *Chumpagne*, the Letters Patent and Decrees issued in furtherance of His Majesty's Declaration of the eighth February, one thousand six hundred and sixty one, twenty second June, one thousand six hundred and sixty four, and the preceding documents, the return of Service of the Summons to the Defendants hereinafter named, at the suit of M. *Jacques Duret*, appointed by His Majesty for the said inquiry and execution of the said Edicts and Declarations Plaintiff of the one part; and *Jucques de Joibert*, Esquire, Seigneur of *Aulnay* and other places, *Demoiselle Marie Linage*, widow of *Michel de Joibert*, Esquire, Seigneur of *Soulanges*, in the name and as Tatrix and having the *Garde Noble* of *Claude de Joibert*, their son a minor; *Demoiselle Magdelaine de Joibert*, Spinster, of lawful age; *Pierre, Claude, Jacques, Marie, Marguerite and Anne de Joibert*, Defendants, of the other part; the written appearance filed in our Registry in pursuance of our order of the twenty first of January one thousand six hundred and sixty seven; the titles and contracts set forth in the present genealogy, and other documents mentioned in the lists of exhibits of the Defendants; the declaration by the said *Duret* that he withdrew from the proceedings, the opinion of the King's Attorney, and all that has been produced and placed before us, and having considered the whole, we, the aforesaid Commissioner have maintained and preserved the said *Jacques, Magdeleine, Pierre, Claude, Jacques, Marie, Marguerite and Anne de Joibert and Marie Linage*, widow of the said *Michel de Joibert* in the possession of their nobility vindicated by the titles, instruments and contracts laid before us, and we do ordain that they shall enjoy; together with the legitimate descendants of the said *Jacques, Pierre, Michel, Claude and Jacques de Joibert*, the privileges and rights allowed to the other gentry of the Kingdom, so long as they shall live like nobles and shall do nothing derogatory; and that they shall be included in the statement which we shall send to His Majesty, to be referred to in making the catalogue of the real nobility of the Province.

Done at *Chalons*, the second of June, one thousand six hundred and sixty eight:

(Signed,) "LEFEBVRE DE CAUMARTIN,"
and countersigned by my said Lord.
"DESOREILLIERS."

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter A. Folio 39.*

30th April, 1669.

Patent of Nobility for the Sieur *Nicolas Dupont de Neuville*.

LOUIS, by the Grace of *GOD*, King of *FRANCE* and *NAVARRÉ*.

To all present and to come :—

GREETING :—

THE Kings our predecessors having always acknowledged that honor was the most powerful motive prompting their subjects to great and noble actions, have constantly taken care to distinguish by marks of their esteem, those whom extraordinary merit had rendered worthy of it. We have, as occasion offered, conformed to so just and proper an example, and wishing to continue to do so in the person of our beloved and faithful the Sieur *Nicolas Dupont*, Sieur de *Neuville*, who with extraordinary courage and resolution has chosen to relinquish the delights and advantages of his country in order, through the dangers of long voyages, to establish in the country of *New France*, otherwise called *Canada*, Colonies of the French name, and to spread throughout the whole earth its reputation and its glory ; For these reasons and for other considerations us thereunto moving, by the advice of our Council and of our especial grace, full power and Royal authority, we have ennobled, and by these presents signed by our hand, we do ennoble and dignify with the title and quality of noble the said *Dupont*, Sieur de *Neuville*, together with his wife, children, posterity and progeny, both males and females, born and to be born, descended from him in lawful marriage ; It being our will and pleasure that in all deeds he and his posterity and progeny, shall be deemed and reputed noble, bearing the rank of Esquire, and may be free to attain to any degree of knighthood and of our *Gendarmerie*, and to acquire, hold and possess all sorts of fiefs, Seigneuries, and noble estates of what ever title and condition they may be, and that in all places in our Kingdom, and even in the said Country of *Canada*, as well in Court as out of Court, they may use and enjoy the honors, privileges, franchises, prerogatives, and preeminences which the other nobles of our Kingdom enjoy and have been accustomed to use and enjoy, giving to him and his children, posterity and progeny by these presents leave to have and to bear the arms stamped hereon.

And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful Councillors the Members of our Severeign Council for *New France*, established at *Quebec*, to enregister these presents and to cause, suffer and allow the said *Dupont de Neuville*, his wife and children, posterity and progeny, born and to be born, to use and enjoy the provisions hereof fully and peaceably, discontinuing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances, notwithstanding any Edicts, Declarations and other things to the contrary, from which we have derogated and do derogate by these presents.

For

For such is our pleasure: and in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our Seal to be set to these presents.

Given at *St. Germain en Laye*, this thirtieth day of April in the year of Grace, one thousand six hundred and sixty nine, and of our Reign the twenty sixth. (Signed) "*Louis*" and on the fold, by the King's command "*Colbert*" and Sealed with the Great Seal in green wax on strings of red and green silk; and on the said fold is written *visa* "*Seguier*" to serve for the Patent of nobility granted to the *Sieur Dupont de Neuville*.

Read, published and enregistered, in order to be executed according to their form and tenor in obedience to the decree of this day's, at *Québec*, in the Sovereign Council, the twenty fourth of March one thousand six hundred and seventy.

(Signed,) "PEUVRET," with a flourish.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council
Letter A. folio 43.*

14th March 1671.

Erection of the Seigniori of *Islets* into a *Barony*, in favor of the *Sieur Talon*.

LOUIS, by the Grace of *GOD*, King of *FRANCE* and *NAVARRÉ*.

To all present and to come—

GREETING:—

THE care which we have been taking for several years to strengthen and augment the Colony of our subjects, which has been formed in *New France*, having led us to seek after all the means of forwarding the clearing and cultivation of the land from which they will derive so much benefit and advantage, we have thought that there is no better way of exciting them to it than to distinguish by marks of honor, the concessions which are entirely cleared and of sufficient extent to receive a title;

To this end, having been informed that the *Sieur Talon*, Member of our Councils, Intendant of Justice, Police and finances in the said country, has brought into such a state the concession of *Islets* which was granted to him, so that by joining that Seigniori to the three villages which are next to it and belong to us, the first called *Bourg Royal* the second *Bourg de la Reine*, and the third *Bourg Talon*, we might compose one with a sufficiently large revenue to be properly dignified with the title of a *Barony* in favor of the said *Sieur Talon*, and considering likewise the good and agreeable services which he has rendered to us in the different offices which we have conferred upon him as well in that country as in the Provinces of our Kingdom;

For

For these reasons, of our certain knowledge, full power and royal authority, We, by these presents signed by our hand, have granted and assigned, and do grant and assign to the said *Sieur Talon* the said three villages called *Bourg Royal*, *Bourg de la Reine* and *Bourg Talon*, with their appurtenances and dependencies whatever these may consist of; accordingly of our aforesaid grace and authority, we have united and incorporated, and do unite and incorporate them with the said estate and Seigniorie *des Islets*, of which he is at present proprietor and possessor, to make together in future but one state, fief and Seigniorie, which we have created and raised to the title and dignity of, and do create and raise to the title and dignity of a *Barony*; it being our will and pleasure that he may call and entitle himself and be called and entitled *Baron des Islets* in all Deeds and proceedings, in court and out of court, that in that quality he may enjoy the honors, arms, blazonings, prerogatives, rank and pre-eminences in point of war, meetings of Nobles and otherwise, such and in the same manner as the other Barons of our Kingdom, although they may not be herein specified; that all the settlers, tenants, men and vassels of the said estate and villages acknowledge him for a Baron and do fealty and homage, and make their acknowledgments, enumerations, *aveux et dénombremens* and declarations, whenever necessary to him in that quality, without that by reason of the present gift, union and erection they be liable for any other or greater dues than those which they owe at present; And in order to treat the said *Sieur Talon* till more favorably and further to dignify his said estate and *Barony*, we of our aforesaid grace and authority, have given him and by these presents do give him, the right of superior, ordinary and inferior jurisdiction throughout the whole extent, as well of the said estate and Seigniorie *des Islets* as of the said villages, with their appurtenances and dependencies, to cause the same to be administered conjointly in virtue of the said title and quality of Baron *Châtelain*, and that in such place within the extent of the said *Barony* as he shall consider most fit and proper, by one judge *Châtelain*, one *Lieutenant*, one Registrar, one Procurator Fiscal and other officers whom he may please and be able to appoint, with such rights, power and authority as appertain to the other Barons, *Châtelains* and others having Superior jurisdiction (*Hauts Justiciers*) in our Kingdom; which judges shall entitle their orders and judgments in the *Barony* and *Châtellerie des Islets*, without any change or infringement in the jurisdiction of cases reserved for the cognisance of Royal Courts: And we do permit the said *Sieur Baron des Islets* to establish prisons and four-post gallows wherever he may think proper within the extent of the said *Barony*; as also a pillory on which his arms shall be stamped.

The whole on condition that there shall be no change in the dependence (*mouvance*) which exists towards the whole extent of the said Country, and also upon condition of one single act of fealty and homage, acknowledgment and enumeration (*aveu et dénombrement*) for the said estate and *Barony*, according to the dues and duties to us appertaining and prescribed to be rendered in the said country and without that in default of heirs male born in lawful marriage, we or the Kings our successors shall have the right to claim that the said *Barony* be re-united to our

Domain

Domain, in pursuance of the Ordinance of the month of July 1566, to which in this respects only we have derogated and do derogate by these presents, without which condition the said *Sieur Talon* would not have accepted our present favor.

And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful the Members of our Sovereign Council, established at *Quebec*, to cause these our present Letters of gift, union and erection to be registered and the said *Baron des Islets*, his successors and assigns, to use and enjoy the provisions thereof fully and peaceably, discontinuing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances to the contrary thereof; For such is our pleasure.

Given at *St. Germain-en-Laye* the fourteenth day of March, in the year of grace, one thousand six hundred and seventy one, and of our Reign the twenty eighth.

(Signed,) LOUIS.

And on the fold, "By the King's command."

(Signed) COLBERT.

And sealed with the Great Seal with green wax on strings of red and green silk.

Registered in pursuance of the decree of the Sovereign Council of this day's date at *Quebec*, the seventeenth September one thousand six hundred and seventy two.

(Signed) PEUVRET, with a flourish.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council
Letter A. Folio 41.*

16th March 1671.

Confirmation of the Patent of Nobility of the *Sieur Jean Vincent Philippe de Hautmesnil*.

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE.

To all present and to come :—

GREETING :

AS virtue and generosity are the true sources of nobility, Sovereign Princes have always reserved to themselves the privilege of conferring it, in order to attach more particularly to their service those whom they wished to distinguish from other men, and it is from the same motive that considering how painful it is to a person of spirit who, by his virtue and generosity, has maintained the rank and dignity of one of noble birth and descent, to lose it without having done any thing to render himself

himself unworthy of it, we reserved to ourselves by our Edict of revocation of new Patents of nobility of the month of September one thousand six hundred and sixty four, to decree the confirmation thereof in favor of those who have recommended themselves by their good qualities, so that being fully informed of the merit of our well beloved *Jean Vincent Philippe* Sieur de *Hautmesnil*, and of the services which he has rendered us these five years, and which he still continues to render us in *New France*, where he has given proofs of his courage on all occasion, against the *Iroquois* and others our enemies, it is our intention that he should enjoy the nobility which we granted to *Pierre Philippe* Sieur de *Marigny*, his father, in consideration of the good and faithful services which he rendered to us and to the late King, of glorious memory, our honored Lord and Father, in several offices, by one Patent of nobility of the month of December one thousand six hundred and fifty four, which were recorded wherever it was necessary and of which he has most humbly prayed us to grant him the confirmation.

For these reasons, by the advice of our Council who have seen the said Patent of the month of December, one thousand six hundred and fifty four, duly signed, sealed and registered, together with the certificate of the services of the said *Jean Vincent Philippe* hereunto attached under our counter-seal, we, of our own motion, and of our especial grace, full power and Royal authority, have confirmed and by these presents signed by our hand, do confirm the said Patent of Nobility, granted to the said *Pierre Philippe*, Sieur de *Marigny*, the Father, in the said month of December, one thousand six hundred and fifty four, it being our will and pleasure that they take and have their full and entire effect, notwithstanding our Edict of the month of September one thousand six hundred and sixty four, from the rigour of which we have relieved and do relieve him, on condition however that he shall remain in our said Country of *New France*, it is our will and pleasure that he as well as his children and descendants, born and to be born in lawful marriage, shall enjoy the rank of nobles and of the honors, prerogatives, pre-eminences, privileges, exemptions, franchises and immunities which the other Nobles of our Kingdom of ancient descent enjoy and are accustomed to enjoy, without that on account of the said confirmation he be held to pay any tax to us or to the Kings our successors, of which by these presents we have made and do make him a gift, to whatever sum it may amount.

And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful the members of our Sovereign Council, established at *Quebec*, and all others our officers and judges to whom it may appertain, to enregister these our Letters of confirmation, and to cause the said *Jean Vincent Philippe* and his children and descendants born and to be born in lawful marriage, to use and enjoy the provisions thereof, fully, peaceably and perpetually, discontinuing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances to the contrary, notwithstanding our Edict of the month of september one thousand six hundred and sixty four, and all other Declarations, Regulations, Ordinances and Letters to the contrary, from which and from the derogatory contents of which we have derogated

and

and do derogate by these presents, which we desire may be enregistered by you, although they may be found out of date, without his being obliged to take other our letters, from which we have in like manner relieved and do relieve him, and to the copies duly examined by one of our beloved and faithful councillors and secretaries faith shall be given as to the original; For such is our pleasure.

And in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our Seal to be affixed to these presents.

Given at *Saint Germain-en-Laye*, the sixteenth day of march in the year of grace one thousand six hundred and seventy one and of our Reign the twenty eighth. Signed "*Louis*" and on the fold "By the King's command" "*Colbert*" and Sealed with the great Seal with green wax on strings of red and green silk: and on the said fold there is written "*Viza*" "*Seguier*" to serve for the Letters of confirmation of nobility of the Sieur de *Hautmesnil*.

Registered in pursuance of the decree of this day, at *Quebec*, the fifth october one thousand six hundred and seventy one.

(Signed,) "PEUVRET," with a flourish.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter A. Folio 59.*

5th May, 1673.

Verification of the Patent of Nobility of the Sieur *Leneuf*.

The General Commissioners appointed by the King from the Court of Aids of *Normandy* for the execution of His Majesty's Declaration of the fifteenth march one thousand six hundred and fifty five, duly verified, being asseubled in the Council Chamber of the said Court in the cause between the King's attorney general in the said Court and commission, at the pursuit and diligence of M. *Jean Duport* charged by His Majesty with the recovery of the taxes imposed and to be imposed upon the usurpers of the rank and title of nobles and of esquires in this Province, plaintiff, or the summons served at his instance upon *Jacques Leneuf*, Esquire, Councillor and King's attorney, in all the Royal Courts at *Hàvre de Grace*, calling upon him to declare whether he intends to maintain his right to that rank, and if not, to hear it decreed that he shall be included in the list of those to be taxed as usurpers of the said rank, of the one part; and the said *Leneuf*, duly summoned, defendant present in person and appearing by Mr. *Nicolas Le Carpentier* his attorney, of the other part; after the said *Duport* had prayed for the granting of the conclusions of his demand

demand in the event of his failing to make his said declaration, and the said *Leneuf* had stated that he persisted in his claim to the said rank of a noble, in which descended to him from *Richard Leneuf*, Esquire, *Sieur de Valcongrin*, who married Demoiselle *Jeannette de Maulnoury*, of which marriage there was issue *Jean Leneuf*, Esqr., *Sieur de la Vallée*, who married and had issue *Jean Leneuf*, Esquire, second of that name, and *Pierre Leneuf*, also Esquire, which *John* the second, married Demoiselle *Cardine de Lalonguy*, from whose marriage there lawfully issued *Jacques Leneuf* first of that name, *Gilles* and *George Leneuf*, also Esquires, *Sieurs de la Serverie* and *de la Vallée*, and from the said *Jacques* the first, and Demoiselle *Françoise Plaimpel* there issued in lawful marriage *Jean Leneuf*, third of that name and *Thomas Leneuf*, which *Jean*, the third, married Demoiselle *Marguerite Laisné* and had issue in lawful marriage the said *Jacques Leneuf*, King's Attorney in the said Courts at *Havre*, who married Demoiselle *Marguerite de la Barre*, and the said *Pierre Leneuf*, brother of the said *Jean*, the second of that name, who married Demoiselle *Catherine le Boucher* had issue in lawful marriage *Pierre Leneuf*, Esquire, *Sieur de Montenay*, who married Demoiselle *Marie de la Roque*, and had issue *Antoine Leneuf*, *Sieur de Courtonne*, who married Demoiselle *Marguerite du Hautlondelle* and had issue *Jean Leneuf*, Esquire, *Sieur de Montenaye*; In consideration whereof and seeing that his noble descent was well established, and in consideration also of the dismissal of a similar summons obtained by the said *Jean Leneuf* *Sieur de Montenay* his cousin, on the eleventh of March, one thousand six hundred and fifty six, he maintains that the said summons and prosecution of the said *Duport* ought to be dismissed with interest and costs. Whereupon the parties having been heard and the said *Duport* having admitted the said filiation and bearing it to the Board to decree the dismissal demanded. The said Commissioners have dismissed the summons and prosecution at the instance of the said *Duport* against the said *Jacques Leneuf*, on the conditions contained in the decrees of the Court, pronounced upon the verification of the *Edict*, and in the precept and commission.

Done in the Council Chamber of the said Court of Aids, on the thirteenth day of September one thousand six hundred and fifty eight.

(Signed,)

“ BOTTEY.”

Extract from the Registers of the Council of State.

Between M. *Jean Duport* charged by His Majesty with the recovery of the taxes imposed upon the usurpers of the rank of nobles and Esquires in the Province of *Normandy*, in consequence of the Declaration of the fifteenth of March one thousand six hundred and fifty five, Plaintiff for the objects mentioned in the Summons of the twenty ninth of July one thousand six hundred and fifty nine, of the one part; and M. *Jacques Leneuf*, Esquire, Councillor and King's Attorney in all the Royal Courts at *Havre*, Defendant, of the other part;

The King's Council having seen the order of the General Commissioners of the Court of Aids of *Rouën* for the execution of the said Declaration, of the fifteenth of March one thousand six hundred and fifty five, made on the thirteenth of September one thousand six hundred and fifty eight, between the King's Attorney, attached to the said Commission, at the pursuits and diligence of the said *Duport*, Plaintiff, to the end that the said *Leneuf* should be held to declare whether he intends to maintain his claim to the said noble rank, and if not to hear it decreed that he may be included in the list of those to be taxed, as usurpers of the said rank of the one part, and the said *Leneuf*, Defendant of the other part; by which order, after the parties had been heard and the said *Leneuf*, had said that he intended to maintain his claim to the said rank, according to the filiation by him deduced in his plea and the said *Duport*, had admitted the said filiation and had left it to the Board to decree the dismissal of the Summons as prayed for by the said *Leneuf*, the said Board dismissed the Summons and prosecution, at the instance of the said *Duport*, against him on the conditions contained in the decrees of the Court pronounced upon the verification of the Edict and in the precept and Commission issued in pursuance thereof, the said Summons of the twenty ninth of July one thousand six hundred and fifty nine, containing the declaration of the said *Duport*, that he opposed the execution of the said order of the thirteenth of September one thousand six hundred and fifty eight, on the ground that it had been obtained by surprize by the said *Leneuf*, by means of a false statement, and on other grounds to be made known at the proper time and place, in order to proceed upon which opposition and the other conclusions which should be taken by the said *Duport*, the said *Leneuf* was summoned to appear before the said Council; the interlocutory made by the said Council between the parties in the present cause, on the twelfth of August one thousand six hundred and fifty nine, requiring disclosure of proofs and pleas in writing, and saving all prejudice from the quality in which the said *Leneuf* has prayed that the said order of the thirteenth of September one thousand six hundred and fifty eight be enforced, that he be maintained in his rank and privilege of a noble and that the said *Duport* and all others be forbidden to trouble him therein; the contract of the twentieth of December one thousand four hundred and fifty five by which *Richard Leneuf*, Esquire, and Demoiselle *Jeannette de Maulnoury*, his wife grant as fief to the Sieur *Dubreuil* the estates therein mentioned; the contract of marriage of *Jean Leneuf*, Esquire, with Demoiselle *Jeanne Belot*, of the eighth November one thousand four hundred and ninety three; another contract of marriage of *Jean Leneuf*, Esqr., with *Cardine de Lalonguy*, of the twenty fourth of September one thousand five hundred and twenty two; four deeds and contracts of the tenth of May one thousand five hundred and forty five, twelfth of July one thousand five hundred and fifty six, sixth of October one thousand five hundred and ninety seven, and nineteenth of July one thousand six hundred and seven, the first containing the conveyance made to the noblemen *Jean* and *Pierre Leneuf* brothers, of the things therein mentioned, the second the treaty of marriage of the said *Pierre Leneuf* with Demoiselle *Catherine*

le Boucher, and the other two the treaties of marriage of *Demoiselle Isabeau Leneuf* with the *Sieur le Bigot*; another contract of marriage of *Georges Leneuf* with *Demoiselle Jaqueline de May*, of the fifteenth of July one thousand five hundred and seventy three; a Deed passed before a Notary at *Thury*, on the ninth of December one thousand five hundred and eighty eight, by *Gilles, Georges and Jacques Leneuf* children of *Jean Leneuf* in which they are called nobles and Esquires; another contract of marriage of *Jacques Leneuf*, son of *Jean* with *Demoiselle Françoise Plaimpel* in the month of January, one thousand six hundred and one; another contract of the ninth October one thousand six hundred and twenty four, in which *Jacques Leneuf* is styled a noble in the said contract of marriage of *Thomas Leneuf* son of *Jacques Leneuf*, Esquire, of the tenth April one thousand six hundred and forty five; six other contracts of the years one thousand six hundred and thirty two, one thousand six hundred and thirty three, and one thousand six hundred and thirty eight, in which *Jean Leneuf* is called Esquire; three other contracts of the twenty fourth of January one thousand six hundred and forty one, sixth of October one thousand six hundred and fifty six, and eighteenth of November one thousand six hundred and fifty eight, in which Messieurs *Jean* and *Jacques Leneuf* are called nobles; another bundle of fourteen Deeds and contracts of the years 1597, 1598, 1599, 1602, 1607, 1620, 1628, 1629, 1637, 1655 and 1656, in which *Gilles, François Olivier* and *Philippe Leneuf* are called Esquires; Copy of a Decree of the Council of the seventh of June one thousand six hundred and forty four, by which *Antoine Leneuf*, Esquire, Tutor to *Jean Leneuf* is relieve from the tax on free fiefs on account of the fiefs *de Vevoix* with the consent of *Jean Baptiste Palerlogne*, farmer of the said tax; an order of the Commissioners of the said free fiefs of the month of January, one thousand six hundred and fifty six, by which *Jean Leneuf* and the widow of *Antoine Leneuf*, Esquires, are relieved from the tax on free fiefs; another order of the eleventh of March, one thousand six hundred and fifty six, by which *Jean Leneuf* and his brothers, heirs of *Antoine Leneuf*, *Sieur de Courtonne*, are relieved from the demand of the said *Duport* on account of the said taxes imposed on usurpers of nobility; Exhibits produced by the said Defendant; The Petition of the said *Duport*, of the third of September, one thousand six hundred and fifty nine, served on the fourth, produced in the present cause, to the effect that the said *Leneuf* be taxed by the Council as an usurper of the said rank of a noble and Esquire, having heard the report of the *Sieur de Fieux*, a Commissioner to whom the matter was referred, and the whole being considered;

The King in his Council, giving judgment in the action, has put and does put the parties out of Court and suit, on the opposition of the Plaintiff, and thereupon has decreed and does decree that the order of the said Commissioners of the thirteenth of September, one thousand six hundred and fifty eight, be put in force according to its form and tenor, and in consequence hath maintained and doth maintain the said *Leneuf* in his said rank of a noble, without costs between the parties;

Done in the King's Council of State held at *Paris*, the fourth day of December, one thousand six hundred and fifty nine; (Signed,) "*Galland*" and on one side, "Examined" and lower down there is written, also with a stamp "Examined with the originals by me Councillor, Secretary to the King, and of the Household and Crown of *France* and of its finances" and there is written with the hand "of the old School (*du Collège Ancien*)" (Signed,) "*Fabry*" with a flourish.

On this day, Friday, the fifth of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy three, at *Caën*, before the undersigned Royal Notaries of the said place, appeared in the usual Notarial office M^{re} *Pierre Leneuf*, Priest, *Sieur de Courtonne*, and *François Leueuf*, Esquire, *Sieur de Montenay*, brothers, noble persons, residing in this Town of *Caën*, in the parish of *Saint Julien*; who have certified and attested, and do certified and attest to all whom it may concern that *Jacques Leneuf*, Esquire, *Sieur de la Potterie*, residing in the Borough of *Three Rivers, New France, the Island of Newfoundland and Cadye*, heretofore residing in this said Town of *Caën*, are of the same family and bear the same name and arms; which the said *Sieurs de Courtonne* and *de Montenay*, have signed on the above year and day in the presence of *Julien de la Croix* and *Etienne Crestien*, of *Caën* aforesaid, Witnesses, and have signed, "*Leneuf*;" "*Leneuf*;" "*Crestien*," "*de la Croix*," "*Olivier*" and "*Bourgon*," with a flourish to each.

Registered, the Attorney General having been heard and consenting thereto, to secure and avail as to justice may appertain, in pursuance of the decree of this day's date, at *Quebec*, the twenty fourth of September, one thousand six hundred and seventy five.

(Signed,) "PEUVRET," with a flourish.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council
Letter A. Folio 58.*

May 1676.

Erection of the *Barony des Islets* into a County, by the name of *Orsinville* in favor of the *Sieur Talon*.

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE.

To all present and to come :—

GREETING :

OUR beloved and faithful the *Sieur Talon*, Member of our Councils, Secretary in reversion of our Cabinet, and Captain of our *Castle of Marimont* has caused

caused it to be represented to us that in consideration of the services which he formerly rendered to us during several years in *New France*, in the capacity of Intendant of Justice Police, and Finances in the said Country, in strengthening and augmenting the Colony of our subjects which was formed there, we did by our Letters of the fourteenth of March one thousand six hundred and seventy one make a gift, grant and conveyance to him of the Estate, Fief and Seigniority called *des Islets*, in the said Country with three neighbouring Villages belonging to us the first called "*Bourg Royal*" the second "*Bourg de la Reine*" and the third "*Bourg Talon*," with their appurtenances and dependencies in whatever they might consist which we united and incorporated with the said Estate, Fief and Seigniority *des Islets*, and we did elevate the said Seigniority to the title and dignity of a Barony, to be enjoyed by the said *Sieur Talon*, in absolute property, so that he might call and entitle himself and be called and entitled *Baron of Islets*, in judicial or other Deeds or Instruments, and in that quality might enjoy the same honors, arms, blazonings, prerogatives, rank and preeminence in point of war, meetings of Nobles and otherwise, and in the same manner as the other Barons of our Kingdom altho' they were not specified in our said Letters, and we did will and ordain that all the settlers, tenants, men and vassals, of the said estates and villages should acknowledge him for a Baron and should perform their fealty and homage, and deliver their acknowledgments, enumerations and declarations to him, as occasions arose by that title; and in order to treat him more favorably, we did also by our aforesaid letters bestow upon him the right of superior, ordinary and inferior jurisdiction, throughout the whole extent as well of the said Estate, Fief and Seigniority *des Islets*, as of the said Villages and their appurtenances, and dependencies to cause the said jurisdictions to be exercised conjointly under the said rank and title of *Baron Chatelain*, and that in such place in the said Barony and *Châtellenie des Islets*, as he might think fit by one Judge *Chatelain*, one *Lieutenant*, one Registrar, one Procurator, Fiscal and others Officers whom he might be able or willing to establish, with such right, power and authority as belongs to the other Barons, having Superior jurisdiction in our Kingdom, which Judges should entitle their orders and judgments in the Barony and *Châtellenie des Islets*, without any change of or infringement upon the jurisdiction of cases reserved for the cognisance of the Royal Courts, and also the right of establishing gaols and four-post gallows wherever he might see fit, within the extent of the said Barony, with a pillory on which his arms should be stamped, the whole or condition that there should be no change of the tenure by which the whole of the said Country is held of us, of one single act of fealty and homage, acknowledgment and enumeration for the said Estate and Barony and of the dues and duties owing and prescribed to be paid to us in the said Country, and without that in default of heirs male born in lawful marriage we or the Kings our Successors could claim to have the said Barony, reunited to our Domain in pursuance of the Ordinance of the month of July, one thousand five hundred and sixty six, from which we derogated in that respect only, which letters the said *Sieur Talon* caused to be registered in the Sovereign Council established at *Quebec*, and wherever else it was necessary; and inasmuch as since

the said letters were granted, he has continued his services to us in the said Country and has given stronger proofs of his zeal and affection, being desirous of requiting him and to give him also more ample proofs of our satisfaction, we have thought that we could not do so more advantageously than by advancing to the rank of a County the said estate and Barony which has all the attributes and qualifications that can be required for that purpose, and the revenues of which are sufficiently large to support and maintain in future that high title, and by changing the name of the said Barony to "*d'Orsinville*":—

For these reasons and other, us thereunto moving, we have created, erected and advanced, and by these presents signed by our hand of our especial grace full power and Royal authority do create, erect and advance the said estate and Barony *des Isles*, into a County in title, name, rank and dignity, which shall henceforth be called the County of "*Orsinville*"; To be used and enjoyed by the said *Sieur Talon*, his heirs Successors or assigns, both male and female, by the said title of Count; and it is our will and pleasure that they should call and entitle themselves and be called and entitled such in all judicial and other Deeds and Instruments, and that they should enjoy the same honors, rights, rank, pre-eminence and prerogatives as belong to the said dignity of County although they be not herein particularly specified; and that all the vassals, under-vassals, and others holding by noble tenure, do acknowledge him as a Count, and perform their fealty and homage, and render their acknowledgements, enumerations and declarations to him in that capacity, as the occasions arise, and that the officers exercising jurisdiction there do entitle their orders and judgments under the same name, without however any imitation or change of or infringement upon the jurisdiction of cases reserved for the cognisance of the Royal Courts, and without that by reason of the present erection and change of title and name the said *Sieur Talon* be held towards us, or his vassals and tenants towards him in other or greater dues than those which they owe at present, on condition of holding of us by one single act of fealty and homage, and by dues and duties, and also without derogating from or doing prejudice to the dues and duties if any there be which are due to others than us, and without that the said County of *Orsinville* be subject to reversion or re-union to our Domain for any cause whatever, notwithstanding the Edicts of the years, one thousand five hundred and sixty six, one thousand five hundred and seventy nine, one thousand five hundred and eighty one, and one thousand five hundred and eighty two, and the Ordinances concerning the erection of Counties, from which and from all things contrary hereto therein contained, we have derogated and do derogate by these presents, inasmuch as without this condition the said *Sieur Talon* would not have accepted the present favor.

And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful the Councillors and persons holding our Sovereign Council established at *Quebec*, to cause these our present Letters of erection and change of name to be registered and the said *Sieur Talon*

and his Successors both male and female, born and to be born in lawful marriage and his and their assigns, to use and enjoy the provisions thereof, fully, peaceably and perpetually, discontinuing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances to the contrary:—For such is our pleasure.

In testimony whereof we have caused our Seal to be affixed to these presents.

Given at *Saint Germain-en-Laye*, in the month of May in the year of grace one thousand six hundred and seventy five and of our Reign the thirty third.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

And on the fold, "By the King's command."

(Signed,) "COLBERT."

And sealed with the Great Seal with green wax on strings of red and green silk.

Extract from the Register of judgments and deliberations of the Superior Council Letter A. folio 265.

2nd March 1676.

Judgment of the Superior Council declaring the seizure made by Dame *Couillard*, upon the Sieur *Renault* for *lods et ventes* and Seigniorial rents, good and valid.

On Monday the second day of March 1676.

The Council assembled *Idem*.

Between *Marie Guillemette Hébert*, widow of the late Sieur *Couillard*, appellant, from the judgment of the *prévosté* of this Town, of the seventh of February last, appearing by *Claude Mangne*, Notary in the Seigniority of *Lauzon* of the one part, and *Louis Lefebvre* and *Mathurin Renault*, Respondents of the other parts; *M. Gilles Rageot*, Notary and Registrar of the said *prévosté*, Intervening. Having heard the parties and seen the said judgment by which the said *Lefebvre* is condemned to pay to the said widow *Couillard*, the sum of six livres for one year's Seigniorial rent, saving her recourse against the said *Regnault* and her action against the said *Lefebvre* is dismissed for the remainder, saving to the said widow *Couillard*, the right of proceeding otherwise against the said *Regnault*, and until the said *Regnault* have satisfied the said *Lefebvre* of the sum mentioned in his Deed of Sale, unless the said widow *Couillard*, choose rather to take the said plantation

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for the price and pay the same to the said *Lefebvre*, and *acte* to the said *Rageot* that the said *Lefebvre* owes him the sum of ninety six livres for which he attaches the effects and grain seized in the barn of the said *Regnault*, requiring the delivery thereof, to which the said *Lefebvre* consented, wherefore it was ordered that the said barn should remain seized in favor of the said *Rageot*, and the grain should be thrashed for his benefit to amount of the said sum; Deed of Sale of a plantation situate at *St. Joseph*, held of the fief of the said widow *Couillard*, by the said *Lefebvre* to the said *Regnault*, passed before *Duquet*, Notary Royal, the second of April, one thousand six hundred and seventy five; Petition at foot of which the appeal of the said widow *Couillard*, was allowed by order of the Court of the twenty fourth of February last; Returns of service thereof and of Summons to the said *Lefebvre* and *Regnault* by *Levasseur*, bailiff, on the last day of the said month of February; verbal conclusions by the Attorney General; and the whole being considered the Court giving judgment on the said appeal, hath set aside and doth set aside the said original judgment, and by way of amendment and correction, doth decree that the said seizure made by the said widow *Couillard*, shall hold good, to the end that he may be paid the said *lods et ventes* and the sum of six livres for one year's arrears of Seigniorial rent out of the proceeds of the grain seized; the seizure of the said *Rageot*, holding good for the surplus after the said widow *Couillard* shall have been paid.

(Signed) " DUCHESNEAU."

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter A. Folio 65.*

April, 1676.

Erection of the Island of *Orleans* into a County in favor of Mr. *François Berthelot*.

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE.

To all present and to come :—

GREETING :

OUR beloved and faithful the Sieur *François Berthelot*, our Councillor, Secretary, and Commissary General of Artillery, powder and saltpetre in *France*, hath caused it to be represented to us that he has acquired from Mr. *François de Laval*, Bishop of *Quebec* in *New France*, the Island called *Orleans*, situate in the Great River *St. Lawrence*, at a distance of one league from the said City of *Quebec*, which Island is seven leagues long and two leagues wide, and a great part of it is cleared and it is inhabited by more than one thousand persons, in four large parishes in

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which there are already one Church completely built and two commenced, which will be completed and finished in the course of the present year, and the fourth, next year, so that there are four large boroughs and villages already formed, besides several considerable and extensive fiefs in the said Island, which are held under the said *Berthelot*, as dependencies of the Seigniorship of the said Island of *Orleans*, with Superior, Ordinary and Inferior jurisdiction and several dues, which form a very large revenue; and being willing to treat the said *Berthelot* favorably and to give him proofs of our peculiar satisfaction at the services which he has rendered us in several important matters, which we have confided to him, and in which he acquitted himself to our satisfaction, and at his zeal and anxiety for the welfare and increase of the Colony of *New France*, we have thought that we could not do so more advantageously than by erecting into a County, by name and title, in his favor and that of his heirs and assigns, the said Estate and Seigniorship of the Island of *St. Lawrence*, which is invested with all the attributes required for that purpose; and in order to maintain that title and rank in future, and to change the name of the Island from that of *Orleans* to that of *St. Lawrence*; For these reasons, and others us thereunto moving, we have created, erected and advanced, and by these presents, signed with our hand, of our especial grace, full power and Royal authority, have created, erected and advanced the said Estate and Seigniorship of the Island of *Orleans* and its appurtenances and dependencies, into a County by title, name, rank and dignity, which it is our will shall, in future, be called the County of *St. Lawrence*, to be used and enjoyed by the said *Berthelot*, his heirs, successors and assigns, both male and female, by the said title of a County; and it is our will and pleasure that he be at liberty to call and entitle himself Count of *St. Lawrence*, in all judicial and other Deeds and Instruments, and that he enjoy the same honors, prerogatives, arms, blazonings, rank and preeminence in point of war, meetings of Nobles and otherwise, and in the same way as the other Counts of our Kingdom, although they be not herein particularly specified; and that all the settlers, tenants, men, vassals, sub-vassals and others, holding by noble tenure, acknowledge him as a Count and perform fealty and homage and render their acknowledgments, enumeration and declaration to him in that quality, as occasion arises; and in order to treat him more favorably, we have also by these said presents, confirmed the right of Superior, Ordinary and Inferior jurisdiction throughout the whole extent of the said County of the Island of *St. Lawrence* and its appurtenances and dependencies, so that he may cause the said jurisdiction to be exercised under the said title and dignity of a Count, and in such place within the extent of the said County of *St. Lawrence*, as he shall think proper, by such Judges, Lieutenant, Registrar, Procurator fiscal and other officers as he may be able and willing to establish therein, with such right, power and authority as belongs to the other Counts having superior jurisdiction in our Kingdom, which judges shall intitle their orders and judgments by the style of Count of *St. Lawrence*, without any change of or infringement upon the jurisdiction of cases reserved for the conusance of the Royal Courts; and moreover to establish prisons and four-post gallows wherever he may think fit, within the limits of the said County, with a pillory on which his arms shall be stamped; the whole on condition that there

shall be no change of the tenure which is derived from us throughout the whole extent of the said Country, and that the said County continue to be held of us on account of our Fort of *St. Louis*, at *Quebec*, on the terms of one single act of fealty and full homage, the acknowledgment and enumeration of the said estate and County and the dues and duties owing and prescribed to be paid to us in the said Country, without derogating from or doing prejudice to the dues and duties, if any there are, which may be owing to others besides us, and without the said County of *St. Lawrence* being subject to reversion or re-union to our Domain for any cause whatever, notwithstanding the Edicts of years 1566, 1579, 1581 and 1582, and the ordinances concerning the erection of Counties, from which we have derogated and do derogate by these presents, as well as from all derogations herefrom, inasmuch as without this condition the said *Berthelot* would not have accepted the present favor.

And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful Councillors, the Members of our Sovereign Council, established at *Quebec*, to cause these Letters of crection and change of name to be registered, and the said *Berthelot* and his successors and assigns, both male and female, born and to be born in lawful marriage, to use and enjoy the provisions hereof fully, peaceably and perpetually, discontinuing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances ; For such is our pleasure.

And in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our Seal to be affixed to these presents.

Given at the Camp at *Condé*, in the month of April, in the year of grace, one thousand six hundred and seventy six, and of our Reign, the thirty third. (Signed,) "LOUIS" and on the fold "By the King's command" "COLBERT" and on one side *visâ* "DALIGRE" for the erection of the Island of *St. Lawrence* into a County in favor of the *Sieur Berthelot*," (Signed,) "COLBERT," and Sealed with the great Seal with green wax on strings of read and green silk.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council
Letter B. Folio 4.*

30th May, 1679.

Concession of the River *de la Magdelaine* to the *Sieur Antoine Caddé*.

LOUIS de BUADE, Comte de Frontenac, Member of the King's Councils, Governor and Lieutenant General for His Majesty in *Canada, Acadia*, the Island of *Newfoundland* and other Countries of *Northern France*.

To all to whom these presents shall come :—

GREETING :

WE make known that upon the petition presented to us by the *Sieur Antoine Caddé*, residing at *Quebec*, to the effect that we should be pleased to grant him as a fief and Seigniory the River *de la Magdelaine*, being below the Mountains of

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Notre Dame, on the south side, and which discharges itself into the River *St. Lawrence*, together with half a league above, and another half league below the said River along the said River *St. Lawrence*, by two leagues in depth, he being desirous of establishing a fishery there.

We, in virtue of the power given by His Majesty to us, jointly with Monsieur *Duchesneau*, Member of the King's Councils, Intendant of Justice, Police and finances in this Country, have given, granted and conceded, and by these presents do give, grant and concede to the said *Sieur Caddé* the said River *de la Magdelaine*, being below the Mountains of *Notre Dame*, on the south side, together with half a league above, and half a league below the said River along the River *St. Lawrence*, by two leagues in depth, to be enjoyed by him and his heirs in future, as a fief and Seigniorly, with the right of hunting and fishing within the said limits, on condition of fealty and homage, which the said *Sieur Caddé* his heirs and assigns, shall be held to perform at the Castle of *St. Louis*, at *Quebec*, of which he shall hold, subject to accustomed dues and rents, agreeably to the custom of the *prévosté* and *viscomté* of *Paris*, which shall be followed in this respect, provisionally and until it shall be otherwise ordered by His Majesty; as also that he shall keep house and home, and cause it to be kept by his tenants upon the concessions which he shall make to them, in default of which he shall re-enter *pleno jure* into the possession thereof, and that he shall preserve and cause to be preserved, the oak timber fit for the construction of vessels within the said limits, and that he shall give notice to the King and to us, of mines, ores and minerals if any shall be found there, and shall leave and cause to be kept all necessary roads and passages; the whole subject to the pleasure of His Majesty, from whom he shall be held to obtain the confirmation of these presents, within one year.

In witness whereof, we have signed these presents and caused the same to be sealed with our seal at arms, and countersigned by one of our Secretaries.

Given at *Quebec*, the thirtieth of May, one thousand six hundred and seventy nine.

(Signed,) "FRONTENAC."

And lower down, By Monseigneur's command, "LE CHASSEUR."

And sealed with his seal at arms.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter B. Folio 6.*

March 1681.

Erection of the Seigniorship of *Portneuf*, into a Barony in favor of the Sieur *Robineau de Bécancour*.

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE.

To all present and to come—

GREETING:—

THE Kings our predecessors having known by long and wise experience, that there was nothing more worthy of their greatness, and that it was only just of them to recompense those of their subjects who, by their merit and their courage were impelled to perform extraordinary actions, for the glory, the renown and aggrandizement of their states, and not content with conferring benefits upon them, have also raised them above the common people, by badges of honor which pass to their descendants, to excite their other subjects to follow their example and deserve similar favors; in which, being desirous of imitating them, we make known that taking into consideration the great and important services which were rendered to us and to our State by the late *Pierre Robineau*, in his lifetime Treasurer General of the Light Cavalry of *France*, and one of the proprietors in the Company which was formed by order of the late King, our much honored Lord and Father, whom God absolve, of which the late Sieur Cardinal, Duke of *Richelieu* was the Chief, for peopling the Islands of *New France*, called *Canada*; who by his care and diligence, and the great expenses which he incurred for the said establishment, contributed greatly to the increase and to the perfection thereof, in whose time there was given to the proprietors in the said Company, as well for themselves as for their Successors and assigns, all the said Country of *New France*, called *Canada*, in absolute property, jurisdiction and Seigniorship, with the reservation only of jurisdiction in the last resort, fealty and homage, one gold crown on each change of king, and the appointment of the officers of the Royal Court, as is more fully set forth in the articles in that behalf, which were drawn up and agreed upon the sixth of August, one thousand six hundred and twenty four; in pursuance of which the said Sieur *Robineau*, as well as the other proprietors, began to apply himself to the task of causing the said lands to be cleared and cultivated at a great expense, so that the people whom the said Company sent out there, had begun to enjoy the fruits of their labours and to find the means of subsisting comfortably when the said Sieur *Robineau*, being advanced in years, found a worthy Successor in the person of *René Robineau, Esqr.*, Sieur de *Bécancour*, knight of our order of *St. Michel*, his son; who following in the footsteps of his said Father, after having served us in our army during two Campaigns

Campaigns in the rank of Ensign in the Regiment of *Turenne*, went over to the said Island, to press on the work of continuing the said establishment, so well and successfully commenced, that he now possesses there, two considerable estates, to wit, the fief, estate and Seigniorship of *Portneuf*, consisting of a Seigniorial Manor, dignified by all the marks of nobility and Seigniorship, together with a beautiful Chapel where Divine Service is celebrated, as well for the said *Sieur de Bécancour* and his family and domestics, as for the settlers in the said Seigniorship, of several other buildings for the accommodation of his servants, horses and carriages and other things necessary and essential to the conveniences of life, beside which is a fine courtyard, and the requisite buildings attached to it, as stables and barns, a park, gardens, woods, mills and a number of well cultivated farms, which yield a considerable revenue; and besides, he possesses also, at a distance of thirty leagues from the said *Portneuf*, another estate and Seigniorship called *Les Isles Bouchard*, of great extent, and several handsome dependencies and well cultivated possessions and estates, to which are attached the rights of Superior, Ordinary and Inferior jurisdiction, and on which he has caused work to be done in establishing and embellishing it, the said two estates and Seigniorships being at this time in such good order that the said *Sieur de Bécancour*, did not scruple to give up to the *Sieur François Robineau*, Esquire, *Sieur de Fortelle*, his eldest brother knight of our said order of *St. Michel*, and our Councillor and our Major-domo in ordinary, who has in like manner contributed greatly to the said establishment several great advantages which he had in this our Kingdom, in order to take up his residence in the said Country of *New France*, on his said estates and Seigniorship of *Portneuf* and *Les Isles Bouchard*, where he has resided for the last thirty six years and where he lives very respectably, being invested with the dignity of *Grand Voyer*, in the said Country, where he is married and has a numerous family of nine children, the second of whom, after having come to *France* and served us here in our armies for the space of ten consecutive years as a volunteer and since as a Captain of Dragoons, after having perfected himself in the profession of arms, returned to the said Country of *New France*, there to assist the said *Sieur de Bécancour*, his Father, who has had the honor of commanding a flying camp kept up for our service in the said Country, to defend it against the incursions of the Savages; so that the family of the said *Sieur de Bécancour*, and the dwelling places of the vassals and people who live upon his said estates, form one of the most agreeable portions of the said Country; But inasmuch as in the year one thousand six hundred and sixty three, the said proprietors, out of gratitude for the assistance which we had given them in the formation of the said settlement, which then amounted in number to more than seven hundred, of both sexes, as well lay persons as priests and monks, begged of us to accept the Deed which they executed voluntarily, by which they surrendered to us the supremacy and government of the said Country, reserving to themselves only the settlements; which deed was presented to us by the *Sieur Perigny*, the said *Sieur de Fortelle* and others, who executed the said deed as having power from the said Company, we have thought that it would be just in us not only to dignify the principal estate and settlement of the said *Sieur de*

Bécancour with a title of honor, suitable to his rang and merit, but also to give him some honorable badge and distinction which should descend to his posterity, and be ground of laudable emulation to his children and descendants, stimulating them to imitate his virtue and follow his example ; For these reasons, of our especial grace, full power and royal authority, we have created, erected, advanced and dignified and do create, erect, advance and dignify, by these presents, signed with our hand, the said estate and Seigniorie of *Portneuf*, situate in our Country of *New France*, called *Canada*, to be a Barony by title, name and rank, to be enjoyed by the said *Sieur de Bécancour*, his children, successors and assigns, and their descendants born in lawful marriage, fully and peaceably, holding of us in right of our Crown, on condition of one single act of fealty and homage and the acknowledgment and enumeration required by the laws of our Kingdom and the customs of the said Country by the said title, name and rank of a Barony ; and we will that they be at liberty to call, name and entitle themselves such in all judicial and other deeds or instruments ; that they enjoy the rights, arms, blazonings, honors, prerogatives, rank and preeminence in point of war and meetings of nobles and others in the same way as the other Barons of our Kingdom, that the vassals, sub-vassals and other tenants and persons holding of the said Seigniorie of *Portneuf* by noble or ignoble tenure, acknowledge them as Barons and deliver their acknowledgments, enumerations and declarations to them in that capacity as occasion requires ; which we likewise will should be inserted in the judgments which shall be rendered by their officers in the administration of justice over the said vassals and persons under their jurisdiction, the whole in the said capacity of Baron of *Portneuf*, without however the said vassals being liable, by reasons of what is contained in these said presents, to any other or greater dues and duties than those which they owe at present, and without any change in or infringement upon the jurisdiction of cases reserved for the conusance the Royal Courts ; and of our ample grace and authority aforesaid, we have permitted and granted, and by these presents do permit and grant to the said *Bécancour* and to those of his family, descendants of the said *Pierre Robineau*, to add to their arms and those of their ancestors, which are of azure with a *cotisse or*, accompanied by six stars the same, a *fleur de lys* on a ground gules, such as it is stamped hereupon.

And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful Councillors the Members of our Sovereign Council in our Contry of *New France*, called *Canada*, to cause these presents to be registered and the said *Sieur de Bécancour*, his children, posterity and progeny, successors and assigns, to use and enjoy the contents thereof, fully, peaceably and perpetually, forbearing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances to the contrary ; For such is our pleasure.

And in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our Seal to be affixed to these presents.

Given at *St. Germain-en-Laye*, in the month of March, in the year of Grace, one thousand six hundred and eighty one, and of our Reign the thirty eighth.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

And on the fold, "By the King's command."

(Signed,) "COLBERT."

and on one side, *visâ*, (Signed,) "LE TELLIER," for the erection of a Barony, and Sealed with the great Seal with green wax, on strings of red and green silk.

Registered in pursuance of the decree of this day, at *Quebec*, the twenty seventh of April, one thousand six hundred and eighty three.

(Signed,) "PEUVRET," with a flourish.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter B. Folio 112.*

20th September, 1684.

Deed of Concession of the Fief *Freneuze* with the River *Ramouctou* between *Jamesec* and *Nacchouac* in *Acadia*, in favor of the *Sieur Mathieu Damours*.

The *Sieur Lefebvre de la Barre*, Seigneur of the said place, Member of the King's Councils, Governor and Lieutenant General in all the territoires of *New France*, and *De Meulles*, Seigneur *de la Source*, Knight, Member of the King's Councils, Intendant of Justice, Police and Finances in the said Country.

To all to whom these presents shall come:—

GREETING:

WE make known that on the Petition presented to us by *Mathieu Damours*, Esquire, praying that we would be pleased to grant him as a Fief and Seignior, with Superior, Ordinary and Inferior jurisdiction, all that is to be found of unconceded land along the River *St. John*, between the place called *Jamesec*, and another called *Nacchouac* and two leagues in depth, on each side of the said River *St. John*, including the said River with the Islands and Islets which are therein, also the River *Ramouctou*, as far as the said depth extends.

We in virtue of the power to us jointly given by His said Majesty, have given, granted and conceded, and by these presents do give, grant and concede to the said *Sieur Damours*, all that may be found of unconceded and unsettled land along the

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said River *St. John*, between the said places called *Jamesec* and *Nacchouac*, and two leagues in depth on each side of the said River *St. John*, including the said River, with the Islands and Islets which may be found within that space, together with the River *Ramouctou* as far as the said depth of two leagues extends; The said extent of land and all contained therein to be enjoyed by the said *Sieur Damours*, his heirs and assigns for ever, as a Fief and Seigniory, with Superior, Ordinary and Inferior jurisdiction, and to be used and disposed of as their own property; which Fief and Seigniory shall bear the name of *Freneuze*; On condition of fealty and homage, which the said *Sieur Damours*, his heirs and assigns shall be held to perform to His Majesty, at the Castle of *St. Louis*, in this City, under which he shall hold, and of the ordinary dues and rents, according to the custom of the *prévosté* and *viscomté* of *Paris*, by which that Country is governed, of keeping house and home, and causing the same to be kept there, and of binding the persons to which he shall grant lands to do so, on pain of his summary re-entry into possession thereof, in case of their default so to do; of not allowing the said Rivers *St. John* and *Ramouctou* to be obstructed, in order that the navigation thereof may be free; of preserving and causing to be preserved all oak timber fit for the building of vessels which may be found thereon; of giving notice to His Majesty and to us of mines, ores and minerals, if any are found thereon; of leaving the necessary roads and ways, and causing the same to be left and kept in good order, of causing the said places to be cleared and settled and furnished with buildings and cattle, within two years from this date, otherwise the present Concession shall be null and of no effect.

The whole subject to the good pleasure of His Majesty, by whom he shall be bound to have these presents confirmed within two years.

In faith of which we have signed these presents, and caused the same to be sealed with our Seal at arms and countersigned by the Secretary of us the said Intendant.

Given at *Quebec*, on the twentieth of September, one thousand six hundred and eighty four.

(Signed,)

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LEFEBVRE DE LA BARRE,
DE MEULLES,

And lower down, By His Lordship's Command,

“PEUVRET,” and Sealed.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council
Letter B. Folio 43.*

10th March, 1685.

Decree which permits the Gentlemen and Noblemen of *New France* to trade in goods by sea and by land.

Extract from the Registers of the Council of State.

THE King being desirous by all practicable means to enable his subjects in *New France*, to increase their commerce and being informed that it might be considerable, if the gentlemen who are settled there could engage in it without derogating from their privileges; and desiring to make provision to that effect, His Majesty, being in his Council, has permitted and permits all noblemen and gentlemen settled in *New France*, to carry on trade both by land and by sea, and to sell and vend merchandize by wholesale and retail; without that by reason thereof they be subject to be called to account or reputed to have acted derogatorily, and he does decree that they shall be maintained in their privileges as before in virtue of this present decree, which shall be read, published and registered wherever it may be necessary; and His Majesty doth enjoin the officers of the Sovereign Council, established in the City of *Quebec* to see to the execution hereof.

Done in the Council of State, His Majesty being present, held at *Versailles*, the tenth day of March, one thousand six hundred and eighty five.

(Signed,) "COLBERT."

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE.

To Our beloved and faithful Councillors the Members of our Sovereign Council, established at *Quebec*,

GREETING:—

By the Decree of which an Extract is hereunto annexed under the Counter-seal of our Chancery, this day given in our Council of State, we being present, we have permitted all noblemen and gentlemen residing in *New France*, to carry on trade both by land and sea, and to sell and vend merchandize, by wholesale and retail, without that by reason thereof they be subject to be called to account or be reputed to have acted derogatorily, and we have decreed that they shall be maintained in their privileges as before; For these reasons we enjoin and command you by these presents, signed by our hand to cause the said Decree to be read, published and registered and the said noblemen and gentlemen to use and enjoy the contents thereof, and of these presents fully and peaceably, forbearing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances to the contrary, for such is our pleasure.

Given

Given at *Versailles*, the tenth day of the month of March in the year of grace, one thousand six hundred and eighty five, and of our Reign the forty second.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

And lower down, "By the King's command."

(Signed) "COLBERT."

And sealed with the Great Seal with yellow wax.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council
Letter E. Folio 93.*

22nd May, 1685.

Patent of Nobility granted to the Sieur *Godefroy de Tonnancourt* for his Military Services.

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE.

To all present and to come :—

GREETING :

OUR dear and well beloved *René Godfroy de Tonnancourt*, Lieutenant General of our ordinary jurisdiction for the Town of *Three Rivers*, in our Country of *New France*, has represented to us that the late King our most honored Lord and great-grandfather having been informed that *Jean Godefroy* his grandfather had been one of the first to exert himself in the formation of the said Colony and had been at great expence as well in clearing lands as in His Majesty's Service against the *Iroquois*, who waged at that time a cruel warefare against our subjects in the said Country, that he had fought daily with the Savages, accompanied by one of his brother and ten of his children, of whom five were killed and his brother taken prisoner and burned by those barbarians, that the late King in consideration of his Services, granted him a Patent of Nobility in the year one thousand six hundred and sixty eight, which was delivered to him by the Sieur *Talon* Intendant in the said Country, as appears by the letters which he wrote to him on the sixteenth of September and tenth of November in the same year, that the said Patent of Nobility cannot be enregistered in the Superior Council at *Quebec*, because it was addressed to the Parliament of *Paris*, that it was delivered to the Sieur *Duchesneau* the succeeding Intendant in the said Country, who sent a copy of it to the Sieur *Colbert* minister of State, who answered him in one thousand six hundred and seventy seven that he required the original of the said Patent of Nobility. in order to affix to it the counter-seal of Letters Patent of change of address, that the said original was sent

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to him, but that whether it was lost on its way, or mislaid in his office, no one has ever been able to find it, with all the diligence that could be used in searching, that the said *Sieur Colbert* knew perfectly well that this Patent of Nobility had been granted, since he sent in the year one thousand six hundred and seventy eight, an order from the King enjoining the said Superior Council to proceed to its enregistrement, notwithstanding it was addressed to the Parliament of *Paris*, which order could not be executed, the said Patent not having been sent back at the same time by the said *Sieur Colbert*, that nevertheless the said *Sieur Duchesneau* made an Ordinance on the eight of July, one thousand six hundred and eighty one, by which he maintained the late *Michel Godefroy de Linctot*, the eldest son of the said late *Jean Godefroy* in his nobility and forbid his being disturbed, on pain of a fine of one hundred and fifty livres, that the *Sieur de Meulle*, the succeeding Intendant of the said Country, who had received orders to call pretended nobles to account, in like manner maintained the said *Sieur Linctot* in his station by his ordinance of the eight of June, one thousand six hundred and eighty five, and praying us to maintain him and his decendants in the nobility of which he is in possession, and as we are informed that the said late *Sieur Jean Godefroy* and the said *Godefroy de Tonnancourt*, have always lived like nobles, that in all Deeds they have been stiled nobles and that they have served and do serve us advantageously in our Colony of *New France*, we have determined to maintain the said *Sieur Godefroy de Tonnancourt*, in the nobility of which he his in possession and even to ennoble him in so far as may be necessary ; For these reasons and other good considerations, after having caused to be examined in our Council, compared copies of the letters written by the said *Sieur Talon* to the said late *Jean Godefroy* on the sixteenth of September and tenth of November, one thousand six hundred and sixty eight, and of the ordinances made by the said *Sieurs Duchesneau* and *de Meulle*, on the eight of July, one thousand six hundred and eighty one, and on the eight of June, one thousand six hundred and eighty five, hereunto affixed under the counter-seal of our Chancery, by the advice of our very dear and much loved uncle the Duke of *Orleans*, Grandson of a King of *France*, Regent, of our very dear and much loved cousin the Duke of *Bourbon*, and of our very dear and much loved cousin the Prince of *Conty*, Princes of our blood, of our very dear and much loved uncle the Duke of *Maine* and of our very dear and much love uncle the *Comte de Toulanze*, legitimatized Princes, and other Peers of *France* and great and notable personages of our Kingdom, and of our especial grace, full power and Royal authority, we have confirmed and maintained, and by these presents, signed by our hand, we do confirm and maintain the said *René Godefroy de Tonnancourt* in the nobility granted to the said late *Jean Godefroy*, and in so far as may be necessary, we have again ennobled and do again ennoble, and with the title and rank of a noble have dignified and do dignify him ; and it is our will and pleasure that he be held deemed and reputed, as we do hold deem and repute him a noble, as well in judicial proceedings as elsewhere, together with his children and decendants, both male and female, born and to be born in lawful marriage, that as such he may attain to all degrees of Knighthood and other titles

reserved for our Nobility, and that they may use and enjoy all the rights, prerogatives, privileges, pre-eminences, franchises and exemptions, liberties and immunities which the ancient nobility of our Kingdom may and are accustomed to enjoy, so long as he shall live like a noblemen and shall commit no derogatory action, and also that he may continue to possess all noble Fiefs, Estates and Seigniories and even acquire hold and possess new ones of what kind soever they may be; and we do permit the said *Sieur de Tonnancourt* and his children and descendants, both male and female, born and to be born in lawful marriage, to wear coats of arms, with a crest such as shall be determined and blazoned by the *Sieur d'Hozier*, Judge at arms of *France* and such as they shall be painted and represented in these presents, with power to cause them to be painted, engraved and sculptured, if they are not so already in such places in their houses, Estates and Seigniories as they may see fit, without that by reason hereof he or his descendants be liable to pay to us or to the Kings our Successors, any fee or indemnity, of which to whatever sums they may amount, we have made him and by these presents, do make him a present, and without their being liable to be troubled or called to account for any cause or on any occasion whatever, on condition that the said *Sieur Godefroy de Tonnancourt* live like a noblemen and without doing any derogatory action.

And we do command our beloved and faithful Councillors the Members of our Court of Parliament, Court of *Exchequer* and Court of *Aids* at *Paris*, our Superior Council at *Quebec*, the Treasurers of *France* and others, our Judicial Officers to whom it may appertain, to cause these presents to be enregistered and the said *Sieur Godefroy de Tonnancourt* together with his children and descendants, male and female, born and to be born in lawful marriage, to use and enjoy the contents hereof, fully peaceably and perpetually forbearing and causing to discontinue all troubles, inquiries and other hindrances whatsoever, notwithstanding any Edicts, Declarations, Decrees and Regulations to the contrary, from which and from all things derogatory to the derogatory matters therein contained, we have derogated and do derogate in this instance only, without its being a precedent. For such is our pleasure.

And in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our Seal to be affixed to these presents, saving in other things our rights and those of others in all things.

Given at *Paris*, in the month of March in the year of grace, one thousand seven hundred and eighteen and of our Reign the third. (Signed,) "Louis" and on the fold, By the King's Command, the Duke of *Orleans*, Regent, being present "*Philippeaux*" and on the same fold there is written Registered, after hearing the King's Attorney General, to the end that the effects and contents thereof may be enjoyed by the grantee, his children and descendants, male and female, born and to be born in lawful marriage, and that the same may be extended according to its form and tenor, in pursuance of the Decree of this day, at *Paris*, in Parliament,

the twenty third of May, one thousand seven hundred and eighteen. (Signed,) "GILBERT" with a flourish, *visa M. R. de Voyer Dargenson* for confirmation of Nobility to *Réné Godefroy de Tonnancourt*, (Signed,) "PHELIPPEAUX" and afterwards there is written Registered in the Court of *Aids*, after hearing the King's Attorney General in order to be executed according to its form and tenor and that the said *Réné Godefroy de Tonnancourt*, together with his children and descendants born and to be born in lawful marriage, may enjoy the privileges immunities and exemptions which the other nobles of the Kingdom enjoy, so long as they shall live like nobles and not commit any action derogatory to their Nobility, on payment of a fine of one hundred and fifty livres for the poor. Done at *Paris*, the sixth of July, one thousand seven hundred and eighteen. (Signed,) "COLLART" with a flourish, and on the said fold there is also written, transcribed and registered in the Court of *Exchequer* of the King our Sire in the Register of charters of the present times, His Majesty's Attorney General having been heard after previous inquiry into the character and conduct, age, origin, Roman, Catholic and Apostolic Religion, property and ability of the grantee by one of the said Councillors Members of the said Court appointed for that purpose, to the end that the effects and contents thereof may be enjoyed by the said grantee, his children and descendants, born and to be born in lawful marriage, in consideration of the sum of thirty livres, paid by him which has been given in alms, the twenty fifth of January, one thousand seven hundred and twenty. (Signed,) "LECLERC DE LESSEVILLE" Councillor, Master of the Reports, and afterwards "Registered" with a flourish.

Charles Dossier, Councillor to the King, Genealogist of his family, judge at arms and keeper of the General Peerage of *France*, knight of *Malta*, and of the Military orders of *St. Maurice* and *St. Lazarre* of *Savoy*, after having seen the Letters Patent, by way of Charters, given at *Paris*, in the month of March, of the present year one thousand seven hundred and eighteen, (Signed,) "Louis" and on the fold, by the King's command, the Duke of *Orleans*, Regent, being present, "*Phelippeau*," by which His Majesty, confirming the grant of Nobility, made by the late King his Great Grand father to the late *Sieur Jean Godefroy* by Letters Patent of the month of September, in the year of one thousand six hundred and sixty eight, ennobles anew, in so far as may be necessary, the *Sieur René Godefroy*, his grandson, Lieutenant General, in the Town of *Three Rivers*, in *Canada*, within the jurisdiction of the City of *Quebec*, and ennobles also his children and descendants, male and female, born and to be born in lawful marriage; We, in execution of the clause which permits to wear coats of arms with a crest, such as shall be determined and blazoned in the said Letters Patent, have determined for the coats of arms which the said *Sieur de Tonnancourt* his children and descendants, shall wear in future a shield azure with a sword argent, placed in pale, the joint above, the guard and the hilt, also argent, alongside of two crescents, the same each supporting an ear of wheat or, with stalks and leaves sinople, this shield having for its crests a helmet in profile adorned with its mantles, argent, azure, or and sinople;

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and to the end that this regulation which we have enregistered in the register of regulations of the coats of arms of those whom it pleases the King to ennoble may be of use to the said *Sieur Gedefroy de Tonnancourt* and to his children, we have given him the present *acte* thereof, to be attached under the counter-seal of the Chancery, we have signed it with our sign manual and we have caused the impress of our seal at arms to be put to it, at *Paris* on saturday, the ninth of April, one thousand seven hundred and eighteen.

(Signed,) "DOSSIER."

Extract from the Register of the Court of Aids.

The Court having seen the King's Letters Patent, given at *Paris*, in the month of March, one thousand seven hundred and eighteen, (Signed,) "LOUIS," and on the fold by the King's command the Duke of *Orleans* regent being present "*Phélippeau*," *visà* "*Le Voyer d'Argenson*" and sealed with green wax, obtained by *René Godefroy de Tonnancourt* Lieutenant General of the jurisdiction of the Town of *Three Rivers* in the Country of *New France* by which and for the reasons therein mentioned our said Lord the King confirmed and maintained the said *Tonnancourt* in the nobility granted to the late *Jean Godefroy* his grand father, and in so far as might be necessary, did enoble him anew and did declare his will and pleasure that he should be held deemed and reputed, as well in judicial proceedings as otherwise, born and to be born in lawful marriage, that as such they may attain to all degrees of knighthood and other titles reserved for the nobility, as more fully set forth in the said Letters Patent, to his Court directed, a petition for the enregistration of the said Letters Patent presented to the said Court by the said *René Godefroy de Tonnancourt*, a decree of the Court of the thirtieth of May 1718, by which the said Court, before deciding on the question of the enregistration of the said Letters Patent ordered that within eight days, at the furthest inquiry should be made before *Maitre Jacques Cromot de Vassy*, Councillor, appointed for that purpose into the facts contained and mentioned in the said Letters Patent, with the King's Attorney General only, and the said Attorney General on the contrary, if he see fit within the said time, in order that the Court may decree therein according to law, the service made of the said decree, the inquiry made before the said *Maitre Jacques Cromot*, Councillor, and the whole being considered the Court hath ordered and doth order that the said Letters Patent be enregistered in the Registry thereof, in order that they may be executed according their form and tenor, and that the said *René Godefroy de Tonnancourt*, together with his children and descendants, born and to be born in lawful marriage, may enjoy the privileges, which the other nobles of the Kingdom enjoy, so long as may shall live like nobles and commit no action derogatory to their nobility, and on payment of a fine of one hundred and fifty livres for the poor. Done at *Paris*, in the first Chamber of the said Court of *Aids*, the sixth of July, one thousand seven hundred and eighteen.

(Signed,) "OLIVIER," with a flourish.

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Extrctd from the Register of the Parliament.

The Court having seen the King's Letters Patent, given *et Paris*, in the month of March, one thousand seven hundred and eighteen, obtained by Maitre *René Godefroy de Tonnancourt*, Lieutenant General of the jurisdiction of the Court of the Town of *Three Rivers*, in the Country of *New France*, by which and for the reason therein mentioned, the Lord, King, did confirm and maintain the grantee in the grant of nobility granted to the late *Jean Godefroy de Tonnancourt*, his grand father and in so far as might be necessary, did anew ennoble him and give him the title and rank of a noble, as more fully contained in the said Letters Patent to this Court; directed;—Having seen also official enquiry made at the request of the King's Attorney General, on the eleventh of May, 1718, by order of the Court by the Councillor appointed for that purpose into the conduct, character, conversation and fidelity to the King's service of the said grantee, the petition presented to the Court by the said grantee for the enregistration of the said Letters Patent, and the conclusions of the King's Attorney General, after the hearing of the Report of the Sieur *René Lemeunier* Councillor. And the whole being considered, the Court orders that the said Letters Patent be enregistered in the Registry of the Court, in order that the grantee his children and descendants, male and female, born and to be born in lawful marriage, may enjoy the effects and contents thereof, and that the same may be executed according to their form and tenor. Done at *Paris*, in Parliament the twenty third of May, one thousand six hundred and eighteen.

(Signed,)

“GILBERT,” with a flourish.

Michel Godefroy de Linctot, Esquire, Seigneur of *Dutors*, acting as well for himself as for his brothers and sisters and descendants humbly prays my Lord the Intendant, saying that in the year one thousand six hundred and sixty eight Monsieur *Talon* at that time, Intendant in this Contry, sent to him Letters Patent of nobility which it had pleased His Majesty to grant to *Jean Godefroy*, his father, which were placed in the hands of the Sieur *Duchesneau*, in the year, one thousand six hundred and seventy seven, to be sent to Monseigneur *Colbert* for the purpose of obtaining a royal order directing them to the Sovereign Council of this Country for enregistration and which remained in *France* as it appears by the declaration of Monsieur *Duchesneau*, who in consequence of the above facts, forbids all persons from disturbing the Petitioner in the enjoyments of his nobility, on pain of a fine of one hundred and fifty livres, the said *acte* of 8 July 1781, hereto annexed. Considering this, may it please you, my Lord, having seen the letters of Monseigneur *Talon* hereto annexed with the original of the said *acte*, to order that the said Petitioner, as a son of *Jean Godefroy* take the title of Esquire, and other rights appartaining thereto, and that it shall be forbidden to trouble him or his brothers and sisters and descendants in the enjoyment of their rights, and he prays you to give notice thereof to His Majesty, in order that steps may be taken for the restitution of the said Letters Patent or the

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dispatch of others, which may serve as those which have been lost in the manner hereinbefore stated would have done, and the said Petitioner, with all his family. will be bound to pray to God for your health and prosperity. (Signed,) "*Boisvinet*," by special power of Attorney from the said *Sieur Godefroy*.

Having seen the above Petition and the documents therein mentioned, we decree that the Petitioner, his brothers, sisters and descendants, may take the title of nobles and Esquires, without any one, being allowed to trouble them, until it shall have please His Majesty to make known to us his intentions in regard to the matters set forth in the said documents. Done at *Quebec*, the eight June, one thousand six hundred and eighty five.

(Signed,) "DE MEULLE,"

And lower down, By order of my Lord. "PEUVRET."

Jacques Duchéneau, Knight, Member of the King's Councils, Intendant of Justice Police and Finance in *Canada* and the Country of *Northern New France*, in consequence of what has been represented to us by the *Sieur Godefroy de Linctot*, eldest son of the *Sieur Godefroy* ennobled together with his descendants by His Majesty, that the original of the Letters Patent of nobility granted to his said father were placed in our hands in the year, 1677, to be sent to *Monseigneur Colbert* in order to obtain a royal order directing them to the Superior Council of this Country, for enregistrement, since which time, neither the said Letters Patent, nor the said royal order of direction have been sent back, having seen the letter from *Monseigneur Colbert*, dated at *Paris*, the twenty eighth of April, 1677, by which he advised us that we should not receive the said royal order of direction, that year, inasmuch as we had not sent the original of the said Letters Patent of nobility to be attached under the counter seal of the said Letters Patent of nobility were placed in our hands in the year 1677, which we sent to the said *Monseigneur Colbert* the same year, we most expressly prohibit and forbid all persons from disturbing the *Sieur Godefroy* in the enjoyment of his nobility, on pain of a fine of one hundred and fifty livres, to the payment of which the offenders against this our ordinance shall be compelled by all reasonable and proper means.

AND WE DO COMMAND &c.

Done at *Quebec*, this eighth of July, one thousand six hundred and eighty one. (Signed,) "*DUCHESNEAU*" and By order of my Lord.

"CHEVALLIER."

SIR,

The restoration of my health having made me determine to attend to my own affairs in *France*, therefore not being able myself to deliver to you the Letters Patent of Nobility intended for you, as I promised you I would do next spring, I place

place them in the hands of Monsieur *de la Potterie* your relative, rejoicing with you at this mark of distinction which the King confers on your family. I cannot give you any part of my arms to insert in your own in order that your escutcheon may be filled up, but if you please to add to it a sword with a crescent, I place it at your disposal. I shall ascertain in *France*, if it is necessary to get them enregistered in the Royal Courts mentioned in this letter, and in that case I will let you know. I recommend the King to the prayers of your family, and I tell you that they cannot give him too many. You will oblige me if you give him a share of yours. Nevertheless, I assure you that I am, Sir, your most humble and most affectionate Servant, (Signed,) "TALLON,"

At *Quebec*, this 10th November, 1668.

SIR,

The King having acknowledged the merit of the service which you have rendered him in this Country, His Majesty has been pleased to distinguish you from his other subjects who inhabit it, by a badge of honor, by granting to you Letters Patent of Nobility, which I can assure you are expressed in good form, making your sons gentlemen and your daughters gentlewomen, with the advantage of being able to attain to all degrees of Knighthood and of *gendarmerie*, in the same manner as all the other nobles of his Kingdom. I am very glad to give you this notice in order that you may let me know whether I shall send them to you or whether you, will come down here to receive them. I wish you would send me that one of your children who can speak *Huron* and *Iroquois* best, and be well assured that I am most truly, Sir, your most humble and most obedient servant, (Signed,) "TALLON," at *Quebec*, this 26th September, 1668.

I request Monsieur *de Boisvinet* to appear before Monseigneur the Intendant to answer the decree of the Council of State for the investigation of Nobility, and these presents shall serve as a Special Power of Attorney to him. Done at *Dutours*, the twenty second of May, one thousand six hundred and eighty five.

(Signed,) DE LINCTOT,

Registered, the King's Attorney General having been heard and requiring it to be done, in pursuance of the Decree of the Superior Council of this day, by me Registrar and Clerk of the said Council, this thirteenth of October, one thousand seven hundred and twenty one.

(Signed,) "BARBEL."

Extract from the Register of the Intendance, Book No. 4. Folio 1.

18th April, 1690.

Settlement of the concession of *Miramichy* made to the *Sieur Denis de Fronsac*.

JEAN BROCHART, Knight, Seigneur of *Champigny*, &c., Commissioner appointed to execute the decree of the King's Council of the 17th April 1687.

Having seen the said decree and Commission thereupon obtained, directed to us, by which we are ordered to settle and limit for the *Sieur Nicolas Denis* an extent of land, at the rate of the most considerable concessions granted in this Country, upon the conditions therein expressed, we conformably to the said decree and having heard the *Sieur Richard Denis de Fronsac*, son of the said *Nicolas*, and acting for him, have settled and limited the Concession of the said *Nicolas Denis*, at fifteen leagues in front by fifteen leagues in depth, at the place called *Miramichy*, in *Acadia*, one league to be taken towards the south east from the River *aux Truites*, the said River included, and the other fourteen leagues towards the north west, with the points, islands and islets which may be found along the said fifteen leagues of frontage, on condition that he will clear it, that is to say, one third in three years, from this day, and the remainder in the three following years, in default of which, and after the expiration of the said period, he shall forfeit it, and the said extent shall be re-united to His Majesty's Domain, to be disposed of at His Majesty's pleasure; and we do forbid the said *Denis* from carrying on any trade of fishery in any part or portion of the said Country, either by sea or by land, elsewhere than in the fifteen leagues hereinbefore limited, and from giving any trouble or hindrance to those who are or may be established there, under any pretext whatever, as also from carrying on or allowing to be carried on any trade with the Indians in the woods and in the interior, under the penalty mentioned in the regulations, the whole in conformity with the said decree of the King's Council. Done at *Quebec*, this 18th of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety.

BOCHART *Champigny*.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter B. Folio 128.*

February, 1692.

Patent of Nobility of Mr. *Nicolas Juchereau de St. Denis* and his family.

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE.

To all present and to come—

GREETING:—

AMONG the services which deserve reward, there are none which we hold in higher consideration than those of persons of spirit who have spared neither their property, nor their lives for the preservation of our State and the public welfare; therefore in the distribution which we make of our favors, we have considered that in order adequately to reward their merit, it would be just to distribute to them, such favors as might satisfy their laudable ambition, as does a title of Nobility, which raises them as much above the common level as it commends them to us, especially when it derives its source from real virtue and generosity; and being well informed that these fine qualities are found in the person of our dear and well beloved *Nicolas Juchereau de St. Denis*, who, animated by the blood of a genteel descent and breeding, has from his tenderest years, shewn a heart full of ardor and generosity, and that he preferred nothing to the honor of serving us and his Country, of which he gave proofs, as soon as his strength became equal to his courage; That his first step was to go over in the year, one thousand six hundred and forty, from *France* to *Canada*, with his father who carried away with him a sufficiently large fortune, which he spent in that Colony, where, instead of trading like many other persons, he was one of the first who applied themselves entirely, according to our intentions, to the formation of considerable establishments, and to getting land cleared and cultivated;—That when the *Sieurs de Tracy* and *de Courcelles* went over to that Country, in the year one thousand six hundred and sixty one, being desirous of undertaking a war against the *Iroquois*, they chose persons capable of commanding the militia, and gave a company of it to the said *Juchereau de St. Denis*, who made in the same year the campaign of *Aniez*, with the said *Sieur de Courcelles*, and that of the autumn of one thousand six hundred and sixty two, with the said *Sieur de Tracy*, who having been satisfied with his conduct, gave him charge of that Company of militia, which he always commanded in all the expeditions and campaigns which have been made since that time; and finally, in the year one thousand six hundred and ninety, when he was sixty six years of age, the English having come to besiege *Quebec*, a detachment of eighty settlers was given to him to command and was posted directly where the English made their attack, which he opposed with such force, that he killed several and withstood them until being wounded and having an arm broken, he was obliged to retire and to yeild to the great numbers of the said English, who were at least twelve hundred; That ever since we have sent troops to *Canada*, his children have always served, as well in the capacity of Volunteers, as

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in that of Officers; and being desirous of showing towards the said *Juchereau* the same acknowledgments and honors which we grant to those of his merit, and to dignify him with a badge so advantageous and honorable, that it may not only proclaim his virtues, but also incite his descendants to emulate and imitate him, of our certain knowledge, especial grace, full power and Royal authority, we, by these presents, signed with our hand, have ennobled and do ennoble, and with the title of gentlemen, have dignified and do dignify the said *Sieur Juchereau de St. Denis*, his children and descendants, born and to be born in lawful marriage; and it is our will and pleasure that in all parts and places, as well in legal proceedings as otherwise, they be held and reputed nobles and gentlemen, and as such take the title of Esquires, and be free to attain to all degrees of Knighthood and other dignities, titles and qualities reserved for the nobility, and may use and enjoy all the privileges, honors, pre-eminences, franchises and exemptions, which the ancient nobles of our Kingdom enjoy, so long as they shall live like nobles and commit no derogatory action, and may hold and possess all Fiefs, Estates and Seignories, which he has and may acquire hereafter, of whatever title, name, quality or nature they may be, and wear arms, with a crest, such as they are stamped hereon, and cause them to be engraved, painted and sculptured in his houses, Estates and Seignories as he may see fit, the whole in the same way as if the said *Juchereau de St. Denis*, and his children, were descended from a noble and ancient race, without their being held to pay to us, nor to the Kings our Successors, for the same, any fee or indemnity of which, to whatever sum it may amount, we have made him and by these presents do make him a gift.

And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful Councillors, the Members of our Courts of Parliament, Court of *Exchequer* and Court of *Aids* at *Paris*, and other Courts, to cause these our present Letters of Nobility to be registered, and the said *Juchereau de St. Denis* and his children, born and to be born in lawful marriage, to use and enjoy the contents of the same, fully, peaceably and perpetually, discontinuing and causing to be discontinued all troubles and hindrances, notwithstanding all ordinances and revocations, ancient and well as modern, regulations and decrees to the contrary from which, in this respect only, we have derogated and do derogate by these presents. For such is our pleasure.

And in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our Seal to be set to these presents.

Given at *Versailles*, in the month of February, in the year of grace, one thousand six hundred and ninety two, and of our Reign the forty ninth.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"

And on the fold, "By the King's Command,"

"PHELIPPEAUX," with a flourish.

sealed with the Great Seal, in green wax, on strings of crimson and green silk, and a side of it.—*visa*—

"BOUCHERAT."

For

For Letters of Nobility to *Nicolas Juchereau de St. Denis*, and on the said fold there is also written, transcribed and registered in the Court of *Exchequer* of the King our Sire, in the Register of Charters of this time, the King's Attorney General having been heard and an enquiry first made into the conduct, character, age, origin, Roman, Catholic and Apostolic religion, property and ability of the Petitioners, children of the grantee by one of the Councillors, masters in ordinary in the said Court appointed for that purpose, to the end that the said Petitioners and their children and descendants, born and to be born in lawful marriage, may enjoy the effects and contents hereof, in consideration of the sum of twelve livres by them paid, which has been turned and applied to charitable purposes, in pursuance of the decree in this behalf made on the sixteenth of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety seven.

(Signed,)

" PACHAUD,"

Councillor, *Mtre. Rapporteur*.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter B. Folio 127.*

March 1693.

Patent of Nobility for the *Sieur Aubert de la Chesnais* and his children and descendants born and to be born.

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE.

To all present and to come :—

GREETING :—

THE particular attention which we have always paid as opportunity offered to the rewarding of virtue of whatever station it might be found, has induced us to give tokens of our esteem and satisfaction, not only to those of our subjects who have distinguished themselves in the army and at the Bar, but also to those who have applied themselves to maintain and increase commerce ; it is this which has incited us to grant Patents of nobility to one and another, and to cause the tokens of our regard for them to descent to their posterity, in order to acknowledge their services, to renew their emulation and to induce their descendants to follow their footsteps ; and as very favorable accounts have been given to us of the merit of the *Sieurs Aubert de la Chesnais*, son of the *Sieur Aubert* in his life time, Intendant of the fortifications of the Citadel, Town of *Amiens*, and of the considerable advantages which he has procured to the commerce of *Canada*, since the year 1655, when he established himself there, we have believed that we ought to treat him as favorably, the more so as, having by our Edict of the year 1664, formed a new Company in the said Country of *Canada*, for the propagation of the faith, the increase of commerce and the establishment of the French in this said country and the Indies, he successfully made settlements for the said Company under our authority, until the re-union of

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of the said Country to our domain, in which he laboured with much success; he even spent very considerable sums for the good of the Colony, and its increase, and particularly in the clearing and cultivation of a large extent of ground in several separate settlements and in the construction of several fine houses and other buildings; he followed the Sieurs *de La Barre* and *de Denonville*, heretofore Governors and our Lieutenant Generals in the said Country, in all the warlike incursions which they made, and on all occasions he exposed himself to all sorts of dangers and gave proofs of his courage and valor, and particularly in the attempts which those two Lieutenants Generals made against the *Iroquois*, *Sonnontouans* our enemies, in whose country he took possession in our name of the principal ports, and of the Fort of the said *Iroquois*, as well as of all the lands conquered by our arms; he had one of his sons killed in our Service, and the elder ones of five who are left to him, are now in it and have already distinguished themselves in the said Country; For these reasons, being desirous of shewing to the said *Sieur de La Chesnais*, the same favors which we grant to those of his merit, of our special full power and royal authority, we have ennobled and do ennoble him by these presents, signed with our hand, together with his children, descendants and progeny, male and female, born and to be born in lawful marriage whom we have dignified and do dignify with the title of nobility, and it is our will and pleasure that they be hence forward, held, deemed and reputed nobles in all deeds and places, as well in judicial proceedings as out of them, and that they may call and entitle themselves Esquires, and attain to all degrees of knighthood and of our *gendarmerie*, acquire hold and possess all fiefs and noble estates, without being compelled to give them up, and enjoy all the honors, prerogatives, privileges, franchises, liberties, exemptions and immunities which the other nobles of our Kingdom, and those who are descended from an ancient and noble race enjoy, permitting the said *Sieur de la Chesnais* and his descendants, to wear Escutcheons and coats of arms with crests, such as they are sketched for him by the judge at arms of *France*, and stamped hereon, and to cause the same to be painted, engraved and sculptured in his houses and other places belonging to him, as he may see fit, without his being bound by reason hereof, to pay to us and to the Kings our successors, any fee or indemnity, from which we have released him and do release him, and of which, so far as need may be, we have made him and do make him a gift by these presents in consideration of the services which he has rendered us, and is now rendering us, as also from all the other taxes imposed or to be imposed upon persons ennobled, or upon those who have assumed the rank of nobles or of Esquires, without this being a precedent, on condition, however of living like a noble and of not doing any act derogatory to nobility, it being our will that the said *Sieur de la Chesnais*, be inscribed on the catalogue of the gentlemen of our Kingdom.

And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful, the Members of our Court of *Exchequer* and Court of *Aids* at *Paris*, our Sovereign Council established at *Quebec*, and to all others our judges and officers to whom it may appertain, to enregister these presents and cause the said *Sieur de la Chesnais*, his children, descen-

dants and progeny, both male and female, born an to be born in lawful marriage, to use and enjoy the contents hereof, fully, peceably, and perpetually, without his being held to make any proof of his services, from which we have dispensed and do dispense him in consequence of the certainty whichwe have of them, and with which we are very well satisfied, discontinuing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances to the contrary, notwithstanding all Edicts, Declarations, Decrees, Ordinances, Regulations and Letters contrary to these present, ancient as well as modern, from which and from what is derogatory from the derogations therein contained, we have derogated and do derogate by the same presents; For such is our pleasure, and in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our seal to be set to these said presents.

Given at *Versailles*, in the month of March, in the year of grace, one thousand six hundred and ninety three, and of our Reign the fiftieth.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"

And on the fold, "By the King's command."

(Signed,) "PHELIPEAUX."

visâ "BOUCHERAT."

For Letters Patent of Nobility to the *Sieur de la Chesnais*, and seal with the great seal in green wax on strings of crimson and green silk.

Registered and copied in the Court of *Exchequer* of the King our Sire, in the Register of Charters of this time, His Majesty's Attorney General having been heard and an inquiry first made concerning the conduct, character, age, religion, property and ability of the grantee by one of the Councillors, Master in Ordinary in in the said Court appointed for that purpose, to the end that the grantee and his children and descendants, born and to be born in lawful marriage, may enjoy the effect and contents thereof, in consideration of the sum of sixty livres by him paid, which has been converted and applied to charitable purposes, the twenty sixth of April, one thousand six hundred and ninety four.

(Signed,) "DE LA SALLE,"

Councillor *Me. Rapporteur*.

Registered in the Court of *Aids*, after hearing the King's Attorney General, to be executed according to their form and tenor, and that the said *Charles Aubert*, *Sieur de la Chenais* the grantee, together with his children, born and to be born in lawful marriage, may enjoy the privileges, exemptions and immunities, which the other nobles of the Kingdom, enjoy so long as they shall live like nobles and shall not commit any action derogatory to nobility, on payment by the said *Sieur*

de la Chesnais of a fine for the poor, of the sum of one hundred and fifty livres. At *Paris*, the twelfth of March, one thousand six hundred and ninety nine.

(Signed) "PERRET," with a flourish.

The Letters Patent of nobility of the said *Sieur de la Chesnais*, of which there is a copy above, have been registered in the present Register of Enrolments of the said Sovereign Council of *Quebec*, in pursuance of its decree of this day, by me the undersigned Councillor Secretary to the King, Registrar in Chief of the said Council, at *Quebec* aforesaid, the eleventh of January, one thousand seven hundred.

(Signed,) "A. PEUVRET," with a flourish.

Extract from the Ordinances of Raudot, Intendant, No. 1. Folio 5.

10th October, 1705.

Ordinance enjoining the judges of *Champlain* and *Batiscan*, to hold their sittings every week.

JACQUES RAUDOT, &c.

Having been informed that the judges of *Champlain* and *Batiscan*, hold their Courts only once in each month, which obliges the settlers in the said places to ask for extraordinary Courts, for which the said judges and their Registrars exact fees. We order that the said judges of *Champlain* and *Batiscan*, shall hold their Courts every week, that is to say, at *Batiscan* on Friday, and at *Champlain* on Saturday, as they are accustomed to do, and we forbid them from holding extraordinary Courts, although they should be required to do so by the parties, and also from taking any fees from the parties, on pain of restitution of four times the amount, otherwise and in default of which, we permit the settlers in the said places, to enter complaints in our Court before the *Lieutenant Civil* of the *Prévosté* of *Three Rivers*; and we do order that the present ordinance be posted up at the doors of the Churches of *Champlain* and *Batiscan*, so that no one may be ignorant of it.

Given at *Quebec*, the 10th of October, 1705.

(Signed) "RAUDOT."

*Extract from the Register of the Ordinances of Raudot, Intendant,
No. 1, Folio 58.*

28th July, 1706.

Ordinance condemning the Inhabitants of *Montreal*, who have lots on the lower street, to pay rents to the Seigneurs, according to their contracts.

Having seen the present Petition and heard the *Sieur Caiche* and the inhabitants, we order that all the inhabitants, being thirteen in number, who possess the said lots, situate in the lower street, shall be held to pay the rents with which the said lots are charged in favor of the Seignors, unless they prefer, in pursuance of the offer of the said Seignors, to restore the said lots to them, on being reimbursed for the buildings which are thereon, and the other outlay which they have made there, according to the award of arbitrators to be agreed upon by the parties, before the *Sieur Daigremont*, our Deputy, which option they shall be bound to make within one month, otherwise the option shall be referred to the said Seignors.

And we do hereby command, &c. Done at *Montreal*, the 28th July, 1706.

(Signed,) RAUDOT.

Extract from the Ordinances of Raudot, Intendant, No. 1. folio 60.

14th August, 1706.

Ordinance made against the *Sieur Dauteuil* and *Madame de la Forest*.

JACQUES RAUDOT, &c.

Although all the inhabitants of the Countries, to which His Majesty has done us the honor to send us, who are of inferior condition to us, have no right either to say or to write any thing inconsistent with the consideration and respect which are due to our character, and that when they do so, it may be said that they make an attempt against his authority, inasmuch as we are charged with his orders, nevertheless the *Sieur Dauteuil* and *Dame de la Forest*, both moved by the said spirit, through resentment at the result of suits before us, which they very justly lost, and thinking to promote the success of those which they will bring in *France*, fill the documents and protests which they cause to be served on their opponents, with calumnies and falsehoods, of which they intend to avail themselves, in order to create an opinion of us in *France*, quite different from that which we left there, and which

we venture to assert, that we have preserved in this Country, to their great regret, and to throw suspicion upon the judgments which we have rendered against them, in which, however, we were guided by that spirit of justice which His Majesty so much recommended to us, which chiefly consists in freeing the poor from the oppression of others, which can only be done in this Country when we take cognizance of their affairs; and as we see that there is no end to these writings, one having been shewn to us again yesterday, served upon the Sieur *Gaillard*, at the request of the said *Dame de la Forest*, which is made without any necessity and merely to have the pleasure of renewing her falsehoods and calumnies, which she did again on leaving *Montreal*, by a protest which she made which is full of them, and deeming it proper to repress such proceedings, we, considering the distance which prevents us from making our complaints to His Majesty, do, subject to his good pleasure, prohibit the same *Dame de la Forest* and the said Sieur *Dauteuil* from inserting in the writings which they shall cause to be served upon their adversaires, any thing inconsistent with the consideration and respect which are due to our character, on pain of a fine of five hundred livres against each of them, one half of which to be given to the General Hospital, and of being condemned in a higher penalty if there be occasion.

AND WE DO COMMAND, &c.

Done at *Quebec*, in our Mansion, the 14th August 1706.

(Signed,)

“ RAUDOT.”

*Extract from the Register of the Ordinances of Raudot, Intendant,
No. 1. Folio 62.*

3rd September, 1706.

Ordinance between the Sieur *de Belmont* and the inhabitants of the Island of *Montreal*, obligating them to pay the rents of their lots to the Seminary of that Town.

JACQUES RAUDOT, &c.

The Sieur *de Belmont*, Superior of the Seminary of the Island of *Montreal*, and Attorney for the Seigniors of the said Island, having represented to us through the Sieur *Rimbaut*, that the individuals named in our Ordinance of the twenty eighth of July last, make many difficulties with him on the subject of the execution of the said Ordinance, pretending that in the compensation to be made to them for the buildings they have erected on their lots and the other outly they have made thereon, in consequence of the words which were inserted in the said Ordinance, they ought to be re-imbursed the cost, not only of the existing buildings, but of those which were formerly erected and have been demolished, as well as the sums which have been paid by the purchasers of the said lots, or the ground-rent with which the lots were charged, although according to the terms of our Ordinance it appears that we intended

intended to condemn them to pay indemnity only for the existing buildings, fences and other betterments on the said lots, and having begged of us to explain our said Ordinance, representing to us also, that some settlers on the lots in question, desire to diminish the rent which they pay for the said lots, at the rate of twenty sous for each foot in front, by twenty two feet in depth, on pretence that words to that effect were inserted in the Petition which he presented to us, on which our said Ordinance of the twenty eighth of July last was made, and asking us also to be pleased to order that the said rents shall be paid to them as they have been heretofore, according to their Deeds of Concession, and that considering that there are some of the settlers to whom the said lots belong who are absent, we would be pleased to order that one year after the said *Sieur de Belmont* shall have caused Summonses to be served at the domiciles of the said absent settlers, and one month after Summonses served personally at the domiciles of those of the said settlers now residing at *Montreal*, calling upon them to pay their rents, he may take back the said lots and re-unite them to the domain of the Seminary at the valuation, which shall be put upon them by arbitrators, one of whom shall be named by him, and the others by the *Sieur Daigremont*, our Deputy for the absentees, and that the said *Sieur de Belmont*, may retain in his hands the amount of the said valuations, to be paid afterwards to whomsoever it may concern; considering all which; We do order that the rents shall be paid by those who shall make choice to keep their lots, as they have been heretofore and according to their Deeds of Concession, and that our said Ordinance of the twenty eighth of July last, shall be executed, and in explanation thereof that the said *Sieur de Belmont*, acting as aforesaid, shall repay, as well to the grantees as to the purchasers of the said lots who may give them up, the value of the existing buildings fences and other betterments on them only, without its being competent to the said settlers to claim any other re-imburements; and we do order, that after the said *Sieur de Belmont*, shall have caused Summonses to be served personally at the domiciles of those of the said settlers now residing at *Montreal*, and at the domiciles of those who are absent, calling upon them to pay their rents and making known to them that in default of their making their option to pay them, the said lots will be re-united to the domain of the said Seigniors, he may, one month after Summonses served upon those who are present, and one year after that served at the domicile of those who are absent, take back the said lots and re-unite them to the domain of the said Seminary, in virtue of the present Ordinance, and without there being any need of another, and that according to the valuation which shall be made of the said buildings, as hereinbefore stated, by arbitrators, one of whom shall be named by him, and the other by the *Sieur Daigremont*, our Deputy, for the absentees, and that the said *Sieur de Belmont* shall retain in his hands the amount of the said valuations, to be paid afterwards to whomsoever it may concern.

WE DO COMMAND, &c.

Made and given at *Quebec*, in our mansion, the third day of September, one thousand seven hundred and six.

(Signed) " RAUDOT."

Extract

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council.
Letter C. Folio 35.*

2nd April, 1707.

Concession by His Majesty of Port *Maltois*, in favor of the *Sieur de Beauharnois*.

25th June, 1707.

Erection of the said Port *Maltois* into a Barony, by the name of *Beauville*, in favor of the said *Sieur de Beauharnois*.

On this day, the second of the month of April, one thousand seven hundred and seven, the King being at *Versailles*, His Majesty being satisfied with the services which the *Sieur de Beauharnois*, Intendant of his Naval Forces, has been rendering him for several years, and of those which he rendered him while he was Intendant of Justice, Police and Finance in *New France*, and being desirous of favoring the design which he has, of forming an establishment on the coast of *Acadia*, at the place called Port *Maltois*, which will not be less advantageous to those of his subjects who may wish to go and settle there, than to those who may go and fish there, His Majesty has granted and conceded to him the said place called Port *Maltois*, including the River, of four leagues in front by two in depth, running towards the Cape, East quarter North East, with the adjacent Islands and Islets, to be enjoyed by him and his heirs or assigns for ever, as their own property by right of Fief and Seigniorly, with superior, ordinary and inferior jurisdiction, and the right of hunting, fishing, and trading with the *Indians*, and other Seigniorial rights, on condition of performing fealty and homage at the Castle of *St. Lewis*, at *Quebec*, of which it will be held, subject to the accustomed dues and duties as occasions arise, according to the custom of *Paris*, without the said *Sieur de Beauharnois*, or his successors or assigns, being held to pay therefor, to His Majesty or to the Kings his Successors, any fee or indemnity of which, to whatever sum it may amount, His Majesty has made a gift and remission by the present patent, which he has been pleased to sign with his hand and to cause to be countersigned by me, a Councillor and Secretary of State and of his household and treasury.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"

And lower down,

(Signed,) "PHELIPEAUX."

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE.

To all present and to come :—

GREETING :

OUR beloved and faithful Councillor in our Councils, the *Sieur de Beauharnois* Intendant of our Naval Forces, has caused it to be represented to us that having pleased to favor the design which he had of forming a considerable establishment on the coast of *Acadia*, at the place called *Port Maltois*, we did conceed to him the said place called *Port Maltois*, including the River, with four leagues in front by two in depth, towards the Cape, on the second of April last, to be enjoyed by him, his heirs or assigns for ever, as their own property by right of Fief and Seigniory with superior, ordinary and inferior jurisdiction, the rights of hunting, fishing, and trading with the *Indians*, and other rights thereunto appertaining, and entreated us to erect that concession into a Barony, by the name of the Barony of *Beauville* and to grant him the advantages which the other Barons of our Kingdom enjoy, and being desirous of treating the said *Sieur de Beauharnois* favorably, as well in consideration of the good and agreeable services which he has rendered us, in the various posts of distinction which we have confided to him for some years past, as on account of the zeal and diligence which he shewed while he was Intendant of Justice Police and Finance in *New France*, in labouring for the increase of the Colony and in promoting the welfare of our subjects who are settled there, and on account of the services which were rendered to us by *Jacques de Beauharnois* his brother, Captain in the first batalion of the Regiment of Maine, killed at the siege of *Mayence*, and those which are now being rendered to us in the several capacities of Captain of a light Frigate, Captain of a Free Company of Mariners, Lieutenant and second Lieutenant of a Ship of war, by the *Sieurs Charles, Claude, Jean, François* and *Guillaume de Beauharnois* his brothers, who entered the service as soon as they were able to bear arms, and have given us proofs of their bravery and fidelity in all the military expeditions and actions in which they have been engaged, in imitation of the services which the late *François de Beauharnois* in his life time, Esquire, *Sieur de la Boische* and *de la Chaussée*, their father, rendered to us on those occasions, when we have been obliged to call together the nobility of our Kingdom, following in the footsteps of his ancestors, some of whom for services rendered to us and to the Kings our predecessors, at the Bar and in the Army, were appointed Councillors of State, honored with the collar of the Order of *Saint Michael*, and invested with important offices and military appointments. In consideration of which we have thought that it would be just in us to transmit to posterity, some tokens of the satisfaction which we feel at the services which the said *Sieur de Beauharnois*, and his said brothers, continue to render to us, and to give to their descendants a motive of noble emulation, inducing them to follow their examples; For these reasons, of our especial grace full, power and royal authority, we have created, erected, promoted and dignified, and by these presents, signed with our hand, we do create, erect, promote and dignify the said Estate and Seigniory of *Port Maltois*, situate in the Country of *Acadia*, in *New France*, a Barony by title, name and rank, under the name of *Beauville*, to be enjoyed by the said *Sieur de Beauharnois*

Beauharnois, his children or assigns and their descendants, in lawful marriage, fully and peaceably, holding under us, in right of our Crown, by one single act of fealty and homage, and the acknowledgment and enumeration required by the laws of our Kingdom, and the custom of *Paris*, followed in the said Country, by the said title, name and rank of a Barony; and it is our will that they be at liberty to call, name and entitle themselves Barons in all judicial or other instruments and proceedings, that they enjoy the rights of wearing and blazoning coats of arms, honors, prerogatives, rank and pre-eminence in point of war and meetings of nobles and others, the same as the other Barons of our Kingdom, that the vassals, sub-vassals and others holding under the said Seignior, either by noble or ignoble tenure, do acknowledge them for Barons and deliver to them their acknowledgments, enumerations and declarations, as occasion may require, the said title which it is likewise our will shall be inserted in the judgments which shall be rendered by the officers employed in the administration of justice to the said vassals and other persons, subject to their jurisdiction, the whole by the said title of Barons *de Beauville*, without however the said vassals being liable in consequence of the contents of these presents, to any other or greater dues or duties than those with which they are charged at present, and without any change of or infringement upon the jurisdiction of cases reserved for the cognizance of the Royal Courts, and without that in default of heirs male, born in lawful marriage, we, nor the Kings our successors, should have any right to claim that the said Barony shall be re-united to our domain, according to the Ordinance of the month of July, one thousand five hundred and sixty six, from which in that respect we have derogated and do derogate by these presents.

And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful Councillors, the Members of our Superior Council established at *Quebec*, in the said Country of *New France*, to cause these presents to be registered and the said *Sieur de Beauharnois*, his heirs or assigns, and their children, descendants and progeny, to use and enjoy the contents thereof fully, peaceably and perpetually, discontinuing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances to the contrary; For such is our pleasure. And in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our seal to be affixed to these presents.

Given at *Versailles*, the twenty fifth day of the month of June, in the year of grace, one thousand seven hundred and seven, and of our Reign the sixty fifth.

(Signed,) "LOUIS,"

And on the fold, "By the King's command."

(Signed,) "PHELYPEAUX,"

And one side *visà Phelypeaux*, for the erection of the estate of Port *Maltois* into a Barony, by the name of the Barony *de Beauville*, and sealed with the great seal in green wax, on strings of read and green silk.

Extract

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter E. Folio 53.*

2nd May, 1707.

Concession of the Fief *Cloridan*, in *Acadia*, to the Sieur *Charles Morin*.

PHILIPPES DE RIGAUD, Marquis of *Vaudreuil*, Knight of the Military Order of *St. Louis*, Governor and Lieutenant General of all *New France*.

JACQUES RAUDOT, Member of the King's Councils, Intendant of Justice Police, and Finance in all *New France*,

To all to whom these presents shall come :—

GREETING :

WE make known, that on the Petition presented to us by *Charles Morin*, to the effect that we should be pleased to grant him a Concession of the unconceded lands at the head of the *Bay des Chaleurs*, biginning at the mouth of the River *des Loups Marins*, otherwise called in the Indian language *Pippechassekec*, which falls into the River *Ristigouche*, running to the South West upwards along the River *Ristigouche*, including the Islands, Islets and Shoals which may be found in the said River *Ristigouche*, within the extent of the said Concession, and in depth two leagues, running to the North North West, by two leagues in front, running to the South West, along the said River *Ristigouche*, and to give to the said Concession, the name of *Cloridan* ; We, in consideration of the services which the said *Charles Morin* has rendered in this Country in the late wars, and in virtue of the power given to us jointly by His Majesty, have given, granted and conceded, and by these presents do give, grant and concede to him the said Concession at the head of the *Bay des Chaleurs*, at the entrance of the Gulph of *St. Lawrence*, extending from the mouth of the said River *des Loups Marins*, otherwise called in the Indian language *Pippechassekec*, as far as the River *Ristigouche*, and containing two leagues in front by two leagues in depth, as hereinbefore explained, with the Islands, Islet and Shoals which may be found in the said River *Ristigouche*, along the extent of the said Concession, and we do give to the said Concession the name of *Cloridan*, to be enjoyed by the said *Charles Morin*, his heirs or assigns, in future in full property and for ever, by right of Fief and Seigniority, with Superior, Ordinary and Inferior jurisdiction, and the rights of hunting, fishing, and trading with the Indians, throughout the whole extent of the said Concession, on condition of leaving the beach free for all fishermen, with the exception of so much of it as the said *Morin*, may require for his own fishery, of performing fealty and homage at the *Chateau* of *St. Louis*, at *Quebec*, of which he shall hold, subject to the customary dues and rights, according to the Custom of *Paris*, followed in this Country, and on

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condition of preserving and causing to be preserved the oak timber fit for the building of Her Majesty's vessels, of giving notice to the King or to the Governors and Intendants of this Country of mines, ores and minerals, if any are found within the said extent, to keep house and home there, and cause the same to be kept by his tenants, to clear the said land and cause it to be cleared, as soon as the present war is ended, and lastly, of leaving the necessary roads and ways for the use of the public, the whole subject to the good pleasure of His Majesty, from whom he shall be bound to obtain the confirmation of these presents, within one year, and after the said ratification and the conclusion of the present war, in default of keeping house and home there, the said Concession shall be re-united to His Majesty's domain; In testimony whereof, we have signed these presents and have caused them to be sealed with our Seals at arms and counter-signed by our Secretaries, at *Quebec*, the second of May, one thousand seven hundred and seven.

(Signed,)

“ VAUDREUIL,”

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“ RAUDOT.”

And lower down, By order of my Lord.

“ DUMONTIER.”

And, By order of my Lord,

“ LA MAURANDIÈRE.”

And sealed with their Seals at arms.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter C. Folio 46.*

17th June, 1707.

Letters Patent of Nobility in favor of Monsieur *Pierre Boucher*, Governor of *Three-Rivers*.

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE.

To all present and to come :—

GREETING :—

THE favorable testimony which was given to us, in the year one thousand six hundred and sixty one, of the distinguished services which the *Sieur Boucher*, at that time Governor of *Three-Rivers*, in *New-France*, had rendered to us from the year one thousand six hundred and thirty nine, in the important offices which we had confided to him, in the said Country, and particularly in that of Governor of *Three-Rivers*, induced us to give him an honorable token of our esteem in granting to him Letter Patent of Nobility for himself and for his children, born and to be born in lawful marriage, but those Letters Patent having been burned in
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the fire which occurred at the Seminary of *Quebec*, we have had regard to the representation which he has made to us of that circumstance, praying us to cause new ones to be drawn up for him, in virtue of which he and his descendants might continue to enjoy the honors and advantages which are reserved for the Nobility; For these reasons, of our especial grace, full power and Royal authority, we by these presents, signed with our hand have ennobled and do ennoble, and by the title of gentlemen have dignified and do dignify the said *Pierre Boucher* and his children, born and to be born in lawful marriage; and it is our will and pleasure that in all parts and places of our Kingdom and in all Countries subject to our rule, as well in judicial proceedings as otherwise, they be held and reputed nobles and gentlemen, and that as such they may take the title of Esquires, and attain to all degrees of Knighthood and other dignities, titles and qualities reserved for the nobility, and may use and enjoy all the honors, privileges, pre-eminences, franchises and exemptions which the ancient nobility of our Kingdom enjoy, as long as they shall live like noblemen and commit no derogatory act, and may hold and possess Fiefs, Estates and Seignories which he now has or may hereafter acquire, of whatever title, name, nature or quality, they may be, and may wear arms such as are stamped hereon, and cause the same to be engraved, painted and sculptured in his houses and Seignories, as he may see fit, and altogether as if the said *Sieur Pierre Boucher* and his children, born and to be born in lawful marriage, were descendant from a noble and ancient race, without their being held to pay for this, either to us or to the King's our Successors, any fine or indemnity, of which, to whatever sum it may amount, we have made him and do make him a gift by these presents Letters Patent of Nobility. And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful Councillors, the Members of our Superior Council at *Quebec*, to cause these present Letters Patent of Nobility to be registered, and the said *Jacques Boucher* and his children, born and to be born in lawful marriage, to use and enjoy the contents fully, peaceably and perpetually, discontinuing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances, notwithstanding all ordinances, revocations, regulations and decrees to the contrary hereof, from which in this respect we have derogated and do derogate by these presents. For such is our pleasure.

And in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our Seal to be affixed to these presents, saving in other things our rights and those of others in all things.

Given at *Versailles*, the seventeenth day of the month of June, in the year of grace, one thousand seven hundred and seven, and of our Reign the sixty fifth.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

And on the fold, "By the King's Command,"

"PHELYPEAUX,"

And on one side *visâ Phelypeaux*, for ennoblement to *Pierre Boucher*, Signed, *Phelypeaux*, and sealed with the Great Seal in green wax, on strings of red and green silk.

CHARLES

CHARLES D'HOZIER, Councillor to the King, Généalogiste of his house, Judge General of arms, and blazonry, and Keeper General of the peerage of *France*, and Knight of *Malta*, and of the military orders of *St. Maurice* and *St. Lazarus of Savoy*; after having seen the Letters Patent by way of charter, given at *Versailles*, in the month of June, in the year one thousand seven hundred and seven, Signed, LOUIS, and Countersigned, PHELYPEAUX, by which His Majesty ennobles the Sieur *Pierre Boucher*, Governor of *Three Rivers*, in *New France*, with his children male and female, born and to be born, we, as Judge at arms of *France*, and in execution of the clause which permits the said Sieur *Boucher* to wear a coat of arms, with a crest, such as shall be painted and represented in the said Letters Patent, have settled for his coat of arms in future, a shield azure with a chevron argent, *sommé* at the point by a lily *au naturel*, at the sides by two acorns or, and accompanied in point by a roch, the same *sommé* with a cross or, the shield surmounted with a helmet profile, ornamented with a mantle argent, azur and or; and in order that this regulation, which shall be attached under the Counter-Seal and which we have enregistered in our general register of the regulations of the coats of arms, of those whom it pleases the King to ennoble, may be of use to the Sieur *Boucher*, we have given him the present act thereof, which we have signed with our Sign manual and to which we have attached an impression of our Seal at arms, at *Paris*, Thursday, the twenty sixth day of the month of April, in the year one thousand seven hundred and eight.

(Signed,) "D'HOZIER," and sealed.

The foregoing Letters Patent of Nobility and the act thereto attached, have been registered in the Registry of the Superior Council of *Quebec*, in order that the said Sieur *Boucher* may enjoy the contents of the said Letters Patent and act, in pursuance of and conformably to the decree of this day, by me the undersigned Councillor Secretary to the King, Registrar in Chief of the said Council, at *Quebec*, the sixth day of October, one thousand seven hundred and ten.

"DE MONSEIGNAT."

Extract from the minutes of the Superior Council, for 1712 and 1713, folio 191.

29th May, 1713.

Decree which forbids Mr. *Duchesneau* from conceding any lot in the *Bourg de Fargy*, except at a certain rate.

On Monday the twenty ninth of May, one thousand seven hundred and thirteen.

At an extraordinary meeting of the Council, at which were present, Monsieur the Intendant, Messieurs *de la Martinière*, *De Lino*, *Macart*, *Sarrazin*, *Cheron*, *Gaillard*, *Chartier*, and *Hazeur*, Councillors, and the King's Attorney General.

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Between *Jean Lefebvre*, an inhabitant of *Beauport*, Plaintiff in the Petition by him presented, on the eighteenth of this month to Monsieur the Intendant, who has referred it to this Council, present in person, of the one part ; and *Ignace Juchereau*, Esquire, Sieur *Duchesnay*, proprietor of the Seigniorship of *Beauport* aforesaid, Defendant, also present in person, of the other part ; parties heard ; read the said Petition, praying that for the reasons therein contained the said *Lefebvre* be reinstated in the possession of the land which the said Sieur *Duchesnay* has conceded to *Jacques Parent* and *Nicolas Vallée*, by deeds passed before *Duprac*, Notary, the said deeds be quashed and annulled, and the said Sieur *Duchesnay* forbidden to trouble him or his family in the possession of the said land, and condemned all the costs and damages incurred by him the said *Lefebvre* ; Read the Order at foot of the said Petition, dated the said day, the eighteenth of this month, to the effect that the said Sieur *Duchesnay* should be summoned to answer the said Petition ; Read another Order, at foot of the first, dated the twenty first of this said month, to the effect, that the said Petition should be served upon the said Sieur *Duchesnay* by the *Capitaine de la Côte* ; Read the certificate of Service of the said Petition and orders upon the said Sieur *Duchesnay*, by *Vincent Vachon*, *Capitaine de la Côte*, there on the twenty sixth day of this said month ; Read the decree pronounced in this Council between Demoiselle *Marie Regnourd*, widow of *Robert Giffard*, in his life time, Esquire, Seigneur of *Beauport* and *Fargy*, usufructuary of the said places, and *Joseph Giffard*, Esquire, Sieur of *Beauport* and *Fargy* aforesaid, Plaintiffs, and *Paul Vachon*, *Jean Creste*, *Pierre Lefebvre*, *François Beaugy*, *Michel Beaugy*, *Toussaint Giroux* and others, inhabitants of *Fargy* aforesaid, Defendants, bearing date the twenty second of July, one thousand six hundred and sixty nine ; Read the certificate of service of the said decree made at the instance of the said Sieur *Duchesnay* upon the said inhabitants the fourth of June, one thousand seven hundred and three ; Read the *procès verbal* made by Monsieur *de Boutroue*, formerly Intendant in this Country, dated the twelfth of August in the said year one thousand six hundred and sixty nine, by which he defined the limits and caused to be bounded the plantations of the old settlers in the said *Bourg de Fargy*, and the new ones which remained to be given out ; Read the Deed of Concession given by the said Sieur *Joseph Giffard* to *Jean Creste* of five arpents and seventy nine perches of land in superficies, situate in the said *Bourg de Fargy*, passed before *Paul Vachon*, Notary, the twenty fourth of January, one thousand six hundred and seventy three ; Read the *acte* made by *Duprac*, Notary, the eighteenth of November last, at the request of *Jean Parent*, as having acquired the rights of *Jacques Parent*, the younger, by which it appears that he offered to the said *Lefebvre*, the sum of eighty livres, for and in the name of *Jean Parent*, to pay him for work and clearing done upon a lot situate in the said *Bourg de Fargy*, and that the said *Lefebvre* refused the said sum and declared that as soon as the said *Jacques Parent*, the younger, should have build upon the said lot, he would be ready to receive the said sum, and that in default of the said *Parent*, the younger, building on the said lot, he promised to build thereon immediately, and that for that

purpose, he demanded the said lot in preference to the said *Parent*, the younger ; Read the certificate of service of notice at the request of the said *Lefebvre*, upon the said *Jean Parent*, the sixteenth of March also last, forbidding him to draw stone or work upon the said lot of one arpent of land, on pain of all costs, damages and interest, as well for the past as for the future, and protesting that recourse will be had to legal measures ; And the King's Attorney General having been heard ; The Council praying regard to the Petition of the said *Lefebvre*, hath declared and doth declare the concessions made by the said *Sieur Duchesnay* to *Jacques Parent* and *Nicolas Vallée* null, and in order to obviate the different complaints which have been made on the subject of the said lots in the *Bourg de Fargy* ; The Council, in explanation of the decree of the twenty second of July, one thousand six hundred and sixty nine, hath been made the following regulation :

1st.

That each of the inhabitants of the *Bourg de Fargy* shall enjoy in full property the acre of land in superficies which has been conceded to him.

2nd.

That it shall be lawful for the said *Sieur Duchesnay*, to concede to new settlers the other acres of land forming part of the lot designed for the site of the said *Bourg de Fargy*, giving however the preference to those of the inhabitants who have possession of the said lots at present, if they bind themselves to build and occupy house or cause houses to be built and occupied thereon, and that for this purpose the said concession be served upon them ; and that within eight days from the day of the said service, they shall be held to declare whether they chose to accept the said preference which the Council grants them, in which case they shall give to the said *Sieur Duchesnay* their tender by which they shall bind themselves to build on the said land and keep house and home there, in eighteen months from the date of their tender, and in default of their fulfilling that obligation within the said delay, the Council has from this moment, condemned them to a fine of one hundred and fifty livres, to be bestowed on the Fabrique of *Beauport* aforesaid, to the payment of which they shall be compelled at the diligence of the *Curé* and *Marguilliers*, in virtue of the present decree, and without there being any need of another.

3rd.

That if the said inhabitants do not accept the preference offered to them within the said delay, the concession made by the said *Sieur Duchesnay*, shall take effect and a valuation shall accordingly be made of the work performed on the said conceded land by arbitrators whom the parties shall agree upon, or if not who shall be officially appointed by the judge of the said place, the price of which work shall be paid in ready money to the said inhabitants by the new grantees.

4th.

The said Council forbids the said *Sieur Duchesnay* to concede any of the said lots at a higher standard or rent than that of one half penny for each acre of quit rent and one chicken ready to be caponized of Seigniorial rent, as on a lease of land and not redeemable, to which quit rent and rent (*cens et rentes*) the Council has reduced and doth reduce all the concessions hitherto made in the said *Bourg* by the said *Sieur Duchesnay* and his predecessors, since the said decree of the twenty second July, one thousand six hundred and sixty nine; and orders that at the diligence of the King's Attorney General the present decree shall be read, published and posted up at the conclusion of High Mass, in the said parish of *Beauport*, by the *Capitaine de la Côte*; each party to pay his own costs.

(Signed,) BEGON.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter D. Folio 16.*

April, 1716.

Letters Patent of Nobility granted to the *Sieur François Hertel*, for his military services.

LOUIS, by the Grace of GOD, King of FRANCE and NAVARRE.

To all present and to come—

GREETING:—

THE services which the *Sieur Hertel*, Lieutenant on half pay, of our forces in *Canada*, rendered to the late King our much honored Lord and great grand father, in the different detachments with which he served against the *Indians*, have induced us to give him tokens of our satisfaction, which may pass to his descendants, and we the more willingly resolved to do so, that the valour of the father is hereditary in his children, two of whom have been killed in the service, and the other seven who now serve in our forces in *Canada* and *Isle Royale*, have on all occasions, given proofs of their bravery and of their good conduct; and as the father and the sons continue to serve us with the same zeal and the same affection, we have been pleased to grant to the head of this family our Letters Patent of Nobility; For these reasons by the advice of our very dear and much loved uncle the Duke of *Orleans*, Regent, and of our certain knowledge, full power and royal authority, we have ennobled and by these presents signed with our hand, we do ennoble the said *Sieur Hertel*, and with the title of a noble and of an Esquire, we have dignified and do dignify him,

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and it is our will and pleasure that in all places and instruments, both judicial and extra judicial he be held deemed and reputed noble, together with his children and descendants, both male and female, born and to be born in lawful marriage, even as if they were descended from a noble and ancient race, that they be free to acquire hold and possess all noble fiefs of whatever title and quality they may be, and enjoy the same honors, prerogatives, pre-eminences and privileges as the other nobles of our Kingdom, and as such may attain to all degrees of knighthood and other degrees reserved for our Nobility, provided they live like nobles and do no act derogatory from nobility; And it is our pleasure that in future, the said *Sieur Hertel* and his children and descendants, both male and female, may wear coats of arms with crests such as are stamped hereon, and regulated by the *Sieur d'Hozier*, judge at arms of *France*, which coats of arms thus blazoned and of which the regulation shall be attached under the counter-seal of our present Letters Patent, in which they shall be painted and represented, we permit him to cause to be painted, engraved and sculptured in all the houses, estates and Seigniories which may belong to him, to use the same like all the other nobles of our Kingdom, without that by reason of the present favor he be held to pay to us or to the Kings our successors any fine or indemnity, of which to whatever sum it may amount, we have made him a gift and remission by these said presents; And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful Councillors the Members of our Superior Council at *Quebec*, and all others, our justices and officers to whom it may appertain, that they cause these presents to be registered and the said *Sieur Hertel*, and his children and descendants, male and female, born and to be born in lawful marriage, to use and enjoy the contents thereof, fully and peaceably and for ever, discontinuing and causing to discontinue all troubles and hindrances, notwithstanding all edicts, declarations, ordinances, decrees, regulations, letters, revocations and other things to the contrary, from which and from all derogations from the derogations therein contained, we have derogated and do derogate by these presents in this instance only, and without its being a precedent; For such is our pleasure; and in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our seal to be set to these said presents.

Given at *Paris*, in the month of April, in the year of grace, one thousand seven hundred and sixteen and of our Reign the first.

(Signed,) "Louis,"

and on the fold, by the King's command the Duke of *Orleans* Regent being present *Phelypeaux*, with a flourish, and sealed with the great seal in green wax, on strings of red and green silk, and along side *visâ* (Signed,) "*Voisin*," for ennoblement to *François Hertel*,

(Signed,) "PHELYPEAUX."

The Letters Patent of Nobility above written were registered in the Registry of the Superior Council of *Quebec*, in pursuance of the decree of this day, by me the undersigned, Councillor Secretary of the King, Registrar in Chief of the said Council, at *Quebec*, the twenty third of November, one thousand seven hundred and sixteen.

(Signed) " DE MONSEIGNAT,"
with a flourish.

Deed of Concession. Extracted from a bundle of documents relating to the Seigniorial Tenure, marked, A.

18th August, 1717.

Deed of Concession by Madame *de Cabanac*, in favor of *René Poupart*.

Before the undersigned, *Marien Tailhandier*, Notary Royal of the *prévosté* of *Montréal*, residing in the Village of *Boucherville*, and the witnesses hereinafter named, was present Dame *Magdelaine Pezard de la Touche Champlain*, widow of the late Messire *Joseph Dejordy*, Esquire, Sieur de *Cabanac*, in his life time Major of the Government and place of *Three-Rivers*, and Seigneur in part of the estate of *Champlain*, which said Lady did voluntarily acknowledge and confess to have let and conceded in consideration of Seigniorial and irredeemable quit-rent and rents, mutation fine, *saizines*, *défaut* and *amendes*, as occasions may arise, from henceforth and forever, and did and doth promise to guarantee from all troubles and hindrances generally whatsoever to *René Poupart*, hereunto present and accepting, purchaser for himself and his heirs and assigns for the future, a concession of one hundred and twenty acres of land in superficies, being three acres in front, by forty in depth, situate in the Seignioriy of *Cabanac*, butting at one end in front on the Seignioriy of *Boisseau*, and at the other end in rear the said lady's unconceded lands, joining on one side to the concession of *Jacques La Sablonnière*, and on the other side to that of *Laurens de Ganne*, and following the same lines and bearings as the Seigniorial lines; the said concession being in standing wood, meadows and brushwood, and altogether as it is and stands, of which the said purchaser has satisfied himself, saying that he knows it and is well acquainted with it, having seen and visited it; the said concession holding of and depending upon the manor of the said Seignioriy of *Cabanac*, and in favor thereof charged by these presents with a Seigniorial and irredeemable rent of three bushels of good dry, clean, fair and merchantable wheat and one *sou marquée* of quit-rent for the whole of the said concession, payable each year, on *St. Martin's* day, the eleventh of November. The said quit-rent and rents carrying *lots et ventes*, *saizines*, *défaut* and *amendes*, when the occasions

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arise and all other Seigniorial rights, according to and as directed by the Custom of *Paris*, and subject to the mill of the said Seignior, when there shall be one built thereon, the said Lady reserving to herself, the right of re-entry in case of sale of a part or portion of the said concession, on re-imbursing to the purchaser, the price of his purchase and faircharges, the said concession to be used, enjoyed und disposed of in full property, fully and peaceably under the said title by the said purchaser, his said heirs and assigns, as they may see fit, by means of these presents, without its being in their power to sell, give, make over or transfer, in any way whatever, any part or portion of the said concession, to any tenant in mort-main or corporation, or put quit-rent upon quit-rent and without injury or prejudice to the rights of the said Lady or those of others; This lease thus made in consideration of the said quit-rent and Seigniorial rents and other Seigniorial rights, and also the said purchaser, his said heirs and assigns, shall be held and bound to clear the land adjoining his neighbours, as soon as may be necessary, to suffer and allow to be made on the said concession, all the roads that may be necessary for the convenience of the public, to keep house and home in the said Seignior and build a house for himself therein, to work on the said concession and keep it in good order and condition for ever, so that the said quit-rent and rents may be easily gathered and collected therefrom each year, on the said day as above mentioned, the said Lady reserving to herself the right of taking from off the said concession, mill-stones for her mills, if any are found thereon, and all the timber which may be fit for public uses and for her principal manor-house, without paying any thing for it to the said purchaser his said heirs or assigns; all which above mentioned things, the said purchaser for himself and his said heirs and assigns, promised and bound himself to do, and to pay the said quit-rent and Seigniorial rents to the said Lady, or to her steward or to the bearer hereof in her Seigniorial house of *Cabanac*, when there shall be one, and in the meantime, in a house which the said Lady shall point out in the *Côte de Vercher*, on *St. Martin's* day, the eleventh of November, of next year one thousand seven hundred and eighteen, and to continue the said payment from thence foward, on the same day and at the same place, so long as he shall be possessor and holder of the said concession or part of it, for securing which payment, the said purchaser has bound and hypothecated all his property, moveable and immoveable, present and future, without the special and general obligations derogating from each other. And if the said purchaser, his said heirs or assigns, should fail to satisfy the above clauses, in that case the said Lady, her heirs or assigns, may if they see fit re-enter into possession of the said concession, without observing any form or formality of legal process, these presents remaining nevertheless in all their force and virtue, as respects the arrears which shall be then due and accrued, on account of the said quit-rent and Seigniorial rents, and besides all the above the said purchaser shall furnish at his cost and expence, a copy of these presents to the said Lady, in good and due form, when and as often as. For thus, &c., Promising, &c., Obliging, &c., Renouncing, &c. Done and passed in the said Bourg, in the Office of the said Notary, in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventeen, the eighteenth day of August in the

forenoon, in the presence of the Sieurs *Charles De Philbert*, Esquire, Officer of a detachment of the navy, and *Gille Papin*, Merchant, residing at *Boucherville* aforesaid, witnesses, who signed the original of these presents, with the said Lady and Notary, the said purchaser declared that he did not know how to write or sign, on being asked the question, after the reading of these presents, according to the Ordinance.

(Signed,) . TAILHANDIER, *Nore. R.*

Copy of these presents delivered to the said Lady, at the cost of the purchaser.

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I the undersigned confess to have made over the concession mentioned and contained in the above Deed of Concession to *Charles Charon*, an inhabitant of *Verchère*, having given up and renounced in his favor, from the passing of the said Deed of Concession, I therefore consent that mention of the present renunciation be made on the original of the aforesaid Deed of Concession by any Notary required so to do. Done and passed at *Pointes-aux-Trembles*, near *Montreal*, the sixth of July, 1725.

In faith of which I have signed and approved the writing.

(Signed,) RÉNÉ POUPART.

*Extract from the Register of Enrolments of the Superior Council,
Letter E. Folio 88.*

May, 1725.

Acceptance by the King of the sale of the Seigniory of *Malbaie* by the Sieurs *Hazeur Delorme*.

LOUIS, by the Grace of *GOD*, King of *FRANCE* and *NAVARRÉ*.

To all and to come:—

GREETING :

HAVING thought that it would be convenient, with respect to our Domain in the west, to accept the sale which the Sieurs *Hazeur Delorme*, Canons of the Cathedral Church of *Quebec*, have proposed to make to us of the estate and Seigniory of *Malbaie*, with its appurtenances and dependencies, situate in *Canada*, along the River *St. Lawrence*, from *Cap-aux-Oyes* to *Cap à l'Aigle*, consisting of about six leagues of land in front, by about four leagues in depth, and enclosed within the

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bounds of the ground which we have specially reserved to ourselves for the *Indian* trade, commonly called *Tadoussac*, with offers to leave the price of the said sale to be settled by arbitrators in that Country, and to execute a Deed of sale on these terms, we did by the Decree of our Council of State, of the twenty fifth of April, one thousand seven hundred and twenty four, order that an examination, should be made of the title, deeds, papers and vouchers of the right of property of the Sieurs *Hazeur* in the said estate of *Malbaie* and a valuation of the same, with its appurtenances and dependencies, before the Sieur *Begon*, Intendant in *Canada*, whom we have named and appointed for that purpose, as well as for the purpose of afterwards, on the strength of the said title-deeds and papers, and at the said valuation, accepting the sale and executing a Deed of it, in our name between him and the said Sieur *Hazeur*, by which they should relinquish in our favor, by right of sale, as aforesaid, the said Estate and Seignioriy of *Malbaie*, its appurtenances and dependencies with the Buildings, Dwellings, Barns, Stables, Gardens, Cattle, Grain, Grist Mills and Saw Mills, woods, meadows and all rights of jurisdiction and other Seigniorial and manorial rights of whatever kind they may be, and the rights of demanding and obtaining the rescision of Deeds, such as the said Sieurs *Hazeur* and their predecessors have enjoyed and been entitled to enjoy the same, without any exception or reserve, and in consequence that the price of the sale which should be mentioned in the said Deed, should be paid to the said Sieurs *Hazeur* by the farmer or manager of our Domain in the West, and that the expenditure should be included in the first settlement of accounts with us for the charges and expenses of *Canada*, for the ratification of which Deed, all necessary Letters Patent should be issued; in execution of which said Decree, the said Sieur *Begon* having caused a valuation to be made of the said estate, according to the *procès verbal* thereof, which was drawn up, on the twenty second of September in the same year, one thousand seven hundred and twenty four, by *Rageot*, Notary Royal, in the *prévôté* of *Quebec*, and passed the Deed of purchase the twenty ninth of October, following before *De la Cétierre*, also Notary Royal in the said *prévosté* for the price and sum of twenty thousand livres, for the causes and considerations therein set forth, and on condition that the said Sieurs *Hazeur* should be released from the fealty and homage and other charges, dues and duties in our favor, mentioned in the concession which had been made, of the said estate and Seignioriy, in our name on the seventh of November, one thousand six hundred and seventy two, to the late Sieur *de Comporté* by the Sieur *Talon* at that time, Intendant in the said Country of *Canada*, payment of which sum was made by *Charles Cordier*, administrator of our united public revenues, including those of our Domain in the west, according to the Decree of our Council thereon, as appears by the receipt of the said Sieur *Hazeur*, also passed before the said *De la Cétierre*, at foot of the Deed; For these reasons, having caused the said *procès verbal* and Deed of sale, together with the receipt of the said Sieur *Hazeur* hereto affixed under the counter seal of our Chancery, and the said Decree of our Council of the twenty fifth of April, one thousand seven hundred and twenty four, to be examined in our Council, we, as well for ourselves as for the Kings our Successors, have accepted

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and approved, ratified and confirmed, and by these presents, signed with our hand, do accept and approve, ratify and confirm the said Deed of purchase of the said estate and Seigniorship of *Malbaie*, with its appurtenances and dependencies, and all and each of the clauses and conditions therein contained, so that the said estate may be re-united to our Domain, managed in the same way as the other trading posts of *Tadoussac*, and in so doing we do release and discharge the said *Sieur Hazeur*, in conformity with the said Deed, for the fealty and homage and other charges, dues and duties for which they might be liable towards us, in virtue of the Deed of Concession of the said estate and Seigniorship of *Malbaie*, which was made in our name to the *Sieur de Comporté*, and it is our will that the payment of the said sum of twenty thousand livres made by the said *Charles Cordier* for the price of the said purchase, be included in the account of the charges and expenses of *Canada*, for the present year, one thousand seven hundred and twenty five, and that credit shall be given to him for its expenditure, upon his producing the said Decree of our Council of the twenty fifth of April, one thousand seven hundred and twenty four, the *procès verbal* of valuation and the Deed with the receipt of the said *Sieur Hazeur*, hereinbefore referred to by date and set forth, and an examined copy of these presents.

And we do hereby command our beloved and faithful Councillors the Members of our Court of *Exchequer* at *Paris*, and Superior Council at *Quebec*, and all other our officers and justices to whom it may appertain, to cause these presents to be registered and the contents thereof to be observed and followed, according to their form and tenor; For such is our pleasure:—And in order that it may be a settled and permanent thing for ever, we have caused our seal to be affixed thereto.

Given at *Versailles*, in the month of May, in the year of grace, one thousand seven hundred and twenty five, and of our Reign the tenth.

(Signed,) "LOUIS."

And lower down, "By the King's Command,"

"PHELYPEAUX,"

with a grating and a flourish, and alongside *visâ* (Signed,) *FLEURIAU*, lower down there is written, seen in Council, (Signed,) *DODUN*, sealed with the great seal on green wax.

Registered in the Court of *Exchequer*, the King's Attorney General having been heard, on his application to that effect, to be executed according to their form and tenor, subject to the production by *Charles Cordier*, administrator of the Domain in the west, with the accounts of the said Domain, in order to obtain credit for the said sum of twenty thousand livres, the price of the purchase of the said estate and Seigniorship of *Malbaie*, for the King, the title deeds of the said estate and Seigniorship of *Malbaie*, set forth by the said Deed, together with its formal ratification by *Pierre*

Hazeur

Hazeur Delorme, and subject also to the accounting by the farmers or managers of the Domain in the west, to His Majesty, for the produce and revenue of the said estate of *Malbaie*, from the day on which they entered into possession thereof, that is to say, the nineteenth of July, one thousand seven hundred and twenty five.

(Signed,) BEAUPIED, with a flourish.

After which is written, compared with the original by us, Councillor Secretary to the King and to the House and Crown of *France* and of his Treasury.

Registered, M. *Louis Rouer Dartigny*, Councillor, doing in this respect the duty of the King's Attorney General, having been heard on his application to that effect, in pursuance of the decree of this day, to be executed according to their form and tenor, at *Quebec*, the twenty sixth of August, one thousand seven hundred and twenty seven.

(Signed,) DAINE, with a flourish.

Extract from the Ordinances of Mr. Dupuy, Intendant, No. 14, Folio 20.

27th March, 1728.

Ordinance on the subject of the difficulties which occurred in relation to the powers of the Governor, of the Intendant, and of the Superior Council.

CLAUDE THOMAS DUPUIS, &c.

Charged as we are with, procuring for the King's subjects, by unremitting labour and by continual attention on our part, all the protection that justice can give to the people, and all the facilities to skill and industry, that Police and good order can afford, we have perceived with horror, the doubt which has been ventured to be instilled into the minds of the people, and particularly of those of the Country, concerning the authority of the Superior Council of *Quebec*, which however, is alone established with us, who are named and sent by the King, as his Intendant of Justice, Police and Finances, for the purpose of judging supremely and in the last resort, jointly with us, who have the honor to be its first president, or separately on our part, the three estates of this part of the Colony, which are the Clergy, the Nobility and the third estate, and that by Monseigneur the Marquess *de Beauharnois*, the Governor General, causing to be published in the Towns and in the Country, the troops and the militia being under arms, a prohibition to receive the Decrees of the Superior Council, without his express permission.

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This effort which it was intended to direct against the Superior Council, has become a formal attack on the King's authority, which eminently and characteristically rests in his Superior Council, entrusted as are the Parliaments and the other Superior Councils of the Kingdom, with the most precious portion of the Majesty of the Kings, which is the administration of their supreme justice, which includes at the same time, both the security of the people and the sacred and indissoluble bond which binds the subjects and contains that mutual and indispensable undertaking, of subjects to obey their Prince, in return for the protection which they receive from him, and of the Prince to defend his subjects in return for the obedience and assistance which they afford him.

Such an attack made on behalf of a Rebellious Clergy, who has neither chosen to submit itself here to the King's jurisdiction, nor to cease to introduce disorder among the people and the communities, and disturbance into men's consciences, is not in truth, however specious may be its pretext, calculated to destroy any thing so firmly established as are the powers ordained of God, in support of which the Lord said that he came not to change the law, but to strengthen and establish it; this attack made in ways as irregular and as far from legitimate as they are novel, is not calculated to shake a people so faithful to their Prince, as are the French in *Canada*. Their own experience and that of their fathers, who never saw any thing like the disorder which reigns at present, enables them to perceive well enough, what violations of duty to the King, have taken place. They have been invited, and attempts have been made as it were, to force them, the troops and militia being under arms, to refuse obedience to the Decrees of the Council, and they saw the risk they would run themselves, if they should be tempted to set themselves free from an allegiance so indispensably necessary to their own interests, to the enjoyment of the fruit of their labours and to their own security. They know well and have known for a long time, that those who have here the authority of the Prince for their Government, cannot in any case thwart each other in their designs, and that when they differ in opinion, on things which they regulate in common, the provisional execution of a project differently conceived, depends upon the Province in which it is to be executed, so that if the Superior Council entertains views different from those of a Governor General, in a matter which concerns the administration of justice, it is that which the Council ordains which ought to be put into execution; and in the same way, if there is a difference of opinion between the Governor General and the Intendant, in matters which concern them in common, the views of the Governor General will prevail, if they are matters absolutely confided to his care, such as war and military discipline, beyond which the Governor General being forbidden to make any order whatever, he can never by himself, make any other than a military order. The ordinances of the Intendant ought in like manner to be executed provisionally, when the matter is within the bounds of his powers, which extend to the administration of Justice, Police and Finances, saying to each, the right of separately laying before the King, the different views he entertained, to the end that the King may confirm or amend at his pleasure.

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Such is the economy of the Government of *Canada*, it is that which has been observed to this day, such is the system and the rule of the Governments throughout the whole extent of the King's dominions, without which it would be impossible to settle any matter, to govern the people, or to avoid exposing them to continual uncertainties, to the fear of doing wrong, even in obeying, and to disobediences even involuntary.

But if Regulations so wisely established and so invariably maintained, are sufficient of themselves to render useless and frivolous an attempt like that which has just been made, to overthrow a Sovereign Council and to tie the hands of justice, that agent so necessary, that it cannot for one moment abate its vigilance or suspend its operations, without the whole body politic, feeling the effects of it; if unheard of and reckless attempts, cannot turn from their allegiance, a prudent and sensible people, accustomed to receive the justice and the security which is their due and the most certain protection of their persons, their fortunes and their industry, at least the incitements which have been held out to them for the purpose of stirring them up, are too odious and too insulting to them, for us not to listen to their just complaints of the unfavorable idea that has been given of the fidelity and obedience of the people of *New France*.

These people who thought they were living under the protection of the laws given to them by the temporal power, troubled themselves very little about the contentions which might arise among those who guide them in spiritual things, they understand very well that their salvation, which is the one thing needful for them before God, depends much more upon their own conduct, than upon that of their pastors, and little concerned about the prerogatives which the Ecclesiastics assume among themselves, they trusted to the Judges who are charged with the regulation of the rights and the exterior discipline of the Ecclesiastical Order, as well as of all the other Orders in the Colony, to decide and solve questions which in no wise affect the fundamental points of Religion, and which should never delay the spiritual assistance which is due to them by the Clergy, thus these people are little moved, but much scandalized by the seditious sermons which, for more than two months past, and in spite of all the repeated menaces and prohibitions contained in Decrees, the *Curés* of *Quebec* and of the Country parts, preach and cause to be preached daily in their Churches, where the monks and other unfaithful ministers of the word, no longer go up into the pulpit, except as the serpent did into the tree of life, for the purpose of recommending disobedience and joining the knowledge of evil to the knowledge of good, alone intended for the chair of truth. But what has most offended the people and what alarms them more, is the published document in which it has been assumed injuriously to the honor of the Nation and contrary to the true state of the case, that they were ready to rise and to take part with that one of the three Estates which has shewn itself rebellious, and which has refused to acknowledge here the King's jurisdiction, that is to say the Clergy.

They are very sensible of the harm which such an inconsiderate supposition may do them, if ever it reaches His Majesty's ears. They know what an unfavorable prejudice it might give the King against the fidelity of his Canadian people, in which however, they have never failed, and they would willingly ask, out of what good will for them, or rather by what fatality, a whole people, who are innocent and who have always been so, were sought to be rendered guilty, in order to save one guilty person.

They knew however what vengeance the King would have a right to execute upon his people, if they had forgotten themselves so far as to commit a crime, the very name of which makes one shudder, and which they would rather think ought to be concealed from the Prince, if they had committed it, than expect to find imputed to them, when they have done or attempted nothing in a line of crime in which, even giving cause to be suspected of having wished to commit it, is equally criminal.

These complaints have appeared to us too just, and these fears to well founded, for us not to grant thereupon to the people, the justice which has been demanded of us, and make them public, and as we are informed, from another quarter, that besides the seditious sermons in which it has been unceasingly attempted, for two months past, to exasperate the people, even by calling the Superior Council, the declared enemy of the Church, it has been attempted also, on the occurrence of a season, in which only the efforts of the Devil, and not the malice of men ought to be feared, to cause certain confessors to be suspected. It is given out from the very pulpit, contrary to all rules divine and human, that there are some to whom the people can no longer make any but sacrilegious confessions. Fresh efforts are made every where to take advantage of the simplicity of the people, to beset them entirely, to obtain opportunities of speaking to them alone, and to use (shall we dare to say it?) with more advantage, the insinuating influence of the solemnity of the Holy-day.

We cannot therefore, for the sake of the King's service and of the security of the Colony, refrain from cautioning the people, that without failing in the respect due to the sacerdotal character, and in all which shall not concern their inner duties and the discharge of their consciences, they beware of false prophets, or of those who hold their language, that they carefully avoid imitating them or falling like them into disobedience to the laws and to the Decrees of the Council, of which they have given an example, because on the one hand, the Superior Council will not fail to pronounce all the Decrees which shall be necessary for the maintenance of regularity and good order, and on the other hand, the King recommending nothing so much by his Ordinances, as that on every occasion justice be done, those who are appointed to dispense it, would not have it in their power to pardon any one who should have happened to oppose and disobey the law, which is a crime that never goes unpunished.

That the slow and secret operation of criminal proceedings never allows the guilty to escape, that it is always in vain that a criminal flatters himself that he will elude

the severity of the laws, that the length of time which elapses between the crime and the prosecution, and between the prosecution and the conviction, does not at all diminish the rigor of the punishment which the guilty has deserved, and lastly that they ought to be warned that of all the authorities which are exercised in the King's name in this Colony, there is none which can without a betrayal of duty, snatch the guilty person from the hands of his judges, and still less dispense people from the obedience which they owe to the King, and to the requirements of the law in consequence.

We do order and enjoin all Colonels, Captains and other officers of militia, in the Country parts and *Côtes* of the Colony, as has been the practice hitherto, of all the orders of the King and of the law, together with all bailiffs, sergeants, practitioners and school masters, teaching in the parishes of the Colony, whether they be appointed by name by us, or required so to do by our order, to receive as well the King's orders as the decrees of the Superior Council and our own orders, and to read them to the people, at the doors of the Parochial Churches, on the first Sunday or holiday after service, conformably to the orders which have been given by His Majesty, and particularly by the King's declaration of the second of August, one thousand seven hundred and seventeen, registered in the Superior Council, at *Quebec*, on the second of October, one thousand seven hundred and nineteen, without their being able to exempt themselves under any pretext whatever, and on pain of the penalties of disobedience, and to send us a certificate thereof, at the latest within three months after each publication. And we do order that the present Ordinance shall be read, published and posted up throughout the whole extent of the three governments of *Quebec*, *Montreal* and *Three-Rivers*, and that in particular, it shall be published in the Court Hall of each of the Royal Courts, that copies thereof shall be affixed to the door of each of the Court Halls, and that a copy shall also be inserted in the Register of the Court of each jurisdiction and that, at the diligence of the King's Attornies in each of the said jurisdictions, who shall be held to certify the same to us, at the latest within the month. We command &c., Made and given in our mansion at *Quebec*, the twenty seventh of March, one thousand seven hundred and twenty eight.

Extract from the Ordinances of M. Hocquart, Intendant, No. 31. folio 20.

4th March, 1748.

Confirmation of the nomination of *Jacques Rouillard St. Cyr*, as judge provost of the Seigniorship of *Ste. Anne*.

GILLES HOCQUART, &c.

We have approved and confirmed, as much as is necessary, the nomination of *Jacques Rouillard St. Cyr*, as Judge Provost in the Seigniorship of *Ste. Anne*. In consequence whereof we do order the *Sieur André Deleigne*, Lieutenant General of the Provostship of *Quebec*, after he shall have obtained proof of the good conduct and morals and of the Catholic, Apostolic and Roman Religion of the said *Rouillard*, and administered to him the requisite and usual oath, unless knowledge of his conduct and morals have been already obtained, he receive him and cause him to be acknowledged in the said capacity of Judge-Provost of the Seigniorship of *Ste. Anne*.

WE ENJOIN, &c.

Done at *Quebec*, the fourth March, one thousand seven hundred and forty three.

(Signed,) HOCQUART.

Extract from the Ordinances of Varin, in the absence of the Intendant, No. 37, Folio 1.

9th July, 1749.

Judgment rendered against *Pierre Chabot*, for contravention of the Royal Ordinance of the 28th April, 1745.

JEAN VICTOR VARIN, Commissioner of the Marine, exercising the authority of Intendant in *Canada*, in the absence of his Honor the Intendant.

Having been informed that in violation of the Royal Ordinance of the twenty eighth of April, one thousand seven hundred and forty five, which forbids the settlers to build houses, on less than one arpent and a half of land in front by thirty in depth, one *Pierre Chabot*, a settler in *St. Joachim*, unlawfully built himself a stone house last year between *Jean Baptiste Guillebaut* and *Paul Fillion*, on a lot of land of half an arpent. We have Commissioned and do Commission the *Sieur François Rancourt*, Captain of Militia of the said coast, to repair to the spot, as soon as he receives these presents, for the purpose of causing the said house to be demolished immediately, at the cost and charges of the said *Pierre Chabot*, after having drawn up a statement of the matter, of which he will send us a copy.

WE ENJOIN, &c.

Done at *Quebec*, the ninth of July, 1749.

(Signed,)

VARIN.

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Extract from French Register of Enrolments Letter D. Folio 677.

29th May, 1752.

Concession by Monsieur *Marchand* Seigneur of *St. François le Neuf* to the Sieur *Joseph Jasmin*.

Before the undersigned, Notary Royal of the jurisdiction and Government of *Montreal*, residing in the Parish of *Verchères*, and the witness hereinafter named, there was present Sieur *Joseph Marchand*, Seigneur of *St. François le Neuf*, residing in the said Seignior, situate on the south branch of the River *Richelieu*, Parish of *St. Charles*, who in virtue of a certain sentence rendered in the royal jurisdiction of *Montreal*, on the eighth of February last, to us exhibited and immediately returned to him, on the subject of the abandonment and renunciation made by *Joseph Rénard*, acting and stipulating for *Alexis Rénard* his son, of the land hereinafter mentioned and conceded by these presents, heretofore conceded to the said *Alexis Rénard*, by contract passed by the undersigned Notary, on the twenty second day of May, one thousand seven hundred and fifty one, by which sentence the said Sieur *Marchand*, the former proprietor is re-instated in the full ownership of the said land, who has by these presents acknowledged and confessed to have conceded in consideration of a Seigniorial quit rent and an irredeemable ground rent, the said quit rent carrying with it a liability to *lods et ventes, défaut, profits, saisines and amendes*, as the occasions for these charges respectively, may arise, from henceforth and for ever, and promised and promises in his said capacity and in virtue of the said sentence, to guarantee of all troubles and hindrances generally whatsoever to *Joseph Jasmin*, bachelor, residing in the said Seignior, here present and accepting and agreeing to take and retain on the said terms, for himself, his heirs and assigns, a lot of land and concession situate in the said Seignior of *St. François le Neuf*, in the second rang of the settlements containing three arpents in front, by forty arpents in depth, beginning at one end, in front at a distance of forty arpents, from the said River, behind the land conceded to and occupied by *Antoine Leduc*, abutting at the other end, in rear, on lands not conceded, adjoining on the north side the land of *Louis Joseph Rénard*, and on the other side, to the south west, lands not conceded, as the whole now is stands, without the said Sieur Seigneur and Bailior, being bound to furnish any other extent of land, and which the said Baillee declared that he well knew and was acquainted with, even as the said Seigneur and Bailior acknowledged it to be held of the manor of the said Seignior of *St. François le Neuf*, and towards the domain thereof charged by these presents with the payment of four bushels of dry clean, fair and merchantable wheat, and three *sous* of quit rent for all the said above mentioned concession, the whole of Segniorial quit rent and irredeemable ground rent, payable each year, on the day and feast of *St. Martin*, the eleventh of November, and of which the first annual payment will accrue and be made, on the eleventh of November next, the said quit rent carrying with it a liability to *lods et ventes, défaut, profit, saisine and amendes*, as the occasions for these charges

charges respectively may arise, with all the other Seigniorial dues, conformably to the custom of *Paris*, observed and followed in this country, the said land conceded being tributary to the mill of the said Seignior of *St. François*, when there shall be one built, on pain of confiscation of the said grain, of an arbitrary fine and of paying to the miller the toll for grinding on the grain which may have been caused to be ground elsewhere, the said Seignior and Bailor reserving to himself the right of re-entry, even in preference to the blood relations in case of sale or other equivalent alienations of the whole or a part of the said land, on re-imbursing to the purchaser the price of the said acquisition, with reasonable costs, charges and expenses, the said Baillee, his heirs or assigns shall not be at liberty to transfer, make over, give or otherwise alienate, the whole or any part or parcel of the said land, to any community or body holding in mortmain, nor to sublet the same for a further quit rent (*y mettre cens sur cens*). And these presents shall not injure or prejudice the rights of others, nor those of the said Sieur Seignior and Bailor, who shall be at liberty to take off the said land, all the timber necessary for the erection of a Church, a Mill, a Parsonage, a manor house, and other public works, without paying any thing for any of it, to the said Baillee, his heirs or assigns, who shall be bound to allow on the said land, all the roads which it shall be considered useful and proper to make thereon, to cut down such trees thereon as may overshadow the lands of his or their neighbours, whenever required so to do, to join them in making party fences along the said lot, to keep hearth and home thereon within a year and a day from the date of these presents, to work and cultivate the same and maintain it in good order and condition, so that the rent and quit rent hereinbefore stipulated may easily be levied thereon each year, and moreover to assist with the other settlers in the said Seignior, in planting on the first day of May in each year, before the door of the manor house, a may-pole of fifty feet long, planted three or four feet in the earth, on pain of a fine of three livres, for each time of failing so to do, and further, to preserve all the oak trees, which may be found on the said land for the buildings of ships, to all which the said Baillee for himself, his heirs and assigns, submitted and bound himself, and even promised and promises to pay the said rent and Seigniorial quit rent hereinbefore stipulated, on the said eleventh day of November, to the said Seignior and Bailor, or to the bearer of these presents in his Seigniorial house, at the said place called *St. François le Neuf*, or at the place of the receipt thereof, in the said Seignior, and thus to continue from year to year, so long as he shall be holder and proprietor of the of the whole, or part of the said land so conceded as aforesaid, for the security of which payment, besides the first privilege acquired thereon, the said Bailor has mortgaged and hypothecated all his other property present and future, one obligation not derogating from the other, the said Baillee further binding himself to give to the said Sieur Seignior and Bailor, at his pleasure, and on his first demand, three days' labour once only; and if the said Baillee, his said heirs or assigns should fail to fulfill the above clauses, in that case the said Sieur Seignior and Bailor may lawfully re-enter on the said land, without adopting or observing any form or mode of legal proceeding, these presents remaining nevertheless in full force and virtue for

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the Seigniorial dues, the said Baillee paying the said rent and quit rent hereinbefore stipulated, then accrued and due; and the said Baillee shall furnish at his own cost and charges, a copy of these presents in due form to the said Sieur Seignior and Bailior, within eight days from this date. For thus &c. Promising &c. Obliging &c. Renouncing &c.

Done and passed in the Parish and Villages of *Vercheres* and in the Office of the undersigned Notary, in the year one thousand seven hundred and fifty two, on the twenty ninth day of the month of May, in the forenoon, in presence of the Sieurs *Joseph Pigeon*, Master Tailor, and *Alexis Guyon*, both residing in the said Village of *Vercheres*, witnesses summoned for this purpose, who have signed these presents with the said Sieur Seignior and Bailior and us the said Notary on the original remaining in the Office and possession of *Jacques Crevier Duvernay*, the undersigned Notary, and the said Baillee did declare and say that he did not know how to write or sign his name when called upon so to do after the reading hereof, according to the Ordinance.

(Signed,) DUVERNAY,
Notary Royal.

Joseph Jassemain has given me the three day's labour mentioned in this Contract.

At *St. Charles*, the 18th June, 1752,

(Signed,) J. MARCHAND.

A P P E N D I X No. 3.

(*Vide Journal, page 96.*)

SPEAKER'S REPORT ON THE RESOLUTION OF THE 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1852.

Requesting him to examine the Rules of the Legislative Council, with the view of making them harmonize with those of the Legislative Assembly.

SPEAKER'S ROOMS,

Legislative Council, 10th September, 1852.

In compliance with the terms of a Resolution adopted by this House on the sixth instant, the undersigned has examined the latest Rules and Regulations of the Legislative Assembly, as to the public notices to be given and steps adopted in passing Private Bills, with a view to ascertain if one uniform mode of such public notices and passing of such Bills could be made applicable to both branches of the Legislature, so as to simplify and facilitate such business; and he now begs leave to report his opinion thereon to the House, with some further suggestions on the same subject.

The Rules of the Legislative Assembly respecting Private Bills, adopted on the third day of August, eighteen hundred and fifty, and substituted for the Rules (numbered from sixty to seventy-two) theretofore in force, are twenty-three in number.

Twelve of these are old Rules, some of which have been more or less altered, and others continued without alteration, their numbering only having been entirely, and their relative positions, almost entirely changed.

The remainder are new Rules, some of which are connected with the substitution of a Standing Committee on Private Bills and a Private Bill Office, for Committees on Petitions for Private Bills, which were required in certain cases by the sixty-first Rule of that House, and are still required in all cases, by the fifty-fourth Standing Order of this House.

In the first class are some which correspond to Standing Orders of this House, others of which this House has never felt any need, and others again are alterations and additions to others, which it would be advisable for this House to adopt.

In the second class also there are some which might be adopted by this House with great advantage, others with which it may conveniently dispense, and one (the sixty-sixth) for which the eighty-third Standing Order of this House is a sufficient substitute.

Among the new Rules which this House may conveniently abstain from adopting, are those relating to a Standing Committee on Private Bills and a Private Bill Office, which the House of Lords does not appear to have found it necessary to establish, and the place of which may without any inconvenience, continue to be supplied in this House by Select Committees appointed under our fifty-fourth Standing Order to report upon Petitions for Private Bills previous to their introduction.

With respect to the modes of giving notices of applications for Private Bills, required by the Rules of the two Houses, the undersigned is of opinion, that greater publicity is ensured by their being diverse, than would be obtained by their being uniform. The only change, therefore, which he would recommend this House to make in respect of such notices, is that they should be inserted in the *Canada Gazette* six times during the Recess, next preceding the Session in which the applications are made, instead of once in each month for six months preceding such Session, as now required by the forty-ninth Standing Order. A Resolution embodying this alteration to be numbered as the eighty-fourth Standing Order is herewith submitted.

Resolved, That the forty-ninth Standing Order of this House be amended, and that in future proof be required under it of the insertion in the *Canada Gazette* of the notice mentioned in it, at least six times during the Recess next preceding the Session in which the application is to be made, instead of at least once in each month for six months preceding such Session.

The following are the new Rules taken from those of the Legislative Assembly, which the undersigned is of opinion should be adopted by this House, and numbered from eighty-five to ninety-one of its Standing Orders.

85. That the Clerk of this House shall, immediately after the issuing of the Proclamation convoking the Provincial Parliament for the despatch of business, announce in the *Canada Gazette* until the opening of Parliament, the day on which the time limited for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire, according to the Standing Orders of this House; and the said Clerk shall also announce, by notice set up in the Select Committee Rooms and in the Lobby of this House, by the first day of every Session, the days on which according to the Standing Orders of this House, the times for receiving Petitions for Private Bills, Reports on those Petitions and Reports on the Bills upon those Petitions are to expire.

86. That every Private Bill intended to originate in this House shall be prepared by the parties applying for the same, and printed by the contractor for the Sessional Printing of this House, at the expense of the said parties, and that one hundred and fifty copies thereof shall be deposited in the Office of the Clerk of this House for the use of Members before the second reading.

87. That when any Bill shall be brought into this House for confirming Letters Patent, a true copy of such Letters Patent shall be attached to the Bill.

88. That in every case the Committee upon any Bill for Incorporating a Company shall require proof that the persons whose names appear in the Bill, as composing the said Company, are of full age, and that they are in a position to effect the objects contemplated by the Bill, and have personally consented to become so Incorporated.

89. That the Committee to whom any Private Bill shall have been referred, shall, whether such Committee have or have not agreed to the Preamble, or gone through the several clauses, or any of them, report the Bill to the House; and when any alteration shall have been made in the Preamble of the Bill, such alteration, together with the ground of making the same, shall be specially stated in the Report.

90. That when the Committee on any Private Bill shall report to the House that the Preamble of such Bill has not been proved to their satisfaction, they shall also state the grounds upon which they have arrived at such a decision.

91. That the Chairman of the Committee reporting favorably on a Private Bill, shall sign with his name at length, a printed copy of the Bill on which the amendments are fairly written, and shall also authenticate, with the initials of his name, the several amendments made and clauses added by the Committee.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ED. CARON.

A P P E N D I X No. 4.

(*Vide Journal, page 132.*)

RETURN to an Address of the Honorable the Legislative Council, dated the 23rd September, 1852, to His Excellency the Governor General, for a statement of the whole expenditure, by the Provincial Government, upon the several Lumber Slides upon the *Ottawa* and *Madawaska* Rivers; shewing the gross amount expended at the *Chaudière*, and purchase of Slide thereat; at the *Chats, Portage du Fort, Joachim* and *Madawaska*, and the annual receipts of Slide Dues for each station or for the whole, annually since their erection, including this season.

By command,

A. N. MORIN,
Secretary.Secretary's Office,
Quebec, 8th October, 1852.

STATEMENT of the whole Expenditure by the Department of Public Works, upon the several Lumber Slides upon the *Ottawa* and *Madawaska* Rivers, shewing the Gross Amount expended at the *Chaudière* and Purchase of Slide thereat, at the *Chats, Portage du Fort, Joachim* and *Madawaska, &c., &c.*

	£	s.	d.
Calumet.....	10524	1	6
Mountain.....	4613	10	0
Joachim.....	5927	18	2
Madawaska.....	13567	5	11
Chats.....	4962	5	7
Portage du Fort.....	2041	18	2
Chaudière.....	6025	9	5
Purchase, Chaudière Slide.....	10000	0	0
	£ 57662	8	9

THOMAS A. BEGLY,
Secretary, Public Works.Department of Public Works,
Quebec 29th September, 1852.

Statement of the Annual Receipts of the following Slides, collected since their erection in the year 1845, to the 30th September, 1852, in accordance with a letter from the Provincial Secretary's Office, dated 6th October, 1852, to be laid before the Legislative Council.

SLIDES.	1845.		1846.		1847.		1848.		1849.		1850.		1851.		To 30th Septem-ber, 1852.									
	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.																				
Chaudière.....	.....	.....	1838	15	0	1495	19	9	973	10	0	1203	12	0	1893	10	0	2249	14	4		
Chats.....	.....	.....	3196	19	6	1995	17	0	1484	5	0	1750	9	6	1597	18	0	1929	16	3		
Portage du Fort.....	56	10	9	18	12	0	526	3	0	280	5	0	235	17	0	420	0	0	500	10	5			
Joachim.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	163	4	0	183	10	0	144	10	0	46	15	0	119	9	9
Madawaska.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	7	6	36	11	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	7	6
Calumet and Moun- tain.....	1072	5	3	1510	10	0	1248	6	6	862	10	0	1008	5	6	907	0	0	1054	14	6			
High Falls.....	13	4	4	501	7	6	521	10	0	451	0	0	785	3	6	575	0	0	552	10	0			
Gatineau Booms.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	214	12	7	265	7	1	443	5	4
Totals.....£	1142	0	4	7066	4	0	5991	7	9	4221	11	0	5342	10	1	5705	10	1	6865	8	1	9680	12	3

* £9,681 12s. 3d. is collected to this date for 1852, on account of Ottawa Slides generally—the particulars of how much collected at each Slide is only given 31st December in each year to this Department.

Inspector General's Office,
Quebec, 7th October, 1850.

JOS. CARY,
Deputy Inspector General.

APPENDIX No. 5.

(Vide Journal page 261.)

RETURN TO AN ADDRESS OF THE HONORABLE THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL, DATED 21ST OCTOBER, 1852, FOR:—

Copies of the Correspondence that has taken place between the Executive Government and *J. E. Turcotte*, Esquire, on the subject of his claim for Salary as Solicitor General in 1847, together with all papers and documents having reference thereto, as also extracts from any Orders in Council that may have been passed relating to the said claim.

By Command,

A. N. MORIN,
Secretary.Secretary's Office,
Quebec, 16th February, 1853.

(Translation.)

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Montreal, 10th December, 1847.

SIR,—I have the honor, by order of the Governor General, to transmit to you the two Commissions enclosed herein, appointing you to the offices of Solicitor General and Queen's Counsel for *Lower-Canada*, to which it has pleased His Excellency to call you.

The fee on each of these Commissions is £3. 5. 0, which you will be pleased to transmit to this Department.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,)

E. PARENT,
Asst. Secy.J. E. Turcotte, Esq.,
Solicitor General,
&c., &c., &c.,*Three-Rivers.*

SECRETARY'S

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Montreal, 11th December, 1847.

SIR,—In my letter of yesterday, transmitting you your Commissions of Solicitor General and of Queen's Counsel, I omitted to request you to acknowledge the receipt thereof, with an official acceptance of said offices, should you be disposed to accept the same.

You will be pleased to comply with the above, at your earliest convenience, as the publication of the said appointments will not take place before.

I have the honor to be.

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,) E. PARENT,
Asst. Secy.

J. E. Turcotte, Esq.,
Solicitor General,
&c., &c., &c.,
Three-Rivers.

(Translation.)

Three-Rivers, 14th December, 1847.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th instant, as well as of the two Commissions by which it has pleased His Excellency the Governor General to appoint me to the offices of Solicitor General and Queen's Counsel for *Lower-Canada*. I was absent from home when they arrived, otherwise I should have hastened, as I do now, to accept with gratitude, this double mark of confidence on the part of His Excellency, and to beg of you, at the same time, to be pleased to convey for me to His Excellency, the expression of my most sincere thankfulness and of my most profound respect, in anticipation of the time when circumstances will permit me personally, to express these sentiments to His Excellency.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

Et. Parent, Esq.,
Asst. Secy.,
&c., &c., &c.
Montreal.

Translation

(Translation.)

Three-Rivers, 5th May, 1848.

SIR,—I request that you will be pleased to submit the enclosed Petition to His Excellency the Governor General. I transmit to you also with it, the original of the letter mentioned it, reserving to myself the right to claim its return, according to circumstances.

Receive, Sir, the assurance of the high consideration with which,

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. R. B. Sullivan,
 Provl. Secy.
 &c., &c., &c.

Montreal.

To His Excellency the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Governor General of British North America &c., &c.

The undersigned has the honor, most respectfully, to represent to your Excellency.

That by a letter written to him on the 15th of May last, on behalf of your Excellency, by *Christopher Dunkin*, Esq., then Assistant Provincial Secretary, he was informed "that it had pleased Your Excellency to appoint him to the office of " Solicitor General for *Lower Canada*, and that his Commission as such, dated that " day (15th May 1847,) would be transmitted to him, with the least possible delay."

That in consequence of this letter and of the communications which had previously taken place between him and one of the Members of the then Administration, the undersigned was entitled from thenceforth, to consider himself as Solicitor General *de facto*, and consequently to act as such in all respects in which it was not required that his appointment should be invested with official forms and sanctions, which he accordingly did.

That for reasons unknown to him, but which certainly did not proceed from any act of his, the undersigned, thus virtually appointed Solicitor General by your Excellency on the 15th May last, did not receive his formal Commission as such, until the 8th of December last, but that, nevertheless, he considers himself entitled to claim the emoluments attached to that office, from the 15th of May last, as he has been in a position to feel its inconveniences.

That the undersigned therefore, most humbly prays Your Excellency to be pleased to take his present Petition into consideration, and to grant him the emolu-

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ments attached to the office of Solicitor General, for that part of the Province formerly *Lower Canada*, reckoning from the 15th May last, to the date of the appointment of his successor.

And the undersigned, as much from inclination as from duty, will ever pray.

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

Three-Rivers, 5th May, 1848.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Montreal, 15th May, 1847.

SIR,—I have the honor, by command of the Governor General, to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to appoint you to the office of Solicitor General for *Lower Canada*, and that your Commission as such, bearing date this day, will be transmitted to you with the least possible delay.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,) CHRISTOPHER DUNKIN.

Asst. Secretary.

J. E. Turcotte, Esq.

&c., &c., &c.

Three-Rivers.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

13th May, 1848.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that, immediately on the receipt of your letter of the 5th May instant, enclosing a memorial to the Governor General, on the subject of the salary of the office of Solicitor General for *Lower Canada*, I brought the latter document under the consideration of His Excellency. I also submitted to His Excellency the original letter of Mr. Assistant Secretary *Dunkin*, dated the 15th May 1847, in which that Gentleman informs you, that the Governor General had been pleased to appoint you Solicitor General, and that your Commission as such, bearing date that day, would be transmitted to you with the least possible delay.

It appears from the correspondence remaining in this Department, that the intention of issuing a Commission to you, as Solicitor General, was for some reason, not carried into effect until the 8th December last. On the 10th of December, by command of His Excellency, the present Governor General, Mr. Assistant Secretary

Parent

Parent enclosed the Commissions of Solicitor General and Queen's Counsel to you, and in a letter the next day, requests you to notify your acceptance of the office, stating that without the acceptance, no publication of the appointments could take place.

On the 14th December, you reply to Mr. *Parent*, communicating to him, for the information of His Excellency, that you accepted the office.

By your memorial, I understand you to claim the salary of Solicitor General, from the 15th May, 1847, though no Commission issued till the 8th December, and no publication of any appointment to the office appeared, and although your acceptance of the office bears date only on the 14th December, stating in your memorial that you acted as Solicitor General in all that did not require the nomination to be clothed with the form of the official seal.

I am commanded by His Excellency, to inform you that he knows of no duties which you could have been legally called upon to perform, as Her Majesty's Solicitor General, without the sanction of the Commission appertaining to the office, and that the Executive Government has no authority to direct payment of salary, except to officers regularly appointed and Commissioned, whose acceptance and assumption of the duties of the office have been, in due season and unequivocally, communicated to the Government.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,) R. B. SULLIVAN,
Secretary.

J. E. Turcotte, Esq.,
Q. C.,
&c., &c., &c.,
Three-Rivers.

(Translation.)

Three-Rivers, 15th May, 1848.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th instant, in answer to the memorial which you were so good as to convey to His Excellency for me.

I should consider this answer as final, if I could persuade myself that I had asked in that memorial, any thing more than a simple act of justice, the payment of a debt which any tribunal in the country would award me, if its jurisdiction could reach my debtor; but as I venture to flatter myself that His Excellency will be pleased to take this matter again into consideration, after having been apprised of certain circumstances which I had not thought fit to recall to his recollection, you will

will be pleased, most respectfully, to submit on my part to His Excellency, the enclosed extracts from a letter written by me to the Honorable *D. B. Papineau*, and from that gentlemen's answer.

I know that these letters are not to be found in the public offices, because they were confidential; but I am persuaded that on seeing the extracts from them, which I transmit to you, His Excellency will remember perfectly having seen in them my acceptance of the office of Solicitor General, which was offered to me, and that it is in consequence of the acceptance by me of that offer, that His Excellency was pleased to appoint me to that office, by Mr. Assistant Secretary *Dunkin's* letter of the 15th of May last.

Perhaps, also, the same extract from *M. Papineau's* letter, respecting the election for the County of *Champlain*, is calculated to call His Excellency's attention to the fact, that in this Province the office of Solicitor General is not only legal, but also a political office, and that it is on this latter ground that I was called upon, if not professionally, at least politically and constitutionally, with authority and of necessity, to act as Solicitor General, in presenting myself as a candidate in a County as such, and in taking all the necessary steps to secure my election.

As to my appointment, I have always thought, and I think still, that the will of Her Majesty's Representative to confer it, expressed in writing, on the one hand, and my declaration of a willingness to accept it and discharge it duties, previously expressed and known to him, on the other, was all that was essential to the formation of a perfect contract, involving reciprocal obligations, and that the Commission or the Letters Patent that were to follow, were not intended to form this contract, which existed already without them, but rather to give it publicity, and authentically to make known its existence to those whom it might concern, as the very terms of these Letters Patent prove.

With respect to my acceptance of the 14th of December, and subsequently to my Commission, it was asked of me, and when I gave it, I saw in it only a confirmation of that already given by me, on the 14th of May last, and which His Excellency had known of since that time.

I beg of you, therefore, to be pleased to call His Excellency's attention once more to the memorial in question, as well as to the facts set forth in this letter and proved by the enclosed extracts from other letters, and to receive the assurance of the high consideration with which.

I have the honor to be,

Your very humble servant,

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Honble. R. B. Sullivan,
Provincial Secy.,
&c., &c., &c.

Montreal.

Translation

(Translation.)

(EXTRACT.)

Three-Rivers, 14th May, 1847.

SIR,—Since my return, I have had opportunities of consulting, indirectly, a good number of my friends in this District upon the subject we conversed about in *Montreal*, and all those to whom I spoke pressed me to accept the office in question.

Being thus supported by the opinions of the most influential persons in the District, I cannot hesitate any longer, and I accept the offer which you have been pleased to make to me, in the name of the Government.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,)

J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. D. B. Papineau,

&c., &c., &c.

Montreal.

(Translation.)

(EXTRACT FROM ANSWER.)

Montreal, 15th May, 1847.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday; and if Mr. Daly were not absent, steps would immediately be taken for preparing your Commission.

Mr. *McNab* is expected here on the 20th instant, and he can immediately issue a writ of election for *Champlain*; so that you may be before hand and bind your party in advance, so as to baffle any opposition that may be made to you.

3 P. M., I have just seen His Excellency, to whom I communicated your letter, (of acceptance) and the result of the interview was an order to Mr. Assistant Secretary, to inform you that you are appointed Solicitor General this very day. The letter will be written in five minutes, and you will receive it, I hope, in the same cover with this.

Yours, &c.

(Signed,)

D. B. PAPINEAU.

J. E. Turcotte, Esq.,

&c., &c., &c.

Three-Rivers.

SECRETARY'S

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Montreal, 18th May, 1848.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th May instant, enclosing extracts from a letter in your possession from Mr. *D. B. Papineau* addressed to yourself, and an extract from a copy of a letter addressed by you to that gentleman, which you say have a bearing upon your claim for salary, in the office of Solicitor General, and upon which you pray a re-consideration of the decision which I had the honor of communicating to you.

It seems to me that your last application is not in a condition to be submitted for His Excellency consideration, as it is quite impossible for Government to direct a payment of public money, upon extracts of private or confidential communications, withheld by the applicant. The justification for payment of public money is, of necessity, always public, and if these letters contain any grounds upon which your claim can be properly founded, they must be such as the Government can explain and exhibit openly in Parliament.

As copies of these letters are not retained in this Department, and as the Government may at any time be called on in the Legislative Assembly, to produce the correspondence upon which either its compliance with your application, or its refusal, may be founded, you will perceive at once that your application cannot be entertained in its present shape.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) R. B. SULLIVAN,
Secretary.

J. E. Turcotte, Esq.,

&c., &c., &c.

Three-Rivers.

(Translation.)

Three-Rivers, 19th May, 1848.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday, the 18th instant, and in reply, I must tell you that I appreciate perfectly the reasons which you give me for not having submitted my last letter to His Excellency, accompanied as it was by mere extracts from a correspondence which the Government ought to have in an entire and authentic form, in order to be able to justify any decision to which it may come.

I am writing in consequence to Mr. *D. B. Papineau* for his permission to transmit to the Government, the entire correspondence, and I sincerely believe that when His Excellency shall have before him all the correspondence there will no longer be any possibility of a doubt that I am entitled to the claim, which I have had the honor to make through you, to the Executive Government.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Honble. R. B. Sullivan,
Provincial Secy.,
&c., &c., &c.

Montreal.

(Translation.)

Three-Rivers, 31st May, 1848.

SIR,—Having placed myself in a position to be able to transmit to you all the correspondence between the Honorable *D. B. Papineau* and myself, relative to my appointment to and acceptance of the office of Solicitor General, you will be pleased again to call the attention of His Excellency to my petition of the fifth instant, which I had the honor to submit, through you, to His Excellency.

His Excellency can satisfy himself from this correspondence, that on the 28th of April, 1847, the Honorable *D. B. Papineau* made me the offer of a political office; that on the 1st of May 1847, I refused that offer; that on the 3rd of the same month Mr. *Papineau* persisted, and invited me to go to *Montreal*; that I went there, and that after having had from him several explanations on the ministerial negociations of the day, and taken time to consult my friends, I wrote to Mr. *Papineau* on the 14th of May 1847, that I accepted the offer which he had made me in the name of the Government; and lastly, that on the 15th of May 1847, Mr. *Papineau* wrote to me that he had submitted my letter, that is to say, my acceptance, to His Excellency, and that in consequence of that acceptance, His Excellency had given orders to Mr. Assistant-Secretary *Dunkin* to write to me that I was appointed Solicitor General for *Lower Canada*, which was done the same day, 15th of May, as is proved by the letter accompanying my memorial.

I might add that a few days after having received this letter, I had an opportunity of personally thanking His Excellency for the confidence which he had shewn me ; but that as a few days only had elapsed since my appointment, I did not think it right to speak of my Commission to His Excellency, at that time.

Nevertheless I have written several times, since to the proper quarters to request that this Commission should be given to me, and in answer to my application, attempt was made to impose upon me new and imposible conditions.

I think, then, that the letter of the 15th of May 1847, informing me, on behalf of His Excellency, that I was appointed Solicitor General, and that my Commission as such, dated the same day, would be transmitted to me with the least possible delay, joined to my previous acceptance of the offer of that office, is a perfect contract between the representative of Her Majesty and myself, involving reciprocal obligations, which obligations being on my part of a legal and political nature, I was entitled and bound in consequence of that contract, to take action in respect of the latter, and I did so. If the publicity conferred by Letters Patent or a Commission, was not given to this contract, so as to enable me to act professionally, as I had acted politically, it was not my fault. I was ready: I waited; and indeed it was not the most difficult of my obligations. Moreover, I repeatedly put the Government *in morâ* to cause these Letters Patent to issue, in order that I might be enabled to fulfil the obligations of a professional kind imposed upon me by my appointment.

The Government of that day, from a motive unknown to me, did not do so until the 8th of December last. Must I suffer from that? I do not think so, and that is why I address myself now to the present Government, which is in law the same Government, to beg of it to be pleased to discharge the obligations entered into by it with me on the 15th of May last, that is to say, to pay me the salary attached to the office of Solicitor General from that date, even as I, on my part, have fulfilled, as much as in me lay, the duties of that office.

As for my acceptance of the 14th of December last, I sent it only because it was demanded of me, and after much hesitation on my part; so much so that I thought it necessary to make a pretext to excuse in some degree my delay in sending it; for I thought then, as I think still, that the contract having being complete since the 15th of May last, this second and last acceptance was superfluous. Nevertheless I sent it, not thinking that the Government could or would subsequently make use of it against me.

Such are, Sir, the facts with which I would present myself with confidence before the tribunals of the Country, to obtain from them the adjudication of the salary which I claim, if the affair was between individuals subject to their jurisdiction; but in the present state of our legislation, I can and ought to have recourse only to the justice of the Executive Government, and that is why I beg of you to be pleased again to call the attention of His Excellency to my Petition of the 5th instant, and to

submit

submit to him this letter also, and those which I transmit to you inclosed, which will serve to apprise His Excellency of all the circumstances in relation to this affair.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. R. B. Sullivan,
 Provl. Secy.
 &c., &c., &c.

Montreal.

(Translation.)

(*Private and confidential*)

Montreal, 28th April, 1847.

SIR,—Would you have the goodness to let me know if, in the event of Mr. *Guillet's* resigning his seat in Parliament, you would have any certainty of getting yourself elected for the County of *Champlain*, even in case you should have accepted an office or place under the Government: Moreover, whether you would consent to accept such a place, which would expose you, as I have already been exposed for some time, to incessant attacks from our fellow countrymen, who are not willing either to replace me when I offer to go out or to leave me were I am.

When I know how you feel disposed in this respect, I will see what I can do for you, and will let you know; for in spite of what certain newspapers say, my colleagues have more deference for me than these papers would allow people to believe.

Your answer, if possible, by return of post, will oblige

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) D. B. PAPINEAU.

J. E. Turcotte, Esq.,
 &c., &c., &c.

Three-Rivers.

(Translation.)

Three-Rivers, 1st May, 1847.

SIR,—Our mails are so irregular at this season, that I received only last night your letter of the 28th, the receipt of which I have now the honor to acknowledge; and I hasten to tell you in reply that I have every reason to believe that I could be elected without difficulty in the County of *Champlain*, with any office whatever under the Government; but I must tell you at the same time, that under present circumstances, it would be impossible for me to accept a political office under the Government with advantage to my fellow countrymen and with honor to myself.

Previous

Previous to the last negotiations, I might have accepted any situation whatever, *upon condition* that I should get myself elected in the County of *Champlain* or elsewhere, because then I should have had hopes of an arrangement to the advantage of my fellow countrymen, and which my position of *elected* in the County of *Champlain* and very *eligible* in the Counties of *St. Maurice* and *Nicolet*, might have facilitated by causing it to be relished:—but you must see that these last negotiations having unfortunately resulted unfavorably to such an arrangement, and that having exerted myself to unite, on that occasion, the suffrages of the District of *Three-Rivers* to those of the District of *Quebec*, it is impossible for me now to abuse the little influence I may possess, for the purpose of isolating any one County from the tacit, but well understood alliance which exists between the two Districts, by accepting a *political* office.

I venture to hope that you will appreciate these motives, and that you will feel convinced that they are far superior to any feeling which might be produced in me by the fear of the clamors, or the proscription of a certain party, which I have already braved, and which I would brave again, if it were necessary to do so, with a view to the public interest.

I beg of you, therefore, to be pleased to accept of my most sincere thanks for your good intentions with respect to me, and to believe that I am far from being one of those who see nothing but snares and treason in the last overtures made to the *Canadian* party, and that no one feels more than I do, how painful your fellow countrymen have made your position by their injustice and calumnies.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,)

J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. D. B. Papineau,

&c., &c., &c.

Montreal.

(Translation.)

Montreal, 3rd May, 1847.

SIR,—I have this moment received your letter of the 1st instant, in answer to mine of the 28th of April last.—I have nothing at all to say against your objections to the acceptance of a political office, except that if you knew the reasons which caused the last negotiations to fail, perhaps you would change your opinion.—But as there would be far too much to write, if your determination is not final and irrevocable, and you have a little leisure, come to *Montreal* the first favorable opportunity, and after having been informed of the circumstances, you will be able to pronounce your decision with a thorough knowledge of the matter.

It is unnecessary to tell you that this communication on my part, that which preceded it, and your answer, are all strictly private and confidential, and that

no other use should ever be made of them than to remind each other that we have entertained mutual sentiments of esteem and good will, which I hope will still last for a long time.

If you write to me, please to mark your letter "*private*" on the outside.—I will do as much.

Believe me,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) D. B. PAPINEAU.

J. E. Turcotte, Esq.,

&c., &c., &c.

Three-Rivers.

(Translation.)

Three-Rivers, 14th May, 1847.

SIR,—Since my return, I have had an opportunity of consulting indirectly a good number of my friends in this District, on the subject we conversed about in *Montreal*, and all those to whom I spoke urged me to accept the office in question.—Being thus supported by the opinion of the most influential inhabitants of this District, I can no longer hesitate, and I accept the offer which you have been pleased to make to me in the name of the Government.

I attach no formal stipulation to my acceptance of that offer; but it must be understood between the Government and me,

1st. That I shall be free to reside here,

2nd. That it shall be lawful for me to propose, with the assent of the administration, such amendments to the Education Act of *Lower Canada* as will be calculated to make it work more advantageously, by bringing it into harmony with the views of our country people, provided the principle be merely modified, and not changed, and that the School funds be raised in a definite manner.

I undertake to get myself elected for the County of *Champlain*, as I told you, as soon as its present Representative shall have resigned; but I must tell you that it would be infinitely better that the Commission for the office in question should be given to me without delay, and before any attempt is made with Mr. *Guillet*.

There will be less outcry when I have the Commission, and Mr. *Guillet* will be much more disposed to resign; besides which, I should not like to be abused on mere rumour, as I have been already on the score of that office.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. D. B. Papineau,

&c., &c., &c.,

Montreal

Translation

(Translation.)

(Private and confidential.)

Montreal, 15th May, 1848.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday ; and if Mr. *Daly* were not absent at this moment, having left last evening for *Quebec*, from whence he will return on Tuesday next, steps would immediately be taken for preparing your Commission. It would be necessary also, of course, to take orders on this subject from His Excellency the Governor General, who at this time (2 o'clock P., M.,) has not yet come to Town.

I think, however, that on Monday His Excellency will give his orders for this. I cannot, myself, leave *Montreal* before Tuesday evening. I propose to leave on that day, to go to *Batiscan* to see Mr. *Guillet* as I told you. If your Commission is not ready at the time of my departure, at least it will be so soon after, and must soon be sent to you. Mr. *McNab* is expected here on the 20th instant, and he can immediately issue a Writ of Election for *Champlain*, therefore you may be before hand and bind your party, so as to baffle in advance any opposition that may be made to you. Moreover, all this is left to your discretion, and you will judge for yourself, whether it will be prudent for you to take active measures before you have obtained both Mr. *Guillet's* resignation and your Commission. 3 o'clock P., M., I have just seen His Excellency, to whom I communicated your letter, and the result of the interview was an order to Mr. Assistant-Secretary to inform you that you are appointed Solicitor General this very day. The letter will be written in five minutes, and you will receive it, I hope, in the same cover with this : and now, happen what may ! (*vogue la galère !*)

Yours &c.,

(Signed,) D. B. PAPINEAU.

J. E. Turcotte, Esq.,
&c., &c., &c.,
Three-Rivers.

(Translation.)

Three-Rivers, 4th September, 1848.

SIR,—With reference to the letter which I had the honor to address to you on the 30th of May last, containing a certain claim which I felt myself bound to make at that time against the Executive Government of this Province, I beg of you as I did at first verbally, to be pleased not to press the final decision, whatever it may be, of His Excellency, on that claim, because I wish to support the position which I have taken with precedents or analogues cases, if it is possible.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

R. B. Sullivan,
Provincial Secy. &c., &c., &c.,
Montreal.

Translation

(Translation.)

Montreal, 24th February, 1849.

SIR,—Being desirous of obtaining an official and definitive answer to the Petition which I had the honor to present to His Excellency the Governor General on the 5th of May last, as well as to the representations which I subsequently made in support of that Petition, I beg of you to be pleased to call His Excellency's attention to this matter, as soon as circumstances may permit him to attend to it, and to transmit to me His Excellency's decision in this respect, as soon as you can.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. James Leslie,
Provincial Secy.,
Montreal.

EXTRACT from a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive Council on Matters of State, dated 10th March, 1849, approved by His Excellency the Governor General, in Council, on the 12th of the same month.

On the letter of *J. E. Turcotte*, Esquire, dated 24th February ultimo, requesting a definitive decision on his memorial of the 5th May ultimo, claiming salary as Solicitor General for *Canada East*, from 15th May 1847, and on the representation subsequently made in support of that memorial;

The Commission appointing Mr. *Turcotte*, Solicitor General for *Canada East* bears date the 8th December 1847. His resignation of that office took place on the 10th March 1848, and for that period that Gentleman has received by two Warrants, dated respectively the 30th December 1847, and 10th March 1848, the salary due to him as Solicitor General.

Mr. *Turcotte*, however, claims salary from 15th May 1847, to the 8th December of the same year, the day on which his Commission bears date, alleging that his appointment took place on the former date, and therefore that his salary should commence from that period.

The memorial of the 5th May, the Committee find, was at the time of its receipt, laid before Your Excellency, and that by Your Excellency's command the following Letter was addressed to Mr. *Turcotte*, conveying Your Excellency's decision on the claim.

“ For letter of Provincial Secretary see his letter preceding, dated 13th May 1848.”

The Committee desire, in their Report, to record the above letter of Mr. Secretary *Sullivan*, as conveying their view of the grounds on which a decision on Mr. *Turcotte's* claims must rest.

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On the 15th May, Mr. *Turcotte* requests a re-consideration of his claim, in connection with a correspondence, not of an official nature, which took place previously to his receiving Mr. *Dunkin's* letter of the 15th May 1847, above referred to, and of which correspondence Mr. *Turcotte* furnishes such extracts as he conceives to bear on the matter at issue.

To this letter Mr. Secretary *Sullivan*, on the 18th May, returned an answer—"See preceding letter of that date."

On the 31st May, Mr. *Turcotte* transmits the whole of the correspondence referred to in his previous letter, and requests that it may be submitted to Your Excellency, in order that Your Excellency may be fully informed of all circumstances relating to the transaction.

It would appear, however, that further communications than those before the Committee passed between Mr. *Turcotte* and the Government, which are not on record in the Secretary's department, and which probably have not been preserved by Mr. *Turcotte*, for in his letter of the 31st May, Mr. *Turcotte* states that he has frequently since the period of his nomination to office, written to request that his Commission might be delivered to him, and that in replying to such application, it was sought to impose on him new and impracticable conditions.

Mr. *Turcotte's* communication of the 31st May, it would appear from his letter dated 4th September 1848, was not submitted for Your Excellency's final decision, in consequence of an express request to that effect, made by that Gentleman, who states his desire to sustain, if possible, the ground he has taken by precedents or analogous cases.

No further communication, however, on the part of Mr. *Turcotte* has been made to the Government, and he now by his letter of the 24th February ultimo, desires a definitive reply to his original memorial of the 5th May 1848, and the further representations subsequently made by him in support thereof.

The Committee have given the subject of Mr. *Turcotte's* claim, which by Your Excellency's command has been referred to them, their full consideration; and they can perceive nothing in the correspondence transmitted by Mr. *Turcotte* in his letter of the 31st May, to induce them to doubt the justness and propriety of the decision which by Your Excellency's command was communicated to Mr. *Turcotte* on the 13th May ultimo.

The Committee of Council are borne out in their opinion of the invalidity of the claim under consideration, by the fact that both the warrants for the payment of Mr. *Turcotte's* salary were prepared under the direction of Your Excellency's late advisers, whose fuller knowledge of the facts connected with Mr. *Turcotte's* appointment, would render them more competent judges than themselves of the period for which he was entitled to his official salary.

Certified,

(Signed,) J. JOSEPH,

C. E. C.

Translation

(Translation.)

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Montreal, 16th March, 1847.

SIR,—I have the Honor to inform you, by order of the Governor General, that His Excellency in Council has considered anew your claim to obtain payment of your salary in your capacity of Solicitor General for *Lower Canada*, reckoning from the 15th May 1847, and to announce to you that His Excellency sees nothing in the correspondence which you have transmitted in your letter of the 31st May last, to induce him to recall his decision, which was communicated to you by the letter from this Department, under date of the 13th of the same month.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,)

J. LESLIE,

Secretary.

J. E. Turcotte, Esq., Q. C.

&c., &c., &c.

Three-Rivers.

(Translation.)

Montreal, 31st October, 1849.

SIR.—After having made all possible researches for authorities, on the subject of the claim which I had the honor to address to His Excellency the Governor General, through the then Provincial Secretary, with reference to eight months' salary as Solicitor General, which I contend is due to me by the Government, under the circumstances set forth in my Petition of the 5th May 1848, and in several subsequent letters relating thereto, I am more than ever convinced that I have an incontestable right to the payment of that salary. But for this conviction, be assured, I would not avail myself of the different answers which I have had the honor to receive from His Excellency, having apparently left the question undecided, for the purpose of again calling the attention of the Executive Government to it.

The position which I have taken, and which I still maintain to be a just and an impregnable one, is this. By the offer of the situation of Solicitor General which was made to me and which I accepted before the 15th May 1847, as is proved by the correspondence already submitted by me to His Excellency, and afterwards by virtue of His Excellency's letter of the 15th May 1847, appointing me to the office of Solicitor General, there was entered into between the Government and myself, a perfect contract *do ut facias*.

I have, on my part, fulfilled, as much as it was in my power to do so, the obligations imposed upon me by that contract. One of these obligations was to assume a political position and to obtain a seat in Parliament by means of the County of *Champlain*, which the Government undertook to open the way to for me, by procuring the resignation of Mr. *Guillet*, who then represented it. I had to take in consequence, and I did then take, all the necessary steps to ensure my election, and that on the express recommendation of the Government, which, on its part, did not procure Mr. *Guillet's* resignation, as it had undertaken to do. I have always been ready to fulfil the other obligations imposed upon me by the contract entered into between the Government and myself. I was not able to fulfil them, because there were wanting to this contract the Letters Patent, which are nothing else than the publicity which the Government itself was bound to give to it, particularly after having been several times called upon by me to do so.

By what right and on what principle then can the same Government, (for the moral being with which I then contracted is the same which exists at present) now come and allege against me its own fault, in order to relieve itself from the payment stipulated in the contract which existed between it and me? Law and common sense are in my favor in the position which I have taken, and I do not fear to assert that nowhere will there be found positive laws or authorities contrary to this position, but that on the contrary, all the English decisions and precedents in this respect, are in my favor. I will nevertheless only take the liberty of citing one, which appears to me very decisive.

On the 18th July 1837, the Honorable *Charles Watkins Williams Wynn*, had been *verbally appointed* by the then Lord Chancellor, to a lucrative office under the Government. On the 1st August following, he was elected a Member of Parliament, and it was only on the 7th April 1848, that the Letters Patent appointing him, issued and were enrolled. The question whether or not his seat in Parliament, obtained after his verbal appointment, had been rendered vacant by the subsequent issue of the Letters Patent appointing him, or in other words, whether or not, his *verbal* nomination and acceptance should be considered as a perfect nomination, without the Letters Patent, and made before his election, presented itself before the House of Commons. It was referred to a Committee composed of the principal Members of the House of Commons, amongst whom was Lord *John Russell*. That Committee, after having ascertained the fact that the Honorable Mr. *Wynn* had been appointed *verbally* to his office before his election, reported unanimously that his seat had not become vacant, although the Letters Patent appointing him had not issued until eight months after his election.

By the evidence given before the Committee, any one must be convinced that salaries are frequently paid to public officers in *England* for months and even years, before the issuing of Letters Patent appointing them to the offices which they fill. See "Reports from Committees of the House of Commons, 1st March 1839, p. 375."

In the debate which took place in the House of Commons on this question, the then Attorney General expressed his opinion that Mr. *Wynn*, after having been *verbally* appointed to his office, had right to claim the salary attached to it, from the time of such verbal appointment. The words of Mr. Attorney General were "the party holding the office might go to the Minister of the Crown and say, assign me a salary &c., which salary would commence from the date of the appointment &c." Vide Barrow's Mirror of Parliament, 1839, vol. 9. p. 284.

It seems to me that with this authority to support the justice and legality of my claim, His Excellency the Governor General cannot have any difficulty in coming to the conclusion, that I really have a right to claim the eight months' salary which have not yet been paid to me, and ordering that payment thereof be made to me.

I have the honor to be,

With consideration,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. James Leslie,
Provincial Secy.,
Montreal.

(Translation.)

Toronto, 3rd July, 1850.

SIR,—Desiring to obtain from His Excellency the Governor General permission to withdraw the different Petitions, Letters and Papers which I have had the honor to submit to him through you, in relation to my claim for my salary as late Solicitor General, I beg of you to be pleased to make the request on my behalf to His Excellency, and to communicate to me, as soon as you can, the decision of His Excellency in that respect.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Honble. Jas. Leslie,
Provincial Secy.,
Toronto.

(Translation.)

Toronto, 7th August, 1850.

SIR,—I take the liberty of again transmitting to you the papers setting forth the claim which I have had the honor to submit to His Excellency the Governor General, relative to my salary as late Solicitor General. One of the reasons which induced me to withdraw these papers for some days, was the desire to re-examine the precedent which I had the honor to submit to the consideration of His Excellency,
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because I had cited it merely from notes of which I had not been able to verify the correctness, when I cited it in October last, in consequence of the burning of the Library of the Legislative Assembly.

I have had it in my power to re-examine this case in the present Library, and I think I may assert that it is perfectly applicable to mine. I must say nevertheless, that it was by mistake that I applied to the case of the Honorable *Charles Watkins Williams Wynn*, the words of the Honorable Attorney General of that day. These words apply to a nearly analogous case, that of Mr. *Harvey*, but do not the less support the position which I have taken.

I will take the liberty of submitting to His Excellency's attention, the opinion of the Lord Chancellor of the Exchequer, expressed in the House of Commons on the question in relation to Mr. *Wynn*. Here are the very words, which will be found in *Barrow's Mirror of Parliament*, session of 1839. vol. 9. p. 434. "In this case the *appointment* was made and accepted previous to the election, and *the date* of the *Patent* has nothing to do with the matter."

Be pleased, Sir, to place the papers in question once more before His Excellency, together with this letter, and to pray His Excellency for me, to be pleased to take the whole into consideration, as soon as circumstances may permit him to do so.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. Jas. Leslie,
 Provl. Secy.
 &c., &c., &c.
Toronto.

(Translation.)

Three-Rivers 17th March, 1851.

SIR,—Permit me to beg of you to be pleased to call the attention of His Excellency the Governor General, to the claim which I long ago had the honor of submitting to His Excellency, relative to the salary which I contend is due to me by the Provincial Government, for having filled the office of Solicitor General of *Lower Canada*, as the whole is set forth in the Petition and the different letters already submitted by me to His Excellency in that behalf.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. Jas. Leslie,
 Provincial Secy.
 &c., &c., &c.
Toronto.

No. 174.

EXTRACT from a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive Council, on Matters of State, dated 2nd April 1851, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the same day.

On the renewed application of Mr. *Turcotte* for payment of salary from 15th May, to 8th December 1847.

The Committee are of opinion that there is no good ground to justify a deviation from the order of Council of the 12th March 1849.

Certified,

(Signed,) J. JOSEPH,

C. E. C.

To the Honorable the Provincial Secy.

&c., &c., &c.,

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Toronto, 4th April, 1851.

SIR,—In reply to your letter of the 17th ultimo, renewing your application for payment of the salary of the office of Solicitor General for *Lower Canada*, from 15th May to 8th December 1847, I am commanded by the Governor General to inform you that His Excellency is advised that there is no good ground alleged by you to justify a deviation from the decision arrived at on your claim.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) J. LESLIE,

Secretary.

J. E. Turcotte, Esq.,

&c., &c., &c.

Three-Rivers.

(Translation.)

Three-Rivers, 27th October, 1851.

SIR,—Having had an opportunity of re-examining all the correspondence which has taken place between the Executive Government and myself, in relation to the claim which I have had the honor to submit to His Excellency the Governor General, for the salary attached to the office of Solicitor General, and which I respectfully maintain to be due to me, from the day of my nomination by His Excellency, to the entry into office of my successor, I perceived that although it is alleged by me in that correspondence, that I had several times put the Government *in mora* to issue the Letters Patent of that appointment, the proof of this allegation is not to be found

therein;

therein; and I have reason to believe that this circumstance must have had a considerable influence on the decision which His Excellency was advised to give upon my claim, in as much as, without this proof, I may seem to have tacitly consented that the Letters Patent in question should not be issued at the time when they ought to have been, and consequently to have at least tacitly renounced the right which the act of my nomination might give me.

I alleged also in the correspondence in question, that when I had demanded the issue of these Letters Patent, I had been answered by the imposition of new and impossible conditions; and I am in a position to be able now to make a complete proof of these allegations by two letters written by me, to the Honorable the Provincial Secretary of that day, and by his answer to those letters and others, which I had already addressed to him.

By these letters, which I transmit to you enclosed, His Excellency may satisfy himself of the truth of my allegations, in relation to the putting *in morâ* which I take credit for, in my correspondence with the Executive Government, as well as in relation to the new conditions which it was then sought to impose upon me, *that of residing at Quebec*, and that of *obtaining* a seat in Parliament before the then next Session of the Legislature, when there was no County vacant.

I venture to hope, Sir, that the proof of these facts will be a new motive to induce His Excellency to take the whole of this matter into consideration again, and that His Excellency will be pleased to admit the justice of a claim which none of the judicial tribunals of the Country could hesitate for an instant to grant me, if it were possible or fitting for me to submit it to them.

Please to receive, Sir, the high consideration,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,)

J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. A. N. Morin,
Provincial Secy.,
&c., &c., &c.
Quebec.

(Translation.)

Three-Rivers, 17th June, 1848.

SIR,—I have several times already taken the liberty of calling your attention to the fact that I had the honor to receive a letter on the 16th May last, from the then Assistant-Secretary Mr. *Dunkin*, informing me that it had pleased His Excellency the Governor General, to to name me the office of Solicitor General for *Canada East*, and that a Commission as such, dated on the above mentioned day (15th May) would be transmitted to me with the least possible delay, and that I had, some days afterwards, the honor of an interview with His Excellency, in which I verbally acknowledged the receipt of the letter in question, and thanked His Excellency for that mark
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of confidence. Since that time I have been under the necessity of communicating the matter to my friends, in order to be able to assure myself of the suffrages of the County of *Champlain*, which I had in fact secured, if, as it has been promised to me, the resignation of Mr. *Guillet* be obtained.

The object, therefore, of the present letter is to beg you again to submit to His Excellency my urgent request, that he will be pleased to give orders for the issuing of the Commission in question, dated the 15th May last, as His Excellency entered into an engagement with me to do, by the letter of Mr. Assistant Provincial Secretary of the same day.

You must see that it is but just that I should be relieved in one way or another from the equivocal and extremely disagreeable position in which I have found myself for more than a month passed.

I have the honor to be,
&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. D. Daly,
Provincial Secy.
&c., &c., &c.

Montreal.

(Translation.)

Three-Rivers, 12th July, 1847.

SIR,—Permit me to remind you that on 17th of last month, I had the honor to address to you a letter in which I earnestly demanded the issuing of the Commission attached to the office of Solicitor General, which His Excellency has been pleased to confer upon me on the 15th May last, and that I have not yet had the honor of an answer to that letter, which, however, asks only for a simple act of justice.

I take the liberty, therefore, of reiterating that demand; and be pleased respectfully to submit this and the preceding letter to His Excellency, for I cannot believe that His Excellency wishes to do me the injustice of leaving me longer in the disagreeable position, to say no more, in which I have found myself placed, since the 15th May last.

I have the honor to be,
&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. D. Daly,
Provincial Secy.
&c., &c., &c.

Montreal.

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(*Private and confidential.*)

Secretary's office, 6th August, 1847.

SIR,—I am commanded by the Governor General to inform you, with reference to the communications that have already passed between you and the Executive Government on the subject, that His Excellency is prepared to confer upon you the appointment of Solicitor General, on the condition of your residing at *Quebec*, and finding a seat in Parliament before the House meets.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,)

D. DALY,

Secretary.

J. E. Turcotte, Esq.,

&c., &c., &c.

Three-Rivers.

(Translation.)

CROWN LAW OFFICE.

Quebec, 3rd November, 1851.

On the letter of J. E. Turcotte, Esq., of the 27th October 1851, requesting the re-consideration of the claim made by him for part of his salary, as Solicitor General of Lower Canada, and alleging new reasons in support of that request and of his claim.

The undersigned has the honor to report as follow :

It is established by the correspondence previously submitted by Mr. *Turcotte* ;

That on the 28th April 1847, the Hon. *D. B. Papineau*, one of the Members of the then administration, made an offer to Mr. *Turcotte* of a political situation.

That after a refusal on the part of Mr. *Turcotte*, and explanations on the part of Mr. *Papineau*, Mr. *Turcotte*, by a letter of the 14th May 1847, accepted the offer previously made to him by Mr. *Papineau*.

It is in like manner established that the office in question between these two gentlemen, was that of Solicitor General, and that Mr. *Papineau*, although not writing officially, wrote with the consent of His Excellency and his colleagues, since, in fact, His Excellency gave orders to Mr. Assistant Secretary *Dunkin* to inform Mr. *Turcotte* that it had pleased His Excellency to name him Solicitor General for *Lower Canada*, and that his Commission as such, dated the same day, would be transmitted to him with the least possible delay, as is proved by Mr. *Dunkin's* letter of the 15th May 1847.

It is moreover established, by letters which Mr. *Turcotte* had not before produced, but which accompany his last communication, being that upon which the Committee of Council took the whole matter again into consideration, that Mr. *Turcotte*, as he alleges

alleges in his previous communications, had several times placed the then Executive Government, *in morà* to issue the Commission promised to him, in the letter naming him Solicitor General.

It is on these facts that the undersigned is called upon to give his opinion, upon the question, whether Mr. *Turcotte* has, as he pretends, a right to the salary attached to the office of Solicitor General, from the day of his nomination as such, or only from the date of his Commission.

The undersigned would, perhaps, have found himself embarrassed in the decision of this question, by the unfavorable reports which have already been made upon it, if he could have considered those reports as deciding it finally; but he is convinced to the contrary by the examination of those reports themselves, which shew that there was wanting to the advisers of His Excellency, the proof of a fact essential to the position taken by Mr. *Turcotte*, that is to say, the proof that several times after his nomination, he had demanded the issuing of his Commission, and that an answer to this demand had been eluded, by the imposition of conditions other than those on which he had accepted the office in question.

The undersigned has also reason to believe, that the case of the Honorable *Charles Watkins Williams Wynn*, invoked by Mr. *Turcotte*, as a precedent applicable to his own, and which is in fact completely so, may have escaped the attention of His Excellency's Councillors, inasmuch as that precedent was only invoked by Mr. *Turcotte* in a letter of the 31st October 1849, and that the only report made subsequently to that letter, is that of the 2nd April 1851, in which no allusion is made to the letter in question.

Under these circumstances, the undersigned does not hesitate to say that Mr. *Turcotte's* claim, such as now established by him, would be admitted by the tribunals of the Country, if the affair was one between man and man, and that in consequence he has law and justice on his side.

The undersigned feels bound therefore, to recommend the claim in question favorably, expressing once more his opinion that Mr. *Turcotte* has a perfect right to receive the salary attached to the office of Solicitor General, for the time which elapsed between the 15th May 1847, and the 8th December of the same year, as demanded.

(Signed,) LEWIS T. DRUMMOND,
Atty. Genl. L. C.

(Translation.)

Quebec, 13th March, 1852.

SIR,—On the 27th of October last, I had the honor to address a letter to you in which, besides transmitting to you fresh information on the subject of my claim for arrears of salary, as late Solicitor General, I requested you again to call the attention of His Excellency to the claim in question; and as I have not yet had any answer to
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that letter, written nearly five months ago, I think it right to request you again, and earnestly, to be pleased to call the attention of His Excellency to this matter, and to communicate to me His Excellency's decision thereon.

If there should be wanting in my former communications, any information which His Excellency may desire to obtain, before coming to a final decision, as I shall be here for some days longer, I shall be at all times ready to afford it, if it is in my power to do so.

I have the honor to be,

With consideration,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

The Hon. A. N. Morin,
Provincial Secy.,
&c., &c., &c.,
Quebec.

On the 28th April, I receive a letter from the Honorable *D. B. Papineau*, offering the office. Some few days after, I refuse that offer; but mutual explanations being mutually given, I on the 14th of May accept the offer, on condition of my remaining at *Three-Rivers*, and that the Government would cause Mr. *Guillet* to resign his seat for *Champlain*.

These conditions are accepted by Government, on the next day, 15th May; and Mr. *Papineau*, in a letter of that day, tells me that His Excellency has given orders to Mr. *Dunkin* to inform me, that I was appointed Solicitor General for *Lower Canada*, and accordingly on the same day, 15th May, Mr. *Dunkin* writes me officially that His Excellency has been pleased to appoint me Solicitor General for *Lower Canada*, and that my Commission, as such, will be sent without delay.

Mr. *Papineau* in his letter recommends me to canvass the County of *Champlain*, he being sure of Mr. *Guillet's* resignation. I did so, and was sure of being elected there, had Mr. *Guillet's* resignation been obtained, as promised.

After waiting about a month for the Commission, on the 17th of June, I write to Mr. *Daly*, asking for the same. Having received no answer, I wrote again on the 12th July, and it was only on the 6th August, that I received a letter from Mr. *Daly* endeavouring to impose upon me, new and impracticable conditions, to wit, my residing in *Quebec*, and my finding a seat in Parliament.

Now my pretensions are these :

Mr. *Papineau's* offer of office, my acceptance of the same, and the letter of the 15th of May, appointing me Solicitor General, constitute a *real* and legal *appointment*.

In proof of this, I invoke the case of Mr. *Wynn*, who was elected Member of Parliament, after being verbally appointed to the same office of emolument under the Crown, his Commission having been made and published *eight months* after his Election. In that case, it was held that the appointment was made previous to the Election, and that it was perfect without the Commission being issued, and therefore he retained his seat in Parliament.

I hold that in consequence of the appointment of the 15th May, there existed between the Government and myself, a real and perfect contract, imposing on me the obligation of performing certain duties, and on the Government, the obligation of paying the salary attached to the office. I maintain that this contract would be declared binding on the Government by all our Courts of Law, could it be brought before these tribunals, as could be one of the same kind between man and man.

It has been objected that not being commissioned, I could not perform the judiciary duties of the office, and therefore, had no claim to the salary attached to it, &c., &c.

To this I shall ask first; where is the man of business, the merchant, &c., who after having engaged a Clerk or Agent for so much a year, would at the expiration of six months, tell his Clerk or Agent: Sir, I owe you nothing, because *I have neglected* to furnish you with merchandize to sell, or with books to make entries, or with a power of Attorney to transact my business? And again, it is well established that the office in question is in this country, not only of a judiciary character, but also of a political one, and that if I could not act as a Solicitor General before the Courts of Law, I could, without having the commission, perform the political part of the duties of the office, and was bound to do so, in consequence of the positive recommendation given to me in Mr. *Papineau's* letter, and the obligation I was in to be elected a Member of Parliament for the County of *Champlain*. I did so, and surely would have preferred the conducting of all the Crown's business before the Courts of Law for three years to come, rather than to be exposed to one day's abuse for acting the political part of the duties of the office.

I therefore claim what is justly due to me in law and equity, and what, I repeat it, every Court of Justice would allow me, could I sue for the same, to wit, the salary attached to the office of Solicitor General, to which I was duly appointed on the 15th of May, as above stated.

I may add that Mr. *Badgley*, Mr. *Cayley*, Mr. *McDonald* of *Kingston* and Colonel *Prince*, having taken communication of the case, during the last session of Parliament in *Toronto*, were all of opinion that I had a plain right to be paid as claimed for by me, and pledged themselves to support the claim, should I bring it before Parliament.

(Signed,) J. E. TURCOTTE.

Quebec, 16th August, 1853.

SIR,—You are perhaps aware that Mr *Turcotte*, who was Solicitor General for *Lower Canada* under the administration of which you were a Member, has preferred a claim for salary for several months on the ground that, although his Commission had not issued, he nevertheless held the office of Solicitor General, under a letter of appointment written by command of the Governor General, and in which he was informed that this Commission would issue the next day. It appears that, notwithstanding the promise, the Commission did not issue until the month of December, and that in consequence of the non-fulfilment of the promise made to him, Mr. *Turcotte* has not been able to obtain the payment of his salary.

The Members of the present administration are, of course, wholly ignorant of the cause of the non-fulfilment of the promise made in the letter of Mr. Assistant Secretary *Dunkin*, by command of the Governor General, and have therefore great difficulty in disposing of the claim. As you appear, from the private correspondence submitted by Mr. *Turcotte*, to have conducted the negotiation with that Gentleman, relative to his appointment to office, and must be aware of the circumstances which prevented the issuing of the Commission, I have to request that you will inform me whether, in your opinion, the faith of the Crown was pledged to Mr. *Turcotte*, and whether you think him entitled to the salary which he claims, as having been virtually the incumbent of the office of Solicitor General, although his Commission had not been issued.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed,) A. N. MORIN.

Hon. D. B. Papineau,

&c., &c., &c.,

Petite-Nation.

Petite-Nation, 19th August, 1852.

SIR,—In answer to the question contained in your letter of the 16th instant, received only this day, I have to state that, in my opinion, which I think is the only thing you can ask from me, Mr. *Turcotte* is fairly entitled to the salary of Solicitor General from the date of Mr. *Dunkin's* letter, notifying his nomination to that office. I may add that the private correspondence carried on between that Gentleman and myself, although strictly confidential, was known to my colleagues, and had their approbation. As to the delay that occurred between Mr. *Dunkin's* letter and

and the emanation of Mr. *Turcotte's* Commission, it is entirely out of my power to give any explanation, as it was the business of another department than mine to prepare that document.

I have,

&c., &c., &c.

(Signed,) D. B. PAPINEAU.

Hon. A. N. Morin,

Provincial Secy.,

&c., &c., &c.,

Quebec.

EXTRACT from a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive Council, on Matters of State, dated 2nd September 1852, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the 2nd September 1852.

On the application of *J. E. Turcotte*, Esquire, for re-consideration of his claim for arrears of salary as late Solicitor General for *Lower Canada*.

The Committee of Council having taken into consideration Mr. *Turcotte's* application and the additional documents submitted by that Gentleman, with his letter of the 27th October 1851; and being of opinion that the Gentlemen who acted as your Excellency's advisers at the time when Mr. *Turcotte's* appointment was made, could alone know whether any thing had occurred to exonerate the Government from the liability of paying Mr. *Turcotte's* salary, from the time he was informed that his appointment as Solicitor General had taken place, and having further ascertained that the Warrants issued in Mr. *Turcotte's* favor, were made out in the usual course, without the question as to his right to a larger amount of salary having been considered by the Executive of the day, the Committee, before coming to a final decision upon the claim, thought proper to request the Honorable the Provincial Secretary to address a letter to the Honorable *D. B. Papineau*, by whom the negotiation which led to Mr. *Turcotte's* appointment was carried on.

For the Honorable Provincial Secretary's letter to Honorable *D. B. Papineau*, see his letter preceding dated, "16th August 1852."

And for Mr. *Papineau's* answer thereto, see his letter dated, "*Petite-Nation*, "19th August, 1852."

Having been convinced by this letter, and by other enquiries which they have entered into, that Your Excellency's former advisers (who, from their full knowledge of the facts connected with Mr. *Turcotte's* appointment, were the best judges of the period for which that Gentleman should receive his official salary,) considered the honor of the Government pledged towards the payment of that salary, from the date of the appointment, and having further considered the opinion pronounced by the Attorney General of *Lower Canada*, in favor of Mr. *Turcotte's* claim,

The Committee would humbly recommend that a sum sufficient to pay Mr. *Turcotte*, the salary of Solicitor General of *Lower Canada*, from the 15th May, 1847, up to the 8th day of December of the same year, be placed on the estimates.

(Certified,)

(Signed,)

W. H. LEE.

APPENDIX No. 6.

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SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS AND VOUCHERS OF THE CLERK OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THE HONORABLE THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

TO JOHN F. TAYLOR, CLERK,—*Dr.*

For various Sums disbursed between the first day of June 1851, and the thirtieth day of September 1852, both days inclusive, according to the following Schedule of Accounts.

Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	AMOUNT.		
		£	s.	d.
1	Picton Gazette to April 1851	0	15	0
2	Orange Lilly £2 0 0—Ottawa Advocaté 15s.	2	15	0
3	W. Garrie, Forwarder	0	2	6
4	E. L. Montizambert	8	6	8
5	J. E. Doucet	12	10	0
6	J. Adamson	8	6	8
7	Fennings Taylor	25	0	0
8	M. Keating	4	3	4
9	F. S. Jarvis	4	3	4
10	W. A. Maingy	12	10	0
11	J. G. Couillard	8	6	8
12	O. Vallerand	4	3	4
13	Journal de Québec	1	10	0
14	G. Bill	1	3	9
15	R. Watson's Estate	14	13	4
16	G. Brown, on account	50	0	0
17	Hamilton Gazette	1	0	0
18	Répertoire National	1	0	0
19	W. A. Maingy, compensation for removal from Montreal	12	10	0
20	W. A. Adamson, for Toronto Book Society	3	5	0
21	J. C. Becket	50	0	0
22	Hon. R. E. Caron.....	15	5	5
23	Louis Perrault	13	5	6
24	British Whig	1	10	0
25	Kingston Herald	0	11	3
	<i>Amount carried forward.....</i>	£	256	16 9

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Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	AMOUNT.		
		£	s.	d.
	<i>Amount brought forward</i>	256	16	9
26	Fennings Taylor	17	10	0
27	George Brown	50	0	0
28	R. Le Moine	3	5	0
29	Bytown Paket	1	10	0
30	Medical Journal	0	15	0
31	James Adamson	10	8	4
32	J. E. Doucet	14	11	8
33	J. G. Couillard	10	8	4
34	M. Keating	4	3	4
35	E. L. Montizambert	8	6	8
36	W. A. Maingy	14	11	8
37	Kingston Herald	0	15	0
38	Fennings Taylor	25	0	0
39	O. Vallerand	4	3	4
40	F. S. Jarvis	4	3	4
41	R. B. Richards	0	12	6
42	Dumfries Reformer	0	12	6
43	Toronto Water Company	3	2	6
44	George Brown	48	18	4
45	E. Becket	1	5	0
46	Montreal Herald	1	10	0
47	Hastings Chronicle	0	12	6
48	Bathurst Courier	0	15	0
49	Brantford Courier	3	0	0
50	London Times	1	10	0
51	George Brown	40	0	0
52	Thomas Hanley	14	9	6
53	M. Keating	3	1	6
54	Derbshire & Desbarats	98	15	10½
55	Alexander Hamilton	12	2	10
56	St. Catharines Journal	1	2	6
	<i>Amount carried forward</i>	£657	18	11½

ACCOUNTS AND VOUCHERS OF THE CLERK, &c.—Continued.

Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	AMOUNT.		
		£	s.	d.
	<i>Amount brought forward</i>	657	18	11½
57	Hood and Thorne	21	5	6
58	Stanstead Journal	0	19	8
59	St. Johns News	0	7	6
60	J. E. Doucet	14	11	8
61	James Adamson	10	8	4
62	J. G. Couillard	10	8	4
63	Fennings Taylor	25	0	0
64	E. L. Montizambert	25	0	0
65	W. A. Maingy	14	11	8
66	O. Vallerand	8	6	8
67	J. G. Couillard	20	16	8
68	H. Rowsell	6	5	0
69	Rollo Campbell	150	0	0
70	Brockville Recorder	0	10	0
71	S. Skinner	48	0	0
72	M. Keating	4	3	4
73	Belleville Intelligencer	0	12	6
74	T. Neary	48	0	0
75	F. S. Jarvis	8	6	8
76	A. Lachance	3	0	0
77	J. Fenwick	3	0	0
78	E. Botterel	3	0	0
79	G. B. Faribault	200	0	0
80	L'Avenir	1	2	6
81	Patriot	2	6	4
82	Mirror	1	14	4
83	Toronto Postmaster	112	3	5
84	Gas Company	86	17	3
85	Church Newspaper	0	18	9
86	James Adamson	10	8	4
87	Jean Benoit	42	1	4
	<i>Amount carried forward</i>	£1542	4	8½

ACCOUNTS AND VOUCHERS OF THE CLERK, &c.—Continued.

Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	AMOUNT		
		£	s.	d.
	<i>Amount brought forward</i>	1542	4	8½
88	Watchman Newspaper	0	8	4
89	A. H. Armour & Co.	19	17	4
90	J. Hall	4	1	6
91	Montreal Postmaster	9	6	1½
92	F. Fitzpatrick	2	10	7
93	Colonist	7	15	0
94	William Harris	17	3	10
95	Ridout, Brothers & Co.	1	10	0
96	Angus Dallas	1	2	6
97	Alexander Hamilton	0	16	6
98	Rice Lewis	4	8	9
99	Geo. N. Cheney & Co.	5	2	8
100	W. Macfarlane	19	9	0
101	Toronto Water Company	3	2	6
102	R. B. Richards	0	12	6
103	J. G. Couillard	10	8	4
104	J. Adamson	20	16	8
105	W. A. Maingy	43	15	0
106	J. E. Doucet	43	15	0
107	Fennings Taylor	75	0	0
108	Francis Thomas	5	8	0
109	C. N. Montizambert	27	15	0
110	G. F. Prowse	7	7	4
111	R. Chalmers & Co.	19	3	4
112	Charles Garth	18	0	0
113	Robert Richardson	6	10	0
114	Fabre & Co.	9	4	8
115	Quebec Fire Assurance Company	15	0	0
116	O. Vallerand	4	3	4
117	M. Keating	8	6	8
118	M. Keating	2	10	5½
	<i>Amount carried forward</i>	£1956	15	7½

ACCOUNTS AND VOUCHERS OF THE CLERK, &c.—Continued.

Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	AMOUNT.		
		£	s.	d.
	<i>Amount brought forward</i>	1956	15	7½
119	Rollo Campbell	100	0	0
120	Freight and Cartage of a case of Books	0	2	10½
121	Francis Baby	55	0	0
122	Louis Perrault	100	0	0
123	Phare de New York	0	8	9
124	Canadian Directory	3	0	0
125	M. Keating	4	3	4
126	E. L. Montizambert	8	6	8
127	Freight of sundry cases	1	17	6
128	Do. do.	2	15	6½
129	Customs duties on Stationery	11	19	11
130	Quebec Morning Chronicle	1	0	0
131	— Douaire	1	0	0
132	S. Drapeau	0	5	0
133	M. Keating	3	5	0
134	L. Lemieux	1	10	0
135	J. E. Doucet	14	11	8
136	M. Keating	4	3	4
137	O. Vallerand	8	6	8
138	L. Perrault	75	0	0
139	W. A. Maingy	14	11	8
140	J. Adamson	10	8	4
141	Fennings Taylor	25	0	0
142	J. G. Couillard	10	8	4
143	E. L. Montizambert	8	6	8
144	F. S. Jarvis	12	10	0
145	Coté & Co.	2	11	4
146	Newspaper Carriers	0	3	9
147	R. Campbell	150	0	0
148	W. A. Maingy	14	11	8
149	J. G. Couillard	10	8	4
	<i>Amount carried forward</i>	£2612	11	11½

ACCOUNTS AND VOUCHERS OF THE CLERK &c.—Continued.

Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.				AMOUNT		
					£	s.	D.
	<i>Amount brought forward</i>				2612	11	11½
150	E. L. Montizambert	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	8	6	8
151	Fennings Taylor	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	25	0	0
152	J. Adamson	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	10	8	4
153	J. E. Doucet	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	14	11	8
154	M. Keating	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	4	3	4
155	J. Drolet	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	0	15	0
156	Quebec Post Office.	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	11	5	6½
157	Bossange & Co.	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	0	6	3
158	J. T. Brousseau	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	1	2	6
159	J. Drolet	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	0	5	9
160	J. Baby	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	20	7	0
161	J. E. Doucet	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	14	11	8
162	M. Keating	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	4	3	4
163	O. Vallerand	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	8	6	8
164	J. G. Couillard	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	10	8	4
165	M. Keating	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	1	7	6
166	F. S. Jarvis	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	4	3	4
167	L. Perrault	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	100	0	0
168	J. Adamson	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	10	8	4
169	Fennings Taylor	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	25	0	0
170	E. L. Montizambert	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	8	6	8
171	J. G. Couillard	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	10	8	4
172	W. A. Maingy	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	14	11	8
173	F. S. Jarvis	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	4	3	4
174	L. Perrault	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	50	0	0
175	E. L. Montizambert	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	8	6	8
176	J. Adamson	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	10	8	4
177	Fennings Taylor	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	25	0	0
178	For removing snow	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	1	9	0
179	L'Avenir	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	0	5	0
180	M. Keating	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	4	3	4
	<i>Amount brought forward</i>				£3024	15	6

ACCOUNTS AND VOUCHERS OF THE CLERK &c.—Continued.

Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.				AMOUNT		
					£	s.	d.
	<i>Amount brought forward</i>				3024	15	6
181	O. Vallerand	...	....	....	4	3	4
182	J. E. Doucet	....	....	...	14	11	8
183	W. A. Maingy	....	....	....	14	11	8
184	F. S. Jarvis	....	..	....	4	3	4
185	T. Brooke	....	....	..	12	10	0
186	Fennings Taylor	....	....	....	25	0	0
187	E. L. Montizambert	....	....	....	8	6	8
188	Le Canadien	....	...	..	2	14	0
189	Morning Chronicle	....	....	....	1	0	0
190	Quebec Post Office	....	....	....	8	6	9
191	P. Sinclair	....	....	....	7	19	6
192	Quebec Mercury	....	....	....	2	10	0
193	J. E. Doucet	....	....	....	14	11	8
194	Phare de New York	....	....	....	0	8	9
195	O. Vallerand	....	....	....	4	3	4
196	F. X. Douaire	....	....	....	9	5	6
197	M. Keating	....	....	....	20	0	0
198	W. A. Maingy	....	....	....	14	11	8
199	J. G. Couillard	....	....	....	10	8	4
200	R. Campbell	....	....	..	50	0	0
201	M. Keating	....	..	....	4	3	4
202	Ditto	....	....	....	4	3	4
203	J. Adamson	....	....	....	20	16	8
204	J. E. Doucet	....	....	....	14	11	8
205	J. G. Couillard	....	....	....	10	8	4
206	Fennings Taylor	....	....	....	25	0	0
207	E. L. Montizambert	....	....	....	8	6	8
208	F. Douaire	....	....	....	2	10	0
209	F. S. Jarvis	....	....	....	8	6	8
210	W. A. Maingy	....	....	....	14	11	8
211	Derbshire and Desbarats	....	....	..	44	13	8
	<i>Amount carried forward</i>				£3411	13	8

ACCOUNTS AND VOUCHERS OF THE CLERK, &c.—Continued.

Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	AMOUNT.		
		£	s.	d.
	<i>Amount brought forward</i>	3411	13	8
212	F. Douaire	1	13	9
213	A. Armour & Co.	10	8	9
214	J. G. Couillard	10	8	4
215	E. L. Montizambert . . .	8	6	8
216	Fennings Taylor	25	0	0
217	J. E. Doucet	14	11	8
218	O. Vallerand	8	6	8
219	James Adamson	10	8	4
220	M. Keating	4	3	4
221	W. A. Maingy . . .	14	11	8
222	Hastings Chronicle	0	12	6
223	Mrs. Jarvis as Executrix to the will of the late Starr Jarvis, Esq.	4	3	4
224	T. Brooke	6	5	0
225	Louis Perrault	50	0	0
226	Steamer Rowland Hill	0	17	6
227	J. Sewell, Postmaster, Quebec	18	13	4½
228	J. Porteous, do. Montreal	7	5	11½
229	J. Benoit	2	3	3
230	6 Copies Bonners Essay on Registry Laws of L. C.	1	17	6
231	R. Bainbridge & Co.	378	7	1
232	N. Y. Commercial Advertizer....	3	5	7½
233	A. M. Della Torre	12	10	0
234	J. Adamson	10	8	4
235	J. E. Doucet	14	11	8
236	E. L. Montizambert	8	6	8
237	M. Keating	4	3	4
238	O. Vallerand	4	3	4
239	J. G. Couillard	10	8	4
240	Fennings Taylor	25	0	0
241	Steamer Rowland Hill	0	7	6
242	M. Lamontagne	8	0	0
	<i>Amount carried forward</i>	£4091	3	1½

ACCOUNTS AND VOUCHERS OF THE CLERK &c.—Continued.

Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	AMOUNT.		
		£	s.	d.
	<i>Amount brought forward</i>	4091	3	1½
243	W. A. Maingy	14	11	8
244	True Witness	1	11	6
245	Quebec Gazette	1	12	0
246	M. Keating	1	19	10½
247	F. Douaire	4	17	6
248	Steamer Rowland Hill	0	11	3
249	Do. do.	0	12	6
250	A. Lachance	8	15	0
251	T. Neary	12	10	0
252	Toronto Mirror	1	2	2
253	Revd Dr. Adamson	3	0	0
254	Almanachs français des Etats Unis	0	7	6
255	Bathurst Courier	0	15	0
256	Rollo Campbell	25	0	0
257	A. Mercier	0	16	0
258	Extra Doorkeeper,	2	15	0
259	François Racine	1	17	6
260	George Bisset	0	4	9
261	N. Turcot	5	0	0
262	Fennings Taylor	25	0	0
263	E. L. Montizambert	8	6	8
264	J. E. Doucet	14	11	8
265	J. Adamson	10	8	4
266	J. G. Couillard	10	8	4
267	M. Keating	4	3	4
268	O. Vallerand	4	3	4
269	Constitutional Newspaper	0	10	0
270	Dumfries Reformer	0	12	6
271	René Kimber	6	18	2½
272	W. A. Maingy	14	11	8
273	British Whig	3	0	0
	<i>Amount carried forward</i>	£4281	16	4½

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Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	AMOUNT		
		£	s.	d.
	<i>Amount brought forward</i>	4281	16	4½
274	Journal de Quebec	1	0	0
275	M. Keating	4	7	9
276	Dundas Warder	1	0	0
277	Superior of Hospice des Sœurs de la Charité, Québec	3	10	0
278	Kingston Chronicle and News	2	0	0
279	F. X. Douaire	5	16	0
280	Ditto	6	0	0
281	Derbshire and Desbarats, on account	200	0	0
282	Montreal Herald	2	5	0
283	St. John's News	0	7	6
284	Rollo Campbell, on account	125	0	0
285	Pilot Newspaper	3	7	6
286	Picton Sun	1	10	0
287	Saml. Skinner	20	0	0
288	James Adamson	10	8	4
289	J. G. Couillard	10	8	4
290	J. E. Doucet	14	11	8
291	W. A. Maingy	14	11	8
292	Fennings Taylor	25	0	0
293	E. L. Montizambert	8	6	8
294	M. Keating	4	3	4
295	O. Vallerand	4	3	4
296	Virtue, Son and Co.	1	6	3
		£4750	10	8½

DR. THE CLERK IN ACCOUNT WITH THE HONORABLE THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—CR.

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.		
1851	To Warrant.....	2500	0	0	1851	June 1	By Balance due, Clerk.....	19	14	3½	
Sept 18	To Do.....	2000	0	0	1852	By	Sums disbursed as per Schedule A.....	4760	19	8½	
1852	Sept 22	To Do.....	2000	0	0	Sept 30	By	Balance in hand at this date.....	1729	6	0¼
		£6500 0 0					£6500 0 0				
1852	Oct 1	To	Balance at Credit of the Honorable the Legislative Council at this date.....	1729	6	0¼					

I certify that the Accounts of the Clerk of the Legislative Council have been examined by the Committee appointed to examine the Contingent Accounts, up to 1st October 1852 and found correct, the balance then due by him being one thousand seven hundred and twenty nine pounds, six shillings and one farthing.

W. WALKER,
Chairman.

Quebec, 23rd November, 1852.

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54.——*Brantford and Buffalo Rail-road Bill*:—

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57.——*Quebec and Trois Pistoles Railway Bill*:—

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59.—*Quebec Benevolent Society's Bill*:—

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63.—*Hamilton Orphan Asylum Bill*:—

Brought up, 217. Read 1st time, 217. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 233. Reported without amendment, 241. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 242. Royal Assent, 255.

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Brought up, 217. Read 1st time, 217. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 233. Reported without amendment, 239. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 239. Royal Assent, 255.

65.—*Industry and Rawdon Rail-road Bill* :—

Brought up, 217. Read 1st time, 218. 46th Rule dispensed with, 218. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 218. Reported without amendment, 235. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 235. Royal Assent, 255.

66.—*Ontario and Huron, Rail-road Bill* :—

Brought up, 218. Read 1st time, 218. Read 2nd time, and referred, to a Select Committee, 233. Reported without amendment, 241. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 241. Royal Assent, 255.

67.—*Missisquoi Registry Office Bill* ;—

Brought up, 239. Read 1st time, 239. 46th Rules dispensed with 239. Bill read 2nd time, 239. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 239. Royal Assent, 255.

68.—*Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund, Bill, (U. C.)*—

Brought up, 240. Read 1st time, 240. 46th Rule dispensed with, 240. Bill read 2nd time, 240. Committed, 241. Reported without amendment, 241. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 241. Royal Assent, 255.

69.—*Line of Steam Vessels Establishment Bill* :—

Brought up, 242. Read 1st time, 242. 46th Rule dispensed with, 242. Bill read 2nd time, 242. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 242. Royal Assent, 255.

70.—*Bureau of Agriculture Bill* :—

Brought up, 242. Read 1st time, 243. 46th Rule dispensed with 243. Bill read 2nd time, 243. Committed, 243. Reported without amendment, 243. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 243. Royal Assent 255.

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71.—*Agricultural Societies' organization Bill* :—

Brought up, 243. Read 1st time, 243. 46th Rule dispensed with, 243.
 Bill read 2nd time, 243. Committed, 243. Reported without
 amendment, 243. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly
 acquainted thereof, 243. Royal Assent, 255.

72.—*Toronto Orphans' Home Bill* :—

Brought up, 244. Read 1st time, 244. 46th Rule dispensed with, 244.
 Bill read 2nd time, 244. Committed, 244. Reported without
 amendment, 244. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly
 acquainted thereof, 244. Royal Assent, 255.

73.—*Stamford Township Council Bill* :—

Brought up, 244. Read 1st time, 244. 46th Rule dispensed with, 244.
 Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 244. Re-
 ported without amendment, 247. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and
 the Assembly acquainted thereof, 247. Royal Assent, 255.

74.—*Hamilton Water Supply Bill* :—

Brought up, 244. Read 1st time, 244. 46th Rule dispensed with, 244.
 Bill read 2nd time, and referred to Select Committee, 245.
 Reported without amendment, 246. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and
 the Assembly acquainted thereof, 246. Royal Assent, 256.

75.—*County of Perth Election Bill* :—

Brought up, 245. Read 1st time, 245. 46th Rule dispensed with, 245.
 Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 245. Re-
 ported without amendment, 246. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and
 the Assembly acquainted thereof, 246. Royal Assent, 256.

76.—*County of Montreal Mutual Assurance Bill* :—

Brought up, 245. Read 1st time, 245. 46th Rule dispensed with 245.
 Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 245.
 Reported without amendment 247. Bill read 3rd time passed, and
 the Assembly acquainted thereof, 247. Royal Assent, 256.

77.—*Bytown and Prescott Railway Bill* :—

Brought up, 247. Read 1st time, 247. 46th Rule dispensed with, 247.
 Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 247.

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Reported without amendment, 250. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 250. Royal Assent, 256.

78.——*Labrador and North Shore Fisheries' Bill*:—

Brought up, 247. Read 1st time, 248. 46th Rule dispensed with 248. Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 248. Hon. Mr. de Beaujeu substituted for Hon. Mr. Ross, on the Committee 385. Reported without amendment, 417. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 420. Royal Assent, 444.

79.——*Crown Rights in Public Works' Bill (L. C.)*:—

Brought up, 249. Read 1st time, 249. 46th Rule dispensed with, 249. Bill read 2nd time, 249. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 249. Royal Assent, 256.

80.——*Quebec Debentures' Bill*:—

Brought up, 249. Read 1st time, 249. 46th Rule dispensed with 249. Bill read 2nd time, 249. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 250. Royal Assent, 256.

81.——*Toronto Mutual Insurance Bill*:

Brought up, 250. Read 1st time, 250. 46th Rule dispensed with 250. Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 250. Reported without amendment, 251. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 251. Royal Assent, 256.

82.——*Saguenay Seine Fishing Bill*:—

Brought up, 250. Read 1st time, 250, 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 265. Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 268. Amendments reported by them, 283. Same read 1st time, 283. The amendments, 283. Discharged from the Orders of the Day, 286. Amendments considered, by the House, 291. Read 2nd time, and agreed to, 291. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 293. A Conference desired by Assembly on the subject of said amendments, 314. A Conference, agreed to and Managers for this House appointed, 314. House informed that the Managers for Assembly are ready in the Conference Chamber 315. Names of Managers called

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called over 315. House adjourned during pleasure, 315. Reason of the Assembly for disagreeing to the amendments reported, 315. Same considered by the House 319. Motion for insisting upon the amendments, 319. Debated 319. Question put and carried, 319. A Committee appointed to prepare reasons to be offered to the Legislative Assembly at another conference for this House insisting on their amendments, 322.

83.———*Registry Law Bill, (U. C.)* :—

Brought up, 251. Read 1st time, 251. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 270, 297, 312. Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 319. A Member added thereto 528. Motion for discharging same, 529. Question put and carried, 529. Bill Committed, 533. An amendment reported 533. Read 1st time, 533. The Amendment, 533. Read 2nd time, and adopted 534. Further amendments ordered 539. The further amendments, 539. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 542. Agreed to by that House, 556. Royal Assent, 646.

84.———*Common School Bill* :—

Brought up, 251. Read 1st time, 251. 46th Rule dispensed with, 251. Bill read 2nd time, 251. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 251. Royal Assent, 256.

85.———*Quebec Hotel Bill* :—

Brought up, 252. Read 1st time, 252. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 265, 266. Amendments reported, 268. Read 1st time, and ordered for consideration, 268. The amendments, 270. Considered, 270. Amendments read 2nd time and agreed to, 272. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 283, 284. Agreed to by that House, 293. Royal Assent, 311.

86.———*Disinterments Permission Bill* :—

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Belleau, 265. Read 1st time, 265. 2nd reading discharged from Orders of the Day, 268. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 284. Amendments reported, 297. Consideration of the same discharged from the Orders of the Day, 299, 306, 309. Bill and amendments committed, 309.

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Amendments reported, 309. Read twice and adopted, 309. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 313, 314. Agreed to by that House without amendment, 581. Royal Assent, 647.

87.—*Interments in Quebec Prohibition Bill :—*

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Belleau, 265. Read 1st time, 265. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 268. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 284. Petition of J. Douglas and others, referred to the same Committee, 438. Power given them to send for persons, papers and records, 438. The Report and Evidence, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502. Report adopted and ordered to be printed, 502.

88.—*Pickering Harbour and Road Bill :—*

Brought up, 266. Read 1st time, 266. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 268, 269. Message sent to the Assembly for the evidence, proofs and documents upon which the Bill was founded, 291. The same received and referred to the Select Committee, 298. Power given them to send for persons, papers and records, 315. Amendments reported, 394. Consideration of the same discharged from the Orders of the Day, 413. Amendments considered by the House, 424. Read, 424. The amendments, 424, 425. The first 17 amendments read a 2nd time, and agreed to, 425. Motion for adopting the 18th amendment, 425. Motion in amendment for committing the Bill and Report to a Committee of the whole instanter, 425. Question put and carried, 425. Bill and Report committed, 425. Another amendment reported instead of the 18th as proposed by the Select Committee, 425. The substituted amendment read, 425. The amendment, 425. Read 2nd time and adopted, 425. The 19th, 20th and 21st amendments proposed by the Select Committee read a 2nd time and adopted, 425. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 430. Agreed to by that House, 448. Royal Assent, 515.

89.—*Intemperance Repression Bill :—*

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Belleau, 269. Read 1st time, 269. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 286. Amendments reported, 293. Same ordered for consideration, 293. read 2nd time and agreed to, 295. 3rd reading of the Bill dis-

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charged from the Orders of the Day, 299. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 305. Agreed to by that House without amendment, 581. Royal Assent, 647.

90.—*Brockville Gas Company's Bill* :—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. J. Morris, 269. Read 1st time, 269. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 284. Reported without amendment, 296. 3rd reading of the Bill discharged from the Orders of the Day, 299. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 301, 302. Agreed to by that House without amendment, 346. Royal Assent, 443.

91.—*Perth, Brant and Waterloo Counties' Bill* :—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. J. Morris, 292. Read 1st time, 292. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 297. Bill read 2nd time, 302. Read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 305. Agreed to by that House without amendment, 323. Royal Assent, 331.

92.—*Beresford's Relief Bill* :—

Petition presented from W. H. Beresford praying for passing of an Act to divorce him from his wife Emma Catherine Lawrence, 267. Motion for dispensing with the 59th and 60th Rules, 297. Question put and carried, 297. The Petition read, 297. Bill brought in by the Hon. Mr. Boulton, 297. Read 1st time, 297. House ordered to be called on the 2nd reading of the Bill, 297. Order of the Day read for 2nd reading of the Bill and for hearing Council for and against the same and for the Members to be summoned, 341, 349, 356, 560, 371, 386, 305. Counsel called in, (*and no Counsel appear on behalf of Petitioner's wife,*) 341, 349, 357, 360, 371, 386, 405. Counsel permitted to examine witnesses at the Bar and to produce evidence to establish that notice of the order for the 2nd reading of the Bill, and a copy of the same had been duly served upon the party from whom the Divorce is sought, or to establish the impossibility of complying with the 60th Rule, 341. Motion for considering whether a due service of copies of the Bill and order upon the Petitioner's wife as required by the Standing Orders have been fully proved, and for proceeding with the Bill, 356. Question put and carried 357.

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Counsel heard upon the allegations of the Bill, 357, And directed to withdraw, 357.

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93.—*Quebec Cul-de-Sac Harbour Bill* :—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Belleau, 299. Read 1st time, 299. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 312, 323. Petition of the Mayor and Corporation of Quebec, praying for the passing of the Bill ordered to be printed, 323. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 338. Amendments reported, 423. Same read, 423. The Amendments, 423. Considered, 431. Read 2nd time and adopted, 432. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 436. Agreed to by that House without amendment, 581. Royal Assent, 647.

94.—*Relations and Friends Meetings' Bill* :—

Brought up, 299. Read 1st time, 299. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 306. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 309. Amendments reported, 392. Read 1st time, 392. Considered, 395. Read 2nd time and adopted, 395. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 404. Agreed to by that House, 418. Royal Assent, 444.

95.—*Seminary of St. Hyacinth d' Yamaska Bill* :—

Brought up, 300. Read 1st time, 300. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 309. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 312. Amendments reported, 318. The Amendments, 318. Read twice and agreed to, 318. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 323. Agreed to by that House, 329. Royal Assent, 331.

96.—*St. Lawrence Railway Bridge Bill* :—

Brought up, 300. Read 1st time, 300. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 302. Reported without amendment, 305. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 305. Royal Assent, 311.

97.—*Ladies of St. Etienne de la Malbaie Bill* :—

Brought up, 300. Read 1st time, 300. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 309. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 313. An Amendment reported, 317. The Amendment, 317. Read twice and agreed to, 317. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 323. Agreed to by that House, 329. Royal Assent, 331.

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98.—*Jesuits Estates' School Fund Bill* :—

Brought up, 300. Read 1st time, 300. Bill read 2nd time, 306. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 308. Royal Assent, 311.

99.—*Montreal Fire Sufferers' Bill* ;—

Brought up, 300. Read 1st time, 300. Read 2nd time, 302. Committed, 302. Reported without amendment, 302. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 306. Royal Assent, 311.

100.—*Champlain & St. Lawrence Rail-road Debt Bill* :—

Brought up, 300. Read 1st time, 300. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 302. Reported without amendment, 305. Bill referred back to the same Select Committee, to report further thereon, 305. Amendment reported, 307. Read 1st time, 307. The amendment, 307. Read 2nd time, and adopted, 308. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 308. Agreed to by that House, 310. Royal Assent, 312.

101.—*Little Lake Cemetery Companies' Road Bill* :—

Brought up, 302. Read 1st time, 302. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 309. Bill read 2nd time, 314. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 318. Royal Assent, 331.

102.—*Railway Companies' Union Act Extension Bill* :—

Brought up, 303. Read 1st time, 303. Motion for discharging the Order made for a second reading, and for reading the Bill a 2nd time instanter, 304. Question put and carried, 304. Bill read 2nd time, 305. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 308. Royal Assent, 312.

103.—*Municipal Loan fund amendment Bill* :—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Taché, 304. Read 1st time, 304. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 314, 319, 337. Bill read 2nd time and ordered to be committed to a Committee of the House, 340. The Order for committing the Bill discharged from the Orders of the Day, 348. Committed, 355. Amendments reported, 355. Read twice and adopted, 355. Bill read 3rd time, passed,

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and sent to Assembly for concurrence, 371. Amended by that House, 463. Amendment read 1st time, 464. The amendment, 464. Read 2nd time, adopted and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 464. Royal Assent, 515.

104. — *Usury Laws modification Bill* :—

Brought up, 306. Read 1st time, 306. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 318. Motion for the 2nd reading, 323. Debated, 323. Amendment moved to read Bill a 2nd time, in 3 months put and negatived, 323, 324. Main motion put and carried, 324. Bill read 2nd time, 324. Ordered to be committed and to stand as 1st item upon Orders of the Day, 324. Committed, 327. Reported without amendment, 327. Motion for reading the Bill a 3rd time instanter, 327. Objected to 327. Motion in amendment, that the Bill be read 3rd time in six months, 327. Question put, and negatived, 327. Main motion put and carried, 327. Bill read 3rd time and passed, 327. Protest of the Hon. Messrs. Caron, Dionne, Taché, Bourret and Panet thereon, 327, 328. Assembly acquainted of the passing of the Bill without amendment, 328. Royal Assent, 331.

105. — *Toronto Gas and Water Bill* :—

Brought up, 310. Read 1st time, 310. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 315. Amendments reported, 317. Read 1st time, 317. The Amendments, 317. Bill and Report referred back to same Select Committee, 317. Reported with additional amendments, 326. Read 1st time, 326. The additional amendments, 326. Read 2nd time and adopted, 327. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 331. Agreed to by that House, 338. Royal Assent, 443.

106. — *Drummond Municipality, No. 2, Bill* :—

Brought up, 310. Read 1st time, 310. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 318. Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 337. Reported without amendment, 393. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 393. Royal Assent, 444.

107. — *Welland Canal Gas Bill* :—

Brought up, 315. Read 1st time, 315. Order for 2nd reading of Bill read, 328. Motion for dispensing with the 49th and 54th Rules,

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329. Objected to and debated, 329. Question put and carried, 329. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 329. A recommendation, that the Bill be not further proceeded with reported, 415. The report adopted, 415.

108.——*Montreal Water Works' Bill* :—

Brought in by Hon. Mr. Bourret, 322. Read 1st time, 322. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 329. Petitions from Jean Bruneau and others, and J. Armstrong referred to this Committee, 333, 334. Amendments reported, 392. Read 1st time, and ordered for consideration, 392. The Order for considering the amendments discharged, 399. Bill and Report of Select Committee committed, 399. Amendments reported, 399. The Amendments, 399. Read twice and adopted, 399. 3rd reading of the Bill discharged from the Orders of the Day, 404. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 413. Amended by that House, 456. Amendments read 1st time, 456. The Amendments, 456. Read 2nd time, adopted, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 456, 457. Royal Assent, 515.

109.——*Real Property Recovery Bill* :—

Brought up, 329. Read 1st time, 329. Read 2nd time, 332. 3rd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, and the Bill ordered to a Committee of the whole House, 334. The same discharged from the Orders of the Day, 338. Committed, 405, 458, 474. Progress reported and leave given to sit again, 405, 458. An amendment reported, 475. Read 1st time, 475. The amendment, 475. Read 2nd time and adopted, 475. Bill (as amended,) read 3rd time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 480. Agreed to by that House, 488. Royal Assent, 516.

110.——*Township of Georgina Separation Bill* :—

Brought up, 333. Read 1st time, 333. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 334. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 338. Reported without amendment, 340. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 348. Royal Assent, 443.

111.——*Montreal Incorporation Amendment Bill* :—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Bourret, 330. Read 1st time, 330. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 334. Amendments reported.

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112.—*Amherstburgh Market Site Bill* :—

Brought up, 332. Read 1st time, 332. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 334. Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 338. Reported without amendment, 340. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 348. Royal Assent, 443.

113.—*London and Port Sarnia Railway Bill* :—

Brought up, 332. Read 1st time, 332. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 337, 338. Amendments reported, 340. Read 1st time, 340. Considered, 348. The amendments, 349. Read 2nd time and adopted, 349. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 355. Agreed to by that House, 360. Royal Assent 443.

114.—*Representation Bill* :—

Brought up, 335. Read 1st time, 335. House called, 465, 466. Motion for a 2nd reading of the Bill instanter, 466. Debate, 466. Motion in amendment, 466, 467. Objected to and debated, 467. Question put and negatived, 467. Motion for postponing the debate, 467. Motion in amendment for reading the Bill a 2nd time in 3 months, 467. Objected to and debated, 467. Question put and negatived, 467. Main motion put and carried, 467. Motion in respect of the Speaker's right to vote, 521. Debated, 521. The
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115.—*Niagara Harbour Amendment Bill* :—

Brought up, 335. Read 1st time, 335. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 340, 348. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 359. Amendments reported, 412. Report of the Committee ordered for consideration, 412. The same read, 416. Motion for adopting the report, 416. Motion in amendment that the report be not adopted, but that the Bill be read a 3rd time in six months, 416. Objected to and debated, 416. Question put and negatived, 416. Question on the main motion put and carried, 416. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 416. Royal Assent, 517.

116.—*Hamilton and Port Dover Railway Bill* :—

Brought up, 335. Read 1st time, 335. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 340. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 348. Reported without amendment, 397. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 404. Royal Assent, 444.

117.—*Quebec Water Works' Loan Bill* :—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Belleau, 339. Read 1st time, 340. Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 385. Reported without

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without amendment, 390. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 391. Amended by that House, 459. Amendment read 1st time, 459. The amendment, 459. Read 2nd time, adopted, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 459. Royal Assent, 515.

118.—*Ste. Anne des Monts supplementary Bill :*

Brought up, 346. Read 1st time, 346. Read 2nd time, 355. 3rd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, and the Bill referred to a Select Committee, 359. Amendments reported, 397. Read 1st time, 398. The amendments, 398. Read 2nd time, and adopted, 398. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 413. Agreed to by that House, 420. Royal Assent, 444.

119.—*Brockville and Ottawa Railway Bill :—*

Brought up, 346. Read 1st time, 346. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 349. Amendments reported, 412. Read 1st time, 412. The amendments, 412. Read 2nd time, and adopted, 412. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 420. Agreed to by that House, 432. Royal Assent, 444.

120.—*Montreal and Bytown Railway Bill :—*

Brought up, 349. Read 1st time, 349. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 356. Amendments reported, 358. Read 1st time, 358. The amendments, 358, 359. Read 2nd time and adopted, 359. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 370. Agreed to by that House, 392. Royal Assent, 443.

121.—*Michipicoten Mining Company's Bill :—*

Brought in by Hon. Mr. Mills, 355. Read 1st time, 355. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 385, 394, 423. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time instanter, 461. Debated, 461. Question put and carried, 461. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 461. Certain Members added thereto, 461. Reported without amendment, 468. 3rd reading of the Bill discharged from the Orders of the Day, 474. Same read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 480.

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122.—*Great Western Rail-road Stock, increase Bill* :—

Brought up, 357. Read 1st time, 357. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 371. Reported without amendment, 397. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 404. Royal Assent, 444.

123.—*North Shore Rail-road Bill* :—

Brought up, 359. Read 1st time, 360. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 385. Amendments reported, 397. Read 1st time, 397. The amendments, 397. Read 2nd time and adopted, 397. 3rd reading of the Bill (as amended) discharged from the Orders of the Day, 404, 413, 429, 434. Bill and amendments committed, 434. A further amendment reported, 434. Read 1st time, 434. The further amendment, 434, 435. Read 2nd time and adopted, 436. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 441. Agreed to by that House, 442. Royal Assent, 445.

124.—*Public Officers' Security Bill* :—

Brought up, 360. Read 1st time, 360. Read 2nd time, 391. Committed, 391. Reported without amendment, 391. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 394. Royal Assent, 443.

125.—*Assessment Law Amendment Bill* :—

Brought up, 360. Read 1st time, 360. Read 2nd time, 391. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 394. Royal Assent, 444.

126.—*Megantic Junction Railway Bill* :—

Brought up, 360. Read 1st time 360. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 385. An amendment reported, 393. Read 1st time, 393. The amendment, 393. Read 2nd time and adopted 393. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 399. Agreed to by that House, 411. Royal Assent, 444.

127.—*Whitby and Huron Rail-road Bill* :—

Brought up, 383. Read 1st time, 383. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 385. Amendments reported, 400. Read 1st

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time, 400. The amendments, 400. Read 2nd time and adopted, 400. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 404, 405. Agreed to by that House, 418. Royal Assent, 444.

128.—*Emigrants and Quarantine Bill*:—

Brought up, 392. Read 1st time, 392. Read 2nd time, 395. Committed, 399. Reported without amendment, 399. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 399. Royal Assent, 444.

129.—*Prisoners in Quebec and Montreal employment Bill*:—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Bourret, 401. Read 1st time, 401. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 415. Amendments reported, 422. The same considered, 431. Read twice and adopted, 431. 3rd reading of the Bill discharged from the Orders of the Day, 438. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 440.

130.—*Quebec and Montreal Peace Officers' Bill*:—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Belleau, 401. Read 1st time, 401. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 424. Amendments reported, 429. The amendments read twice and adopted, 429. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 436.

131.—*Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Rail-road Bill*:

Brought up, 410. Read 1st time, 410. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 416. Amendments, reported 428. Considered, 437. The amendments, 437. Read twice and adopted, 437. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 441. Agreed to by that House, 442. Royal Assent, 445.

132.—*Ontario Simcoe and Huron Rail-road Union Bill*:

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. J. Morris, 415. Read 1st time, 415. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 426. Amendments, reported, 455. Bill and report committed, 459. Amendments reported, 459. Read twice and adopted, 459. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and

sent

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sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 474. Agreed to by that House without amendment, 556. Royal Assent, 646.

133.—*Joint Stock, Gas & Water Companies' Bill:—*

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. J. Morris, 415. Read 1st time, 415. read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 430. Amendments reported, 446. Amendments read twice and adopted, 446. 3rd reading of the Bill discharged from the Orders of the Day, and the same referred back to the Select Committee, 451. Further amendments reported, 455. Read twice and adopted, 455. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence 458. amended by that House, 564. Amendments read 1st time, 564. The amendments, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569. Bill and amendments referred to a Select Committee, 569. Certain Members added thereto, 600. Amendments to the amendments of Assembly reported, 600. The amendments, 600. Same adopted and sent to that House, for concurrence, 601. A conference with the Assembly requested, 601. Same agreed to by that House, 616. A committee appointed to prepare reasons to be offered at the Conference, 617. Their report, 617. Same adopted, 617. Managers appointed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 617. House informed that the Managers of the Assembly were ready in the Conference Chamber, 620. Names of the Managers for the Council called over, 620. House adjourned and the Conference held, 620. House resumed, 620. The delivery of the reasons for disagreeing to the amendments of the Assembly reported, 620. Message from the Assembly informing this House that they do not insist upon their amendments to which the Legislative Council have disagreed, 620. Royal Assent, 650.

134.—*Remedy againts Absent Defendants' Bill:—*

Brought up, 417. Read 1st time, 417. Read 2nd time, 426. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 430. Royal Assent, 444.

135.—*Hamilton Debt Consolidation Bill:—*

Brought up, 417. Read 1st time, 417. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 426. Reported without amendment, 427. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 428. Royal Assent, 444.

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136.——*Brock's Monument Building Committee Bill* :—

Brought up, 417. Read 1st time, 417. Read 2nd time, 431. Committed 431. Reported without amendment, 431. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 436. Royal Assent, 445.

137.——*Burlington Bay Dock Bill* :—

Brought up, 417. Read 1st time, 417. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 426. Reported without amendment, 428. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 428. Royal Assent, 444.

138.——*Essex Provisional Municipal Council Bill* :—

Brought up, 418. Read 1st time, 418. Read 2nd time, 427. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 430. Royal Assent, 444.

139.——*St. Roch's Reading Room Bill* :—

Brought up, 418. Read 1st time, 418. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 426. Reported without amendment, 429. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 429. Royal Assent, 445.

140.——*Toronto University Bill* :—

Brought up, 418. Read 1st time, 418. Read 2nd time, 431. Committed, 431. Reported without amendment, 431. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 436. Royal Assent, 445.

141.——*St. François du Lac Common Bill* :—

Brought up, 418. Read 1st time, 418. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 426. Reported without amendment, 428. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 428. Royal Assent, 444.

142.——*British North American Electric Telegraph Bill* :—

Brought up, 419. Read 1st time, 419. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 426. Reported without amendment, 429. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 429. Royal Assent, 444.

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Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Mills, 422. Read 1st time, 422. Read 2nd time, 441. Committed, 447. Progress reported and leave given to sit again, 447. Re-committed, 451. Amendments reported, 451. Read twice and adopted, 451. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 455.

144.—*Canada Military Asylum Bill*:—

Brought up, 427. Read 1st time, 427. Read 2nd time, 432. Committed, 432. Reported without amendment, 432. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 436, 437. Royal Assent, 445.

145.—*Montreal Grey Nuns' property Bill*:—

Brought up, 427. Read 1st time, 427. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 432. Reported without amendment, 433. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 433. Royal Assent, 445.

146.—*Mount Royal Cemetery Bill*:—

Brought up, 432. Read 1st time, 432. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 437. Reported without amendment, 440. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 440. Royal Assent, 445.

147.—*Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Bill*:—

Brought up, 432. Read 1st time, 432. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 437, 438. Reported without amendment, 440. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 440. Royal Assent, 445.

148.—*Customs Duties' Bill*:—

Brought up, 438. Read 1st time, 438. Read 2nd time, 441. Committed, 441. Reported without amendment, 442. 46th Rule dispensed with, 442. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 442. Royal Assent, 445.

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149.—*Toronto Consumers' Gas Company's Bill* :—

Brought up, 438. Read 1st time, 438. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 442. Reported without amendment, 447. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 447. Royal Assent, 515.

150.—*Kingston and Pittsburgh Townships' attachment Bill* :—

Brought up, 438. Read 1st time, 438. Read 2nd time, 442. Committed, 447. Reported without amendment, 448. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 448. Royal Assent, 652.

151.—*Port Hope Harbour Bill* :—

Brought up, 448. Read 1st time, 448. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 451. Reported without amendment, 453. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 453. Royal Assent, 515.

152.—*Montreal Exchange Bill* :—

Brought up, 448. Read 1st time, 448. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 451. Reported without amendment, 452. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 452. Royal Assent, 516.

153.—*Erie and Ontario Insurance Bill* :—

Brought up, 451. Read 1st time, 451. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 454. Reported without amendment, 455. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 455. Royal Assent, 515.

154.—*Montreal and New York Rail-road Connections' Bill* :—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Ferrier, 456. Read 1st time, 456. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 461. Reported without amendment, 465. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 469, 470. Agreed to by that House without amendment, 559. Royal Assent, 646.

155.—*Grenville Boundary Lines' Bill* :—

Brought up, 457. Read 1st time, 457. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 459. Reported without amendment, 468. Bill read

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read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 468.
Royal Assent, 652.

156.——*Religious Societies' Relief Bill* :—

Brought up, 457. Read 1st time, 457. Read 2nd time, 462. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 469. Royal Assent, 515.

157.——*Bytown and Pembroke Railway Bill* :—

Brought up, 457. Read 1st time, 457. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 462. Their report, 465. Bill and report committed, 475. Amendments reported, 475. Read 1st time, 475. The amendments, 475. Read 2nd time and adopted, 477. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 484. Agreed to by that House, 512. Royal Assent, 516.

158.——*Toronto Hotel Bill* :—

Brought up, 457. Read 1st time, 457. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 459. An amendment reported, 465. Read 1st time, 465. The amendment, 465. Read 2nd time, and adopted, 465. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 469. Agreed to by that House, 481. Royal Assent, 515.

159.——*Quebec St. Andrews' Church Bill* :—

Brought up, 457. Read 1st time, 457. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 462. Certain members added thereto, 541. Amendments reported, 547. Read 1st time, 547. The amendments, 547. Read 2nd time, and adopted, 547. Bill (as amended) Read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 553. Agreed to by that House, 573. Royal Assent, 647.

160.——*Two Mountains and other Counties Municipalities' Railway Stock Bill* :—

Brought up, 460. Read 1st time, 460. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time, instant, 470. Debated, 470. Question put and carried, 470. Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 470. Amendments reported, 488. Read 1st time, 488. The amendments, 488, 489. Read 2nd time, and adopted, 489. Bill (as amended) read

time,

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3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 492.
Agreed to by that House, 505. Royal Assent, 516.

161.—*Vaudreuil Railway Bill* :—

Brought up, 460. Read 1st time, 460. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 462. Amendments reported, 469. Read 1st time, 469. The amendments, 469. Read 2nd time and adopted, 469. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 474. Agreed to by that House, 482. Royal Assent, 515.

162.—*Cataragui and Peterborough Railway Bill* :—

Brought up, 462. Read 1st time, 462. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 470. Amendments reported, 473. Read 1st time, 473. The amendments, 473. Read 2nd time and adopted, 474. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 479. Agreed to by that House, 487. Royal Assent, 516.

163.—*London and Port Stanley Railway Bill* :—

Brought up, 463. Read 1st time, 463. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 470. Reported without amendment, 474. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 474. Royal Assent, 515.

164.—*Hamilton Hotel Bill* :—

Brought up, 463. Read 1st time, 463. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 470. Reported without amendment, 479. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 479. Royal Assent, 515.

165.—*Currency Bill* :—

Brought up, 467. Read 1st time, 467. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time instant, 471. Debated, 471. Question put and carried, 471. Bill read 2nd time, 471. Committed, 477. Reported without amendment, 478. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 478. Royal Assent, 652.

166.—*Peterborough and Port Hope Railway amendment Bill* :—

Brought up, 467. Read 1st time, 467. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 471. Amendments reported, 490. Read 1st time

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time, 490. The amendments, 490. Read 2nd time and adopted, 490. 3rd reading of the Bill (as amended) discharged from the Orders of the Day, 502, 521, 539. A further amendment moved, 539. Read 1st time, 539. The further amendment, 539. Read 2nd time and adopted, 539. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 542. Agreed to by that House, 557. Royal Assent, 646.

167.——*Fabriques' Mutual Assurance Bill* :

Brought up, 472. Read 1st time, 472. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 480. Reported without amendment, 484. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 486. Royal Assent, 516.

168.——*Quebec Bank Stock Bill* :—

Brought up, 473. Read 1st time, 473. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 480. Reported without amendment, 482. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 485. Royal Assent, 516.

169.——*Quebec Bridge Bill* :—

Brought up, 478. Read 1st time, 478. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 482. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 485. Reported without amendment, 491. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 491. Royal Assent, 516.

170.——*Law Students Articles' Validity Bill* :—

Brought up, 478. Read 1st time, 478. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 485. Reported without amendment, 491. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 491, 492. Royal Assent, 516.

171.——*Saltfleet and Binbrooke Land difficulties' Settlement Bill* :—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Crooks, 482. Read 1st time, 482. 2nd reading of the Bill discharged from the Orders of the Day, 487, 492, 531, 563.

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Brought up, 482. Read 1st time, 482. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 487. Reported without amendment, 491. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 491. Royal Assent, 516.

173.—*Grand River Navigation Loan Bill:—*

Brought up, 483. Read 1st time, 483. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 485. Reported without amendment, 486. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 486. Royal Assent, 516.

174.—*Seigniorial Rights' Bill:—*

Brought up, 483. Read 1st time, 483. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time on the 20th May, 483. Motion in amendment for reading the Bill a 2nd time on the 25th May, and that the parties interested be heard by Counsel, 483. Objected to and debated, 483. Question put and negatived, 483. Another Motion moved in amendment to the main motion that the Bill be not read 2nd time, on the 20th May, but that it be read a 2nd time, on the 23rd May. Question put and carried, 483. The main motion, (as amended) agreed to, 483. Motion for hearing Counsel against the 2nd reading, put, and carried, 483. Motion for a call of the House on the 2nd reading of the Bill, put and carried, 484. The order for the 2nd reading of the Bill and hearing Counsel read, 519. Motion for discharging same from the Orders of the Day, 519. Question put and carried, 519. Order of the Day again read for a 2nd reading of the Bill and hearing Counsel against the same, 527. Motion for discharging the said order and that the Bill be read 2nd time in 3 months, 527. Objected to, and debated, 527. Question put and carried, 527.

175.—*Port Dalhousie and Thorold Railway Bill:—*

Brought up, 487. Read 1st time, 487. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 502. Reported without amendment, 503. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 504. Royal Assent, 516.

176.—*County Courts' Equity Jurisdiction Bill:—*

Brought up, 487. Read 1st time, 487. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 502. Reported without amendment, 504. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 504. Royal Assent, 516.

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Brought up, 487. Read 1st time, 487. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 502. Reported without amendment, 504. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 504. Royal Assent, 516.

178.—*Joint Stock Piers and Wharves' Bill:—*

Brought up, 487. Read 1st time, 487. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 502. An amendment reported, 506. Read 1st time, 506. The amendment, 506. Read 2nd time and adopted, 506. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 511, 512. Agreed to by that House, 514. Royal Assent, 517.

179.—*Toronto General Hospital Bill:—*

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Widmer, 490. Read 1st time, 490. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 504. Amendments reported, 506. Read twice and adopted, 506. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 512. Amended by that House, 574. Amendments read 1st time, 574. The amendments, 574. Read 2nd time, adopted and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 580. Royal Assent, 647.

180.—*Great Cranberry Marsh Bill:—*

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Crooks, 491. Read 1st time, 491. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 512. Reported without amendment, 525. 3rd reading of the Bill discharged from the Orders of the Day, 529. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 530. Amended by that House, 561. Amendments read 1st time, 561. The amendments, 561. Read 2nd time adopted, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 564. Royal Assent, 647.

181.—*St. Antoine de la Baie Common Bill:—*

Brought up, 503. Read 1st time, 503. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 510. Reported without amendment, 511. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 511. Royal Assent, 517.

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182.—*St. Francis District Jurors' Lists Bill* :—

Brought up, 503. Read 1st time, 503. Read 2nd time, 504. Committed 505. Reported without amendment, 505. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 506. Royal Assent, 516.

183.—*Industry Village and Rawdan Rail-road Bill* :—

Brought up, 510. Read 1st time, 510. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 519. Amendments reported, 524. read 1st time, 524. The amendments, 531. Read 2nd time and adopted, 531. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 535. Agreed to by that House, 543. Royal Assent, 646.

184.—*Canadian Steam Navigation Company's Bill* :—

Brought up, 510. Read 1st time, 510. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 512. Reported without amendment, 513. Motion for reading the Bill a 3rd time instanter, 513. Motion in amendment, 513. Debated, 513. The same withdrawn by leave of the House, 513. Original question put and carried, 513. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 513, 514. Royal Assent, 517.

185.—*Perth and Kemptville Railway Bill* :—

Brought up, 514. Read 1st time, 514. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 525. Amendments reported, 535. Read 1st time, 535. The amendments, 540. Read 2nd time, and adopted, 540. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 540. Agreed to by that House, 556. Royal Assent, 646.

186.—*Institut Canadien Bill* :—

Brought up, 514. Read 1st time, 514. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 523. Reported without amendment, 525. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 525. Royal Assent, 646.

187.—*Grand River Navigation Bill* :—

Brought up, 514. Read 1st time, 514. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 525. Reported without amendment, 523.

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Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 528. Royal Assent, 646.

188.—*Grammar School Law Amendment Bill, (U. C.)* :—

Brought up, 514. Read 1st time, 514. Read 2nd time, 525. Committed, 525. Reported without amendment, 525. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 529. Royal Assent, 646.

189.—*Inoculation for Small Pox Prevention Bill* :—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Belleau, 525. Read 1st time, 525. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 532. Amendments reported, 538. Read twice and adopted, 538. 3rd reading of the Bill discharged from the Orders of the Day, 542. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 548. Agreed to by that House without amendment, 582. Royal Assent, 648.

190.—*Summary Convictions' Bill (U. C.)* :—

Brought up, 527. Read 1st time, 527. Read 2nd time, 529. Committed, 532. Reported without amendment, 532. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 535, 536. Royal Assent, 646.

191.—*Indictable Offences' Bill (U. C.)* :—

Brought up, 527. Read 1st time, 527. Read 2nd time, 529. Committed, 532. Reported without amendment, 532. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 535, 536. Royal Assent, 646.

192.—*Justices of the Peace protection Bill (U. C.)* :—

Brought up, 527. Read 1st time, 527. Read 2nd time, 529. Committed, 532. Reported without amendment, 533. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 535. Royal Assent, 646.

193.—*Mutual Insurance Law Amendment Bill* :—

Brought up, 533. Read 1st time, 533. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 536. Reported without amendment, 538. Bill

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read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 538.
Royal Assent, 646.

194.——*Prince Edward Railway Bill* :—

Brought up, 533. Read 1st time, 533. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 536. Amendments, reported 538. Read 1st time, 538. The amendments, 538. Read 2nd time, and adopted, 538. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 541. Agreed to by that House, 556. Royal Assent, 646.

195.——*Verrault's Toll Bridge Bill* :—

Brought up, 533. Read 1st time, 533. 2nd reading of the Bill discharged from the Orders of the Day, 540. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 542. Amendments reported, 549. Read 1st time, 549. The amendments, 549. Read 2nd time and adopted, 550. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 557. Agreed to by that House, 573. Royal Assent, 647.

196.——*East York Street, London, vesting Bill* :—

Brought up, 533. Read 1st time, 533. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 536. Reported without amendment, 541. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 541. Royal Assent, 646.

197.——*St. Maurice Iron Works' Bill* :—

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Walker, 535. Read 1st time, 535. read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 542. Amendments reported, 547. Read twice and adopted, 547. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 550. Amended by that House, 636. Amendments read 1st time, 636. The amendments, 636, 637, 638. Read 2nd time adopted and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 638. Royal Assent, 651.

198.——*Quebec Debt Consolidation Bill* :—

Brought in by Hon. Mr. Belleau, 539. Read 1st time, 539. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 548. Reported without amendment, 550. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the
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Assembly for concurrence, 558, Amended by that House, 586. Amendments read 1st time, 586. The amendments, 586. Read 2nd time, adopted and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 586. Royal Assent, 648.

199.—*Marmora Foundry Bill* :—

Brought in, by the Hon. Mr. J. Morris, 539. Read 1st time, 539. 56th Rule dispensed with, 542. Bill read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 542. Amendments reported 547. Read twice and adopted. 547. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 553. Amended by that House, 595. Amendment read 1st time, 595. The amendment, 595, 596, 597. Read 2nd time adopted, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 612. Royal Assent, 649.

200.—*Kingston and Pittsburg Township Law Bill* :—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. Taché, 548. Read 1st time, 548. Read 2nd time, 553. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 559. Agreed to by that House without amendment, 562. Royal Assent, 646.

201.—*Joint Stock Road Companies' Bill* :—

Brought up, 555. Read 1st time, 555. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 558. Amendments reported, 562. Read 1st time, 562. The amendments, 562. Read 2nd time and adopted, 562. Bill (as amended) Read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 563. Agreed to by that House, 582. Royal Assent, 647.

202.—*Upper Canada Mining Company's Bill* :—

Brought up, 556. Read 1st time, 556. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 558. Reported without amendment, 560. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 560. Royal Assent, 646.

203.—*Ryerse's Relief Bill* :—

Brought up, 556. Read 1st time, 556. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 558. Reported without amendment, 560. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 563. Royal Assent, 647.

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204.—*District Councils Rates and Taxes' Recovery Bill*:—

Brought up, 556. Read 1st time, 556. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 558. Amendments reported, 575. Read 1st time, 575. The Amendments, 575, 576. Read 2nd time and adopted, 576. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 578. Agreed to by that House, 583. Royal Assent, 648.

205.—*Leeds, Lanark, and Renfrew, Manufacturing Company's Bill*:—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. J. Morris, 560. Read 1st time, 560. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 564. Amendments reported, 570. Read twice and adopted, 570. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 586. Amended by that House, 593. Amendment read 1st time, 593. The amendment, 593. Read 2nd time adopted and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 593. Royal Assent, 648.

206.—*Patentees' Protection Bill*:—

Brought in, by the Hon. Mr. Belleau, 560. Read 1st time, 560. 2nd reading of the Bill discharged from the Orders of the Day, 591.

207.—*Sick Mariners' Act exemption Bill*:—

Brought up, 561. Read 1st time, 561. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 564. Reported without amendment, 575. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 575. Royal Assent, 647.

208.—*Assesment Bill (U. C.)*:—

Brought up, 564. Read 1st time, 564. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 571. Amendments reported, 585. Read 1st time, 585. Read 2nd time, and adopted, 591. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 593. Agreed to by that House, 595. Royal Assent, 648.

209.—*Law Aede Repeal Bill*:—

Brought up, 564. Read 1st time, 564. 46th Rule dispensed with for the remainder of the Session, 564. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 570. Reported without amendment, 573. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 573. Royal Assent, 647.

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210.—*Assembly's Independence Bill* :—

Brought up, 569. Read 1st time, 569. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time instant, 571. Objected to and debated, 571. Question put and carried, 571. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 571. A Member added thereto, 599. Reported without amendment, 603. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 604. Royal Assent, 648.

211.—*Woodstock and Lake Erie Railway and Harbour Bill* :—

Brought up, 570. Read 1st time, 570. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 571. Reported without amendment, 581. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 581. Royal Assent, 647.

212.—*St. Hyacinth Incorporation Bill* :—

Brought up, 570. Read 1st time, 570. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 572. Amendments reported, 583. Read 1st time, 583. Motion for considering the amendments, 583. Debated, 583. Motion in amendment for referring the Bill back to the same Committee in order to ascertain whether the Rules of the House have been complied with, 583. Question put and carried, 583. Their report, 589. Amendments considered, 590. The amendments, 590. Read 2nd time and adopted, 590. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 593. Amendments amended by that House, 638. Amendments of Assembly read 1st time, 638. The amendments, 638. Read 2nd time adopted, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 638, 639. Royal Assent, 649.

213.—*Supplementary School Act Bill* :

Brought up, 570. Read 1st time, 570. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time instant, 576. Objected to and debated, 576. Question put and carried, 576. Bill read 2nd time, 576. Committed, 576. Reported without amendment, 577. Order for 3rd reading read, 579. Motion for reading same a 3rd time instant, 579. Objected to, 579. Question put and carried, 579. Bill read 3rd time and passed, 579. Protest of the Honorable Messrs. W. Morris, Ferrie, Matheson, Macaulay and Boulton thereon, 579. Assembly acquainted of the passing of the Bill, 579. Royal Assent, 647.

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Brought up, 572. Read 1st time 572. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 579. Reported without amendment, 588. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 588. Royal Assent, 648.

215.—*Supply Bill, 1852* :—

Brought up, 572. Read 1st time, 572. Read 2nd time, 572. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 578. Royal Assent, 654.

216.—*Paris Hydraulic Company's Bill* :—

Brought up, 572. Read 1st time, 572. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 577. Reported without amendment, 581. Motion for dispensing with the 49th and 57th Rules of the House, 583. Debated, 583. Question put and carried 583. Bill read 3rd time passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 583. Royal Assent, 647.

217.—*Church Street London vesting Bill* :—

Brought up, 572. Read 1st time, 572. Read 2nd time, 572. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 576. Royal Assent, 647.

218.—*Game preservation Bill* :—

Brought up, 573. Read 1st time, 573. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 579. Reported without amendment, 588. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 588. Royal Assent, 648.

219.—*Hypothecs' Registration Bill* :—

Brought up, 577. Read 1st time, 577. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 580. An amendment reported, 588. Read 1st time, 589. Read 2nd time and adopted, 589. Motion for engrossing the amendment and reading the Bill a 3rd time instanter, 589. Objected to and debated, 589. Motion in amendment that the Bill be committed in order to be further amended, 589. Question put and carried, 589. Bill committed, 589. A further amendment reported, 589. Same read 1st time, 589. The further

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amendment, 589. Read 2nd time, 589. Motion for adopting the same, 589. Objected to, 589. Question put and carried, 589. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 593. Agreed to by that House, 610. Royal Assent, 650.

220.—*Pilots for and above the Harbour of Quebec incorporation Bill* :—

Brought up, 577. Read 1st time, 577. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 580. An amendment reported, 641. Read 1st time, 641. The amendment, 641. Read 2nd time and adopted, 641. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 645. Agreed to by that House, 645. Royal Assent, 652.

221.—*Standard Weight for Grain Bill* :—

Brought up, 577. Read 1st time, 577. Read 2nd time, 580. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 591. Royal Assent, 648.

222.—*Quebec Market Bill* :—

Brought up, 577. Read 1st time, 577. Read 2nd time, 579. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 579. Royal Assent, 647.

223.—*Vessels to carry a light during the night Bill* :—

Brought in by the Hon. Mr. J. Morris, 580. Read 1st time, 581. Read 2nd time, 591. Committed, 597. An amendment reported, 597. Read twice and adopted, 597. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 606. Amended by that House, 645. Amendments read 1st time, 645. The amendments, 645. Read 2nd time, adopted, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 645. Royal Assent, 652.

224.—*Foreign Judgments' Evidence Bill* :—

Brought up, 581. Read 1st time, 582. Read 2nd time, 593. Committed, 594. Reported without amendment, 594. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 606. Royal Assent, 651.

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225.—*Voters' Registration Bill*:—

Brought up, 582. Read 1st time, 582. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 594. Bill read 2nd time, 611. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 611. Royal Assent, 649.

226.—*Toronto Public Buildings' Bill*:—

Brought up, 582. Read 1st time, 582. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time instant, 582. Objected to, and debated, 582. Question put and carried, 582. Bill read a 2nd time, 582. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 591. Royal Assent, 648.

227.—*Excise Duties' Bill*:—

Brought up, 582. Read 1st time, 582. Read 2nd time, 594. Committed 594. Reported without amendment, 594. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 594. Royal Assent, 648.

228.—*Adventists' Privileges Bill*:—

Brought up, 583. Read 1st time, 583. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 594. Reported without amendment, 603. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 603. Royal Assent, 648.

229.—*Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Extension Bill*:—

Brought up, 587. Read 1st time, 587. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 587. Reported without amendment, 588. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 588. Royal Assent, 648.

230.—*Lands Sale and Settlement Bill*:—

Brought up, 592. Read 1st time, 592. Read 2nd time, 606. Committed, 606. Reported without amendment, 606. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 606. Royal Assent, 648.

231.—*Public Works' Bill*:—

Brought up, 592. Read 1st time, 592. Read 2nd time, 607. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 607. Royal Assent, 648.

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232.—*Cap Rouge Pier and Wharf Bill* :—

Brought up, 592. Read 1st time, 592. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 598. Reported without amendment, 601. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 601. Royal Assent, 648.

233.—*Board of School Examiners' Bill (L. C.)* :—

Brought up, 592. Read 1st time, 592. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 598. Reported without amendment, 604. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 604. Royal Assent, 648.

234.—*Joint Stock Timber Transmission Companies' Bill* :—

Brought up, 592. Read 1st time, 592. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 598. Reported without amendment, 604. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 604. Royal Assent, 648.

235.—*Toronto Metropolitan Gas and Water Bill* :—

Brought up, 592. Read 1st time, 592. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 597. Amendments reported 605. Motion for dispensing with the 49th Rule of the House, 605. Question put and carried, 605. Amendments read 1st time, 605. The amendments, 605. Read 2nd time and adopted, 606. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 613. Agreed to by that House, 628. Royal Assent, 650.

236.—*St. Hyacinth Parish Property Conveyance Bill* :—

Brought up, 592. Read 1st time, 593. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time instant, 607. Objected to, and debated, 607. Motion in amendment for reading the Bill a 2nd time in 3 months, 607. Debated and withdrawn, 607. Question put on the main motion and carried, 607. Bill read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 607. Reported without amendment, 634. Motion for reading the Bill a 3rd time in 3 months, 635. Objected to, 635. Question put and carried, 635.

237.—*Toronto Esplanade Bill* :—

Brought up, 593. Read 1st time, 593. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 607. Reported without amendment, 614. Bill

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read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 614. Royal Assent, 649.

238.—*Presbyterian Marriage Registers' Bill* :—

Brought up, 595. Read 1st time, 595. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 607. An amendment reported, 613. Read 1st time, 613. The amendment, 613. Read 2nd time, and adopted, 613. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 615. Agreed to by that House, 628. Royal Assent, 650.

239.—*Jurors' Summoning Bill, (L. C.)* :—

Brought up, 597. Read 1st time, 597. Read 2nd time, 612. Committed 612. An amendment reported, 612. Read 1st time, 613. The amendment, 613. Read 2nd time, and adopted, 613. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 615. Agreed to by that House, 628. Royal Assent, 650.

240.—*Yonge and Escott Townships' Division Bill* :—

Brought up, 597. Read 1st time, 597. Read 2nd time, 612. Committed, 612. Reported without amendment, 612. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 612. Royal Assent, 649.

241.—*Kamouraska and Gaspé Board of Notaries' Bill* :—

Brought up, 608. Read 1st time, 608. Read 2nd time, 624. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 624. Royal Assent, 649.

242.—*Registry Offices' Searches Bill* :—

Brought up, 608. Read 1st time, 608. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time instant, 614. Motion in amendment for reading the Bill a 2nd time in 3 months, 614. Debated, 614. Question put and carried, 614. Question on the main motion (as amended) put and carried, 614.

243.—*Quebec Sisters of Charity Bill* :—

Brought up, 608. Read 1st time, 608. Read 2nd time, 614. Committed, 614. Reported without amendment, 614. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 614. Royal Assent, 649.

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244.——*School Law Amendment Bill (L. C.)* :—

Brought up, 608. Read 1st time, 608. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 614. Amendments reported, 632. Read 1st time, 632. The amendments, 632. Read 2nd time and adopted, 632. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 635. Agreed to by that House, 644. Royal Assent, 651.

245.——*Real Property illegal detention Bill* :—

Brought up, 608. Read 1st time, 608. Read 2nd time, 615. Committed, 615. Reported without amendment, 615. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 615. Royal Assent, 649.

246.——*Agriculture Act amendment Bill* :—

Brought up, 608. Read 1st time, 608. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 615. Reported without amendment, 641. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 641. Royal Assent, 651.

247.——*Optional Commutation of Tenure Bill* :—

Brought up, 608. Read 1st time, 609. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time instant, 616. Motion in amendment for reading same a 2nd time in 3 months, 616. Objected to and debated, 616. Question put and negatived, 616. Main Motion put and carried, 616. Bill read 2nd time, 616. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 616. Royal Assent, 649.

248.——*St. Michel Ecclesiastical Society's Bill* :—

Brought up, 609. Read 1st time, 609. Read 2nd time, 616. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 616. Royal Assent, 649.

249.——*Joint Stock Manufacturing Companies' Bill* :—

Brought up, 609. Read 1st time, 609. Read 2nd time, 618. Committed, 618. An amendment reported, 618. Amendment read 1st time, 618. The amendment, 618. Read 2nd time and adopted, 618. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 619. Agreed to by that House, 639. Royal Assent, 651.

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250.—*Annual Returns to Government Bill*:—

Brought up, 609. Read 1st time, 609. Read 2nd time, 619. Committed, 619. Amendments reported, 619. read 1st time, 619. The amendments, 619, 620. Read 2nd time and adopted, 620. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 620. Agreed to by that House, 639. Royal Assent, 651.

251.—*Superior Courts' business distribution Bill*:—

Brought up, 609. Read 1st time, 609. Read 2nd time, 618. Committed, 618. Reported without amendment, 618. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 618. Royal Assent, 649.

252.—*Division Courts' Bill (U. C.)*:—

Brought up, 609. Read 1st time, 609. Read 2nd time, 618. Committed, 618. Reported without amendment, 619. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 619. Royal Assent, 649.

253.—*Civil Jurisdiction Bill*:—

Brought up, 609. Read 1st time, 609. Read 2nd time, 621. Committed, 621. Amendments reported, 621. Read 1st time, 621. The amendments, 621. Read 2nd time and adopted, 621. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 622. Agreed to by that House, 639. Royal Assent, 651.

254.—*Kamouraska and Ottawa General Session's Bill*:—

Brought up, 610. Read 1st time, 610. Read 2nd time, 621. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 621. Royal Assent, 649.

255.—*Aldborough Township Survery Bill*:—

Brought up, 610. Read 1st time, 610. Read 2nd time, 621. Committed, 621. Reported without amendment, 622. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 622. Royal Assent, 649.

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256.—*Toronto Lunatic Asylum Bill* :—

Brought up, 610. Read 1st time, 610. Read 2nd time, 622. Committed 622. Reported without amendment, 622. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 622. Royal Assent, 649.

257.—*Pot and Pearl Ashes' Inspection Bill* :—

Brought up, 610. Read 1st time, 610. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time instant, 623. Motion in amendment for reading the same a 2nd time in 3 months, 623. Question put and carried, 623.

258.—*Timber Measurement Bill* :—

Brought up, 610. Read 1st time, 610. Read 2nd time, 623. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 623. Royal Assent, 649.

259.—*Lessors and Lessees' Rights Bill* :—

Brought up, 610. Read 1st time, 610. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 623. Reported without amendment, 634. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 634. Royal Assent, 650.

260.—*Chartered Banks to issue Government Notes' Bill* :—

Brought up, 611. Read 1st time, 611. Read 2nd time, 623. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 623. Royal Assent, 649.

261.—*Debtors' Tools exemption Bill* :—

Brought up, 611. Read 1st time, 611. 2nd reading discharged from the Orders of the Day, 623. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time in 3 months, 634. Question put and carried, 634.

262.—*Acts' Continuation Bill* :—

Brought up, 624. Read 1st time, 624. Read 2nd time, 624. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 624. Royal Assent, 650.

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263.—*Municipal Laws' Amendment Bill*:—

Brought up, 624. Read 1st time, 624. Read 2nd time, 624. Committed, 636. Reported without amendment, 636. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 636. Royal Assent, 651.

264.—*Quebec and Trois-Pistoles Navigation Bill*:—

Brought up, 624. Read 1st time, 625. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 625. Reported without amendment, 631. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 632. Royal Assent, 650.

265.—*Hamilton Gas Light Bill*:—

Brought up, 625. Read 1st time, 625. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 625. An amendment reported, 635. Read 1st time, 635. The amendment, 635. Read 2nd time, and adopted, 635. Bill (as amended) read 3rd time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 639. Agreed to by that House, 644. Royal Assent, 651.

266.—*Officers of Justice Salaries for Fees Substitution Bill*:

Brought up, 625. Read 1st time, 625. Read 2nd time, 625. Committed, 635. Reported without amendment, 635. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 635. Royal Assent, 651.

267.—*Administration of Justice in unorganized tracts' Bill*:—

Brought up, 625. Read 1st time, 625. Read 2nd time, 625. Committed, 625. Reported without amendment, 636. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 636. Royal Assent, 651.

268.—*Use of Strychnine permission Bill*:—

Brought up, 626. Read 1st time, 626. Motion for reading the Bill a 2nd time, instant, 640. Question put and negatived, 640.

269.—*Intoxicating Liquors Sale near Public Works' Bill*:—

Brought up, 626. Read 1st time, 626. Read 2nd time, 639. Committed, 639. Reported without amendment, 639. Bill read 3rd time,

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passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 640. Royal Assent, 651.

270.—*Toronto Locomotive Company's Bill* :—

Brought up, 626. Read 1st time, 626. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 626. Reported without amendment, 633. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 633. Royal Assent, 650.

271.—*Monaghan Road Allowance Bill* :—

Brought up, 626. Read 1st time, 626. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 626. Reported without amendment, 634. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 634. Royal Assent, 650.

272.—*Voluntary Licitation Bill* :—

Brought up, 626. Read 1st time, 626. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 626. Reported without amendment, 631. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 631. Royal Assent, 650.

273.—*Quebec Turnpike Road Debentures' Bill* :—

Brought up, 627. Read 1st time, 627. Read 2nd time, 627. Committed, 640. Reported without amendment, 640. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 640. Royal Assent, 651.

274.—*Travellers on Highways' Protection Bill* :—

Brought up, 627. Read 1st time, 627. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 627. Reported without amendment, 631. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 631. Royal Assent, 650.

275.—*Halton and Wentworth Separation Bill* :—

Brought up, 627. Read 1st time, 627. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee with an instruction to ascertain whether the Rules relating to private Bills have been complied with, 627. Reported without amendment, 633. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 633. Royal Assent, 650.

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276.—*Marriage Law amendment Bill*:—

Brought up, 627. Read 1st time, 627. Read 2nd time, 627. Committed, 640. The committee rose without reporting, 640.

277.—*Canadian Loan Company's Bill*:—

Brought up, 628. Read 1st time, 628. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 628. Reported without amendment, 631. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 631. Royal Assent, 650.

278.—*Lots in Gore of Beverly Bill*:—

Brought up, 628. Read 1st time, 628. Read 2nd time, 628. Committed, 641. Reported without amendment, 641. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 641. Royal Assent, 652.

279.—*Writs of Prerogative Bill*:—

Brought up, 628. Read 1st time, 628. Read 2nd time, 640. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 640. Royal Assent, 651.

280.—*Additional Railway Clauses' Bill*:—

Brought up, 629. Read 1st time, 629. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 629. Reported without amendment, 630. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 630. Royal Assent, 650.

281.—*St. Roch's Roman Catholic Institute Bill*:—

Brought up, 629. Read 1st time, 629. Read 2nd time, 629. Reported without amendment, 632. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 632. Royal Assent, 650.

282.—*Maskinonge Common Bill*:—

Brought up, 629. Read 1st time, 629. Read 2nd time, and referred to a Select Committee, 629. Reported without amendment, 632. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 633. Royal Assent, 650.

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283.——*Court's of Review Bill* :—

Brought up, 629. Read 1st time, 629. Read 2nd time and referred to a Select Committee, 629. Reported without amendment, 633. Bill read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 633. Royal Assent, 650.

284.——*Municipal Councils' Railway Stock Bill* :—

Brought up, 642. Read 1st time, 642. Read 2nd time, 642. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 642. Royal Assent, 652.

285.——*Ferries Limits' Regulation Bill* :—

Brought up, 642. Read 1st time, 642. Read 2nd time, 642. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 642. Royal Assent, 652.

286.——*Desertion of Seamens' prevention Bill* :—

Brought up, 642. Read 1st time, 642. Read 2nd time, 642. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 642. Royal Assent, 651.

287.——*Quebec City Riots' Remedy Bill* :—

Brought up, 643. Read 1st time, 643. Read 2nd time, 643. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 643. Royal Assent, 651.

288.——*La Congrégation des Hommes de Ville Marie Bill* :—

Brought up, 643. Read 1st time, 643. Read 2nd time, 643. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 643. Royal Assent, 652.

289.——*Supply Bill for 1853* :—

Brought up, 643. Read 1st time, 643. Read 2nd time, 643. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 643. Royal Assent, 654.

290.——*Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill* :—

Brought up, 644. Read 1st time, 644. Read 2nd time, 644. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 644. Royal Assent, 652.

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291.—*Small Causes' Trial Bill* :—

Brought up, 644. Read 1st time, 644. Read 2nd time, 644. Read 3rd time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 644. Royal Assent, 652.

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